

2019 Sailing Report

Another sailing season gone, and some of us are getting old. John McCormic is now promoted to grand grand masters division and I think he is our first GGM in the club. We know members come and go and some don't sail regularly for reasons. Members was little down this season and it triple the workload on start boat duty. With most regular members doing the start boat duty more than three times. Hopefully, we get few new members next season and hope we get all members regularly.

This year we welcome new members father and daughter John and Immy Hoile joining the club, both very keen sailors. They are improving quick so, (watch out! here we come). Also, welcome back Dave Fisher and family after their year long cruising around some parts of the world. It is great to have them back safe and sound.

It was successful sailing season, a special mentioned to Beau for organising the Taipan NSW State Titles and F16 Australian National Titles, run from our club. Both events were successful. Congratulations to father and son Tristan and Beau White placing 2nd at F16 A.N.T. Also, Jai Tooley and Sophie Renouf finishing 3rd overall. It is also great to see many sailors representing our club at other sailing club events this year including State and National Titles. Congratulations to Anthony and Evelyn for qualifying at the last Australian National Titles in Adelaide to represent Australia at the H16 World Championships held at Captiva Island, Florida in November this year. (all the best, you two!) We also like to congratulate Daren Schmidt and Leah Bennet for winning the NSW H18 State Titles this year, well done! Congratulations to Team Australia, winning The Worrell 1000, 13 days stage race up the east coast of the United States this month. The team consist of Rod Waterhouse and Beau White from our club and Brett White from Speers Point Amateur Sailing Club in Lake Macquarie. Beach manager, Kerry Waterhouse. Great work!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members for helping out with start boat duties and sailing side of things. Also thank you to committee members for making the time and effort in help running of the club. Special thank you to the skipper of the PBSC Richard Lacy for skippering the club into successfully sailing season. Very very special thank you to Trevor for continually helping in sailing side of things and doing the race results and publishing on website and facebook successfully. Also, his great write ups on facebook which gives the club a great publicity.

Depending on how many members we will have this year but you may be programmed to do more than three start boat duties next season.

Before I sign off please make note of the following;

Note 1: It is responsibility of the person assigned boat duty to:

- (a) Find someone to assist with the boat duty
- (b) Find a replacement should they not be available to perform their duty on the nominated day
- (c) Be suitably licensed and skilled to operate the club start/rescue boat or ask other members for help
- (d) To provide the ingredients and cook the after race BBQ