



PAC Journal

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There are three things, young gentlemen, which you are constantly to bear in mind. Firstly, you must always implicitly obey orders, without attempting to form any opinion of your own respecting their propriety. Secondly, you must consider every man your enemy who speaks ill of your king; and thirdly, you must hate a Frenchman, as you do the devil.

(Lord) Horatio Nelson

What's On The Horizon?

Events for your diary:

- ✚ Pittwater Sailors Christmas Party
- ✚ PAC Christmas Party

Sunday 4th December 2016

Sunday 11th December 2016

PAC Christmas Party



I eschew fame and notoriety. I never make a public spectacle of myself. Drunkenness and debauchery are anathema to me. I am a peaceful man. Ah! But then dear friends! I went to the PAC Christmas Party last year. The judge said that laws were made for people like me. I cannot remember my naked pas de deux on the front steps of the Mona Vale library, or beating the policeman with an inflatable fender.

Yes! I suppose I'll be there at the Christmas party again this year. It's on Sunday 11th December at the PAC club room from 12.30 pm 'till 3.00 pm. As usual the food will be superb and plentiful as will the refreshments but ensure you have a dedicated driver.

And, my good behaviour bond just finished. So maybe I'll see you there! Any resemblance to any PAC member, past or present is a miracle.

Anon.

Please be sure to book by emailing your name and the names of your guests to: winnererramy@gmail.com

Thank You for Your Participation

Approval of Expenditure Results

Thank you to the members who responded by the cut-off date on the request for the Board to spend funds on the replacement of the chain wire fence on the border of the boat storage yard.

The Axis Quote of \$12,045.00 was approved by members with the final vote count being 203 Yes and 1 Informal. This contractor has now been engaged.

NSW Maritime Boating Handbook

In 1975 when I moved to Sydney from Melbourne I had to obtain a NSW boating licence. At that time boating licences were not required in Victoria. I obtained a boating handbook from NSW Maritime which was about 30 pages, did a course with Dad's Army and passed my test. How things have changed! You can download a current NSW Boating Handbook from: <http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/maritime/licence/boating-handbook.pdf> which is 120 pages long and contains a massive amount of detailed information on what you can and can't do on the water. I would expect that just about every member of PAC would have a licence but there does seem to be some uncertainty as to what the requirements are. It's easy; anybody who drives a boat at over 10 knots must have a licence as must everybody who drives a PWC (at any speed).

The following applies to boat registration:

A person must be at least 16 years of age to register a vessel in NSW. The following vessels must be registered in NSW when used on NSW navigable waters:

- Power-driven vessels with an engine of power rating 4.0 kilowatt (kw) or more (as a guide, 4.0 kw is approximately 5 horsepower)
- Any power-driven or sailing vessel 5.5 metres or longer
- Every vessel subject to a mooring licence or marina berth
- PWC.

At risk of being boring I suggest taking a look at the current Boating Handbook online.

Club By-laws

One of the roles expected of the Board by the members is that the Rules of the Club are being followed by its members and the Board has a responsibility to continue to educate members on the Rules. The Board does from time to time write or contact members for breaches of Rules but it must be said that the majority of members do practice the Rules.

This Journal and the previous PAC Newsletter has had a dedicated section to remind members about a Rule. This month the By-law being focused on is Slip days.

There has always been an unwritten By-law that there was a limit of 2 days on the No. 1 Slip during the months of September to December. This used to be written on the top of each of the paper sheets in the Booking Room when the paper booking system was in use. With the change to the electronic PAC Booking System this message now appears on the Home Page to the PAC Booking System and also on the individual months when the members make a booking.

If extra days are required during this period, the peak usage period by members, agreement should be sought from the Slip Master at paqclub@tpg.com.au The Board does monitor the PAC Booking System for irregularities in bookings like this and contacts the member where required. The Board is also currently reviewing the wording of By-law 3 Slip Days to include this practice.

CNL – Update.

The Club has received the approval of the Registrar, with one addition – refer below, to now put the new Rules to the Members to vote on whether to adopt these new rules or not. The Board now needs to meet and draft the resolution to members and then circulate the Notice of Meeting. Please send any questions to the Secretary paqclub@tpg.com.au

The change, highlighted in the below rule, focused on the Active Membership Provision Requirement in Clause 4(2). This was to cover not only the year a member joined but the ongoing process of membership renewal on an annual basis. The Board agrees with this change.

(2) Active membership requirements

*A member must pay the regular subscription to establish **and maintain** active membership of the co-operative, but a member who is a life member shall be deemed to be an active member without payment of such fee.*

As with all the previous drafts if you have any comments or feedback please send an email to the Secretary at paqclub@tpg.com.au This link [click here](#) takes you to the Clubs website and under 'Co-op' 'Club Rules – CNL' you will find the Final Draft of the Club Rules – CNL which will be presented to members for resolution

Member's Contributions:

Steve O'Brien sent in this gripping yarn that will be evocative if not downright bloody scary to any yachtsman. Take heed guys and gals! Please [click on this link](#).

