

## **Cockburn Power Boats**



# WELCOME TO 2023 Let's get out on The water!

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Above: Don Beisley and his team hard at it again – this time cooking a free sausage sizzle for the Boat & Trailer Information Day on January 22nd.



# JANUARY

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## **COMMODORE'S REPORT**

BY STEPHEN KNIGHT - COMMODORE

### Steve Imgrund

Recently Steve stepped down from his position on Management Committee. I want to pay to tribute to the many years of service Steve has performed in the role on the Committee, those of you that have served on the Committee know only too well the hours of work involved.

Steve's main role at CPBC was Coordinator of one of the Clubs special interest groups, the Cruising Group which has approx. 50 participants, and Steve would in many cases single-handedly organize day trips or trips away over a weekend.

Some of the mottos of the Cruising Group are to spend more time on the water and use your boat more frequently. It also allowed Members to interact with other Members on a more personal level. Steve will be very much missed by the Committee in his role and by the Members of the Cruising Group.



## **Cruising Group**

This Special Interest Group is still active and we continue to reach out to a number of members in that group to attract a Coordinator.

## **Don Beisley**

With Steve Imgrund stepping down, Don has moved from Second Rear Commodore to First Rear Commodore, I welcome him to this new Flag position.

## Tim Carson

Tim has now joined the Flag, as 2nd Rear Commodore. Again I welcome Tim to this most important Flag position.

## **Rock Wall Preparation**

As has been reported earlier - the Club had an opportunity in January to acquire a significant amount of what is termed armour rock, this will lead to savings of around \$75k - \$100k in the Stage 3 pen development which we are progressing. We will continue to keep Members abreast of these developments.



## COMMODORE'S REPORT CONTINUES...

**BY STEPHEN KNIGHT - COMMODORE** 

#### **Crayfish Season**

Yes, I heard it loud and clear from so many Members that this past season has been not so productive for a large many of you, based on previous years, it has been slim pickings for many who invested time, expense and energy to bring them in.

#### **Car-Parking**

Last year on social media there were some comments about lack of parking for members, however what we are seeing and even with the restraints of cray fishing or on some of those perfect weekends the demands on Club parking is quite relaxed. The Club's decision to back and support Management Committee to invest and expand the Western lease area of land behind the Clubhouse has proven extremely beneficial. I remind Members at every opportunity to explore this vast car-park. It is rare that we do max out, it does happen occasionally though.

#### **Australian Marine Complex**

I had the opportunity to attend an official visit as part of my role also on the Cockburn Sound Management Council. AMC are our closest southerly neighbour and it was important to keep focused on the current expansion of wharf facilities and dry and wet docks that have recently been completed.

#### **HMAS Stirling**

I had the opportunity to meet with Captain Gary Lawton RAN. Gary is the Commander of Fleet Base West, HMAS Stirling, and understands the Recreational use of vessels both in the Sound and in the bays around Garden Island.

Below: Commodore Stephen Knight with Captain Gary Lawton RAN





Above: Commodore Stephen Knight visiting AMC





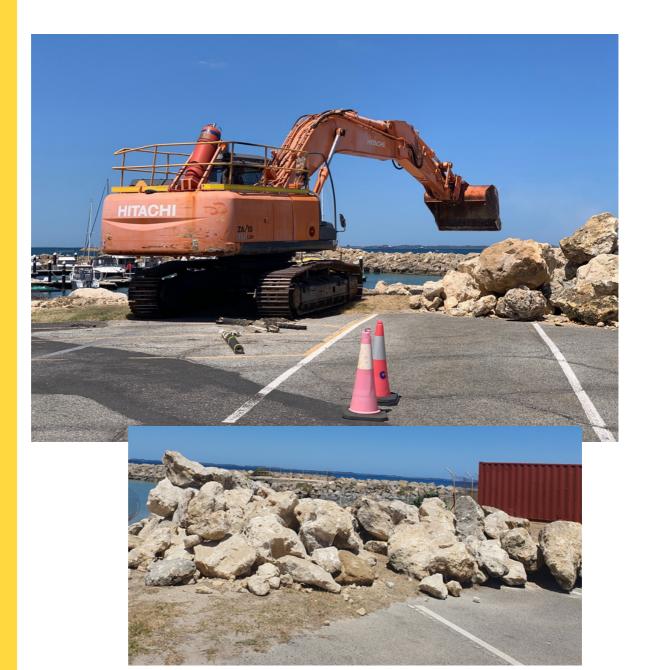
## **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

## BY JOHN TISSOTT - GENERAL MANAGER

The warm weather experienced over the last few weekends has resulted in a lot of boating activity at the Club. Whilst we were very busy, we did not experience any overflow outside our grounds and all Member's parking requirements were accommodated within our secure complex. The additional towing vehicle/boat trailer bays added behind the club house last season have provided a welcome boost to our parking bays.

## Limestone Rock Stored at the Club

The Club has been lucky to secure a large volume of limestone armour rock (in excess of 1,000 cubic metres) which is being removed from Fishermen's Harbour and stored on our beach and the grassed area above the beach, until used to build a new seawall between the grassed area above the beach and our existing pens. The Club is meeting half of the transport cost which represents an overall saving of ~\$80,000 for the Club. To date we have had 54 semi-trailer loads of rock delivered to the Club. A large digger is being used to shift the rock down onto the beach.





## **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT CONTINUES...**

**BY JOHN TISSOTT - GENERAL MANAGER** 

### Stage 3 Development

This development which includes twenty-two new 12 metre pens, a rock seawall, additional car parking bays, landscaped area and improvements to the bitumen surface between the washdown bays and concrete ramp apron plus collection of water from the washdown bays, is proposed to commence in September 2023 subject to development approval from government agencies and approval from our Management Committee. Please contact me if you are chasing a 12 metre pen and are not already on the pen waiting list.

### **Staff Changes**

Cindy Civello has returned from her "Thelma and Louise" adventure across Australia as our Office Administrator and Serena Eldrid has joined our team as Functions Coordinator. Lynda Mackillican's role has changed to Marketing and Publications. The benefit of our expanded team is starting to show with an improved service to Members coupled with a better standard and quality of marketing.



LEFT: Serena Eldrid, the Club's new Functions Coordinator

## **Club Raffle**

A book of Club raffle tickets will be posted to each member within the next fortnight. Each book consists of five \$10 tickets with an excellent opportunity for members to win \$1,000, \$2,000 or \$5,000 in cash. The prizes will be drawn and streamed live from the Club on 12th April. Additional tickets are available from the Club office until 31st March.

#### New Members Social Media Campaign

Our campaign is building momentum with a noticeable increase in new members recruited in January. The campaign was set up to attract new members to replace members who chose not to renew their annual membership for 2023-24. Whilst the campaign is producing positive results, our membership numbers are still less than the previous year.

#### Seasonal Temporary Hardstand Storage Bays

Due to the healthy demand from Members for temporary hardstand bays, we will be increasing our number of hardstand bays behind the clubhouse after Easter during our traditional quiet winter months.

Happy boating,

John

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## **WORKS & GROUNDS REPORT**

BY DON BEISLEY - 1ST REAR COMMODORE

## Hello Members,

During the last quarter there was quite a bit achieved in the Works, Grounds and Volunteers area.

## Sausage Sizzle

On Saturday the 10th of December we had a surprise sausage sizzle for Members and their crew at the boat ramp. We started cooking at 4.30am for the Members out crayfishing and went through until 9am. Club Commodore Stephen Knight and General Manager John Tissott handed out the sausages in buns with onions and a bottle of water to all those that wanted them. Members and friends enjoyed the surprise on their return from boating. Thank you to the team that worked behind the scenes to make it happen. Ron Baxter, Roy and Di Richardson, Stacey Beisley, Bill Davey, Ross the Club Bosun and Geoff Club Caretaker.

We endeavour to provide more sausage sizzles moving forward for our Members and their crew.













## WORKS & GROUNDS REPORT CONTINUES...

BY DON BEISLEY - 1ST REAR COMMODORE

#### **Busy Bees**

Over the past few months the Busy Bees have been supported by our regular attendees and the New Probationary Members joining in as well. The Busy Bees are a great way to achieve your 3 Club events to qualify to become a Full Member.

During these months many tasks have been completed such as the regular mowing of the lawns, weeding of the gardens, removal of the beach sand blowing into our carpark area from the strong winds, washing down the electric fence, washing and cleaning of the Club windows, washing and scrubbing the paved area under the Club House, plus many other projects.

Participating in the Busy Bees provides an opportunity to meet fellow members while having some fun.

In closing, once a month on the second Saturday of the month, the Busy Bee starts at 8.30am and goes for two-three hours followed by a light morning tea. We meet in the BBQ area beneath the Club rooms.

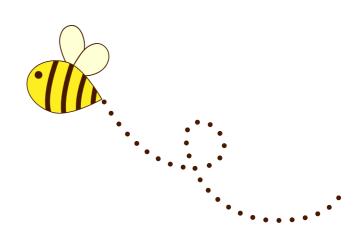
All members are welcome and appreciated, as many hands make light work while meeting new friends and having some fun.

To join in please contact the office on 9418 5868 and register for the upcoming Busy Bee.

If you forget to register don't worry, come down and join in. If you're a Probationary Member, please bring along your VIP card for signing.

Come on down, have some fun while making a difference.

Don Beisley





## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

## BY RHYSS WHITTRED - TREASURER

Our Club continues to remain in a strong financial position. We currently have more than \$400k in bank deposits and our loan facility of \$520k has only the minimal \$3k drawdown. Our financial result for the first 6 months of the financial year showed a surplus of \$79K with a budget shortfall of \$16k.

## Positive contribution:

\$21k below budget
\$8k below budget
\$6k below budget
\$5k below budget

Negative contributions:

•Membership subscriptions	\$24k below budget
•Marketing & advertising	\$17k above budget
Nomination fees	\$9k below budget

Our major capital expenditure project - stage 3 of the pens, along with beautifying/bituminising down at the ramps has been delayed due to planning approvals and the price rises associated with this project. The Committee are analysing this project and assessing the prices before the final approval.

There has been a reduction in total membership renewals of close to 10% (101) following the subscription renewal period. The Management Committee have commenced a recruitment campaign to rebuild some of our member numbers back to where there were last year. This includes a revamp of our website and lifting our profile through Google search and Facebook. At this stage the program has attracted close to 20 new members.

No doubt many of you would have seen the large volume of limestone rock armour stored on our beach and grassed area. This will be used for the new seawall as part of stage 3 of the pen project. John Tissott through his contacts has saved the Club approximately \$80k.

Unfortunately, our hospitality is being restricted for the larger events due to the difficulty of finding appropriate staff.

I wish you all well and enjoy your Club and boating activities.

Rhyss Whittred



## **CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP REPORT**

BY RHYSS WHITTRED

## JANUARY 2023

The Club's sponsorship vision and strategy is focused on providing three categories of sponsorship, linked to a financial commitment ensuring current and prospective sponsors find a package that best suits them. With our varied and attractive packages delivering variety and flexibility, we have attracted sponsors ranging from smaller family businesses.to large corporate companies We encourage our sponsors to be active and experience the excitement of our Club. If any Club members wish to become a sponsor or have a lead for me to follow up for potential sponsorship, feel free to contact me. Here is a snapshot of your Club's sponsorship statistics.

## January 2023 YTD

Budget	\$20,000
Actual	\$17,500
Gold sponsors	6
Silver sponsors	5
Club sponsors	10

I urge you all to continue to promote and use our sponsors listed below and make sure you let them know you are a Cockburn Power Boats Club member. All our sponsors offer discounts exclusively for our members. So another good reason to go visit any of them!

## GOLD

Anglers Fishing World Aussie Liquor Discounts-& Vibe Spearwood Boat Sales WA Challenge Marine Boat Sales Chivers Marine West Coast Suzuki Marine

## SILVER

CV Powder Coaters Fremantle Indoor-Beach Volleyball Genesis Craft Taylor Marine Woodies Café

#### CLUB

All Marine Services BCM Fencing Enviro Sweep Fins Seafood Global Trade Sales Australia Remo's Quality Meats Spitfire Boat Trailers The Propellor Specialist Three Ocean Maritime Trident Marine Insurance

All the best, Rhyss Whittred





## ADMIN UPDATE

CINDY CIVELLO -OFFICE ADMINISTRATION/RECEPTION

Hello Members,

For those who are not aware, I returned to my position in the office just prior to Xmas. While away I enjoyed an amazing road trip from Perth to Cairns. Being on the road and exploring our beautiful country was unforgettable!

Welcome to the following new Members that have joined since the last edition of Seas the Day:

Kris Quartermaine Joshu Mutch Manuel Joy Marcin Binkowski Troy Pottier Terry Romaro Mark Burge Jee Seung Michael Cawse Dean Parks

Best wishes to all for 2023. Cheers, Cindy

- John Versaico Bryce Coyne Dave Roberts Stephen Foulis Darren Gregory Liam Walker Clint Osborne Bradley Maher Kevin Muhling Graham Simpson
- Wade Scott Kingsley Burke Gavin Flematti Geoff Diver Larry Grohovaz Colin Brindle Sean Dowling Harley Davies Leesa Neal Michael Sheppard

## JUVENILE SNAPPER RELEASE

Recfishwest are set to release thousands of baby snapper fingerlings from the Club's boat ramp, into the protected waters of the marina. This will occur on **February 13th at Noon**. The fingerlings will arrive from the hatchery in a tanker and hit the water at about 12:15pm. The event is open to Members and family to come down and watch.

Bring your kids and a camera, it's very interesting to watch!









## WESTPORT & COCKBURN SOUND HARBOUR UPDATE

BY MALCOLM TULL - COMMITTEE

## Westport Update

Westport is currently undertaking a three-year research program with the WA Marine Science Institute to help understand the potential impact of the new port on the marine environment of Cockburn Sound. The research covers nine major themes and involves 31 research projects. The projects include trials for restoring seagrass meadows and improving knowledge of marine biodiversity in Cockburn Sound.

While no port can be completely 'green' the aim is to ensure that the port and other activities, including fishing and boating, can co-exist in a sustainable way.

Westport will be holding a briefing session for our Club in the first half of this year. Members will be advised as soon as the date is confirmed.

Malcolm, Harbour Issues



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## FISHING GROUP

## BY TIM CARSON - 2ND REAR COMMODORE

Since our last newsletter the Fisheries Minister has now announced the outcome of their review and the rules by which we will need to follow come the first of February.

Fishing for demersals (this covers around 100 specices) in the West Coast bi-region will follow the below rules.

- Catching demersal scalefish recreationally\* will be prohibited from:
- 1 February to 31 March (inclusive);
- 1 August to the beginning of the September/October school holidays. For 2023 that seems to be Sat 23rd Sept; and
- end of the September/October school holidays (possibly 8th Oct) to 15 December (inclusive).
- We have made contact with Fisheries WA to try and confirm the school holiday dates and will advise all when we get a response.

Cockburn Sound will also close to snapper fishing 1 month earlier than previous years on 1st August 2023.

• This will mean that effectively the sound closure will run from 1st August to 1st April of the following year.

Since the announcement we have had positive and ongoing engagement with our local member David Scaife plus other departments and groups to provide feedback on behalf of the club and its members around the severity of the changes and impacts they may have. We will be continuing this process into the future and will advise members as required.

In November we held a Pelagic Fishing Info Night at the Club to a full house. It was a great night with information from RFW on the progress of the wider FAD program that had reached it's end of trial earlier in the year. Fisheries WA, has confirmed ongoing funding and these FAD's will now be deployed each year to expand on the program in place by Perth Game Fishing Club.

Ben Weston the owner of Richter Lures an accomplished game fishing angler in his own right, also joined us to share information on the different species that could be targeted out from the metro area as well as how.

It was great to hear from anglers who headed out after the talk for the first time to give it a go and had some success on tuna etc. It makes the effort very worthwhile to arrange these opportunities.

As part of the night a map was created to help assist with different areas that you could try for the different pelagic species. If you would like a copy please contact the office and we will arrange one for you.



## FISHING GROUP CONTINUES...

## BY TIM CARSON - 2ND REAR COMMODORE

We recently held a Boat & Trailer Maintenance day at the club. The team at Mobile Vehicle Weighing WA were happy to be at the club weighing trailer boats at a significant discount to their normal fee. This provided Members with a great opportunity to understand their weights for safety, legal and insurance reasons and we were pleased to see over 30 boats took up the opportunity. Plenty of lessons were learned on the day and a few surprises as well. With both Mike from Spitfire Trailers and Alex from All Marine Services in attendance they were able to assist Members and guests with a number of issues and questions.

There was also a free sausage sizzle and a raffle with prices donated by two of our sponsors, Aussie Liquor and Remo's Quality Meats. The winners of the raffle were Jeff Mengler, Saundra Cooper, Mark Jones and Joel Cooper.





Special thanks go to all the Club Sponsors who helped on the day.

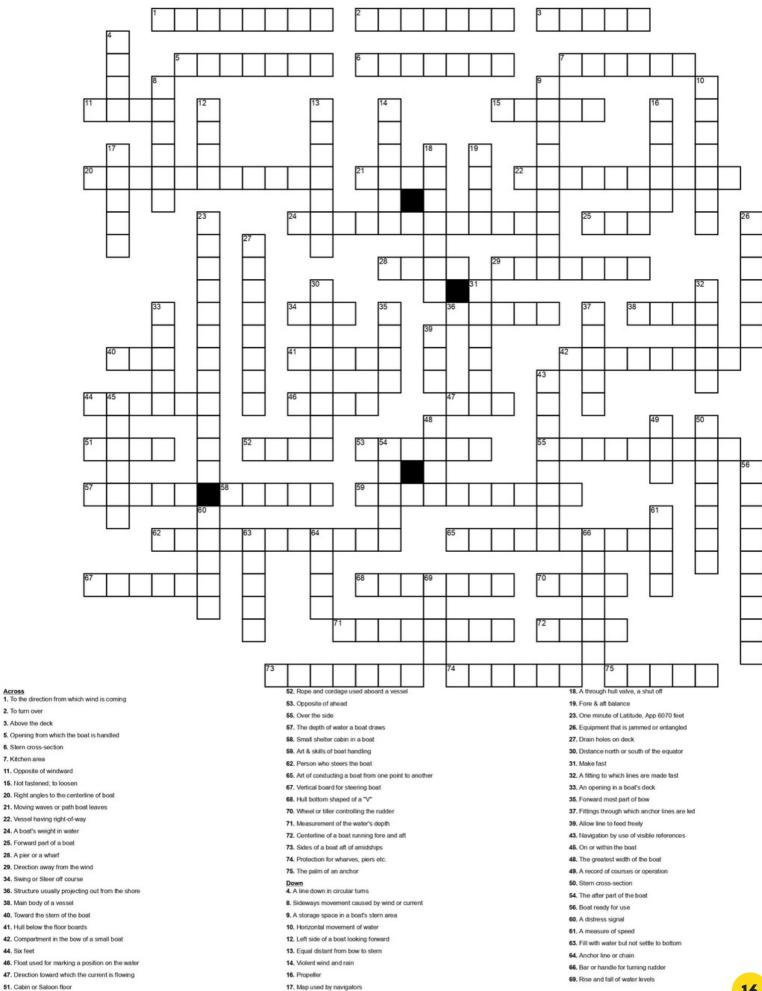


It's great to see a few fish getting uploaded to the TMF Tournament App for our Club competition. It is an easy process and works on Apple or Android and can be completed with or without phone reception. With monthly prizes as well as annual prizes we hope to see more people jumping on board.

As always please drop us a line should you have any questions Tim and Peter.



## **CPB** Puzzler: Boat Basics



44. Six feet

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## **MY PERSONAL BEST**

I had not long stepped down from Commodore of the Club and after three years of commitment to that role, Di and I decided to head north for a couple of weeks late in October 2022.

What better place to re-set to a retired lifestyle than our favourite camping beach near Coral Bay.

This had been typical of our favourite annual northern road trip for about twenty years and we have never been disappointed with the swimming, fishing and relaxing.

On this trip I was lucky enough to catch a few nice Spangled Emperor from the beach but none better than the one in the photo. It was my personal best at 71cms.

BY ROY RICHARDSON



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#### **Cockburn Power Boats**

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm

## **BAR TRADING HOURS**

Saturday & Sunday 2:00pm to 5:00pm

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