

# MOTOR YACHT CLUB OF TASMANIA (Inc.)



## ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 2022/2023

Presented to Members at the 97<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023

## PATRON: Ralph King CHAPLIN: Reverend Chris Bowditch

## FLAG OFFICERS 2022/2023

COMMODORE	John Hebbink July 2022 – March 2023 Brian Edmonds April 2023 – June 2023
VICE-COMMODORE	Brian Edmonds July 2022 – March 2023 Matthew Debnam April 2023 – July 2023
REAR COMMODORE	Matthew Debnam July 2022 – March 22023 Dean Kearney April 2023- June 2023

#### **Board of Directors:**

Todd Leary, Steve Kennedy, Tabitha Dobson, Penny Chugg, Dean Kearney June 2022- April 2023, Justin Lawson, Powerboat Racing representative Mark Green May 2023- June 2023 and David Beard.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES:**

FINANCE: Tim Abey (Chairman) July 2022 - March 2023, John Hebbink July 2022 - March 2023, Brian Edmonds, Neil Readett, Patrick Cummings April 2023- July 2023 and David Beard.

<u>EGERIA:</u> Graeme and Julie Foale, Jill Warren, Ross and Jill Gates, Steve and Julia Chopping, Keith and Annie Didham, John Lucas, Steve and Joy Bingley, Nigel and Kathryn Grey, Robert and Anne Foale, John Hebbink, Paul and Barbara Saunders, Peter and Ronnie Griggs, Bernard Carlington, Andrew and Jane O'Brien, John Behrens, David Marshall, Peter Morgan, Peter Wright, Phil and Penny Dilger, Chris Parker, Geoff Marsh, Tony and Judy Pearce, James and Helen Andrewartha, Garry Harper, John Cole, Ted Kulinski ,Henry and Robyn Finnis, David Wise, Richard Horswill and Brendan Kelly.

EGERIA SKIPPERS: Bernie Smith, Scott Dunn, Terry Thompson, Sam Foale, Matthew Shepperd, Brian Edmonds.

STAFF as of 12 September 2023:

General Manager FT				
Manager Administration and	Member Relations FT			
Front of House Manager FT				
Head Chef FT				
Bosun PPT				
Gardener PPT				
Gaming and Bar Attendant	РРТ			
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David Beard Belinda Cherry Ashlee Driessen Kirk Frawley Tom McCabe Courtney Webber Bernadette Harold Ashley Leyland- Morris

Plus our wonderful team of Casual staff

## Commodores Annual Report 2022 – 2023

Brian Edmonds April 2023-



I would like to begin by thanking all the Board Members and Staff for their ongoing commitment and dedication to managing the Club on behalf of our many members and guests.

We achieved a significant amount of work over the past financial year in the areas of governance and policy development and we have completed a number of major and minor works around the Club.

This has set a very strong foundation for the Club's ongoing success.

Our finances are sound and I thank the Finance Committee comprising Tim Abey and John Hebbink (to March 2023), and Neil Readett and Patrick Cummins for their professional contribution and advice to the Board.

Our Operating result of \$214,000 is a direct result of tight financial management and increased patronage.

Two committees were formed to review operational aspects of the Clubhouse and revisit member value.

- 1. Restaurant Review Committee Vice Commodore Debnam, Director Dobson, General Manager, Front of House Manager and Head Chef.
- 2. Events and Entertainment Committee Rear Commodore Kearney, General Manager and Front of House Manager.

The Committee's recommendations have now been implemented and these two committees have been dissolved.

Our Governance work included development and adoption of the 2023 -2026 Strategic Plan, thanks to Director Chugg and the General Manager in taking carriage of this important work.

The Strategic Plan sets out our roadmap and priorities for the next three years. The plan will be delivered through actions to meet the strategic priorities. We will manage the business through five strategic pillars being; Our Members, Customers, People, Business and Governance. In delivering on our Plan, we are strongly committed to Innovation, Safety, Protection of the Environment, being diverse and inclusive, focused on the future and being responsive.

The plan is a commitment to our members and the long-term prosperity of the Club.

We also undertook a detailed Risk review and signed off on several new Policies. Much of this work helped limit the increase in Insurance premiums this year.

In respect to works projects there were several maintenance commitments delivered including external painting of the Clubhouse, pavement repairs, drainage improvements and slip refurbishment.

Capital investment included the Deck Extension and a very big thank you to John Smith for his management, oversite, and donation of time. John was able to save the Club a lot of money and delivered the project well under budget. Also, to our partner RSL, who made a significant financial contribution of half the project cost.

We also invested in a non-planned upgrade of power to Arm 4 and a re-distribution and upgrade to the power on Arms 1-3. These works were required due to several intermittent power outages. Which has future proofed power supply to marina berth holders.

I have been heartened to see the increase in social activities in and around the club with many successful events including regular music for members and guests. Our partnerships with the Derwent Storms, Lindisfarne Rotary and Tuna Club of Tasmania to name a few have seen increasing use of our facilities along with many members of the public choosing to join in or dine in the restaurant.

In closing, I would particularly like thank all our members, The Egeria Volunteers and the Lindisfarne RSL for their continued commitment to a vibrant and diverse Club and hope to see many of you participate and celebrate in our 100-year anniversary in 2024.

Brain Edmonds Commodore



Our Members	Our Customers	Our People	Our Business	Governance		
<ul> <li>Provide value</li> <li>Create strong membership</li> <li>Collaboration and be responsive</li> <li>Build a sense of pride and belonging</li> <li>Strong member confidence</li> <li>Provide opportunities for mateship</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide value</li> <li>Promote diversity and inclusion</li> <li>Deliver quality</li> <li>Seek and welcome feedback</li> <li>Provide a diverse suite of offerings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide a safe and harmonious environment to work</li> <li>Skilled and capable workforce</li> <li>A culture inclusive of trust and accountability</li> <li>Celebrate success and reward achievement</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide evidence-based decision making</li> <li>Be environmentally responsible</li> <li>Are sustainable and resilient</li> <li>Be agile and responsive</li> <li>Strive for Continuous Improvement</li> <li>Develop and retain strong partnerships</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Have robust policies and oversite</li> <li>Attract diversity and knowledgeable members to the Board</li> <li>Ensure our Assets are maintained and managed effectively</li> <li>Have fiscal responsibility and oversite</li> <li>The organisations roles are clearly documented and understood</li> </ul>		
Our Commitment						

Care for our People	Teamwork	Focus and Direction	Creativity and Innovation	Accountability
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Vision:	The Club will support on-water activities and will provide value for its membership. The Club will be family oriented and will strive to be the "preferred community" for its members.
Mission:	To encourage and support a broad range of boating activities, and to provide and maintain a vibrant clubhouse and associated facilities for the recreational and social use of its memb
	and the wider local community.

	Our Members	Our Customers	Our People	Our Business	Governance
Aspiration	Value their association	Quality experience	Safe, valued and connected	High performing	Risk free
Initiatives and Actions	<ul> <li>Membership drive</li> <li>Members Survey</li> <li>Functions events and music</li> <li>Centenary celebrations 2024</li> <li>Introduce member pricing for meals</li> <li>Investigate security options for Car Park and Marina</li> <li>Construct a Centenary Garden</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Undertake a biannual Restaurant Survey</li> <li>Utilise new deck space for small intimate functions</li> <li>Weekend trading for Christmas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Training and development plan</li> <li>Contracts for all new staff</li> <li>PDRs undertaken for all staff</li> <li>Develop a succession plan for staff</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>MYCT events compendium inclusive of conferences</li> <li>Invest in technology for conferences</li> <li>Five-year maintenance and investment plan including marina piles</li> <li>Marina operations plan</li> <li>Operate a positive cash flow and budget</li> <li>Develop a new profit and loss to better reflect the business</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develop next suite of Governance Policies</li> <li>Develop and implement a Risk Register</li> <li>Develop relationships with other Marinas .         <ul> <li>Host a</li> <li>Commodores luncheon</li> <li>Participate in the Wooden Boat Festival</li> <li>Comply with all licences and legislation through regular audit and timely action</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Targets / Measurement	<ul> <li>Increase membership by 5%</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>&gt; 90% satisfaction rating</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All safety matters closed out and preventative actions in place</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Decrease cost to revenue ratio of restaurant by 5 points</li> <li>Complete Marina Operations Plan</li> <li>Deliver projects within budget and on time</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Six new policies adopted</li> <li>Risk plan adopted</li> </ul>

#### John Hebbink July 2022 – March 2023



I have been asked to provide a report for the 8 months of this financial year. I feel that there will be more than sufficient written by the current Commodore and General Manager to cover the events of this time.

However, as I step away from official duties at the Club, I would like to reflect on the major occurrences in the more than 15 years I was on the Board, including the 12 years as Commodore. There may be some things you have forgotten or of which you were not even aware.

### 2007/08

- Preliminary discussions for RSL to move to MYCT.
- Oliver Tree Catering provided catering services.
- First Boat Show.
- "From the Bow" Club newsletter started.
- New fuel tanks, 10,000 litres diesel, 5,000 litres petrol first floating fuel berth for Tasmania.
- Acquisition of *ML Egeria*.
- Outriggers join Club later name change to Derwent Storms.

#### 2008/09

- January 2009, RSL moved to MYCT.
- Club House extensions/renovations and extension to Arm 4.

#### 2009/10

- Waling replacement discussions commenced.
- Phil Kelley was appointed Head Chef.
- First Annual Awards Dinner.

### 2010/11

- Re-opening of Bridgewater Bridge. A flotilla representing all major Clubs was led by Egeria with His Excellency, the Governor, Hon Peter Underwood on board.
- Boat Show discontinued because of costs and compliance.
- Belinda Cherry started duties as Office Manager 22 September 2010.
- Opening Day rejoined other Major Clubs

2011/12

- Significant increase in functions, Relish Catering for big functions, Phil Kelley for others.
- Prince of Wales marina opened.
- Walings replacement commenced.
- Workshop built with adjoining lockers snapped up.
- Egeria soft spots on deck, supporting beams rotten!
- "From the Bow" Ross Gates took over as Editor.
- Derwent Storms continued their strong association with Club, won bronze medal at Championships in Adelaide.

### 2012/13

- Tighter economy again, several cancelled and downsized functions.
- New fuel pump which complies with Australian Standards.
- Full time Bosun
- ANZAC Day 600 people.

#### 2013/14

- Marina Walings replacement nearing completion.
- New ice maker
- New LED lights in Club House heart defibrillator installed (courtesy of RSL).
- Functions increased from 85 to 151 dishes increased from 12,270 to 16,455 34% increase, majority of functions catered internally.
- Egeria introduction of harbour cruises with dinner.

2014/15

- Waling replacement completed thanks to Project Manager John Smith came in on time and under budget!
- Washing machine and dryer purchased for small items washing.
- 5 new cages
- Centenary ANZAC Day function (3,000 unofficial) 800 for breakfast!
- Moved to internal catering, 96 in house functions, 700 more dishes than 2013/14

2015/16

- New General Manager (Julius Fitzgerald), new Head Chef (Chris Leishman) and new Second Chef (Kerryn Oates). Birthday voucher incentive \$30 for birthday to spend at Reflections.
- Egeria resplined and repainted. Job took 6 weeks with 26 volunteers working over 1,000 hours. Tasmanian Community Fund grant for \$50,000 used.
- New grease trap -\$25,000.
- Powerboats number of entrants increased to 24.

2016/17

- New cool room/freezer for the kitchen enabling maximizing of discounts by buying in bulk.
- One of the piles on arm one broke off at the base, \$10,000 to replace.
- Nigel Grey took over running the Twilight Sailing, very successfully.
- Ashlee Driessen was appointed as Functions and Dining Manager.
- "From the Bow" stopped.

### 2017/18

- April major fire on the marina, 2 boats sank.
- Powerboats Todd Leary became the first Tasmanian MYCT Club Member to win the prestigious Unlimited Outboard Arch Spooner Gold Cup.

#### 2018/19

- Bosun Peter Cover died in late June; he had been Bosun for 7 years.
- Renovation of the men's toilet in the bar and stage one of new storage lockers.

### 2019/20

- Completed the rewiring of Egeria; Tas Community Fund grant of \$30,000.
- Covid struck on 22 March 2020; closed everything.
- Cancelled 20 functions.
- In 48 hours, the Club started a take-away service 4,427 meals during the Covid lockdown period.
- Restarted limited restaurant trading in July.
- Some impact on food consumables is caused by regulations in Victoria.

#### 2020/21

- General Manager, Julius Fitzgerald resigned after five and a half years. Julius made a significant contribution during his time with the Club. It is fair to say that the amenities and facilities have improved considerably.
- Finance Committee Chairman in the Annual Report commented, "There is no doubt in my mind that the Club is in the strongest financial position of the last 20 years and probably ever. The Club is well placed to look forward to continuing growth and enhanced member facilities in the future".
- Dining numbers for the first time over 20,000, in fact 20,926.

2021/22

- New General Manager appointed 31 January 2022.
- Major part of the roof replaced.
- Following a bad storm and a major cave-in of bank, a new wall was built behind the lockers.
- Powerboats Mark Jakins, Nigel Palmer and Tom Hazi won Australian titles.
- Work started on Centenary Celebrations and activities.
- Egeria (December) 10,000<sup>th</sup> passenger and 5,000<sup>th</sup> lunch/dinner cruise passenger.
- Egeria shaft bearings required replacement.
- Work started on covering of the deck.

#### Summary

If I had to reflect on and nominate the two most important projects in my time, I would not hesitate to state that in my opinion, the joining of the RSL to the Club was the most important. The significant financial benefits provided to the Club, including Egeria, and the extra numbers have ensured the success of the Club, which will continue for a long time. My second choice is the taking over of *ML Egeria*. Whilst the net income hasn't been huge, it has been significant and there is a core of people who spend many hours each week to maintain this piece of maritime history. The Egeria members are very loyal and support most of the functions held at the Club. We are the envy of other clubs.

In conclusion, I sincerely thank the many members who supported me over the years, I appreciate my time as Commodore especially and thank members for the opportunity.

## General Managers Report 2022 – 2023

David Beard



I would like to start by thanking all the staff for their diligent and hard work over the past year. As a team you can look back with a sense of pride on what has been achieved as a collective in such a small amount of time.I would also like to acknowledge the current Board for their unwavering support particularly Commodore Edmonds.

The past year has been busy with several projects completed such as the power upgrade, deck, pavement repairs, drainage and building maintenance all of which required significant investment. Maintenance is now programmed over several years as preventative rather than reactive. Several contractors have been selected as preferred such as Langdale Electrical, Quality Equipment, Pullen painting, Southern Plumbing and Black Az to name a few. This now ensures we have consistent knowledge along with one for each trade, which has been a significant problem in the past particularly around electrical reliability on the Marina.

The Deck has been a welcome addition to the Clubhouse and will provide flexibility in events and with the introduction of music we are seeing the results flow through to the P and L and member satisfaction. We haven't had a summer with the new arrangements, so we are all quite excited to see how it is used.

The Marina has been maintained with the main area of investment being the power upgrade to improve reliability. Langdales did an exceptional job with a quality product and on budget. The 2023/24 program includes a full asset review of the Marina to inform the long-term maintenance and replacement program.

The slip, pile guides corrosion control and environmental protection have all been priorities.

The Restaurant has been the subject of a full review to address member and customer feedback. The Restaurant Review Committee undertook extensive consultation with customers with the overall satisfaction rating across all areas very high. There were however several areas that were seen as opportunities for improvement which included smaller meal options, pricing and changing the menu to name a few, all of which have been implemented. The Restaurant on its own is challenging as a profitable business with cost of food increases and wages however combined with the Bar the results are favorable and allow member discounting.

Bar Sales increased 18% on the previous year, Food, and catering 14%, Fuel Sales 15% Marina 14% and Subscriptions 6% with all KPIs trending positively.

Staff turnover has been negligible with the usual transient casual staff however we have been very fortunate to be able to attract good replacements.

Youth participation and family engagement has been a focus and the results have been very pleasing. Thank you to the RSL for their ongoing support of these events.

The Club is in a strong position for 2023/24 with a healthy balance sheet, strong membership, sound infrastructure, good governance tools, robust business model and systems along with skilled and aligned staff and Board.

It again has been rewarding and a pleasure to work in such a dynamic and evolving club.

David Beard General Manager

## Club Awards 2023

This year several new categories were introduced in the Annual Awards, congratulations to all the worthy winners.

2023 Club Member of the Year	John Smith
2023 Egeria Volunteer	Ted Kulinski
2023 Club Athlete of the Year	Geoff Andrews Dragon Boats
2023 Customer Service Excellence	Abilasha Rana (Avi)
2023 Club Sponsor of the Year	Tasbulk John Kennedy
Retired Board Member Recognition	John Hebbink Mark Jakins George Jakins



From left to right: Ted Kulinski, George Jakins, Geoff Andrews, John Hebbink, John Smith, Brian Edmonds

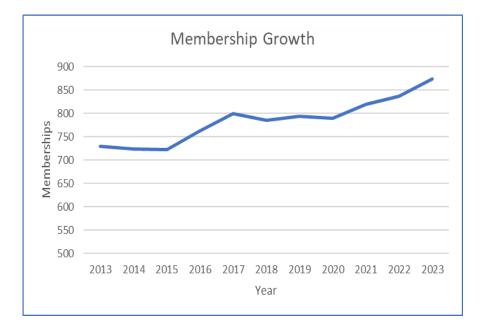


Avi Customer Service Excellence

## Membership

Comparative membership statistics over the previous years are as follows:

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Full Members	269	287	284	293	305	293	265	260	287	277	263
Social Members	257	241	232	267	269	259	281	281	277	284	345
Family Members	98	90	96	107	112	123	127	131	137	151	148
Hon. Life embers	10	10	10	10	10	11	12	12	12	11	11
Corporate Membership	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	3
Special Members	3	3	3	4	5	5	19	19	20	22	28
Student Members	32	28	31	29	30	26	26	25	26	32	37
Jnr Racing Members	15	18	21	4	17	19	18	18	17	13	5
Cash Life Members	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	11	11	11	10
Country Members	30	31	30	32	35	33	30	29	28	34	24
TOTAL	730	724	722	762	799	785	794	790	819	837	874



## Financial Report 2022 – 2023

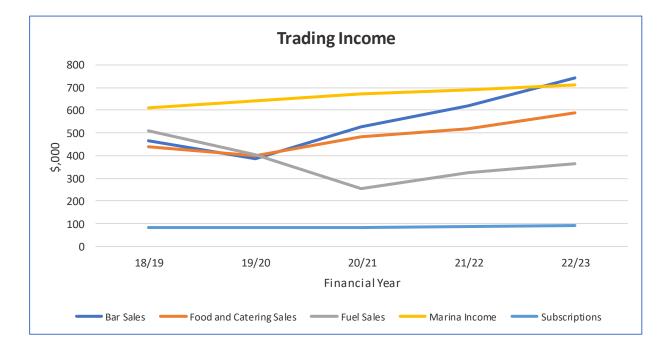
It is pleasing to report that the Club has enjoyed another successful year in financial terms with a surplus from operations of \$213,715 which is up 111% on prior year.

The Club continues to go from strength to strength with the best year of trade and results for quite some time.

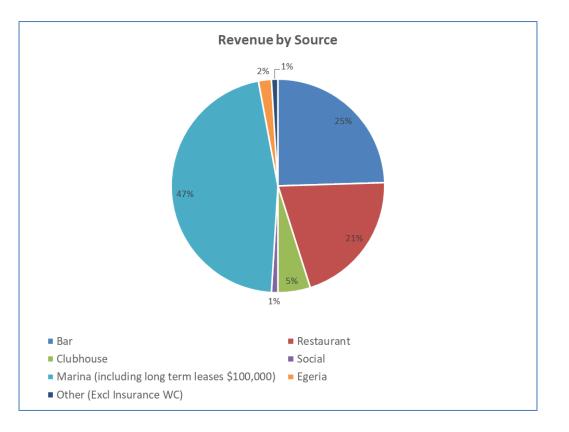
Trading was primarily up due to strong bar sales and with the review of the restaurant profitability good inroads were made to increase the profitability overall for the Clubhouse.

Total Trading increased by 11.5% on the prior year and 23 % since 20/21.

	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23
	\$,000	\$,000	\$,000	\$,000	\$,000
Bar Sales	467	385	528	620	744
Food and Catering Sales	441	401	485	519	590
Fuel Sales	508	406	254	326	364
Marina Income	611	640	674	690	710
Subscriptions	82	83	84	88	92
	2,109	1,915	2,025	2,243	2,500

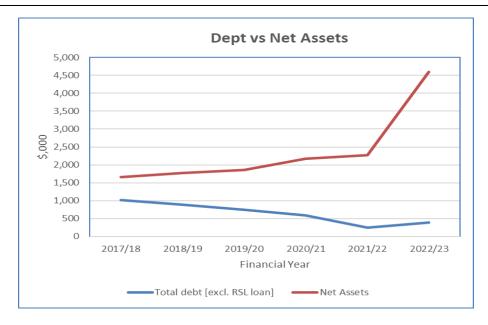






A revaluation of the Clubhouse and Granton land contributed to a significant increase in Total Assets from \$4.3 million to \$6.7 million.

	Total debt [excl. RSL loan] \$,000	Net Assets \$,000
2017/18	1,018	1,652
2018/19	883	1,778
2019/20	752	1,859
2020/21	596	2,167
2021/22	242	2,268
2022/23	392	4,593



Borrowings were increased slightly by \$150,000 to accommodate the Marina Power upgrade and the Deck but remain very manageable and under the risk ceiling applied by the Board.

To note is the Finance Committee and Board are now provided with a detailed report on all areas of the Club under each business area as supplement to the P and L.

The consolidated reports show.

Business area	Net Result
Restaurant	Negative but improving
Bar	Positive
Restaurant + Bar	Positive
Clubhouse	Positive
Social	Negative
Boating Services	Positive
Egeria	Positive

Brian Edmonds Acting Chair Finance Committee

## Lindisfarne RSL Report 2022 – 2023



Thank you on behalf of the Lindisfarne RSL Subbranch for the opportunity to comment on the past year on our relationship with the MYCT. In some respect it has been a different year moving out of the covid epidemic and returning towards a normal lifestyle. With the gradual return we have noticed that the increased social activity within our club has been enjoyed by our members, especially the Sunday afternoon music. The most important, completion of the extension of the deck area, which the

RSL has contributed a considerable amount toward the build.

The completion has made this a fantastic area for both groups, an extra area where social activities can take place. This was evident when we had our annual seafood night within excess of 100 attending and the ability to use the new deck area made the movement of dinners and staff great. Well done to John Smith for his guidance and leadership in the planning and construction of this most valued extension to the club. Also, to Club Manager David Beard for his continued engineering input to the project.

The LRSL Social Club continues to support the club financially in other ways, especially the Egeria with a few large donations from the Social Club that has assisted in making the facilities on the Egeria great. Well done to the Egeria crew, especially Graeme Foale and Scott Dunn. The Social Club thanks the members of the MYCT for supporting our Friday night raffles, not only does it support the RSL members and families, but all the activities we sponsor within the club are always available to all members of both groups.

Finally, I would like to especially thank the Management staff, David, Belinda, and Ashley on their support throughout the year. Also, a great thanks to the bar staff, Chef Kirk and Chris, and catering staff with great fare from the kitchen.

In closing thanks for the MYCT support to the LRSL and we are looking forward to this continuing, as I know it will into the future, in making this combined club a great place to visit and enjoy each other's pleasant company.

Chris Parker President Lindisfarne RSL Subbranch.

## MYCT Powerboat Report 2022 – 2023



The 2022/23 Powerboat season was a great success, good boat numbers in most classes raced across the State.

The 2022/23 season highlight were the 4 x Australian Championships run and won over the March long weekend at the HC Millington Granton racetrack, good crowds were in attendance across both days of racing, the event closed with the trophy presentation and dinner at the MYCT Club house, our Mainland competitors loved the racetrack and Club venue and agree that it is one of Australia's premier powerboat race venues and Clubs.

I am also pleased to announce that the MYCT has successfully bid and won the rights to host 3 x Australian Powerboat Championships during the March 2024 MYCT Centenary Celebrations, these championships will be tough to win as there is an impressive lineup of interstate powerboats heading South to Granton to contest these events, this will make for some spectacular racing at the March 2024 event, we hope to see you trackside.

We have been experiencing an increased interest in families asking about how to get involved in the sport and the club, along with how they can get their children into the MYCT Junior race boats for the upcoming season, a special mention the Mark Jakins at the Hobart Boating Centre for servicing and preparing the MYCT Junior boats readiness to be raced this upcoming race season.

I would also like to make special mention and thanks to MYCT General Manager David Beard for his collaborative and can-do approach to helping out with the presentation of the Granton race circuit which will improve spectator viewing and access to our events for future seasons to come.

Our attention now turns to the MYCT Betsy Island time trial to be run at the club on Sunday 24 September 2023, and are looking forward to a good line up of powerboats and cruisers to contest this time trial event.

We have also been busy behind the scenes with the upcoming race season and MYCT Centenary events to be held over the next few months along with the ongoing maintenance at the HC Millington Granton race circuit with our team of volunteers that graciously donate so much of their own time to ensuring the circuit remains in top notch condition throughout the year, your efforts are greatly appreciated. Yours in Racing

Mark Green. MYCT Race Captain.



Club Patron Ralph King passing on some wisdom.

## ML Egeria Annual Report 2022 – 2023

Graeme Foale



It is pleasing to see that through the hard work of the Egeria volunteers and the continued support of our very loyal sponsors we are seeing Egeria rebound from the setbacks of the major Covid era and now go from strength to strength.

We currently have 34 Club members volunteering to crew and maintain the vessel. Two of the newer volunteers also hold the necessary qualifications and experience to skipper the vessel which has been a great boost and support for our longer serving and dedicated skippers.

77 charters were undertaken and a total of 1429 passengers carried. The trend this year has seen a preference for longer duration cruises and unfortunately our former staple, of lunch and dinner cruises dropped off significantly to just 11 cruises and only 243 passengers. It is hoped that through vigorous advertising and the availability of additional space on the newly commissioned deck area, we can reinvigorate this once very popular Egeria function that provides very much a win/win situation both for Egeria and the MYCT dining facilities.

During the current year the major highlights would have been our role as Flagship of the Australian Wooden Boat Festival where we were host to Her Excellency, the Honorable Barbara Baker, Governor of Tasmania on two occasions and had the privilege of leading the festival participants into the Port of Hobart. The Egeria continued her very traditional role as Flagship for the opening of the boating season with Her Excellency on board to review the sail past. Additionally, our support of the South Arm Historical Society looks to be an annual tradition with three fully booked cruises operated from the Opposum Bay Jetty, a booking has already been made for the coming season and we were also able to support the Cygnet Regatta.

Through the fundraising efforts of the volunteers (Car Boot Sale and Wooden Boat Festival activities) and strong financial support from the Clarence Council, Tasports and Lindisfarne RSL Subbranch Inc. we were able to renew the Engine room fire suppression system, refurbish the entire leather upholstery in the saloon and purchase additional safety equipment.

In the past, the volunteer crew as well as contributing countless hours undertaking the maintenance and crewing responsibilities have also paid for and maintained their own crew uniform. Gary Dawson, a Club member, and Managing Director of Tasweld at Derwent Park is a very strong supporter of our endeavors with Egeria and has donated substantial tools to assist with the maintenance. This year Gary took his support to a new level and provided all our volunteers with new, very professional Egeria specific tops and caps. We received these just prior to our very extensive role at the Australian Wooden Boat Festival and they certainly garnered many supportive comments from the over 1500 people who toured the vessel during the 4 days we were at the festival. Thank you, Gary, for your support for the crew.

Last year in presenting my report I was able to indicate that we had 12 bookings already in place and this led to a very productive season, this year currently we have completed three charters and have a further 37 trips booked, not including commitments to the MYCT Centenary celebrations. This is an unbelievable record of advanced bookings and bodes well for an outstanding season.

Finally, it is with deep regret that we record the passing of Egeria volunteer Peter Griggs who was a significant contributor to the Egeria for over 7 years. Peter's most notable contribution was that he spent many days each week for an entire winter sitting on a milk crate in Egeria's engine room, wire brushing and descaling all the rust off the two 60-year-old plus GM Diesel engines and then repainting them in their original GM colors. 5 years on since he completed that task and the presentation of the engines still attracts very positive comments, a true testament to a very professional volunteer.

Graeme Foale Egeria Volunteer Co-Ordinator





## LSC/MYCT KEELBOAT REPORT 2022 - 2023



Several yachts took part in the Lindisfarne Sailing Club (LSC) Opening Day held in September 2022 and also the Combined Clubs Opening Day on 1 October 2022 that marked the beginning of the 22-23 Sailing Season. This season saw registrations on a par with the last few years with over 20 yachts registering for the Twilight Series which was once again sponsored by **Derwent Boat Sale**s. Despite this the average number of yachts taking part per race was 14 which is on a par with the season before.

Fortunately, the weather allowed all 12 races to be held. *Voetsak* (Ty Dobie) was the winner of Pennant A with *Wild Winds* (Benard Carlington) and *Horizons* (Chris Hadrill) taking second and third places respectively. Place getters for Pennant B were *Bahloo* (Nigel Grey) in first place with *Ranuguri* (Mike Lever) second and *Horizons* once again in third place. **42 South Marine** sponsored the 6-Pack Draw for this series.

The **Nibbs Electrical** Summer Series did not attract big numbers this season and although 12 yachts registered the average number participating was only five. One race had to be cancelled due to inclement weather which resulted in a five-race series. *Bahloo* won the series with *Wild Winds* and *Horizons* coming in second and third.

Five yachts took part in the **North Sails** Channel Cup/Cruise, a two-race event with Race 1 held in November and Race 2 in March. The event finished in Barnes Bay with a barbecue ashore where joined by some crew form Geilston Bay Boat Club boats. Although many show interest in this event they do not show up on the day which is disappointing for the organisers. Suffice to say that those who did take part enjoyed a great weekend and this season *Bahloo* and *Ruffian* (Greg Wilson) were joint winners. *Horizons* took second place with *Kristal Blue* (Matt Pearce) in third place. For the 23/24 Season it is planed that Race 1 will be the first leg in a circumnavigation cruise of Bruny Island running over three to four days.

*Bahloo,* which has competed in these events every season since they began some 21 years ago, had a very successful season as she also won the **Tas Marine Construction** Winter Series 2022. The 2023 Winter Series is currently being held with the last race to be held in September. However, entries for the Winter Series are down this year and it is thought that now we are in the post Covid era many previous entrants are back in 'grey nomad' travel mode and sailing locally is not on their radar. Whether or not the event will be held in the future is yet to be decided.

Running the above events can only happen with the support of a number of people namely; James Andrewartha and Keith Bolton as members of the Sailing Committee and as race officers along with Richard Bingham, Graeme Foale, and John Mills. Thanks also goes to Paul Saunders, Neville Wilson and Bob Grey who have crewed the Committee Boat; Belinda Cherri, Ashlee Driessen and Phil Dilger for their administrative support; and Bosun Tom McCabe for arranging the biennial survey of the turning marks. The support of LSC, in making *Dugald G MacDugall* available as the committee boat as well as starting the Summer Series races, is also greatly appreciated. It is also pleasing that our sponsors have indicated they will continue to support our events in the coming season.

Nigel Grey LSC/MYCT Keelboat Sailing Coordinator

## Derwent Storms Report 2022 – 2023



The club has had a very active year both on and off the water. Currently there are 73 members, all of whom are also financial members of MYCT. We welcome new members, particularly those interested in competing at state and national levels.

In the 2022-23 season, the club was able to provide 152 training sessions (Tuesday and Thursday evenings, Saturday and Sunday mornings), as well as many Wednesday morning social paddles.

At the National Championships in Victoria in April, we fielded a team of 23 Stormers to compete against other clubs in two age categories, in Women's, Mixed and Open events over distances of 200, 500 and 2000m. We achieved well, bringing home 3 silver and 2 bronze medals.

In addition, we comprised the majority of the Tasmanian State team which competed against the other states on day 3.

One of our members, Geoff Andrews, was selected in the national team (the Auroras), to compete in the World Championships in Thailand. The club supported him with extra training sessions and also a fund-raiser to defray the considerable costs of the campaign. Geoff returned with 2 silver and 4 bronze medals and a wealth of experience and motivation to share with the rest of the club.

Off the water, the club continues to provide a welcoming and active social environment for members and their supporters. We enjoy our after-training coffee in the warmth and comfort of the MYCT bar and are very appreciative of the efforts of Bern, Ashlee and Belinda to provide our hot drinks in a timely and cheerful manner. Our end of season Reflections and Celebration night was held at MYCT and again the staff and surroundings provided a conducive environment.

The club signed a new Memorandum of Understanding with MYCT this year. We are very appreciative of the efforts of General Manager David Beard to connect with us, make us feel welcome and enhance our ongoing relationship with MYCT.

Marianne Stevenson, President Derwent Storms Dragon Boat Club derwentstorms@gmail.com



# The Year at a Glance

## **Boating Activities**

Brierley Marine Twilight Racing Series Combined Clubs Opening Day Rotary Charity Sail Day Annual Royal Hobart Regatta Wooden Boat Festival Tasmanian Scout Guide Regatta State Powerboat championship



Bahloo



Egeria leading the fleet at the 2023 Australian Wooden Boat Festival



Wild Child Winner of Riverside Darren Robinson



Grace Vanderfeen

## **Social Activities**

RSL special events Melbourne Cup Luncheon International Women's Day Lunch RSL/MYCT Family Day MYCT/RSL Xmas Family Day Rotary/MYCT Marine and Boot Sale Music on the Deck Awards function and music Taco Tuesday



RSL / MYCT Family days



Yappy Hour Dog Wash



International Women's Day Luncheon



Music on the Deck



Xmas



Painting on the Deck



## Mahjong group



Melbourne Cup

## **Community Support**

Throughout the year MYCT has supported several local community groups with functions & meeting rooms. This year we have assisted:

Lindisfarne Ladies Probus, Derwent Storms Dragon Boat Club, Powerboat Racing Tasmania, Tuna Club of Tasmania, Lindisfarne RSL & Social Club, Emergency Services, Tasmanian Association of State Superannuants, National Seniors Rosny Branch, Jaguar Car Club Cancer Council Lindisfarne Rotary Club Hobart Women's Shelter Lindisfarne Cricket Club Master Mariners





Fundraising Donation presentation Pictured From left to right Director Dobson, CEO of Hobart Women's Shelter, Director Chugg presenting a cheque







## Works and Maintenance



Painting and external repairs to façade and facia boards. Completed by Club members Dean Lampkin and Rob Pullen





Drainage and structures to prevent buildings and marina from bank slips and flood events. Completed by Club Member Matthew Shadey





Pavement repairs to remove poor subbase and asphalt overlay. Completed by BlackAz



Deck enclosure. Club member John Smith project managed and donated his time to the project along with some materials.





Power upgrade to restore reliability to Arm one of the Marina completed by Club Member Robert Langdale





Waste and Recycling Compound and security doors. Container donated by Club Member John Kennedy





Water Main and service upgrades Completed by Tas water and Club Member Todd Leary





Slip repairs and maintenance. Completed by Dan Hunter











Granton was tidied up with filling of depressions, resurfacing roadways and removal of weeds and bracken.

## DRAFT MINUTES Annual General Meeting. 7:00pm, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2022

## 1. Open.

The meeting was opened by the Commodore (John Hebbink) at 7.10 pm with the ringing of the original bell from the ML Egeria.

John Requested he be allowed to chair the meeting with no objection from the floor.

## 2. Present.

Marianne Stevenson, Rob Taylor, Janet Taylor, Terry Thompson, Kaye Roberts, Stewart Geeves, Michael Kennedy, Kaye Robertson, Nigel Grey, Peter Wright, Graeme Foale, Rob Foale, Sam Foale, Chris Parker, Brian Edmonds, Greg Smith, Mark Jakins, Todd Leary, George Jakins, John Smith, Raymond Worbey, Patrick Peterson, Mike Geeves, Rod Mathews, Gwen Hardstaff, Dave Harper, Stuart Headley, Ross Brown, Luke Gilbert, Ralph King, Sue Allison, Geoff Allison, Matthew Debnam, Diane Peterson, Josh Connor, Carol Perriman, Mark Blackley, Glenn Heffernan, Simon Connor, Matt Shady, Tim Rose, Kel Lewis

## 3. Apologies.

Greg Fannon, Andrew Ross, Tony & Stacey Wood, Colin Denny, David & Elisabeth Paton, Hadley Deegan, Steve & Julia Chopping, John Whelan, Penny Chugg, James Zammit, Steve Bush, David Louez, Keith Ridgers, Tim Abey, Delphine Luff, Chris Debnam, Grahame Floyd

## 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (14<sup>th</sup> September 2021).

The minutes of the AGM held on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2021 were presented.

Resolution: The Minutes of the AGM held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September 2021 be taken as read and accepted. Moved: Brian Edmonds Seconded: Matthew Debnam Carried

### 5. Annual reports.

### 5.1. Commodore.

The Commodore presented his detailed report.

Brian Edmonds acknowledged the great work John had done in keeping the Club running through a difficult period and changeover of GMs and congratulated him on 12 years as Commodore.

Resolution: *The Commodores Report be accepted.* Moved: John Hebbink Seconded: Brian Edmonds. Carried

## 5.2. Finance.

John Hebbink presented the Finance report no questions were asked.

Resolution: *The finance report be accepted.* Moved: John Hebbink Seconded: Geoff Allison Carried John noted other reports were in the circulated reports for members to read.

## 6. Election of Auditor.

Resolution Nick Carter of WLF Accounting and Advisory be appointed for the 2022/2023 year.

Moved: Robert Foale Seconded: Matthew Debnam Carried

## 7. Election of Office Bearers and Board for 2022 -2023.

Matthew Debnam Rear Commodore unopposed

Todd Leary Director

Tabitha Dobson Director

### 8. General Business (as may be allowed under the rules).

RSL President Chris Parker spoke on activities coming up through the coming year including the Governor's visit and 100 years of Legacy.

Brian Edmonds thanked outgoing Director George Jakins for his valuable contribution to the Club and as a member of the Board.

9. Close. The meeting was closed at 7.45pm.

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