



*Pittwater Aquatic
Club*

PAC Journal

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With fantastic weather on Pittwater & Broken Bay and with plenty of sunny hideaway spots, we managed to pick up the mooring at Barrenjoey on Sunday for a few hours away from it all. Nice to see the raft up at The Basin. We have applied for another mooring at America's and also one at Patonga.

The PAC financial year ended on 31 March and we have a number of members still over due on their annual fees. If you have not made arrangements for your dues by the end of this week you will forfeit your membership and access to all of our facilities. In addition to sending out 400 unique invoices we have issued reminders and now we are following up with phone calls to members with outstanding payments.

Another very important issue is the safety at PAC. NSW government Health regulations still require everybody entering the PAC to log in through the NSW Government Health COVID app. If you are unable to use the App the you must sign in on the COVID sheets in the slip room. Recent outbreaks in Byron Bay remind us that this thing is still very much

active. As a small community of travellers, we are likely to come into contact with someone who has been in the vicinity of an infected person, so stay vigilant.

Our virtual AGM was held on 24th February with almost 40 members in attendance. The draft minutes will soon be placed on the web site for those who attended to approve at the next general meeting. We elected Philip Cornwell as our Treasurer, Phil Fontaine as Secretary, Richard Steel was returned as director as was Ron Baxter and Keith Woodward. We elected Phil O'Leary as director to fill the vacant position. My thanks go to the elected directors for their efforts and also to Ken Bullen, James Aston and Rohan Smith for their support in applying for positions on the board. Phil O'Leary was appointed as Life Member as was Ian McGregor.

The court case initiated between the previous board and a retired member has finally been settled. In 2020, the Pittwater Aquatic Club commenced defamation proceedings against Casey Van Dyke in the District Court of New South

Wales. The parties have settled their dispute on mutually agreed terms. I've vacated Barrenjoey so now it's your turn. See you out on the water.

Chris

What's on the Horizon?

Events for your diary:-

Watch this space, as restrictions are lifted we will recommence normal activities (as normal as they will ever be again) and advise.

Work Berth & Extra Slip Days

There is a fee to pay for using the work berths and extra days on the slips. Payment is made using the casual revenue payment envelopes, available in the slip office. The amount payable is listed on the envelopes. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or EFT.

EFT is the preferred method of payment. After filling in the details on the envelopes please place in the letterbox located in the office door upstairs in the clubhouse.

Some members are still not filling out the envelopes. This makes the reconciliation of the casual revenue more time consuming than is necessary and the filled in envelopes become part of the financial records of the club.

Please remember to fill in the envelopes.

Help Wanted

The PACboard is looking for an IT professional from the membership to assist with developing a future technology roadmap for PAC. Experience in webdesign, database development, web integration and architecture is highly desirable. If this sounds like you or you have a family member with these skill willing to help or offer a competitive commercial proposal please contact the secretary at paqclub@tpg.com.au for more information.

Front gate remote tags

Remote key tags are still available. The tags have two buttons. Both buttons are programmed to open the entrance gate. The tag will also operate on all other card readers by swiping the tags across the readers.

To obtain a remote tag, EFT \$75 to the club's bank using the reference, your (surname RT) and a tag will be allocated and posted to you.

BSB 082 294 Account No 36582663

Recycling Bins

There is a yellow lid recycling bin located outside the slip office. This bin is for glass containers, beer cans and popper juice containers. PAC pay a separate recycling fee to have this bin emptied. As you can

see from the attached photo cardboard boxes and other junk are being placed in the bin. This is not allowed. Please, empty the glass and beer cans into the yellow bin and place the cardboard boxes and other rubbish including plastic bags into the rubbish skip bin adjacent to the yellow lid bin.

The bins are under regular surveillance so please do the right thing as many members are keen to have a recycle skip bin for empty bottles.



Since this photo, above, was taken in early December there has not been much improvement.

Safety Tips for Around the Club

Here are a couple of safety tips to observe whilst using the club facilities:-

1. Don't walk over slip cables whilst slips are in operation, observe the safety signage and stay clear of the safety barriers.
2. Please don't short cut through the No 1 slip area if crossing from the car park.

3. Please leave mooring lines lengthwise on the loading pontoons to make picking up mooring lines easier in heavy conditions and minimise a trip hazard. See photo below.



Casual Rental Mooring

The club has a mooring just outside Winnererremy Bay near Bayview that is available for short term rent by members. The cost is \$40 per week and can be booked through the PAC Booking System (Casual Moorings) Logon to, paclub.com.au /booking system/casual moorings. Minimum booking 1 week, thereafter in weekly blocks.

Boat owners are given the user name and password each year with their parking stickers.

Payment is required at the time of booking. EFT reference your (surname M10)

If the mooring is vacant and member's wish to pick up the mooring for a few hours they must either stay on board and

be prepared to vacate or check on the booking system to ensure that the mooring is not booked by another member.

Clubhouse Hire

The Clubhouse is currently available for hire once again. Whilst we navigate the COVID pandemic this situation may once again change but currently it is available provided the hiring Member takes responsibility for complying with the Health regulations at the time of their event. The Member will also be responsible to pay for the professional clean / sanitisation of the Clubhouse after their event by the PAC Cleaner.

For Sale and Wanted

We are going to run in every issue of our Journal a 'For Sale and Wanted' column. If you have an item or items that may be of interest to members please send us a description, photo and contact details to the club email address paqclub@tpg.com.au and we will run each add for 3 months unless sold prior.

Wanted - Evinrude 200hp HO ETEC in any condition for parts

I am in need of a worn out or broken Evinrude 200HP HO ETEC outboard for parts and willing to pay a good price. If you know of anyone that is wanting to repower or has a motor lying around that

may suit please phone Philip 0418472005 any time.

For Sale Takacat Inflatable

For Sale, a 3.0m Takacat Inflatable Tender Approximately 5 years old with minimal use. Lightweight and remarkably stable. \$1250 ONO. Call Phil 0417655216

