



PORT STEPHENS YACHT CLUB LTD

THE BILGE

Monday, 19 July 2010

We decided at our Board Meeting this evening to publish "The Bilge" a couple of times each month so that the news is fresh and a bit easier to remember so, here goes!

Last Friday Night's BBQ went really well, we had over 45 members enjoying themselves in a very cosy "Spinnaker Room" on a very cold and windy night. In fact, if I had not written and sent the reminder email, Jenny and I would have been pretty reluctant to leave our warm home. As it was, we had a great time. The new air conditioning really did a great job.

The next Friday Night BBQ will be on the 6th of August, I will send out a reminder email but put it on your calendar anyway. If you have not been to one of these before, you bring something to BBQ or warm in our microwave, a salad or dessert to share, drinks are from about 6.30, we cook at about 7.15 and the rest is up to you. A nice cheap night and good fun.

We will hold these on the first and third Friday of each month from now on.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held at 6pm on Friday 3rd of September and will be followed by our BBQ. This is open to all financial members. All of whom are entitled to vote. Nominations for the Board will be called for shortly. Some of our present Board members will not be standing again, including Chris Abbott. He and Betty are moving to Gladstone and will be sorely missed. He has been looking after our Sponsorships for the last few years.

The other position which will become vacant is that of Treasurer. Denis Stynes is easing out of his retirement, and business and family commitments are making life just too busy for him to carry on this position. We are looking for someone with accounting experience to take over. Denis will give a comprehensive handover and every assistance to anyone who would like to take this on. We feel that there may even be a very capable lady out there who would like something to do to fill in some spare time. Give me or Peter Ballard a call if you would like to discuss this further.

We do need some more volunteers for BBQ duty on our Friday Socials. Not a lot of work is involved but it does lighten the load on Secretary Bill Haskell. Bill, incidentally, was awarded his "Club Member of the Year" award last Saturday. He was in Canada, sailing in the Pacific Rim Series as one of our Club representatives on Presentation Night.

The next "Chardy Ladies" function will be a luncheon at 'The Point' Restaurant on Saturday 28th August. Contact Maria Albury for further details on 4982 0146.

If you are at a loose end on a Saturday afternoon, watching the start of the yacht race at 1.00 pm from the Soldiers Point Boat Ramp, followed by some lunch on "The Deck" at the Marina and then a few quiet ones at the Clubhouse after the yachts finish their race at around 4.00 pm is a good way to fill it in!

Until next issue.

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