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What's been happening in our Club?

Sail for Cancer Sunday 11 March 2018 - BarbeCURE

I'm still in awe when I reflect on the **Club's Annual Fundraising Day**. A new format was supported by the committee and it could not have produced a more effective outcome. Boating, socialising and everybody having a wonderful time. I can abbreviate the day to FES

***** FUN *** EFFECTIVE *** SIMPLE *****

Being on the water, cooking sausages for lunch; people moving between the ten boats rafted up; children and adults swimming and lots of eating, with the occasional drink to wash it down.

What's more the Club was able to gift **\$25,000**, approximately **500 hours of Cancer research to Cure Cancer Australia** from the fun of the day.



The generosity of the day ensured that the club had no expenses to pay. Food donations, great raffle prizes and auction items ensured that every dollar from the day could be directed to the cause.

Big thank you to the following sponsors of prizes and food contributions

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The Old Church, Milton

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Also, a shout of thanks to all our members and friends that could not attend the day, but still gifted money to the cause via the online web page dedicated to the club.

ps It's not too late to donate, just head to the following website

www.curecancer.com.au/barbecure/leaderboards/

Jump on the club web site and look through the photos from the day.

www.bhcc.org.au/gallery2018sailforcancer

Does your heart good! Great cause! Well done Bobbin Head Cruising Club.

Lock your date in now to be part of the **2019 Sail For Cancer Day BarbeCURE - Sunday 10th March 2019** "Don't miss the fun a second time".

Peats Bites again!

The annual trip to Peats Bite did not disappoint. Food was the best I can remember. Picture card weather provided a great back drop for the day and into the night. Seven boats stayed overnight with a couple others heading back to the shelter of America Bay.

The younger members enjoyed playing various board games while the older ones secured deck chairs along the waterfront to watch the sun go down.

Some boats needed to get back to the Marina early on the Sunday while several others chose to raft up at Gunyah beach for a few hours on the way home.

Club Day 6 May 2018

An enjoyable day, of meeting new and old friends, as well as an opportunity to learn and share some boating experiences.

The day focused on three areas

Electrical Systems onboard – Craig from MCM Marine

Keeping your boat in Pristine – Murray from Sydney Marine Detailing

Ensure your Anchored – Scott Andressen (BHCC Member)

Big thank you to Craig, Murray and Scott for their time and preparation. The tips of what to look out for and how to manage situations were terrific.

Thank you to the trainers and the participants. We all walked away with a wealth of knowledge and full bellies after sharing in a long lunch.

Members, the days are available for ALL to share in. The next day is planned for late September.

VIVID Experience – June Long Weekend

It is interesting, in sharing with members, I have been told that Lion Island, at the mouth of the Hawksbury River, can stand for “line not to pass”!

But pass we did and five boats ventured to Sydney Harbour for the weekend. As members of Empire Marina, all boats were able to secure reciprocal berthing rights at the Gladesville Bridge Marina. Can you believe it – Long weekend and we did not have to pay to use a marina!

The weekend proved a winner with favourable seas, raft ups, BBQ's, exploring Vivid lights, shopping and plenty of food and fun.

We had members who were not able to join us for the whole weekend come and share on other boats, particularly for the Saturday Night Harbour Cruise.

However, the golden rule is “what happens on the trip stays on the trip”. So next time we set to sea, if time permits, come along. You will only then understand what you have missed out on.

2018/2019 Membership Renewals

It only seems like 12 months and we paid last year's renewals – time flies and they are due now!

Membership renewals have been emailed, between the 18th to 23rd May. Many members have already paid and returned their signed BHCC terms and conditions for participation in club events. Thank you to those that have paid. I will also say thank you in anticipation for those who will be reminded by this newsletter to do so.

If you do not see yourself in a position to continue with the Club in the coming year could you, please advise us by return email or a phone call so that is one less to chase. Happy to resend invoice if yours has gone astray.

BHCC stickers and copies of a new Club brochure will be distributed this week to members who have paid their renewals. We would ask all club members to carry these BHCC brochures on board so that you may be able to share with fellow boat enthusiasts or non-club members that may choose to take advantage of our well-maintained moorings.

So What's Next?

BHCC Road Cruise – 28/29th July – Central Coast

Come share a weekend of fun and laughter where we cruise on wheels and don't have to worry about the wind, tides or rough seas.

And speaking of rough I would hardly suggest the accommodation at Terrigal will be rough!



So What's Planned?

Sydney International Boat Show – 3rd August 2018

Come and dream together

The Sydney Boat Show is in town. A group is planning to attend for the day and we dream together “What is our next boat?”. You may want to spend the entire day or just a few hours. Wander around the show and if time permits share a meal on the Friday evening to debrief before you head home.

Annual General Meeting – Saturday 11 August 2018

Great chance for new and old members to meet and share in the afternoon to hear what is happening in your Club.

All positions at the meeting are declared vacant and the board invites people to be nominated for Flag Officer positions and active members for the board. Come along have a chance to share in the direction and activities that you would like to see the club be involved.

We are very privileged as a Club to have a ratio at present of one mooring to ever four memberships. However, our club is more than moorings. It is about friendships with likeminded people who want to grow their boating experiences and ensure that we have the confidence to allow for safe and fun boating.

As the nomination forms are circulated in the coming days I challenge each of you to consider how you would like to share a greater part of your Club's success.

Empire Marina Boat Show Sunday 9th September

Many hands make light work and a lot more fun. BHCC has supported the Marina on one day of the Empire Boat show by running a sausage sizzle and donating any funds raised on the day to a charity.

The committee sees our club as a vital part of the Empire Marina community and hence we are supporting the event again this year. Is also a great opportunity to share with other Marina member clients the benefits of BHCC.

We will send out follow up emails requesting support on the day for a couple of hours as the event draws closer. Another enjoyable day, to catch up with our colleagues in the Club, and plan that next great adventure.

Opening Boat Season Saturday 13 October 2018

A day of celebration that we can share with friends and family. All members are invited to join the day to participate in a Sail Past on your boat to salute the visiting Commodores and guests on the day. We then cruise down the river to showcase what a special water way we have.

On our return to Empire Marina head to the Hardstand area to share in a catered sit-down meal with our friends and family who joined the morning Sail Past and Cruise.

All members welcome to join the day, be as a new member, long-term member that has missed out on sharing the experience previously or a long-term member who would not miss the day because they understand what a great day it is.

BHCC – Meet a Club Member – Scott Andresson

What type of boat do you own and its name? 2012 Beneteau Antares FB, Five Star

What arm are you on or where are you berthed? C arm

Tell me a little bit about yourself?

Married to Genevieve and have three daughters Tara, Amy and Lois, we live in Turrumurra and I have lived in the surrounding area all my life. I worked as a kicker boy in the late seventies with the Halverson's and was the best job I have ever had. Have boated in the Broken Bay area regularly for the last 14 years.

How did you get involved in boating?

Developed a love for boating during the early years working at Halverson's and admired the newly introduced Island Gypsy range that was sold at Bobbin Head at the time. In 2004 we were able to purchase a Four Winns cuddy cabin on a trailer, happy to be able to go for a run up the river every now and then, but the family took to it and we found that we were going out quite often - we like the boat only beaches. Then in 2012 we upgraded to our present boat Five Star, which significantly has enhanced our boating experience.

How long have you been a member of BHCC? Six years

Do you have a favourite BHCC event? The raft ups and Opening of Boating Season

Do you have a Favourite anchorage?

Mackeral Beach - Easy anchoring and lots of room and the sand extends a long way out from the shore and the water is so clear you can see the bottom

What is your most memorable boating related experience?

There has been plenty - but recently the BHCC Barbecue raft up in America Bay

What is your dream boat and why?

Monte Carlo 6 - Great layout, looks the goods and is great value.

What is the best lesson you have learned whilst boating?

Watch the weather and please the wife.

Members' Update

It's great to see some past members returning to the Club, as well as new members joining. Keep an eye out for them and make sure you introduce yourself and welcome them to the Club.

Returning Members

MARIA LOUISE	Robert and Maria McDougall	A arm Bobbin Head
MIKO	Steve and Ali Rayward	A arm Bobbin Head

New Members

JUST BECAUSE	Martin and Heather Cass	A arm Bobbin Head
SINGLE MALT	Chris Deering and Rosemary de Lambert	B arm Bobbin Head

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