



PAC Journal

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It is not that life ashore is distasteful to me. But life at sea is better.

-Sir Francis Drake, Sea Captain

What's Launching?

Well it hasn't happened yet but we'd like to receive some letters to the editor. Not long ones, because this editor has a very short concentration span, but matters of interest, ideas, experiences, suggestions or complaints. Make this your forum where you can exchange your views with your fellow members. Please email your contributions to paqclub@tpg.com.au and we'll print as many as we can.

What's On The Horizon?

Events for your diary:

✚ Basin Picnic	Saturday-Sunday 12-13 th March 2016
✚ New members induction day	Saturday 30 th April 2016
✚ AGM July 2016	(date to be announced)
✚ Slip Operators Certification	Saturday 10 th September 2016
✚ Flotsam and jetsam sale in the PAC car park	Saturday 10 th September 2016
✚ Annual working bee.	Sunday 15 th October 2016
✚ Pittwater Sailors Christmas Party	Sunday 4 th December 2016
✚ PAC Christmas Party	Sunday 11 th December 2016

What's Under Way?

New PAC website goes live.

New web address and click to access:

www.paclub.com.au

You may need to update or add this to your 'Bookmarks'. Ron has provided a step by step guide to the new website [click here](#) to read. Please review the new website where the Clubs web pages and the Booking System come together.

Thanks to Kevin Lacey for the great photos and the many members that have already looked and sent their positive feedback.

What's Been Happening?

Results of Special General Meeting

There was a lot to cover at the well-attended half year general meeting, with ex-president and life member Alan Robertson also in attendance. The directors gave there half yearly reports and notable comments included:

- ✚ There were no unexpected expenses this year,
- ✚ Slip 1 cradle has been overhauled
- ✚ The waste collection system has been improved
- ✚ The new 'booking system' is working well and has provided stats previously not available and are published below for information of members
- ✚ The new club website is now running www.paclub.com.au
- ✚ Announcement of the revamp of PAC Newsletter to the PAC Journal
- ✚ Thanks to members for work completed at working bee
- ✚ Compilation and ultimate success of PAC Members Handbook

Booking System statistics:

Slip No	No of available days	No of booked days	% of available days	No of unique vessels
1	254	195	77%	75
2	274	149	54%	40
Work Berth				
Inner	272	91	33%	24
Outer	270	167	62%	48
No of days both berths booked		88		

The Membership Fees and Facility charges were advised, as communicated in the previous PAC Journal, along with the update that there has been no changes to the Clubs By-laws. Chris did go on to explain that the board is currently doing a review of the By-laws, for the implementation of the new electronic PAC Booking System which replaces the old registers in the slip room and these updates will be announced shortly and any further changes will be dependent on the adoption of the new CNL rules.

There were no member resolutions before the meeting so the next business was the updating of members on the Marina and Club Rules.

Robert McCotter and Richard Steel presented on the Marina committee's progress noting the goal of the committee since being formed was to return to the members with a more accurate costing of the project. The goal **was not** to define the design or to select the material of construction. The committee put together a conceptual design that fits 20 boats into the available permissive occupancy licensed area. The ultimate design layout of the pontoons will not materially change the overall pricing of these quotes received allowing for any design the

members decide. The Marina committee presentation was outlined in an email by Chris Kavanagh – President sent to all members. Approximately 30% of the membership base had responded at the time of going to print with over 91% in support of continuing forward with this project. A clear mandate to the Board.

Casey Van Dyke updated the meeting on the progress of the transition from the Registrar's template to a set of Rules under the CNL for the Club. The third draft has been distributed and member's comments and questions up to the second draft have been responded to by the time of the meeting. A minority at the meeting, who did not see a need for the Rules to change, were given a clear message by the majority that the Club needs to move forward and prepare the Rules on which the Members will be asked to vote.

Thanks also go to June Wilson for her help in preparing the tremendous spread at the end of the meeting.

Oil Pollution

The lowest act of an unidentified person was to not only dump oil in the waste system at the Club but to repeat this again 12 days later, after notice had been sent to all members about how the Water Treatment System at the Club is not designed to handle oil, and requires many hours of filthy work to clean tanks pipes, pumps and valves. If you have any information identifying this person please send an email to the Secretary or leave such information in the office door at the Club and the Committee will follow through.

Just in case any Member did not know, no bilge water or fluids are to be dumped on the Clubs site. Refer By-law 5A.

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Have you read and understood this change.

It is your responsibility to update the Club for changes in your vessel's detail, insurance or ownership by completing an MVD form available from the Clubs website. This year if your vessel has had NO CHANGE to any of these details DO NOT SEND IN an MVD Form.

Your New look PAC Journal

As mentioned in the January PAC Journal we are looking for interesting articles from members to publish. This month Michael Hyland has written an article about his boat building experience with some great photos. [Click here](#) to read Michael's article.