



# PAC News

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## May 2015

### CLUB EVENT DATES – PLEASE MARK YOUR DIARY

Annual General Meeting (AGM) Friday 17th July

Slip Operator Certification course Saturday 12th September

Club Work Bee Saturday 24th October

Pittwater Sailors Christmas Party Sunday 6th December

Club Christmas Party Sunday 13th December

### Members Book

Your contact and boat vessel details for the PAC Members Book will be distributed by email, later this week, for members to check and confirm back if a change is required. Please do this by reply email immediately on receipt. Edits close 26th May.

### Members Book Cover Competition

Congratulations to Lee Dunford (Member Rick Murray's son in law) on winning the trip for two on the James Craig for designing the winning entry for the Members Book Cover. Our thanks to Peter Cole for arranging this prize. Cavan Lenaghan was a close second and has won a free workberth day

### New Members

Welcome to the following New Members inducted in April and May

Mathew Liston

Roger Gray

Gregory Starr

Graham Weir

Trevor Long

Simon King

Nicholas Mason

Jason Arruzza

### Slip and Work berth bookings

There have been several instances where a boat has been on the slip or in a work berth whilst these spots were actually booked for another Member's vessel. This has come about because the Member who was not booked merely asked another Member or slip operator if the spot was free and were advised "yes the spot is free" However this was not followed up by the Member to actually book the spot on the website 'slip and work berth booking' page. Had they in fact tried to do this they would soon have realised it was already booked. The consequence was considerable inconvenience to all concerned. Please ensure your use of these facilities is booked on the applicable page on the website.

## Make your Casual facility fee payment by EFT

You are encouraged to pay for your work berth or extra slip days if approved by the slip master, by EFT instead of scraping together your shrapnel and placing it into the Casual Revenue Envelope.

When you use the work berth or have extra days on the slip and pay for this by electronic transfer, which the Treasurer encourages, you are still required to complete the Casual Revenue Envelope (which can be found in the slip booking room) and insert this into the office door slot upstairs in the Clubhouse. This is essential to provide the necessary details to match to the slipping and work berth register and to your payment into the Club's bank account.

## Slip #1 repairs and Passwords

The #1 slip will be being strengthened and regalvanised on 13<sup>th</sup> June and be out of action for about 2 weeks. On the subject of the slips the username and password changed for the 2015/16 season this applies to slips and work berth. Boat owners who would use these facilities were sent the new username and password on a pink slip with their boat and parking stickers. If you did not record it and need the new access codes please email the Club and you will be advised.

## Slip # 3 in action

Currently there is a wooden sailing vessel in the area referred to as Slip 3 This cradle is available for use by any member. If you have a vessel that may require extended period out of the water for maintenance please consider. Current vessel is 28' Daydream displacement 3.8t. A crane was required to move the vessel from Slip 2 to the Slip 3 cradle.



## Special offer available to PAC Members

Member Ken Bullen and his family, owners of KB Marine at North Narrabeen – and a supporter of the PAC, have suffered substantial damage during the recent storms including wall collapses as seen on national television.



Miraculously, no one was injured but due to space limitations as the rebuilding works

commence, are selling all their display boats, engines and trailers AT COST.



For details of the boats on sale please go to: [www.kbmarine.com.au](http://www.kbmarine.com.au) or call Ken on 9913 3522 should you have any queries.

## Did you know?

Pittwater was discovered by Governor Phillip within six weeks of the arrival of the first fleet on 26<sup>th</sup> January 1788. A journal of that event states;

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. Fresh Gales with rain. Temp 74 deg.

Proceeded up the S. Branch (of Broken Bay) called at a Cove about 3 miles this branch up on the east side (probably Careel Bay), and then spent all day examining this branch which Phillip described later as “The finest piece of water that I ever saw”, and called it Pitt Water after William Pitt the Younger, who was Prime Minister of England from 1783 to 1801 and thus head of administration which founded the Colony.

## A Future Perspective

Considering what our Co-op might look like in 20 years' time would need a mystical crystal ball, however some things are quite obvious. We have put together a list of projects (large and small) that we consider relevant to maintaining and improving the PAC infrastructure and preparing the club for next 20 years. This list is not exhaustive and certainly not concrete. Your opinion as a co-operative owner of the infrastructure is important to all, so please take some time to consider the list, think about what might be very important and less important. If you feel we need to add something to the list for consideration then let us know. Here are our thoughts, not in any specific order:

- Remediation of the PAC's Southern Sea Wall

- Marina Facility Options

- Marina Repairs

- Maintenance and upgrades to the Number 1 Slipway

- Extension to the Ramp to reduce the effects of the tides on use

- Painting the external walls of Clubhouse

- Rules Review

- Information Technology Upgrade

- Membership Database

- Access Systems

- Financial Systems

- Maintenance and upgrades to Slipway number 2

- Winch repairs and maintenance

- Dredging of the Marina

These projects need to be prioritised and costed, some of these are mandatory and others will simply make life better at the PAC. Your thoughts would be appreciated.

## PAC Mission Statement

A workshop was held on April 28<sup>th</sup> to develop a first cut at a PAC mission statement. The workshop was attended by a number of PAC members including life members and facilitated by Noel Phelan. The purpose of the workshop was to develop a document that would catch the attention of all PAC members and have them think about their club and how it should operate.

A draft has been sent back to the workshop members for their comment and is below for your review and comments as well. Please send your comments to [noelphelan@bigpond.com](mailto:noelphelan@bigpond.com)

### **PAC MISSION STATEMENT**

To provide cost effective facilities, services and companionship to members that meet their boating and personal needs now and in the future in a unique DIY environment. This will be achieved by members volunteering and working in a not for profit co-operative association organisation.

## **PAC CULTURE**

The following describes the PAC culture. How we do things at PAC and what we expect of each other.

We as members of PAC strive to achieve the following

- Governance of our members by our members for our members
- Uphold and comply with the principles of honesty, fairness and integrity
- Comply with our constitution and by-laws including those of our local community
- Foster and enjoy camaraderie and goodwill
- Team work and shared leadership
- Friendly open honest communication
- Volunteering to participate in club activities and fill positions in PAC.
- Show respect for the personal rights and opinions of others
- Willingness to help other members
- Willingness to share knowledge and skills with other members
- Safe boating practices
- A safe work environment for all
- Good sportsmanship when boating
- Willingness to accept change
- A positive image of PAC and not bring the club into disrepute

## **PAC CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS**

The following are recognised as being key to the successful achievement of the PAC mission.

### **LEADERSHIP**

- Develop future PAC plans in an open and consultative manner
- Keep members informed and engaged with the plans and regular updates on progress
- Promote the club and its facilities to members
- Organise a variety of enjoyable entertaining social events so members can meet each other
- Promote the club as a safe, responsible and respected organisation
- Afford the opportunity to include all members in the decisions that impact on the running of the Club

### **MEMBER FOCUS**

- Gain a good understanding of all our members boating needs
- Encourage open communication
- Encourage all our members to share knowledge and skills
- Provide social occasions where our members can meet each other
- Keep our members informed with regular newsletters

### **BUSINESS FOCUS**

Ensure facilities and services are cost effective, meet member needs and use Appropriate technology.

### **ENVIRONMENT AWARENESS**

Maintain an awareness of the environment and take action to minimize any impact on the environment. Ensure compliance with regulations and requirements.