

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Hi All,

I hope you all well and getting in the boating and skiing

We had a great turnout for our second social regatta weekend at Nagambie everyone who attended had a great time and the weather was nothing short of fantastic .We had a strong line up of kids through to vets on the water. The end score was 53 to SSBOC and 26 to Nagambie, a great fun day was had by all. Thanks to all that helped on the day.

Last weekend was a great day at NOW [Nagambie On Water] we as a club were Invited to help Nagambie Ski Club to put on a display on water to help promote skiing and power boats on the Lake. We had 9 boats show up which was great [thanks] and we had 4 boats in the water at a time and basically had a mini regatta. Nagambie On Water was a great success and we have been asked to return next year to help out if we can. We also hope to have talks with the Nagambie shire Council to see if we can possibly have a regatta or two there on the water front, it's a great location to ski from and the boat ramp is close by too.

I have been watching the river races Echuca , Robinvale , and I am happy to say the timber boat banner fly's high. Good onya boys and girls.

We are having club meetings on a monthly basis and we are moving them around to different locations to allow everyone the chance to attend. The next club meeting will be at Neil William's house out at Cranbourne way so please make an effort to come to the Club Meetings and also if you would like to host a meeting please let me or someone on the Committee now. It's a great opportunity for everyone to have their say and be brought up to date with what's happening and why. The next meeting date was set for 19th march from 7.00pm at Neil Williams' home.

Our next outing will be at Carrum Water sports on Sunday 22nd March - be there.

Preparations for Echuca regatta are full steam ahead so make sure you have made your booking for the weekend after Easter 18th & 19th April.

See you all

Kev



SSBOS / NWSC CHALLENGE RESULTS

1 BAREFOOT TIME TRIALS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE
Woodstock	Mark Palmer	41.06	1st	Wayne's World	Stuart Knowles	DNF	
Blown Away	Noel Palmer	44.46	2nd	Thirsty	Scott Mason	DNF	
Ruff Cut	Peter Clancy	56.15	3rd	Thirsty	David Spiteri	DNF	

2 JUNIOR BAREFOOT TIME TRIALS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE
Didgeridoo	Nathan Evans	58.48	1st				
Blown Away	Adam Jones	DNF					

3 WAKBOARDING COMPETITION

SSBOC			NWSC		
SKIER	SCORE	PLACE	SKIER	SCORE	PLACE
Nathan Evans	1630	1st	David Spiteri	1100	2nd
Mark Palmer	300		Nicholas Howe	600	3rd
			Maverick Carmen	350	

4 JUNIOR WAKEBOARDING

SSBOC			NWSC			
SKIER	SCORE	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	SCORE	PLACE
				Jacob Gatt	400	1st

#5 SLALOM COURSE MENS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	BOUYS	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	BOUYS	PLACE
Blown Away	Mark Palmer	11	3rd	Thirsty	Nick Howe	12	1st
Blown Away	Noel Palmer	9		Thirsty	Dave Spiteri	12	1st
Blown Away	Neville Blake	4		Thirsty	Mark Carmen	7	
Blown Away	Tony Glass	4		Thirsty	Jacob Callahan	6	
Blown Away	Kevin Grech	3		Thirsty	Scott Mason	6	
Blown Away	Stan Haritou	2		Thirsty	Jason Young	5	
Blown Away	Allen Jones	0		Thirsty	Tony Spiteri	4	
				Thirsty	Dale Mountjoy	4	
				Thirsty	Brent Callahan	3	
				Thirsty	Shane Gatt	2	
				Thirsty	Stuart Knowles	1	
				Thirsty	Maverick Carmen	0	

6 SLALOM COURSE WOMENS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	BOUYS	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	BOUYS	PLACE
Blown Away	Courtney Grech	2	1st	Thirsty	Sue Howe	1	2nd
Blown Away	Jenny Grech	1	2nd	Thirsty	Elyse Knowles	0	
Blown Away	Staci Cox	0					

7 JUNIOR SLALOM COURSE BOYS U16

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	BOUYS	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	BOUYS	PLACE
Blown Away	Nathan Evans	10	1st	Thirsty	Adam Gatt	1	
Blown Away	Mat Becket	7	2nd	Thirsty	Christian Young	1	
Blown Away	Adam Jones	3	3rd				

8 JUNIOR SLALOM COURSE GIRLS U16

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	BOUYS	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	BOUYS	PLACE
Blown Away	Channing Withers	2	1st				

9 JUNIOR U8 SKI TIME TRIALS BOYS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE
Ruff Cut	Jake Clancy	1.28.57	2nd	Tony's Boat	Jacob Gatt	1.23.03	1st
Outsider	Brock Brown	DNS					

10 JUNIOR U8 SKI TIME TRIALS GIRLS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE
Outsider	Zahli Williams	1.15.07	1st				
Ruff Cut	Jaymi Clancy	1.44.00	2nd				
Woodstock	Amelia Boyle	DNF					
Woodstock	Georgia Boyle	DNF					

11 JUNIOR U12 SKI TIME TRIALS BOYS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE
				Tony's Boat	Adam Gatt	2.34.18	1st
				Thirsty	Jarrold Gatt	3.46.70	2nd

12 JUNIOR U12 SKI TIME TRIALS GIRLS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE
Ruff Cut	Brittany Clancy	2.38.57	1st				
Olde' Wood	Kasey Cox (tube)	1.16.10	2nd				
Blown Away	Channing Withers	DNF					

13 JUNIOR U16 SKI TIME TRIALS BOYS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE
Woodstock	Nathan Evans	1.42.86	1st	Waynes World	Christian Young	2.37.15	
Blown Away	Adam Jones	1.54.52	2nd				
Ruff Cut	Mat Beckett	2.10.41	3rd				
Ruff Cut	Dylan Clancy	2.31.90					

14 OPEN MENS SKI TIME TRIALS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE
Son of Puff	Tony Glass	1.38.74	1st	Thirsty	Scott Mason	1.48.38	
Blown Away	Noel Palmer	1.41.41	2nd	Waynes World	Nicholas Howe	1.48.56	
Woodstock	Mark Palmer	1.43.25	3rd	Tonys Boat	Dave Spiteri	1.53.34	
Ruff Cut	Peter Clancy	1.46.27		Thirsty	Shane Gatt	1.53.99	
Woodstock	Stan Haritou	1.48.34		Tonys Boat	Dale Mountjoy	1.55.66	
Didgeridoo	Chris Boyle	1.49.08		Tonys Boat	Maverick Carmen	1.56.28	
Son of Puff	Wayne Smith	1.50.63		Waynes World	Jason Young	DNF	
				Waynes World	Stuart Knowles	DNF	
				Tonys Boat	Mark Carmen	DNF	

15 OPEN WOMENS SKI TIME TRIALS

SSBOC				NWSC			
BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE	BOAT	SKIER	TIME	PLACE
Didgeridoo	Courtney Grech	1.53.09	1st	Waynes World	Susan Howe	1.55.06	2nd
Outsider	Melanie Grech	1.58.07	3rd	Waynes World	Elyse Knowles	2.00.06	
Olde' Wood	Staci Cox	2.21.07					
Outsider	Steph Williams	DNF					
Didgeridoo	Michelle P	DNF					
Woodstock	Jenny Grech	DNF					

SSBOC VERSES NWSC CHALLENGE**FEBRUARY 21ST**

It's Friday night and everyone is gathering at the Nagambie Lakes Caravan Park in readiness for the second annual SSBOC / NWSC CHALLENGE to be held at the Nagambie Ski Club on Saturday. Noel and Mark Palmer and Terry Smith arrived nice and early and took the chance to get in some early practice. Meanwhile we all set about putting our tents up, with some interesting examples ranging from the Boyle's huge tent which I think they borrowed from Barnum and Bailey's Circus to Terry's tent that looked more like an abstract sculpture than a tent (obviously Norma is usually in charge of tent erecting). The Grech's arrived in their convoy of Rodeo's showing us how good and how bad a Rodeo can look. Stan and Michelle arrived a bit later in the Big Red Truck and we were all very surprised that Stan's Mum and Dad were nowhere in sight (I think Lynne's little boy must be growing up). After the tents were set up we sat down to discuss our team strategy (drink and talk crap) and we decided this year we would wait for the sun to come up BEFORE launching our boats.

Saturday morning bright and early we launched the boats and headed off to the Ski Club in beautiful sunshine, the forecast promised great weather so we all looked forward to a great day's skiing. Our team of boats included PUFF 'N' STUFF, SON OF PUFF, BLOWN AWAY, WOODSTOCK, DIDGEREDOO, OLDE WOOD, RUFF CUT and THE OUTSIDER. After enjoying some bacon and egg rolls for breakfast we had our briefing and got things started on the right foot (barefoot) with wins in the Junior and Senior Barefoot drags. Next was the Wakeboarding and Nathan Evans showed his versatility by backing up his win in Junior Barefoot with a win on the Wakeboard. Junior Wakeboard was taken out by young Jacob Gatt from Nagambie, what a great effort. Men's Slalom was the next event and Nagambie had two skiers with a perfect score of 12 and Mark Palmer got third with a score of 11. Women's Slalom followed and a great win to Courtney Grech and equal second place to Mum Jenny, I don't think there is any need to mention score's in this event. Well done to the Junior Boys Slalom with 1st, 2nd and 3rd to Nathan Evans, Mat Beckett and Adam Jones. Channing Withers got 1st in the Junior Girls Slalom, well done. We next move on to the little tackers starting with the Under 8 Boy's featuring a couple of very talented juniors. Jacob Gatt from Nagambie and Jake Clancy from SSBOC were both up on ski's for the whole course with the narrow win going to Jacob. Fantastic effort from both boy's, it's good to the future prospects of both club's looking bright. Under 8 Girl's we got 1st and 2nd with Zahli Williams and Jaymi Clancy, Brittany Clancy and Kasey Cox were 1st and 2nd in Under 12 Girls and a clean sweep in Under 16 Boys with Nathan (smart ass)Evans 1st, Adam Jones 2nd and Mat Beckett 3rd. Open men's was taken out by Tony Glass narrowly from Noel and Mark Palmer and Open Women's saw Courtney Grech 1st and Melanie Grech (robbed) in 3rd.

A great fun day was had by all who attended, the weather was great and the venue is a great place to sit and watch the events if you are not taking part. Many thanks to everyone who helped run the day, especially Jenny who was in charge of mission control, thanks to the time keepers for their help, thanks to all the Buoy Boat drivers for keeping things safe. Last but not least a very big thank you to Tony Spiteri and all at the Nagambie Water Ski Club for inviting us to come and share this great day with them. We look forward to coming back for Challenge Number 3.

After a long day of fun and games it is nice to sit back and relax with friends and talk about the days wins and losses, and thrills and spills over a couple of cool drinks. There was entertainment on Saturday night to keep us all amused. It was provided by Neville and Helen Blake, they decided to wait until the wind picked up a bit before putting up their tent. The more things went wrong, the more Neville swore and Helen just couldn't stop laughing. We just sat back and watched the show until there was a tent pole malfunction and we thought the whole tent was going in the river so a few of us got up and helped with some gaffa tape and some makeshift splints. The tent managed to stay up all night but I think there might be a cabin booked for next year's event.

On Sunday Stan and Michelle, and me and my mob headed back to the ski club for a social ski. On the way back to the boat ramp at the end of the day, just for Stan's amusement I managed to run out of petrol AGAIN!!! (I'm still getting used to how much more fuel the Chev uses) So Stan towed me back the last 500meter's to the boat ramp while laughing and taking photo's the whole way.

Neil Williams



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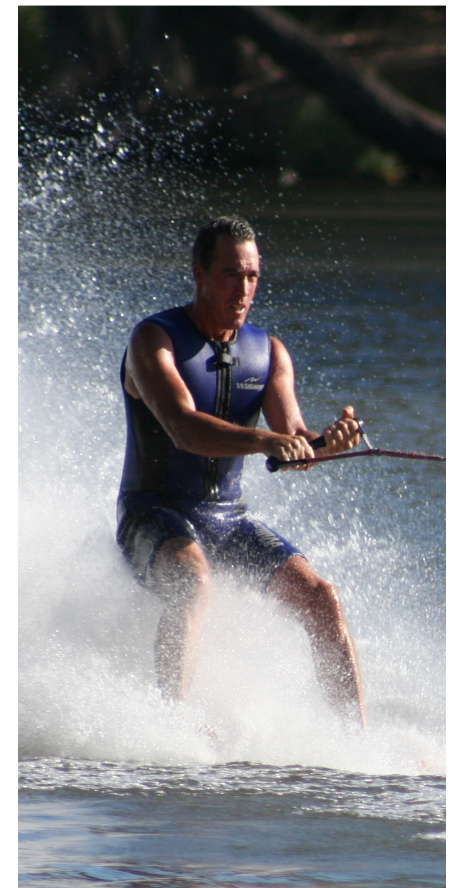
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COMING EVENTS

- April 9th Club Meeting. Venue TBC
- April 18th & 19th Echuca Regatta **Confirmed**
- May 21st Club Meeting. Venue TBC
- May 23rd Presentation Dinner
Warranga Basin



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SSBOC Club Book

The following is a questionnaire/appraisal for the proposed SSBOC Club book currently being prepared by Laurie Glass & Noel Palmer, with info gathered from members past and present.

.It is envisaged the book will contain information relating to the history of our club, from the early day's through to the current day.

The book will contain many photos & info on boats from the early days along with later photos from SSBOC event's .

We have acquired the help of a professional graphics designer/photographer, to assist with design etc. He will be on location at our annual regatta this year at Merool, to take more photos and get a general feel for our boats, and see what we are all about. The book will contain personalised pages for your boat should you desire, as well as general info and photos from our

club. I have a sample book to show people who are interested, these books are professionally printed, and are of very high quality.

- Make & Model
- Year Built
- Motor and Mods (Size of motor, Valves, Balanced, Carby, Ignition, Clutch, Prop, Exhaust etc.)
- Trophies (best presented etc.)(river races, time trials)
- Owners previous and current,(length of ownership)
- Where the boat is used
- Social or Race
- Name of boat
- Any other info you wish to add

I have at my disposal several photo albums to acquire photos from, but would appreciate if anyone has more, to peruse, for the best results.

It would be appreciated if this info and a good photo could be forwarded to Noel Palmer (noelpalmer@lizzy.com.au)(ASAP)

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NOEL'S SKI SCHOOL

Noel is once again holding his Ski School on Friday 17th of April at Merool. People interested should contact Noel the week before to book a time slot. As Noel's boat may not be ready by this time you will have to use your own boat or someone else may be there early and could help out.

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LOST SUNGLASSES

Did anybody loose a pair of sunnies at our weekend at Will's Bend. If so contact Tony Glass on 0418 304 368. They were left in his car and he doesn't know who they belong to. If you contact Tony and the glasses fit, you may even get to go to the Ball with him.