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What's on the Horizon?

Events for your diary:

31st March 2019 Annual subscriptions due

TBA PAC Annual General Meeting

7th September 2019 PAC Slip Operators Certification

26th October 2019 PAC working bee

1st December 2019 Pittwater Sailors Christmas Party

8th December 2019 PAC Christmas Party

Annual Subscriptions

Annual Subscription Invoices were sent out by the new or upgraded database. This new system is still undergoing development and this module of the new database was accelerated to enable the membership invoicing for the 2019/20 season. There are still some improvements to be made to this module but it has delivered great time savings in the generation of data and sending of the invoices to members. Annual subscriptions were due for payment before 31st March. Members who have not paid would have received a reminder.

The change this year was to move away from the membership number and members surname as the reference for you payment to a four digit invoice number. All members are encouraged just to place these four digits in the reference field [for example '1234'] then the system can automatically allocate the deposit to the members invoice. Please do not use 'INV 1234' "Ref 1234" "No 1234" and there is now no need to include your Surname or Member Number.

By-law - Use of PAC Work Berths

Some members are not aware of the By-Laws covering the use of the Work Berths. It is recommended that members wanting to use the work berth read the by-Laws. [www.paclub.com.au/Co-op/PAC By-Laws](http://www.paclub.com.au/Co-op/PAC%20By-Laws)

PART OF BY-LAW NO. 13A - WORK BERTHS

- Either berth can only be booked for a maximum of two (2) days at any one time.
- The work berth day is from 8:00 am and 5:00 pm.
- If you choose to stay overnight, you must vacate the berth by 7.30am at the latest or you will be charged another day.
- No Member is to book more than one weekend per month on the work berths.

This is to ensure that all members can get a booking and to be fair to all members.

Note! If a boat has been on the work berth for two days and on the last day, there are no bookings for the following two days they may be booked. Please make a note of the date when the new web booking was made, on the booking form after the length of the boat.

If a member has a special project and require more than two days, please send an email to the club outlining the project and seeking permission.

Payment envelopes are located in the slip office. Fill in the envelope, place the money in the envelope and deposit in the upstairs office letterbox. If you pay by EFT, you must still fill out an envelope. These envelopes become part of the financial records of the club.

**IF YOU USE THE WORK BERTH YOU MUST FILL IN A CASUAL REVENUE ENVELOPE
AND PLACE IT IN THE UPSTAIRS OFFICE LETTERBOX**

Induction of New Members

On Saturday 30th March 15 new members were inducted into the club. They were: -

Simon Bellamy, Bruce Graeme, Mick Calleja, Chris Carnie, Bruce Channon,
Michael Cocks, Matthew Cudmore, Tim Fletcher, Richard Horne, Allan Kilby, Adrian Lombardo,
Scot Mayjor, Brad Trembath, James Vaughn, Malcolm Weldon.

On Saturday 6th April 2 more new members will be inducted. Peter Barry and Les Brumby.

If you see a boat on the water with a bright new burgee give them a friendly wave as they could be one of the new members. It will make them feel welcome.

Trolleys

We lost one of our loading trolleys. It went missing recently on a windy day. It was probably left on a wharf after loading a boat and a gust of wind blew it into the water then drifted away and sank. If you use the trolleys for loading, please take them back to their place outside the slip kitchen.

Survey

This year's Picnic at the Basin was abandoned due to lack of numbers.

At the last Directors meeting it was proposed that a survey should be carried out to determine what activities members would like to participate in.

A number of functions and talks are held at the Clubhouse during the year which may or may not be of interest to members. We require your feedback so the proposed social committee has some direction. Some suggestions already received include the following

Mark your choice and return this page to the club's email address.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Boat Maintenance workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> Christmas in July Dinner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exercise Class | <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic in the Clubhouse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yoga Class | <input type="checkbox"/> Card Nights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dancing Lessons | <input type="checkbox"/> Movie Nights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VHF & UHF Radio Class | <input type="checkbox"/> Beer and Prawn Nights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Aid | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Speaking workshop - |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking / BBQ workshop | Toastmasters |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening Workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> How to Catch Fish Workshop? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> Book Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Issues Workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> Garage Boot Sale |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bereavement Workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> Philanthropy |

Please feel free to submit any ideas that you might have in relation to activities of interest.

Some of these activities will need help. If you can run a lecture or other activity reply to this email/PAC Journal. The results of this Survey will be communicated in a later PAC Journal.

President's Letters

All members should be aware that it is outside a Directors authority to send any correspondence to the membership base without the approval of the Board. The Board would like to make sure that all members understand that the recent emails from Casey Van Dyke were not approved by the Board. The Board is very disappointed in the President's actions and misuse of the clubs database information for his own use and propagation of statements which are being put to the independent expert to be investigated. This use of the President's position and of Club information are a breach of the Presidents duties as a director under the law and demonstrates the fundamental issue as to why the President cannot be the Chairman of the Board.

The Board has advised all members as to the steps that are currently being employed, namely the appointment of an independent expert to investigate and report on the Presidents purported allegations and for this independent report to be distributed to all members.

Any comment by any Board member prior to the independent report does nothing but undermine this process, and is why the Board is unable to comment further at this time. In the interim we ask all members to remain independent and keep an open mind until the independent report is received and this information is shared.

SGM

By now you would have received two updates from the Board on the events that occurred at the SGM and what action your Board has taken against the invalid “member committee” and their associates. As explained in this correspondence this is a very busy time for the Board with the end of year, new member inductions, allocation of club waitlisted facilities all occurring at this time along with the normal operations of the Club. The Board is also currently working to engage and receive the independent experts report on the Chairman’s purported allegations and on receipt this will be forwarded to all members and also on preparation of the notice of general meeting. Your Board is ensuring that the Rules of the Club are enforced and the invalid “member committee” has ignored these Rules in its establishment and operations..

The Secretary and other board members would like to advise members that as a volunteer organisation your Board meets monthly and it is only at these monthly meetings where matters outside of a Directors portfolio can be dealt with before a full response is received. Please be aware of this timing when sending non-portfolio requests to the Secretary. After the recent correspondence to all members was sent the majority of the Board is encouraged to understand and receive the written support from the members. Thank you for your correspondence.

SGM Minutes

The Minutes of the SGM were prepared by the Secretary on the 6 March 2019. The minutes of the SGM will shortly be loaded onto the clubs website.

Procedurally, the business of the GM is announce and adopted at and by the meeting respectively. After the business of the meeting is completed there is a chance for open discussion on any matter. This part of the meeting, ‘other business’ allows members to raise a concern or issue and if supported by the majority of members present would usually result in an action on the Board to investigate and report back to the members. This is referred to as ‘Matters Arising’ from the meeting. There is no opportunity at this time in the meeting to propose or vote on any resolution, as it is not in the Notice of Meeting.

The board has received correspondence from a small group of members associated with and or supporting the invalid “member committee” who believe there was a resolution passed at the meeting during other business and that this needs to be recorded in the minutes. The minutes do not reflect this for the following reasons:

- The purported resolution was never circulated to all members in the notice of meeting – a procedure described in the recent letter from the Vice President to all members
- The Chair of the meeting was the President and this responsibility was never handed to any other member present at the meeting.
- The Chair and all other Directors present were excluded from the member discussion and purported vote on the purported resolution....so it became a discussion between members and not part of the meeting.
- The Chair of the meeting never announced to the meeting was there a seconder, or received a seconder to the purported resolution
- The Chair of the meeting never opened the purported resolution put for discussion
- The Chair of the meeting never put the purported resolution to the meeting for a vote
- The Chair of the meeting never declared if the purported resolution had passed or failed.

In addition, to the purported resolution not having been given proper notice, it is for the Secretary to record what resolutions are put to the meeting as announced by the Chair and as the Chair never announced any resolution there is nothing to record.

Board Vacancy

At this time there is a vacancy on the Board. Probably not the best time to be requesting nominations, but if you feel you could contribute and assist your Club by being responsible for one of the many portfolio directors are delegated and or you would like more information about what it means to be a director please contact the Secretary at paqclub@tpg.com.au