



The first half of the sailing season finished on the 16th of December with a number of races and events successfully completed. Many thanks to all those members who came along and undertook the race duties. With two safety boats on the water we need a minimum of four people each week to fill the rosta.

Junior racing has been well managed with Luke, Corey and Nathan looking after the juniors who turn up to sail each week.

Sailability continues to support disabled sailors with Juliet and Marty doing a great job, ably supported by Phil and Stephen.

With the Christmas break fast approaching I would like to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. I look forward to seeing all the sailors back on the water in 2024. We start again on Saturday January 13.

Norm Snell
Commodore
PBVC

The Committee, Jobs and Volunteers

This season has been a very busy one for your committee. It started with the development of the hardstand and boat bays. This involved the removal of a lot of rubbish and the construction of the boundary fence. 30 semi-trailer loads of roadbase were brought in and spread to complete the job. Several busy bees were well attended by committee members and volunteers, with a huge amount of work completed.

The work continues with a never ending list of repairs that is to be expected with the old facilities that we currently use. It is fantastic to see the way everyone on the committee steps up when a job needs to be done. With the break over Christmas this work will not stop as we have some urgent tasks to complete. We have placed an order for new polyurethane D fenders to to be put on the jetty and we need to lay irrigation in the new lawn area in the near future.

One of our volunteers; Geoff Forman has been mowing/maintaining the lawn for several years now and is no longer able to do this, due to other commitments. Many thanks Geoff for helping us out for so long. This is a job for anyone who can use a ride on.

Another club member; Adrian Caporale recently completed the Food Handling Certificate mandated by the Council and has been manning the Galley. Something we all appreciate after the sailing. Many thanks Adrian.

Sponsorship

Bendigo Bank - Halls Head recently gave the club a grant to purchase three new race buoys. These have been ordered and hopefully will be here around mid January. They will have the Bank logo on one side and PBVC flag on the other. Many thanks to the Bank and its staff for this support. They do a fantastic job supporting local clubs and businesses.



PBR&SC and PBVC

Something that causes confusion among new members is the relationship between the yacht club and the PBR&SC. PBVC is a sporting section of the main club. We have a degree of administrative and financial independence and we are represented on the Board of Management by the Commodore. Membership of PBVC is also membership of PBR&SC, which allows you to use all facilities.