



Edition 39 – October 2010

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Our AGM has been and gone and the Board remains unchanged with the following incumbents-

President	John Holland
Vice-President Female	Julie Clinch
Vice-President Male	Rick French
Secretary	Chris Wood
Treasurer	Jennifer Bould
Member	Steve Clinch
Member	Pat Doogue
Appointed Member	Wee-Ching Kong

Our racing season is about to get under way and activity in all areas has really picked up. For some, there has been no rest and congratulations go to both Adelaide Black Dragons and Adelaide Sea Dragons for their successful efforts at the World Club Crew Championships in Macau in bringing home 2 Bronze and 3 Silver medals.

As I write this report, preparations are well in hand for the opening race day on the Torrens, being organized by Adelaide Phoenix who are working well with the system and circulated the required information in a timely fashion.

As we are at the start of our new season it is timely to remind all clubs that your members must be registered to not only compete in our fixtures but to also access the equipment in our boat shed. There is a register in the shed for all new participants to complete while accessing their four free sessions – please ensure that this register is kept up to date. There are a number of reasons for this register and amongst them are –

- All participants on the register are covered under our insurance policy
- The detail is used to assist us in acquitting our government grant. Each year I need to complete a series of forms for the Office for Recreation and Sport and one of these involves participation numbers – the greater our numbers the more favourably we are reviewed when it comes to funding.

There are a number of participants noticed in the boat shed that have neither completed the new paddler register nor registered with the association. It is up to each club to ensure that the people out training have followed the required procedures. We currently work on the “honor system” and I trust that those clubs who have forgotten the regulations will quickly address this issue. The old Port Adelaide Sailing Club premises committee has been hard at work negotiating agreements with both Port

Adelaide Artists Forum (PAAF) and the Land Management Corporation (LMC) and we now have a lease agreement from LMC to review. The process from here is to review the lease and if it is deemed acceptable, execute it and then the LMC will commence works to bring the building up to compliance. For interest there is a budget of around \$80,000 to complete this work. We will be responsible for alterations to the building to accommodate at least four boats and we will need volunteers with building expertise to assist with this. Pat Doogue will be looking for help through the Maintenance Committee and I urge anyone with the skills to please offer to assist. We will not have access to the building until LMC is satisfied that it is safe to do so and then we will have to complete our alterations before it is effectively usable for us. At a best guess, I feel that it should be ready for us to occupy it in January 2011. This has been a long process, but as you can imagine, there are a number of groups involved and it has proven difficult to reach decisions which are acceptable to all.

I trust that everyone is looking forward to another great season of racing and that above all, we all have heaps of fun and enjoyment from our dragon boat experience.

John Holland
President - DBSA.



WATER WARRIORS

Water Warriors had a busy end to their season training through to mid-June before heading over to Kuala Lumpur to compete at the 2nd International Malaysian Dragonboat Festival. The event was held over two days at the fantastic Putrajaya watercourse which is part of a new satellite city about 45 minutes from Kuala Lumpur.

Racing was over 500m with Water Warriors competing in the Women's 10's, Opens 10's, Mixed 10's and Mixed 20's and combined with SA team Subsonix to compete in the Women's 20's and Open 20's. Competition was fierce with Water Warriors 10's teams and the combined teams making semi-finals, and having an excellent result getting 4th in 4 grand finals.

Post competition the club took time-out to tour Vietnam visiting Hanoi, Halong Bay, Hoi Ann, Ho Chi Minh City and the Mekong Delta for a wonderful cultural holiday with plenty of time for shopping and relaxing!

Pre-season started in September this year with a number of new paddlers joining the club, we encourage people interested in dragon boating to come out on a Sunday morning at the reasonable start time of 10am and give the sport a go!



END OF AN ERA AT WAIWILTA

After leading the Waiwilta Paddling Club since its inception, Greg Bond decided to stand down as President of the club at its recent AGM.

Greg has made an enormous contribution to the club and has encouraged an inclusive and caring culture. Greg has also been instrumental in the purchase of a six person outrigger canoe by the club.

For the past two seasons he has also been coach and for a season or two he was the only sweep in the club. Thanks to his assistance and encouragement the club now has had two members attend a coaching course and three members have commenced sweeping.

Greg has had the ability to keep enjoyment and training in perspective. It was not always a front half/back half exercise but it could also be Crows supporters/Port supporters!!

One member said of Greg "He is amazing – he has total commitment and enthusiasm and combines this with a caring and kind attitude."

The club is delighted that Janice Jones has taken on the role of President.

The club's philosophy is to create a balance between training and racing and having fun. The club has recently had very successful social functions like Christmas in July and a social lawn bowls night. The club will also be entering two teams in night owl bowls competitions. There is nothing like cross training!

The outrigger also provides variety in training. It is stored on the Port River which enables members to enjoy paddling on a different waterway and frequently allows them to paddle with the dolphins!

Jill Furmage
Secretary

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT OFFICER - VACANCY

This position has been created to promote Dragon Boat racing and co-ordinate the participation of young people in the sport and is based on an average of 10 hours work per week.

The target group is young male and female adolescents from 12 to 18 years of age.

The successful applicant will build strong links with schools and sporting organizations and recruit individuals and teams to participate in the Dragon Boat racing season (October to March each year).

Applications should be sent to –

johnholland@senet.com.au

Or posted to

GPO Box 684 Adelaide 5001

Closing Date – 31st October 2010

For a job description email –

johnholland@senet.com.au.

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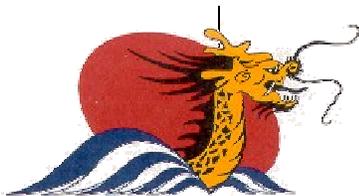
Applications close 5.15pm on Monday 15 November 2010.

NEXT DRAGON'S BREATH

Next Dragon's Breath Articles and Pictures are due:

Friday 7th January 2010

be active go for a paddle



DRAGONBOAT SA RACE DAYS – SEASON 2010/2011

Prior to Christmas:

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	DISTANCE
10-OCT-10	➤ Round 1 – Torrens 10's	River Torrens	250m
31-OCT-10	➤ Port Pub Challenge (+Corporate/Social)	Port Adelaide	200m
07-NOV-10	➤ Round 2 – Torrens 20's (+Social and Corporate)	River Torrens	250m
21-NOV-10	➤ Round 3 – Regatta 1 (20's)	West Lakes - Aquatic	500M
04-DEC-10	➤ Long Course (<u>Saturday</u> evening) (from Aquatic around Delfin Island)	West Lakes	7km
12-DEC-09	➤ Round 4 – Regatta 2 (10's)	West Lakes - Aquatic	200M

After Christmas (All at West Lakes): Aquatic or Ramsay

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	DISTANCE
16-JAN-11	➤ Round 5 – Regatta 3 (20's)	West Lakes - Ramsay	200m
30-JAN-11	➤ Round 6 – Regatta 4 (20's) (including Australia Day 20's Cup)	West Lakes - Ramsay	500m
13-FEB-11	➤ Round 7 – Regatta 5 (10's)	West Lakes - Aquatic Canoe Nats - Ramsay	200m
27-FEB-11	➤ Round 8 – Regatta 6 (20's)	West Lakes - Ramsay	500m
6-MAR-11	➤ Round 9 – Regatta 7 (20's)	West Lakes - Aquatic Rowing Nats - Ramsay	200m
26/27-Mar-11	➤ STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS (10's & 20's) (commence at 1.00pm on 26 th – 500m)	West Lakes - Ramsay	200m/500m
30 Mar – 3Apr	➤ National Championships	Canberra	200m/500m

Other events/Trophy races:

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
13 Nov	➤ Copper Cove Festival	Wallaroo – SA
5/6-FEB-11	➤ Chinese New Year	Adelaide
MAR-13-14	➤ Victorian Festival event	Melbourne
May 2011	➤ SAPES Games	Adelaide – SA

***Note: Easter is Friday 22 April – Monday 25 April 2011**

*** State Championships – Ramsay is not available on 26th Mar until 1.00pm.**

We will run the 500s starting at 1.00pm and possibly Premier 20s over 200m during the afternoon.