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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Hi Everyone,

Well it's the end of another year and 2016 is just around the corner. As most of you would be aware by now, the Echuca Regatta as we know it won't be going ahead as far as time trials go. It was a difficult set of circumstances which led the club to arrive at the decision to not run time trials at Echuca. We will still have the Carrum Regatta Time Trial events as always, and we are also looking into other venues not under the control of Roads and Maritime NSW.

Carrum Regatta was a great day with perfect weather. We had 20 boats turn out for the season opener. We started the day with the Special General Meeting and then straight into setting up for the time trials. This was the first time we ran under a 65 mph speed limit and it seemed to work out okay with some close results and a few disqualifications due to over speed. We also tried running the v-drives in with the V6/V8 mid mounts. We don't know yet if this will be a permanent change, but there will need to be some fine tuning of the rules. Santa made an appearance to give out some presents and lollies which put some big smiles on the kids faces. It was a full day with events running right up to our 5.00pm time limit. The only scheduled event missing out was the Parent / Sibling 2 up time trial, but I think everyone enjoyed themselves. A BIG thank-you to all who chipped in and helped out throughout the day, whether on the barbeque, GPSs, timing, setting up buoys or setting up the trailer. Your help is very much appreciated.

On Saturday the 9th of January, the Nagambie Ski Club is holding a closed water wake-board tuition day. If you want to go along to this there is an invitation to our club members. For more information, contact Noel Palmer on 0428 318564 or go to www.nwsc.info.

Next on the agenda, on the 16th & 17th of January is the Wills Bend social weekend. This is a very casual, do-as-you-want, relaxed weekend. There is no organised events, just a gathering of members and friends camping out on the edge of the river, for a bit of skiing, boating or whatever you want. Facilities are minimal. There is a long drop toilet for the blokes and the club will organise a porta-loo for the ladies and kids. It is a take-in / take-out area. There are no bins on site, so bring rubbish bags. To get there, just follow the signs out to Wills Bend 2 out the end of O'Dwyer Rd. Echuca. For more information, contact myself, 0416 208 080 or Neil Williams, 0412 853 798. Hope to see you all there.

Finally, wishing you all a safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Chris

CARRUM REGATTA RESULTS 13/12/15

1 - 6CYL BAREFOOT

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
DADDY-O	ANDREW MCLEAN	MARK PALMER	37.2	1ST
JINX	JON HELMORE	NOEL PALMER	DNF	

2 - V6/V8 BAREFOOT

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
GOTTA WOODY	NEIL SMITH	MARK PALMER	38.88	1ST

3 - 6 CYL BOAT TIME TRIAL MENS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
JESTER	JAMES BATES		58.19	1ST
DADDY-O	ANDREW MCLEAN		106.56	2ND
JINX	JON HELMORE		107.35	3RD
GYPSY	DAVE STAVE-FISCHER		109.53	
HOLE SHOT	MURRAY BOWRA		109.58	
DIDGERIDOO	STAN HARITOU		110.91	

3 - 6 CYL BOAT TIME TRIAL WOMENS

JINX	GEORGIA THOMAS		107.74	1ST
HOLE SHOT	JAKINTA BOWRA		109.75	2ND
GYPSY	ALISON STAVE-FISCHER		117.55	3RD

4 - U/12 SKI TIME TRIAL BOYS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
RUFF CUT	TREVOR CLANCY	JAKE CLANCY	104.47	1ST
DIDGERIDOO	STAN HARITOU	NOAH PINTAUDI	DNF	

4 - U/12 SKI TIME TRIAL GIRLS

RUFF CUT	TREVOR CLANCY	JAYMI CLANCY	112	1ST
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	SUMMER CARNE	140.57	2ND
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	RUBY CARNE	153.13	3RD
DIDGERIDOO	STAN HARITOU	LUCA PINTAUDI	303.63	

5 - V6/V8 SKI TIME TRIALS MENS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
RUFF CUT	TREVOR CLANCY	JAKE CLANCY	103.66	1ST
BLOWN AWAY	TONY GLASS	MARK PALMER	103.92	2ND
MR CHIPS	BRETT JENKIN	BRANDON JENKIN	106.81	3RD
TRUE COLOUR	BERNIE CARNE	ADAM CARNE	111.03	
NAILED	LEIGH THOMAS	SAM HANDLEY	DISQ	

5 - V6/V8 SKI TIME TRIALS WOMENS

WOODSTOCK	CHRIS BOYLE	COURTNEY GRECH	58.32	1ST
MR CHIPS	BRETT JENKIN	KAITLIN MCPHAN	118.5	2ND
RUFF CUT	LISA CLANCY	JAYMI CLANCY	125.87	3RD
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	BERNIE CARNE	DNF	
OUTSIDER	NEIL WILLIAMS	MELANIE GRECH	DNF	



6 - 6CYL SKI TIME TRIALS MENS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
DADDY-O	MURRAY BOWRA	ANDY MCLEAN	122.81	1ST
DIDGERIDOO	STAN HARITOU	BRANDON JENKIN	DNF	
JESTER	JAMES BATES	JAY TOMAS	DNF	

6 - 6CYL SKI TIME TRIALS WOMENS

GYPSY	DAVE STAVE-FISCHER	KAITLIN MACPHAN	116.22	1ST
JINX	JON HELMORE	GEORGIA TOMAS	DNS	
DIDGERIDOO	STAN HARITOU	COURTNEY GRECH	DNS	

7 - U/6 SKI TIME TRIAL BOYS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	CURTIS CARNE	DNS	
OUTSIDER	NEIL WILLIAMS	KADE CLANCEY	DNS	

8 - V6/V8 BOAT TIME TRIALS MENS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
BLOWN AWAY	TONY GLASS		55.56	1ST
LIPPSTICK	JAMES TOLLEY		56.42	2ND
NAILED	JAY ROBSON		57.5	3RD
WOODWORX	LUKE TOFFOLON		59.31	
MR CHIPS	BRANDON JENKINS		101.34	
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE		104.46	
SUMTOY	RYAN ROBSON		107.75	
MUDDY WATERS	MURRAY BOWRA		DISQ	
GOTTA WOODY	NEIL SMITH		DISQ	
WOODSTOCK	CHRIS BOYLE		DISQ	
IRONBARK	DEAN NEEDHAM		DISQ	

8 - V6/V8 BOAT TIME TRIALS WOMENS

TRUE COLOUR	BERNIE CARNE		105.15	1ST
BLOWN AWAY	HANNAH KYBERD		110.87	2ND
OUTSIDER	ERRYN WILLIAMS		118.19	3RD
MUDDY WATERS	JAKINTA BOWRA		DISQ	

9 - U/8 SKI TIME TRIAL BOYS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
OUTSIDER	NEIL WILLIAMS	COOPER CLANCEY	36.36	1ST
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	CURTIS CARNE	DNS	

10 - OPEN SKI TIME TRIALS MENS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
GOTTA WOODY	NEIL SMITH	JAMES BATES	100.3	1ST
NAILED	LEIGH THOMAS	ALEX HANDLEY	100.84	2ND
NAILED	LEIGH THOMAS	SAM HANDLEY	100.94	3RD
BLOWN AWAY	TONY GLASS	MARK PALMER	101.59	
MR CHIPS	BRETT JENKIN	BRANDON JENKIN	109.19	
TRUE COLOUR	BERNIE CARNE	ADAM CARNE	111.35	
GYPSY	DAVE STAVE-FISCHER	NOEL PALMER	114.59	



10 - OPEN SKI TIME TRIALS WOMENS

RUFF CUT	TREVOR CLANCY	LISA CLANCY	105.64	1ST
NAILED	LEIGH THOMAS	COURTNEY GRECH	106.69	2ND
IRONBARK	DEAN NEEDHAM	MELANIE GRECH	107.27	3RD
MR CHIPS	BRETT JENKIN	KAITLIN MCPHAN	117.52	
GOTTA WOODY	NEIL SMITH	JORDANA BOWRA	151.32	
OUTSIDER	NEIL WILLIAMS	ZAHLI WILLIAMS	214.25	
CONQUISTADOR	MARK PALMER	MEL PALMER	DNF	
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	BERNIE CARNE	DNS	

11 - U/16 SKI TIME TRIAL BOYS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
OUTSIDER	NEIL WILLIAMS	JAKE CLANCY	112.19	1ST
NAILED	LEIGH THOMAS	RYAN ROBSON	126.16	2ND

11 - U/16 SKI TIME TRIAL GIRLS

RUFF CUT	PETER CLANCY	JAYMI CLANCY	120.44	1ST
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	SUMMER CARNE	138.84	2ND
HOLE SHOT	MURRAY BOWRA	JORDANA BOWRA	149.15	3RD
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	RUBY CARNE	151.81	
OUTSIDER	NEIL WILLIAMS	ZAHLI WILLIAMS	205.45	
WOODSTOCK	CHRIS BOYLE	AMELIA BOYLE	DNF	

12 - VETERAN SKI TIME TRIALS MENS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
BLOWN AWAY	TONY GLASS	MARK PALMER	104.7	1ST
RUFF CUT	TREVOR CLANCY	NOEL PALMER	104.75	2ND
JESTER	JAMES BATES	JON HELMORE	110.09	3RD
TRUE COLOUR	BERNIE CARNE	ADAM CARNE	112.07	
DADDY-O	MURRAY BOWRA	ANDY MCLEAN	119.38	

12 - VETERAN SKI TIME TRIALS WOMENS

TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	BERNIE CARNE	126.45	1ST
RUFF CUT	TREVOR CLANCY	LISA CLANCY	DNF	

13 - UNDER AND OVER 12 TWO UP EVENT

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	SUMMER CARNE JORDANA BOWRA	151.22	1ST
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE	RUBY CARNE JORDANA BOWRA	152.37	2ND
OUTSIDER	NEIL WILLIAMS	JAYMI CLANCY ZAHLI WILLIAMS	155.84	3RD
RUFFCUT	TREVOR CLANCY	JAKE CLANCY RYAN ROBSON	DNF	

15 - JUNIOR BOAT-A-KANA (56.74)

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
HOLE SHOT	JORDANA BOWRA		109.8	1ST

BOATS

ATTENDING

CARRUM

REGATTA

WOODSTOCK

OUTSIDER

JINX

TRUE COLOURS

IRONBARK

LIPPSTICK

DIDGERIDOO

MUDDY

WATERS

HOLE SHOT

BLOWN AWAY

CONQUISTADOR

NAILED

WOODWORKS

SUM TOY

RUFF CUT

JESTER

GYPSY

DADDY-O

MR CHIPS

GOTTA WOODY

16 - 6CYL BOAT-A-KANA MENS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
JESTER	JAMES BATES		32.5	1ST
JINX	JON HELMORE		34.46	2ND
DADDY-O	ANDY MCLEAN		34.72	3RD
HOLE SHOT	MURRAY BOWRA		35.06	
GYPSY	DAVE STAVE-FISCHER		36.69	

6CYL BOAT-A-KANA WOMENS

HOLE SHOT	JAKINTA BOWRA		37.63	1ST
GYPSY	ALISON STAVE-FISCHER		37.81	2ND

17 - V6/V8 BOAT-A-KANA MENS

Boat	Driver	Skier	Time	
BLOWN AWAY	TONY GLASS		29.4	1ST
WOODSTOCK	CHRIS BOYLE		29.41	2ND
GOTTA WOODY	NEIL SMITH		32.62	3RD
WOODWORX	LUKE TOFFOLON		37.79	
TRUE COLOUR	ADAM CARNE		38.28	
NAILED	LEIGH THOMAS		39	
SUM TOY	JEFF BRADLEY		42.28	
IRONBARK	DEAN NEEDHAM		43.96	

17 - V6/V8 BOAT-A-KANA WOMENS

TRUE COLOUR	BERNIE CARNE		39.57	1ST
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- President: **CHRIS BOYLE** 0416 208 080
- Vice President: **DEAN NEEDHAM**0439 118 193
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GENERAL COMMITTEE

Leigh Thomas – Staci Cox – Neil Williams – Matt Rowley – Justin Handley

CLERKS OF COURSE

Tony Glass – Graeme Rowley

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COMING EVENTS

- 9th January 2016: Nagambie Slalom Day: **CONFIRMED**
- 16th & 17th January 2016: Wills Bend Social Weekend. **CONFIRMED**
- 6th March 2016: Carrum Regatta (2) **CONFIRMED**
- 2nd & 3rd April 2016: Echuca Regatta. **TBC**



THANK YOU VERY MUCH

On behalf of my Family I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Eli's Gift Gala Charity Ball. This year was the biggest so far, raising \$70,000 for Families in need. To everyone who came to the Gala, and to those who donated Auction Item's and those that bought Auction Items, your support of this very worthy cause is very much appreciated by all of my extended Family and all at Eli's Gift Foundation.
Regards Neil Williams. (Eli's Proud Pa)



CARRUM REGATTA / CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 13TH 2015



SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN





WEEKEND AT WILLS BEND

16th & 17th JANUARY 2016

The Wills Bend Social weekend has become a very popular weekend away for a lot of members. The great part about this weekend is you can do as you please, ski all day or just sit on the beach and relax.

It's a great way for new members to get to know everyone in a relaxed atmosphere. It's also a good weekend if you or your kids are still learning to ski, as there are plenty of friendly experienced skiers on hand for some helpful tips. At night we usually have a camp fire for everyone to gather around and share a few laughs over a couple of drinks. The Club will bring along their BBQ for anyone to use but remember its BYO everything else.

The facilities are limited at Will's Bend, there is a pit toilet there but the Club will hire a nice clean Porta Loo to make it a bit more comfortable for the Ladies and Kids. There are no showers but there is a great big river only metres from where we camp. Please remember that you must take all your rubbish with you when you leave so pack some garbage bags so we leave the place as we found it.

If you don't like camping in the bush you are welcome to just come out to Wills Bend for day trips, you will see the Woodies parked on the sand bar at Wills Bend No 2.

Wills Bend is at the end of O'Dwyers road which is 11 klm's from the roundabout (in Echuca) towards Torumburry. There will be signs at the end of O'Dwyers road to take you to the camp site.

For any further details call Neil- 0412 853 798 or Chris – 0416 208 080

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Neil Williams, 0412 853 798

or email files to na.williams22@bigpond.com

Merry

Christmas

FAMILY NAME	NAME	NAME	BOAT	FAMILY / SINGLE	INS & EXP
				ASSOCIATE / LIFE	
Adcock	Peter			LIFE	
Bates	Russell	Sallie	WOODKNOT	Family \$95.00	RACV
Bates	Rob		WOODKNOT	Single \$70.00	RACV
Bates / Hicks	James	Andrew	JESTER	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 10/12/16
Bertram	Rob	Angela	GUN SEACRAFT	Family \$95.00	RACV
Bertram	Rod		GUN SEACRAFT	single \$70.00	RACV
Blake	Neville	Helen		LIFE	
Bowra	Murray	Jakinta	MUDDY WATERS	N/A	Nautilus 01/4/16
Bowra	Murray	Jakinta	HOLESHOT	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 1/4/16
Box	Warren		CLOUD NINE	Single \$70.00	Nautilus
Box	Warren		TOUCHWOOD	N/A	Nautilus
Boyle	Chris	Melony	WOODSTOCK	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 20/1/16
Bradley	Jeff	Joanne	SUMTOY	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 9/4/16
Carne	Adam	Bernie	TRUE COLOR	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 01/12/16
Clancy	Trevor	Dylan	RUFFCUT	Family \$95.00	N/A
Clancy	Peter	Lisa	RUFFCUT	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 1/12/16
Clarke	Craig	Sian	RELIC	Family \$95.00	
Cox	Darren	Staci	OLDE WOOD	Family \$95.00	Nautilus
Dalton	Bob	Jane	FLEETWOOD	Family \$95.00	
Datson	Doug			Single Ass\$70.00	N/A
Glass	Tony	Michelle	BLOWN AWAY	LIFE	Nautilus 26/11/16
Glass	Laurie	Wendy		LIFE	Nautilus
Grech	Kevin	Jennifer	AGAINST THE GRAIN	Family \$95.00	RACV
Grech	Grant	Marianne	JUNK B4	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 17/12/15
Grech	Courtney		BUTTERBOX	Single \$70.00	
Grech / Couch	Melanie	Dom	BUTTERBOX	VIP	
Handley	Justin	Louise	JUSTWOOD	Family \$95.00	
Handley	Sam	Alex		Ass Family \$95.00	
Haritou	Stan	Michelle	DIDGERIDOO	Family \$95.00	Nautilus
Helmore	Jon	Judith	JINX	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 28/11/16
Hourigan	Russell		KNOTSURE	Single \$70.00	Nautilus 18/12/15
Jansen	Troy	Louisa	SHIFTY	Family \$95.00	
Jenkin	Brett	Belinda	LUMBERJACK	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 18/3/16
Jenkin	Brett	Belinda	MR CHIPS	N/A	Nautilus 18/3/16
Jenkin	Brett	Belinda	LUCIFER	N/A	Nautilus 18/3/16
Johnston	Beryl	Gordon		LIFE	
Jones	Allen	Anne		LIFE	
McDonald	Leigh	Renee	BACKFIRE	Family \$95.00	RACV
McDonald	Leigh	Renee	MATTI	N/A	
McLean	Andrew	Debra	DADDY O	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 14/12/16
McPhan	Mark	Kerryn		Ass Family \$95.00	
Miler	George		SYNDICATE	Family \$95.00	
Moody	Barkley	Sally	TERMITE	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 7/4/16
Needham	Dean	Trefina	IRONBARK	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 14/3/16

Palmer	Noel	Kerrie	CONQUISTADOR	LIFE	Nautilus
Palmer	Mark	Mel	STICK IT	Family \$95.00	
Paroz	Jason		MEAN MACHINE	Single \$70.00	Club Marine
Peel	Adrian	Kerrie	LIL TYKE	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 18/8/16
Perry / Newton	Greg	Annie	JUST RUMOURS	Family \$95.00	
Pintaudi	Frank	Vanessa		Ass Family \$95.00	
Retallick	Len	Marie		LIFE	
Richardson	Graham		BURNOUT	single \$70.00	Nautilus 1/12/16
Robson	Jason	Deborah	NAVADA SMOKE	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 4/3/16
Robson	Jason	Deborah	MYGRAIN	N/A	Nautilus 4/3/16
Rowley	Graeme	Susan	DRAG ON	Family \$95.00	Nautilus
Rowley	David		WOODPECKER	Single \$70.00	Nautilus 20/4/16
Rowley	Geoff	Debbie	MAGIC	Family \$95.00	Nautilus
Rowley / Storey	Matt	Emma	WOODPECKER	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 20/4/16
Smith	Neil	Katie	GOTTA WOODY	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 11/12/16
Staave Fischer	Dave	Alison	DECISION	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 26/3/16
Thomas	Leigh		NAILED	Single \$70.00	Nautilus 14/5/16
Toffolon	Luke	Katherine	WOODWORX	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 21/3/16
Tolley	James	Bec	LIPPSTICK	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 9/2/16
Tomas	Jay	Georgia	TEAM SEACRAFT	Family \$95.00	
Tull	Jeff			LIFE	
Wartnaby	Ben	Narelle	DREAMER	Family \$95.00	Club Marine 08/03/16
Williams	Neil	April	THE OUTSIDER	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 14/4/16
Williams	Erryn		ANOTHER RATBAG	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 2/4/16
Williams / Healey	Steph	Daniel	ANOTHER RATBAG	Family \$95.00	Nautilus 2/4/16

RESULT OF SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD 13/12/15 PRIOR TO CARRUM REGATTA

A Special General Meeting was held prior to the Carrum Regatta to discuss the implications of all the new requirements to gain an Aquatic Licence. There was plenty of discussion regarding the need to wear Race/Safety Gear for anyone doing more than 45mph. Also discussed was the need for many more personnel to fill all the new jobs involved in running a regatta on the Murray in the future.

More details elsewhere in the Newsletter.

Whilst pursuing other options for a suitable Regatta Venue we will be seeking feedback as to whether to continue with a Social Weekend at Merool on the weekend after Easter this year and in future years.

Merool has agreed to refund accommodation deposits (less 10%) if adequate notice is given.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING SSBOC 13TH December 2015

HELD AT CARRUM REGATTA

NATIONAL WATERSPORTS CENTRE CARRUM 0900

APOLOGIES: BOB & JANE, NEVILLE & HELEN

ATTENDIES: Melanie Grech, Chris Boyle, Neil Williams, Mel Palmer, Jenny Grech, Katie Smith, Jakinta Bowra, Venessa Pintaudi, FrankPintaudi, Stan Haritou, Neil Smith, Jason Robson, Leigh Thomas, Jeff Bradley, Bernie Carne, Adam Carne, Noel Palmer, Murray Bowra, Trefina Needham, James Tolley, Luke Toffolon, Trevor Clancy, Jon Helmore, James Bates, Brett Jenkin, Kaitlin McPhan, Brandon Jenkin, George Miler, Peter Clancy, Lisa Clancy, Georgia Tomas, Jay Tomas, Troy Jansen, Dave Staave-Fischer, Alison Staave-Fischer, Courtney Grech, Mark Palmer, Andrew McLean, Tony Glass, Staci Cox, Dean Needham.

Purpose of the meeting is to discuss the clubs future direction, in particular regarding the Echuca Regatta & new requirements from RMS to obtain a permit to close the river & run our event:

Presidents Report & Update: Chris Boyle read his document listed below:

Pres report: The reason for this meeting is to inform the members of how the Echuca Regatta will need to run if we go ahead, and if we are able to satisfy Roads and Maritime for the aquatic licence required for the permit. We want to ask members their preference of whether to continue with Echuca Regatta or not. We are now faced with 2 options,

OPTION 1: As stated in the past, most of you are well aware, there will be a lot of extra work to be done, both before, and at regattas. There are event officials needed. These officials need to take on the position and co-ordinate their helpers and record who does what and when. For example, if you were to take on the position of Rescue Boat Official, You would be in charge of controlling when your helpers are to be on stand-by, and briefing them on what their duties are.

Positions which need to be filled:

1. **Event co-ordinator.** Application for permit. Entrant's briefing. Manage event.
2. **Starter.** Start time trials. (2)
3. **Safety co-ordinator** To develop a safety plan and to co-ordinate and manage safety issues. (1-2)
4. **Rescue boat official.** To manage rescue boat operators (+3 helpers)
5. **Announcer.** Call up next events, make announcements (2)
6. **GPS official.** Co-ordinate people to give out / take back gps's and record speeds (+3 helpers)
7. **Timing official.** Time events, manage running order and record results. (+3 helpers)
8. **Clerks of course.** To make sure everything is safe and within rules x4
9. **Buoy boat co-ordinators.** To control, and brief buoy boat people (2)
10. **Buoy boat people.** To man buoy boats and control river open / closed. (24)
11. **Scrutineers.** To check safety of participants boats and equipment prior to events. (2+)
12. **Sweep boat official.** To sweep course at the time of river being closed. Particularly after other boats have passed through course. (1-2)

13. **Trailer co-ordinator.** To transport trailer and co-ordinate set-up and pack-up at events. (+5 helpers)
Also,
14. **Memberships.** To process memberships. (1-2)
15. **Entry co-ordinator.** To process entries (1-2)
16. **Fundraising.** Sell raffle tickets etc (4+)

All these positions need to be filled and procedures need to be developed and learnt then training needs to commence if we are to proceed with regattas. **If we can't fill these positions, we cannot run the event**

On top of this, we will have to introduce the use of safety gear/ race gear for anyone travelling at more than 45 mph. Safety checks / Scrutineering of boats and equipment prior to events. We will also have pre-entry so all boats are entered at least 1 week prior to regatta.

OPTION 2: We don't run Echuca as a competition / time trial weekend, but a social weekend without the need to close the river. If we don't need to close the river, we don't require an Aquatic licence or permit. We would still run the Carrum regattas.

Questions / Discussion

- Neil Williams raised the issue of the costs that would be incurred by a family to purchase all of the safety equipment required
- Paramedics may be required
- Pre Entry would be required 1 week in advance
- Already exploring other venues; Lake Mulwahla ski park is a private waterway & we are currently awaiting a reply
- Lake Narricarn was mentioned as another option
- Troy Jansen mentioned Glenmaggie as another option
- Trefina Needham commented that helpers would be needed to research other options
- Leigh Thomas spoke about cheaper options for safety equipment such as cotton overalls & motorbike helmets
- Jon Helmore suggested to postpone any plans till early in the new year to give people a chance to explore these other options.
- Chris Boyle explained that the process had already begun for Echuca's permit with Merool already giving their consent for the use of the beach & contact has begun with houseboat companies & Murray Shire.
- Merool management have also requested a list of boats & persons attending and for day visitors to pay at reception on arrival.
- Some discussion as to running more of a social weekend with perhaps a poker run and beach activities
- Suggested the possibility of running a 3rd Carrum and using the results of that for the presentation night

Vote: Option 1 = 0 votes, Option 2 = 27 votes, Abstained = 5.

Close special general meeting.