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## **PRESIDENTS REPORT (the new one)**

Welcome to the new season ahead!

As part of the new committee for the coming year I feel privileged to be involved, and am looking forward to working with all in making this coming season a success.

I thank Chris, Dean and Jenny who are having a well-earned rest from the top jobs; I thank Matt & Justin for their efforts last year on the general committee, and I give special thanks to Trefina for agreeing to stay on and help us in the short term while we organize a permanent treasurer.

An extra special thanks to Neil W for taking up the role of Secretary, and to Leigh and Staci for staying on the committee. Having your experienced input will be invaluable in helping us new ones settle in.

The past achievements by both the retiring and staying committee members has left the club in great shape, financially sound, and fully set up to continue running great events – thank you.

The new committee will meet for the first time shortly to get the ball rolling for the Carrum Regatta later this year. To help us make it a great day, please renew your memberships and get your boats, kids, family and friends primed to go.

We will update you with the season calendar next newsletter.

Thanks & Regards,

*Jon Helmore.*



(the former) **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Hi Everyone,

Last month we had the Presentation Night. It turned out to be a great night with all the usual fun and games and of course the presentations from the March Regatta along with awards from the past year. Major awards were presented to Jordana Bowra for most improved skier, James Bates for the John Coffey fastest 6 cyl and April Williams for the Clint Middleton most committed member. Best presented boats were Cloud Nine, Ironbark, On Fire, The Outsider, Magic, Gotta Woody and Daddy-O. Ladies choice was The Outsider and Kids Choice was Another Ratbag. A big thank you to Shyside for donating some major prizes, Jon Helmore, Neil Williams, Staci Cox, Mel Boyle, Jenn Grech, Trefina Needham for donating and / or buying prizes for the night. Thanks to Oasis Camp for having us there again, and all the helpers who set up the room and prizes. There's more on the presentation night elsewhere in the newsletter.

Earlier this month we had the AGM. As I had reported in the past, most of the committee (including myself), were stepping down for a bit of a break. Neil, Trefina, Staci and Leigh stayed on, and the new committee was formed as follows: Jon Helmore as President, Graeme Rowley as Vice President, Neil Williams as Secretary / Public officer, Trefina Needham as (temporary) Treasurer, General committee are, Staci Cox, Leigh Thomas, Mark and Mel Palmer, Murray Bowra, Neil Smith and Alison Staave-Fischer. Thank you to those who stepped up to be on committee. It's great to see some new faces join the committee and I wish them all the best. Jon Helmore has a long history with Seacraft boats and the club and I have full confidence in Jon as the new SSBOC President. I have enjoyed taking an active part in the club over the past years and I'd also like to thank all the great people who were there with me on the SSBOC committee along the way.

That's it from me, for now, time to get that new boat finished and get it out on the water.





## **SSBOC PRESENTATION DINNER 2016**

The Annual SSBOC Presentation Dinner was once again a fantastic night enjoyed by all who attended. The Oasis Camp is a great venue to hold our Preso, the room is just the right size for the numbers we have attending, the food is great and we can also put boats on display in the Gymnasium attached to the function room.

Everyone who came along received a prize thanks to the now famous CHOOK LOTTO, not all prizes were top shelf but something for nothing is always good. The people in the draw right at the end shared in some really great prizes including Shyside Ski Vest's, Inflatable Ski Tube's, Esky's, Ski Ropes, Fire Extinguishers and even a Slab of Beer. Thanks to Jenny Grech with help from Courtney for running the Chook Lotto, it's not easy keeping track of all the good prizes and making sure who can swap and who has to pick again, as always it was a lot of laughs.

The Kids didn't miss out either with some really great presents for them to share Thanks to Mel Boyle. There were Doll's, I Tune Vouchers, Selfie Sticks and Remote Control Car's which turned out to be a lot of fun as all the cars seemed to be tuned in to the same frequency, so there were out of control cars going everywhere.

We kicked off the presentation's with the Junior Awards and as always it's great to see the kid's on the Podium with a smile from ear to ear. There were a few new face's receiving trophies this year which is always good, the more kids we get involved in our Regatta's the better.

The next awards were for the Petrol Heads in the Boat Time Trials and it is great to see these events are just as hotly contested amongst the Girls, as they are with the Boys. Next up was the Ski Time Trials and there are always plenty of laughs watching 6 grown Men with varying amounts of alcohol consumed trying to all fit on the podium at the same time. Congratulations to all the Skier's and Driver's lucky enough to win a Trophy or Medal in these events.

Other Awards presented include all the Best Presented Boats and also Ladies Choice and Kid's Choice. The Hard Luck Award for this year was presented to Andy McLean who unfortunately had a few issues with Daddy O over the Echuca Weekend. Noel Palmer's Most Improved Skier was won by Jordana Bowra, congratulations Jordana, well deserved. The John Coffey Memorial Trophy for the Fastest Six Cylinder was won by James Bates with Jester. The Rowley's have dominated this award since its inception and I'm sure they will be keen as will all the other six cylinder owner's to get their name on the trophy next year.

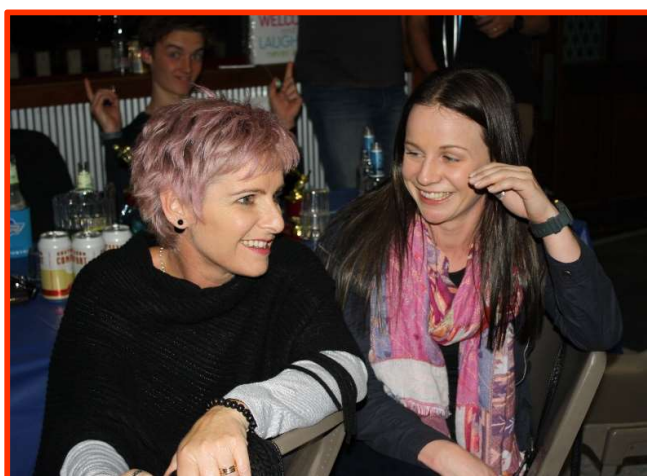
The final Trophy to be presented was the Clint Middleton Award for the Most Committed Club Member. The presentation this year was made by Jenny Grech on behalf of Tony and Rhonda Middleton, congratulations to April Williams, a deserving recipient for all the work done behind the scene as well as at Regatta's and all other function's.

Huge Thanks to everyone who contributed to making the night such a success and also a lot of fun, special mention to Chris and Melony Boyle for the countless hours spent preparing for this Great Presentation Dinner. I hope everyone has a safe off season and we see you all back later this year keen for another season of boating and great times with the best boats on the water.

### SSBOC PRESENTATION DINNER 2016







### SSBOC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2016 / 2017

- President: **JON HELMORE** ..... **0418 345 875**
- Vice President: **GRAEME ROWLEY** ..... **0427 451 396**
- Treasurer: **TREFINA NEEDHAM (CARETAKER)** .....
- Secretary: **NEIL WILLIAMS** ..... **0412 852 798**

### GENERAL COMMITTEE

Leigh Thomas – Staci Cox – Mel Palmer –  
Murray Bowra – Neil Smith – Alison Staave Fischer

### CLERKS OF COURSE

Graeme Rowley

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### COMING EVENTS

<b>5<sup>th</sup> &amp; 6<sup>th</sup> November:</b>	<b>LAKE MULWALA ROD RUN</b>	<b>TBC</b>
<b>December:</b>	<b>CARRUM REGATTA / XMAS PARTY</b>	<b>TBC</b>
<b>21<sup>st</sup> &amp; 22<sup>nd</sup> January:</b>	<b>WILLS BEND SOCIAL WEEKEND</b>	<b>TBC</b>
<b>March:</b>	<b>CARRUM REGATTA</b>	<b>TBC</b>

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### SSBOC MEMBERS LIST - AUGUST 2016

McDonald, Leigh & Renee	Tierney Brownsey 16/06/04	BACKFIRE - RA31	
	Chloe Brownsey 03/09/05	MATEY - C1001	
	James McDonald 15/07/10		
Carr, Adam & Dennis	Summer 21/10/04	TRUE COLOR - ED35C	Nautilus 01/12/16
	Duke 20/12/06		
	Curtis 12/05/10		
Collins, Natalie & Tom	Rein 20/04/03	ROCHE - TC121	BACK 21/02/17
	Rein 16/09/05		
	Dennis 14/01/08		
Dehnen, James & Deborah	Drew 00/03	NAVADA CHROME - IC024	Nautilus
	Madison 01/04		
Denny, Greg			
Talley, James & Rebecca	Cassie 20/02/16	LIBERTY - DV304	Nautilus
Clayton Fisher, Ben & Alison		CYBER - WT3C	Nautilus 26/02/17
		DECISION - DJ353	
Brown, Murray & Leanne	Harley 03/04/08	MURDER WATERS - JM045	
	Leanne 07/05/03	HOLESHOT - AL63	
Hawkins, Russell		KNOTHURF - WM351	Nautilus 10/12/16
Barkham, Rod & Jeannette		GUNSEACRAFT	
Meady, Pauline & Colin	Louis 10/02/04	TERMINAL - ZB300	
	Mitchell 22/02/07		
Millum, Darren		BRIETWOOD - LF07	
Belton, Neil & Karen		CONQUESTOR - JM077	Nautilus 02/12/16
Crack, Kay & Jane		AGAINST THE GRAIN	
Lighthall, David		ONE FIRE - IC001	
Bowley, Graeme & Sue		DRAGON - VT15	Nautilus 12/02/17
Helmens, Les & Judith		WAX - RH530	Nautilus 20/11/16
Legg, Tony & Louise	April 24/10/03	CHIEFY - VC33C	Nautilus
	Les 20/04/16		
Ray, Warren		CLOUD 9 - LH700	Nautilus
Williams, Leah, Frank & Daniel	Willow 10/06/12	ANOTHER PATRAG - RE001	Nautilus 02/04/17
	Mae 00/12/12		
Williams, Emma	7-11 02/10/03	ANOTHER PATRAG - RE001	Nautilus 02/04/17
	Cassie 20/11/00		
	Kate 12/05/14		
Williams, Neil & April		THE OUTSIDER - CV73C	Nautilus 14/04/17
Andersson, Dan		ERRATIC - NK507	BACK 14/10/16



## **THANK YOU CHRIS BOYLE**

Chris & Mel Boyle have been Members of the Seacraft Syndicate Boat Owners Club for more than 15 years, which mightn't sound a lot compared to some of the longer serving members of this club. But of that 15 odd years Chris & Mel, (I include Mel because of the amount of work she does assisting Chris), has spent 11 of those years on the SSBOC Committee.

Chris started on the Committee in the 05 – 06 Season as our Treasurer and served 3 years in that position. He then had 2 years as a General Committee Member before stepping up as our Vice President, a position he held for 4 years. In 2014 Chris new that I wanted a spell from being the President, so he stepped forward and took on the President's position. The past 2 years has been a fairly challenging period for the Club and I'm sure Chris probably questioned the wisdom of taking on the job when he did, but he stuck at it and performed his role very well through this trying period.

In Chris' time on the Committee he has worked very hard to help make the Club the great Family club it is today, he puts in a lot of time both at Regatta's and other events and also away from the Club he puts in many hours of his own time to make sure things run smoothly.

During this period on the Committee Chris has had a young Family, run his own business as a Builder, built a couple of boats from scratch (that's not buying a hull and fitting it out, no that's buying some timber and building them start to finish) and also found time to build his own Family Home.

If someone was to ask me, what qualities would I look for, for a perfect Club Member, I would point to this Man. He's hard working, He loves his boat and maintains it fastidiously, He loves to race and loves to win, but doesn't make excuses or complain when he doesn't, safety on water is very important to him as is the safety of any of the many skiers he tows at our events. He loves the social side of our club also and enjoys a cold drink on a warm day.

It's been a pleasure to work on the Committee with Chris for many of the years he has been involved and I am looking forward to seeing him kick back and relax at our coming Regattas and enjoy everything this Club has to offer.

On behalf of the SSBOC Committee, thank you very much for all you have done for the club.

Neil Williams.



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## AGM MINUTES

### SEACRAFT SYNDICATE BOAT OWNERS CLUB INC. (S.S.B.O.C.)

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**AGM 7<sup>th</sup> August 2016**

**Held at Manningham Hotel, 1 Thompsons Rd Bulleen**

Attendees: Neil Williams, Chris Boyle, , Trefina Needham, Jennifer Grech, Dean Needham, Leigh Thomas, Graeme Rowley, Warren Box, Matt Rowley, Neil Smith, Troy Jansen, Jon Helmore, James Bates, Dave Staave Fischer, Alison Staave Fischer, Murray Bowra, Dave Lightbody, Mark Palmer, Kevin Grech, Courtney Grech, Staci Cox, Kasey Cox, Dave Rowley, Melanie Grech,

Apologies: Noel Palmer, Trevor Clancy, Tony Glass, Mel Boyle, April Williams, Nic Helmore, Jay & Jorja Thomas, Jeff & Mitch Rowley,

Meeting Open: 1.30pm

- Presidents report: read by Chris Boyle, Accepted: Jenny Grech 2<sup>nd</sup>: Neil Williams
  - **Attachment 1**
- Treasurers report: Read by Trefina Needham,
  - Accepted: Chris Boyle 2<sup>nd</sup>: Murray Bowra
  - **Attachment 2**
- Minutes of Previous meeting: Copies were handed around the room.
  - Accepted: Leigh Thomas 2<sup>nd</sup>: Neil Smith
- Minutes of Previous Special General meetings: Copies were handed around the room,
  - Accepted: Leigh Thomas 2<sup>nd</sup>: Neil Smith
  - **Attachment 3**
- **ELECTIONS:**

Office Position	Nominated	Nom By:	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Votes
President	Jon Helmore	Neil Williams	Chris Boyle	Unanimous
Vice President	Graeme Rowley	Jenny Grech	Neil Williams	Unanimous
Caretaker Treasurer	Trefina Needham	Graeme Rowley	Mark Palmer	Unanimous
Secretary, Public Officer	Neil Williams	Chris Boyle	Dean Needham	Unanimous
General Committee	Murray Bowra	Trefina Needham	Neil Williams	Unanimous

	Staci Cox	Mark Palmer	Chris Boyle	Unanimous
	Leigh Thomas	Jon Helmore	Dean Needham	Unanimous
	Alison Staave Fischer	Jenny Grech	Chris Boyle	Unanimous
	Neil Smith	Murray Bowra	Jon Helmore	Unanimous
	Mel Palmer	Trefina Needham	Staci Cox	Unanimous
	Mark Palmer	Murray Bowra	Neil Smith	Unanimous
Website Co-ordinator	Mark Palmer			Unanimous
Clerk of Course	Committee to Assign			Unanimous
Reserve COC	Committee to Assign			Unanimous
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Apparel	Neil Williams			Unanimous

- SIGNATORIES:**

- Jon Helmore
- Staci Cox
- Neil Williams
- Trefina Needham

i. First: Chris Boyle, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Graeme Rowley

- MEMBERSHIP FEES;**

- Current Family & Fam Associate membership: \$95, Single & Associate \$70, Trial: \$20, to remain unchanged

b. Unanimous

- GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- Neil Williams boat Another Ratbag being a non Seacraft, Syndicate or Rivercraft boat

PASSED: UNANIMOUS

- Draft Rule Book for the SSBOC, copies made available to interested persons. The new committee will follow up and appoint a sub-committee if required. Copies were distributed to interested members.

Further follow up required from new committee/sub-committee.

- DVD copies available.
- Trefina happy to continue in the position of treasurer until December when Bernie Carne will hopefully be available to take over the role.

Meeting closed 2.20pm



**ATTACHMENT 1****AGM 7/8/16****Presidents Report**

Throughout this past year, the club events were

Carrum Regatta 1. 20 boats attended. 1<sup>st</sup> event with 65mph limit (worked ok). Special general meeting was held.

Wills Bend: about 20 boats. Great social weekend. Great group of people Beach party on Sat night. If you don't come you're missing out.

Carrum Regatta 2: 23 boats over 2 days due to Upcoming Echuca Regatta being non-competition weekend.

Echuca Regatta. Social / Boat Rally weekend. Trivia night on Sat night. Cruise to winery on Sunday. RSL Sun night. Blue-green algae.

Presentation night at Oasis Camp. I think everyone had a good night.

Throughout the year there was also: Mulwala Rod Run attended by some members. Raised money for our club.

Ski racing, Boat Drags, Boat racing- members competing / attending throughout the year

There are some hard workers in our club. Well done and thank you to all those who helped out throughout the past year. Especially Neil Williams for all your hard work (newsletter, trailer, medals/trophies, apparel, buying food and drinks, the boat rally). Your hard work is much appreciated.

Chris Boyle

**ATTACHMENT 2: TREASURERS REPORT FOR 2015 / 2016 – Trefina Needham**

Chq account opening balance \$20734.94 as of 01/07/2015

Chq account closing balance \$20082.84 as of 30/06/2016

Fundraising account opening balance \$3749.53 as of 01/07/15

Fundraising account closing balance \$3749.87 as of 30/06/16


On the 01/09/15 Westpac bank lowered our monthly eftpos fees from \$55.00 to \$46.75

If you would like to see fully detailed reports on all the above figures I have one here with me along with all the bank statements

As you are probably aware this was my last year as treasurer for the club. I have been a part of the committee for the past 7 years doing various rolls and I have enjoyed every minute of it. I will still be around to help out the new treasurer and I will still be in charge of checking the PO Box as its right next to my own. I will forward all mail on to the new treasurer.

Thank you, Cheers Trefina.