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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Hi,

Happy New Year to everyone. 2017 is shaping up as a great year for the club. It started with Wills Bend – I wasn't there and everyone I have spoken to has made me feel lousy 'cause they had a great time – and I missed out!

We have three coming events locked in, the Nagambi Challenge, Carrum in March & Mulwala in April. Plenty for everyone.

Several of us on the committee are visiting the Mulwala Water Ski Club on the Monday after the Southern 80 to work out some details and take a tour of their facilities. It will be great to see their private Twin Lakes venue first hand. Being a closed-water, private facility we will have plenty of space and plenty time to run as many events as possible over the two days, so please spread the word to make sure it's a record turnout. We will update you all on the venue, facilities and our plan for the April Regatta after the visit.

Congratulations to the Clancy's and the Grech's for great results at the Aussie Titles, and good luck to our members competing in the Southern 80.

Regards,

Jon Helmore

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GENERAL COMMITTEE

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

CLERKS OF COURSE

Graeme Rowley – Tony Glass
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COMING EVENTS

<i>25th February:</i>	<i>NAGAMBIE CHALLENGE DAY.</i>	<i>CONFIRMED</i>
<i>5th March:</i>	<i>CARRUM REGATTA.</i>	<i>CONFIRMED</i>
<i>22ND & 23RD April:</i>	<i>MULWALA REGATTA.</i>	<i>CONFIRMED</i>

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SSBOC /NWSC CHALLENGE

SATURDAY 25th FEBRUARY

9.00 AM SHARP !!!

The Nagambie Ski Club is situated on the Goulbourn River, 15 Mins. upstream from the Lake. Access is via Wattlevale Road.

A BBQ will be available to use so BYO Food and help yourself.


(NWSC SITE IS A STRICTLY NO ALCOHOL VENUE)

Any questions contact Noel Palmer

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SSBOC MULWALA TWIN LAKES REGATTA

22nd & 23rd April 2017



Planning for the upcoming Regatta at the magnificent Twin Lakes venue at Mulwala is well underway. The Mulwala Ski Club are really excited about us having a Regatta at their venue and can't wait to see all of our boats rolling into town. Jon and Myself are having a meeting with the Ski Club Management at the venue on Monday 13th Feb to discuss the details of how it will all work. Ski Club Membership's are available with discounts on Accommodation, Food & Drinks in the Club.

MULWALA SKI CLUB www.mulwalawaterskiclub.com.au

Ski Club Holiday Park, accommodation bookings: (03)5744 1050

AUSTRALIAN SPEED AND MARATHON TITLES JINDABYNE, JANUARY 2017



The AUSTRALIAN SPEED AND MARATHON TITLES (Aussie Titles) were held on Lake Jindabyne from the 10th to 15th January this year and the SSBOC was well represented by a number of very talented Skiers, Drivers and Observers. The weather for the Titles was mostly sunny but unfortunately very windy most days, some races had to be postponed one day due to the conditions. Jenny Grech was heading to the start line with Mel Grech and had waves coming over the deck before they even got to start, that race was Red Flagged and re-run the next day.

LISA CLANCY was the first to race in the 40 – U50 Women, Lisa skied a great race behind The Contractor with Neil Donald driving and Corrine Donald observing. Lisa completed 5 Laps without any mishaps or falls and looked solid as a rock in the choppy conditions, Lisa commented after the race that, that was the roughest water she has ever raced in. Well done Lisa 1st Place and another Australian Title to add to your very impressive list of achievements.



JAYMI CLANCY was racing in the 10 – U13 Girls and in water most of us wouldn't take our boats out in, she skied a magnificent race to come home in 3rd Place. Each lap is approx. 7.5 klm and Jaymi skied 5 of them for a very well deserved 3rd Place Medal.



JAKE CLANCY was in the 10 – U13 Boys and this was a very tough field of 7 starters, Jake's boat of choice was the 99 Psycho Clowns with Jessica Pearce driving. Jake was giving up age and size to most of the competitor's in the field. Jake skied for 6 laps (roughly 45 km) at up to 75mph in choppy water and finished in 4th Place, that is a fantastic effort for anyone, let alone an 11 year old.

MELANIE GRECH had a busy 5 days starting on Wednesday with Round 3 of Qualifying for the World Titles, Mel skied well but didn't finish in the points. Mel skied in a few other races at the Aussie Titles and when she wasn't skiing, she was observing. Mel finished 4th in Social Women's, 3rd in 25 – U30 Women's and 4th in Open Women's. Mel's Open Women's race was probably her best race even though she didn't quite get on the podium. Mel skied behind their new supercharged boat but it had some starting issue's and the field got a 2 minute head start on her. When Mel eventually got going she skied fantastic and slowly pegged back the field. In her sights was Courtney, who was doing a great job in third place, Mel kept plugging away, lap after lap and eventually caught up to and passed Courtney in the home straight only to hit a massive hole in the water and fall within sight of the finish line, to her credit she got up again and finished the race in Fourth, well done Melanie. Mel also picked up a 1st and a 4th observing for Kev and Courtney in their Marathons.

COURTNEY GRECH also had a very busy 5 Days. Her week didn't start well with a fall in the World Qualifying round, Court damaged her Helmet and couldn't continue in that race. Courtney had some better luck in the Aussie Titles with a 2nd Place in Social Women, 4th Place in Open Women's Marathon, 4th Place in 19 – U25 Women and finished with a well deserved 3rd Place in Open Women's. That is a lot of kilometre's in some very rough water. Courtney's skied great throughout the tournament, but was outstanding in the Marathon. The Marathon is 6 Laps on different ski's, first is a Slalom, then Double's, then Finless Slalom and Finless Double's and the last 2 laps are Free Board (no fin and no bindings) and a plank of wood to finish. To finish all 6 Laps in some of the worst conditions of the week was an excellent effort.



KEV GRECH had 3 events scheduled for his Aussie Titles, he was defending his title in both 60 mph Expert and Social and was going to have a crack at the over 50 Marathon. First up was the 60 Expert and Kev had a great battle with someone half his age and narrowly got beaten, but this is the Aussie Titles and 2nd is a great achievement. 60 mph Social wasn't a great result with a



fairly heavy fall in the rough conditions putting an end to his race. The Marathon was put off to the

Sunday due to the terrible conditions and Kev was going to give it a miss and head home early Sunday, but with some prompting from his Family and Friends he decided to go for it. Although his body was saying NO due to his stack earlier in the week, his mind said why not, I'm here anyway. This was truly a Marathon in every sense of the word, Kev was struggling with some of the ski's he would normally do with ease, with a couple of falls and a couple of missed starts he eventually greeted the Chequered Flag with the loudest cheer from the small crowd, louder than any of the other winner's before him. Kev had his own Special Cheer Squad, the Ladies from the Lion's Club BBQ thought his effort and "verbal encouragement" to Jenny driving the boat was very entertaining, they are going to get Kev & Mrs Kev T Shirts for next year. A really great effort with a bung shoulder to get across the line to take the 50+ Men's Marathon.



JENNY GRECH probably had the busiest week, driving 2 different boats in multiple events. Most days the conditions were terrible for racing and getting thrown around in a little boat race after race would not have been fun at all. Despite the conditions Jenn did a fantastic job getting a First, a Second and 3 Fourth Places for the week and brought her family home in one piece (Kev's stack was behind another boat). Well done Jenny, great driving or should I say Flying, as in some of the races the boat was out of the water more than in it.

BLAKEY seemed to be out in a boat observing more often than not. His thorough professionalism throughout the week helped to make sure the girl's and anyone else he Observed for came home safely.

After a hard week of racing, Blakey likes to enjoy a couple of drinks and meet the locals, he and Ross got on so well with a couple of the locals, they offered to give them a lift home.





The view of the races from the pub balcony was pretty good.



SOUTHERN 80 11TH & 12TH FEBRUARY 2017

Good luck to all of our Members taking part in the Southern 80 this year.

Keep an eye out and make sure you cheer them on.

Leigh Thomas will be steering NAILED down the course in 70mph class, Kev Grech will be skiing behind BURN N WOOD with Neville Blake in the Observer's seat. Melanie and Courtney Grech Skiing and Jenny Grech Driving and Dean Needham Observing in ATG Racing in Social Women on Saturday and the same crew will be in MOC with Against The Grain on Sunday. Keep a look out for Jaymi & Jake Clancy skiing in the Under 13 Class, I'm not sure what boats. Save a huge cheer for the new CARNEAGE TEAM with Summer and Ruby having their First race with Dad, Adam Carne at the wheel. I'm sorry if I missed anyone.

GOOD LUCK AND SAFE RACING TO ALL INVOLVED.

WILLS BEND SOCIAL WEEKEND**21ST & 22ND JANUARY**

Wills Bend Was again a fun filled weekend for everyone who attended, for some it was more than a weekend, some arriving as early as the Monday before. A big shout out to Jason Paroz, who towed his boat MEAN MACHINE all the way from Queensland to come to our social weekend. Jason and his mate Dan had a ball and were seen skiing nearly the whole time they were there, Jason's passion for Seacraft boats is to be admired.

The weather was fantastic all weekend, with only a bit of bad weather on Friday Morning and that was gone by Lunchtime. It's great to see all the kids out on the water having a great time Skiing, Kneeboarding or even having a ride on a Biscuit.



Even the

not so young were out having a ski and a Barefoot. Thanks to everyone who came along and made it another Wills Bend Weekend to remember.

BOATS ATTENDING: *Conquistador, Mean Machine, Holeshot, Termite, Daddy O, Syndicate, Another Ratbag, The Outsider, On Fire, Cloud Nine, Gotta Woody, Decision, Gremlin, Rivercraft, Nailed.*

Rob Bertram bought Full Noise along for a bit of a demo and a couple of guys from the Classic Ski Boat Group also came along to join the fun.



A little birdy told me that one of our Members was having a lot of trouble backing his trailer down the ramp at Wills, I won't say who it was, but he had to get a Victorian to do it for him.... Whoops, that was MEAN.



SSBOC MEMBERS REGISTER

SURNAME	NAMES	MEMBERSHIP	BOAT
LIFE MEMBERS			
ADCOCK	PETER	LIFE	
BLAKE	NEVILLE & HELEN	LIFE	WALLYWOOD
GLASS	LAURIE & WENDY	LIFE	
GLASS	TONY & MICHELLE	LIFE	BLOWN AWAY
JOHNSTON	GORDON & BERYL	LIFE	
JONES	ALLEN & ANNE	LIFE	
PALMER	NOEL & KERRY	LIFE	CONQUISTADOR
RETALICK	LENNY & MARIE	LIFE	
TULL	JEFF	LIFE	
MEMBERS 2016-2017			
ANDREANA	DON	SINGLE	ERRATIC
BATES	JAMES	SINGLE	JESTER ACES
BECKETT	PETER & KAREN	FAMILY	DISTINCTION
BECKETT	TOM	SINGLE ASSOC	DISTINCTION
BERTRAM	ROD & JEANETTE	FAMILY	GUN SEACRAFT
BOWRA	MURRAY & JAKINTA	FAMILY	MUDDY WATERS HOLESHOT
BOX	LEE	SINGLE	CLOUD NINE TOUCHWOOD
BOX	WARREN	SINGLE	CLOUD NINE TOUCHWOOD
BOYLE	CHRIS & MELONY	FAMILY	WOODSTOCK GREMLIN
CARNE	ADAM & BERNIE	FAMILY	TRUE COLOR
CLANCY	PETER & LISA	FAMILY	RUFFCUT BURNOUT
CLANCY	TREVOR	FAMILY	RUFFCUT
COX	DARREN & STACI	FAMILY	OLDE' WOOD
DIETZE	PETER & LORI	FAMILY	
GRECH	KEVIN & JENN	FAMILY	BUTTER BOX
HARITOU	STAN & MICHELLE	FAMILY	DIDGERIDOO
HELMORE	JON & JUDITH	FAMILY	JINX
HELMORE	NICHOLAS	SINGE ASSOC	JINX
HENDERSON	MARK & JACINTA	FAMILY	DISTINCTION
HOIRIGAN	RUSSELL	SINGLE	KNOTSURE

JANSEN	TROY & LOUISA	FAMILY	SHIFTY
LIGHTBODY	DAVID & JACQUELINE	FAMILY	ON FIRE
MARTINOVIC	BEAU	SINGLE ASSOC	-
MCDONALD	LEIGH & RENEE	FAMILY	BACKFIRE MATTI
MCLEAN	ANDY & DEBBIE	FAMILY	DADDY-O
MILBURN	DARREN	SINGLE	DRIFTWOOD
MILER	GEORGE	FAMILY	SYNDICATE
MOODY	BARKLY & SALLY	FAMILY	TERMITE
NEEDHAM	DEAN & TREFINA	FAMILY	IRONBARK
PALMER	MARK & MEL	FAMILY	STICK IT
PAROZ	JASON	SINGLE ASSOC	MEAN MACHINE
PEEL	ADRIAN & KERRIE	FAMILY	LIL TYKE
PEEL	RYAN	FAMILY	KNOCK-ON
PINTAUDI	FRANK & VENESSA	FAMILY	DIDGERIDOO
ROBSON	JASON & DEBORAH	FAMILY	NAVADA SMOKE MYGRAIN
ROWLEY/BO URKE	DAVID & CHIE	FAMILY	WOODPECKER
ROWLEY	GEOFF & DEBBIE	FAMILY	MAGIC
ROWLEY	GRAEME & SUE	FAMILY	DRAG-ON
ROWLEY	MATT	SINGLE	WOODPECKER
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TOFFOLON	LUKE & KAT	FAMILY	WOORWORX
TOLLEY	JAMES & REBECCA	FAMILY	LIPPSTICK
TOMAS	JAY & GEORGIA	FAMILY	TEAM SEACRAFT
WARTNABY	BEN & NARELLE	FAMILY	DREAMER
WELCH	PAUL & JANE	FAMILY	FREWOOD
WILLIAMS	NEIL & APRIL	FAMILY	THE OUTSIDER
WILLIAMS	ERRYN	FAMILY	ANOTHER RATBAG
WILLIAMS/ HEALEY	STEPH & DANIEL	FAMILY	ANOTHER RATBAG
WRIGHT	GREG	SINGLE	WOOD N FIRE



CARRUM REGATTA

Venue: - National Waters Sports Centre, Carrum

SUNDAY 5TH MARCH

LAND:

Set up from 8.30am

WATER:

Set up from 9.00AM

SAFETY BRIEFING:

9.15 am – START: 9.30 am

BBQ lunch will be available.

LAUNCH FEE \$ 30.00

Note:- Events subject to change subject re: conditions Order to be determined on day.

Kid's Events:

U/6, U/8, U/12, U/16 Ski Time Trials
Junior Boat-a-kana
Junior Barefoot
Under and Over 12 Two Up Event

Mixed Events:

Parent / Sibling Ski Time Trial

Adult Ski Events:

Male & Female

6Cyl/V8 Barefoot Time Trials (Le Mans Start)
6 Cylinder Ski Time Trials
V6/V8 Ski Time Trials
Open Ski Time Trials
Veteran Ski Time Trials

Boat Driver Events:

Male & Female

Boat-a-kana
6 Cylinder Time Trials (Single & Multi Carbi)
V6/V8 Time Trials

V / DRIVE BOATS CAN COMPETE IN THE SAME EVENTS AS MIDMOUNT BOATS (69MPH LIMIT)

FINISH:

Event finished including pack-up by 5.00pm

**PLEASE TRY AND HAVE ALL YOUR INSURANCE AND
MEMBERSHIP PAPERWORK SORTED BEFORE YOU ARRIVE.**