



PAC Journal

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On the Trans-Atlantic Single-handed Race Mr Owen Smithers has been disqualified for using both hands.

- Heikki Luoma

What's Launching?

It's that time of year when we will all be delighted to launch some new members into the privileged PAC membership waters. See below for induction dates. All members who nominated or proposed a new applicant attending these intakes will get an invite to attend and welcome their nominee as a new member. This session is also open to any other members who would like to attend. The only condition is you advise the Secretary paqclub@tpg.com.au if you plan to attend for catering reasons.

Noel Phelan will be giving a talk on HMAS Melbourne at 7:30pm on Thursday 5th May please RSVP to paqclub@tpg.com.au by the 3rd May so some catering numbers can be known.

What's On The Horizon?

Events for your diary:

✚ New members induction day	10.00 am Saturday 30 th April 2016
✚ HMAS Melbourne talk by Noel Phelan	7.30 pm Thursday 5 th May 2016
✚ 2 nd Induction of new members	10.00 am Saturday 14 th May 2016
✚ Midget Submarine talk by Noel Phelan	7.30 pm Thursday 2 nd June 2016
✚ AGM Jul/Aug 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?

Thanks to the members that have sent in their feedback on the 4th Draft of the new CNL Rules. A new version of the Rules will be available shortly from the clubs website www.paclub.com.au

With only comments being received which generated no changes to the draft CNL rules the board believes that the member input period is coming to a conclusion. This six month period of

comments from members has been very productive and the board would like to thank those members for their time and effort in understanding the issues and spending the time to pen their comments. If you have not taken the opportunity to raise any comments or questions now is the time, please get these to the Secretary prior to the 14th May 2016 the close date for feedback on 5th draft of the CNL Rules.

The following link has further information on what has changed on the CNL Rules from the first draft to the latest draft - [click here](#)

With the adoption of the CNL Rules there are simultaneous changes required to the By-laws of the Club. The reason for this is previously there were By-law matters included in the Clubs Rules which now need to be included in the By-laws. By-laws relate to the day to day running of the Co-operative and not to matters that are common to all co-operatives (these are included in the Rules).

Opportunities

While the yard is currently full, Noel Phelan has announced that new spaces will become available in the short term. There are also currently Dinghy and Runabout spaces available. To apply please send an email to the Secretary paqclub@tpg.com.au

What's Been Happening?

PAC Annual Basin Picnic - Some Photos





And a jolly good time was had by all.

Having trouble finding a slip operator?

In recent newsletters we have requested volunteers to step up and become slip operators. Following Brian Hunter moving North we only have four operators who can do lifts between Monday and Friday. This has led to some members finding it quite difficult to find an operator as well putting a high load on to the very few volunteer operators.

Our Club is very well endowed with many tradesmen and others very capable of learning the routine and qualifying as slip operators. We need some of these to step forward if we are to provide good access to the slips through a volunteer function. If you may be available occasionally or have a scheduled day off or perhaps only work half days or maybe nearing retirement consider stepping forward.

If you have you thought of becoming a slip operator and are not sure what is involved or how to achieve accreditation please contact Richard Steel on 0408 164 336.

Stop Press!!!

Our roving reporter, Casey Van Dyke has made an amazing discovery which will be well received by all members. Casey reports that our mates at Maritime have installed 2 pink public moorings, each 15 tonne capacity in Morning Bay. They are close to the jetty on the southern side of the bay. He found, late in an April afternoon, moored on one of the PAC moorings in Towlers that he was suddenly in the shade and getting as chilled as his glass of chardonnay. Well, our hawk-eyed correspondent had spotted something pink, glistening in the sun over on the south side. He chucked off his mooring line and in no time at all Dorado was secure on one of the pristine new public moorings. At last report he had shed his thermals and was kicked back, draining his chardonnay bottle in the afternoon sun. The hunt is now on for more Pittwater public moorings.

Club Stickers

Club stickers for the 2016/17 season are being distributed as you read this Newsletter. The smaller stickers, which every member receives two of, are to be displayed on Member vehicles when using the club parking area and the larger sticker, sent to Members with completed MVD Forms, are to be displayed on the Member's vessel. If you do not receive your stickers in the next two weeks or have a query please contact Ian at pactreasurer@tpg.com.au

February Special General Meeting

In last month's PAC Journal, available from the Clubs website, was a report on the happenings at the recent special general meeting of members. The minutes of this February SGM can now be viewed on the club's website www.paclub.com.au under the drop down menu Co-op.

Membership Renewal

At the end of March, when all Membership Fees are due, 34 Members (2015: 43 Members) were not financial out of approximately 400. At the close of the books, when sent to the auditor, 1 Member (2015: 10 Members) was still not financial and they were advised that their membership could be cancelled at the next board meeting. Non-payment of Fees by 1 April each year results in an inactive membership status. If the Board fails to diligently cancel an inactive membership, under the Co-operative National Law a penalty of up to \$2,000 could apply. The Treasurer would like to thank the Members who paid by the due date and especially those who paid by EFT.

Member Contributions

As mentioned, when launching the new look PAC Journal, we are looking for any practical tips you may like to pass on, outstanding boating experiences or interesting articles to publish. This month following on from Michael's articles on how to build a boat, this month Casey Van Dyke is giving us his story about a small maintenance matter that had 'oily' consequences. [Click here](#) to read

Selected also for publication this month is an article identified by Lance Dias FREELANCE on fixing your position without a GPS. [Click here](#) to read.