

Port Bouvard Yacht Club Newsletter August 2022



Your committee has been hard at work during the off season to make sure that the coming sailing season will be successful. This is not possible without the active involvement of all club members. This season will be different with an increased number of sailing days and a roster of members to make sure that we meet the necessary safety and racing requirements. A major project undertaken has been the construction of the new jetty and the addition of a second ramp. Work is also underway on the construction of a floating jetty for the rescue boats and disability sailing. Many thanks to Mike Storey for driving this

Norm Snell

Commodore

Busy Bee

The yacht club will hold a Busy Bee on the 8th of October starting at 9.00AM. This will be followed by a sausage sizzle. There are a number of important jobs that need to be done and we would like all members to be present. Useful items to bring would include

Pruning saws/chainsaw

Shovels/rakes/brooms/gloves

Wheelbarrows

For further information please contact on

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Roster

The sailing calendar and roster will be sent to all members. You need to carefully check this to see when you are rostered on. This is to make sure a start boat and a safety boat are available on race days. Your attendance will be from 12.00 to 4.00PM on the nominated day



Opening Day 15th October 2022

The opening day this year will commence at 12.00 with the formalities at 12.30PM. It is hoped that it will be attended by the PBR&SC patron - Lisa Munday. Those sailors wishing to race in the Opening Day event are advised to have their boats rigged and ready to go prior to the proceedings. Sailors are also requested to park their cars and trailers on the gravel parking area in order to keep the grassed area clear. This will allow invited guests the opportunity to inspect some of the different classes sailed at PBYC.



Racing fees

In previous years members have paid \$10 every time they race. This charge has been to cover fuel and servicing of the start and safety boats. This year you have a choice. You can pay \$10 per race or \$100 upfront to cover the whole season. There are 19 sailing days this season. Your decision to choose either method of payment needs to be made by the 22nd of October, the date for the first race of the consistency series.

A new clubhouse.

Over the years there have been numerous proposals regarding the construction of a purpose built clubhouse. Some members may not be aware that the land we operate on is a shared site with John Tonkin College and the site is occupied under a council controlled lease.

Several years ago the lease was renegotiated. Fifteen metres of the foreshore above the high water mark was taken back by the council. To compensate, the lease area was expanded by twenty metres to the rear and twenty to the south. One clubhouse proposal is to work towards constructing a multi-use building on the southern part of the lease area. Gaining approvals and funding will take some time. Part of the fees raised from membership is being set aside as a building fund towards this project. You will be kept updated on the progress of this important undertaking.