# **BeYacht Club Annual Reports 2005-2011.doc**

21<sup>st</sup> Annual Report 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2005 - (Incorporation No. A 2316)

## \*Include 2004-2005 Committee Members & APPOINTMENTS

# Commodore's report:

Season Opened on 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct. 2004 by Cr. Greg Williams and YV President, John Burgess. Water levels still low.

Glenn Ashby – Yachtsman of the Year and winner of World Titles

Other Members had competed in Titles around Victoria and Marley Point Overnight Race, Mud Is, Queenscliff to Geelong and in Qld and NSW.

Club has been successful in negotiations with GM-Water with the assistance of YV for sailing on Lake Eppalock with the lower water levels.

GM-W keen to assist the Yacht Club to carry out improvements about the ramp and erosion around the foreshore.

Question of increasing membership to allow recreational motor boats at the Club. The Committee saw no reason to change the existing rules.

The club By-Laws only required the approval of the General Committee.

Members resigning from the club – Mark Harris, Wilhelmina Iping, Michael O'Sullivan, Dennis Murphy, Bill Downing, Phil Neander, Clinton Edwards.

New members David & Louise Richardson, Nick & Janine Cugura and Ken Fay.

Membership Total 138 with 10 Absentee members.

Special thanks to Ian Wallis as Editor of Mainsheet.

Building & Grounds – the pump line now extended to the old creek line and pipe upgraded to 50mm.

A new prop guard fitted on Metcalf.

Fitting and painting of the club & guard rails

Due to very low water levels 10 heats of the Championship Series were completed. Division 3 – the Cadets did not have sufficient numbers required for a result.

The Sail Inland series was a real success allowing sailors the opportunity to meet others from the inland country clubs.

Review of the Rules governing the selection process of Club Champion, Junior Champion and Cadet High Achiever Awards.

Catering & Entertainment headed by Ann Ridge reported successful canteen events supporting working bees, race days and special the Leisurely Lunch in April. And finishing the year with a surplus.

Cadets Jacob McDonald and Sarah Floyd experiencing their first National Titles at Blairgowrie. Support by Jack Carroll brushing up their vital skills to compete in Port Phillip.

Finances – Club Deficit of \$6,038 – Income reduced by \$10,600 from previous year due to fall in membership and inability to host regattas.

Former Commodore Veronica Burgess reported on the GM-W Lease due for renewal shortly and advised the membership that she was also on a committee with GM-W examining the development of four precinct sites around Lake Eppalock, including the Eppalock Hotel-Motel site.

## \*2004-2005 TROPHY PRESENTATIONS & CLUB AWARDS

\*2004-2005 TITLE HOLDERS

# 22<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL REPORT – 27 May 2006

## \*Include 2005 -2006 COMMITTEE MEMBERS & APPOINTMENTS

# Commodore's Report:

Opening of sailing season by Chairman of GM-W Mr. Don Cummins also present were the Mayor of the City of Greater Bendigo, Cr. Rod Fyffe & Cr. Keith Reynard of Strathfieldsaye Ward, Hon. Damian Drum, Member of NW Province.

Glenn Ashby – Yachtsman of the Year Mick & Tom Floyd – Mosquito Class National Champions Mick & Sarah Floyd – Mosquito Class State champions

Rowan Gillies in conjunction with Yachting Victoria established a data base for use by the Club.

YV Trailable Yacht Division representative – Graeme Sergeant.

Purchase of a 6 man Inflatable Ribbed Boat with 25hp motor for training and rescue from Surf Life Rescue Club.

BeYC made a net profit of \$2,818 compared with a deficit of \$6,038 last year. This profit was due mainly to the Club's fund raising activities, hire of facilities and renewed confidence of members sailing with reduced water levels, camping fees and the sale of the Club Aqua Pro Inflatable Rigid Boat and Heron. The General Committee also reduced its expenditure by approximately \$3,000 from the previous year.

Club's social activities and C & E. Committee under the guidance of Di Floyd reported the Cairn Curran Challenge, the BBQ Carvery, Happy Hours, Christmas break up, the Pizza and Pasta nights all well attended.

Success of Jake......, Morgan McDonald, Sarah and Tom Floyd representing our cadet sailors in their successes at State Titles, regattas, club racing and other training weekends. Sue Hill and Merette's thanks to Jack Carroll who continues to mentor the Cadets.

Negotiations by former Commodore Veronica Burgess with GM-W's on the new Lease arrangements.

Inland Water series being well represented by clubs members.

Support of the club by Win TV with sailing news and Nick Cugura with wine donations, grape harvesting, and equipment to improve our site.

Resignation of Reyer Boon to Tasmania and we welcomed new members David Chachs & Ken Coulson

Membership totalled 161

## **Club site improvements:**

- New gates to the main launching ramp access and realignment of the foreshore fence north of launching ramp,
- gravel to low level ramp section,
- new cutter pump for the septic system, gate valve for pressuring water lines for fire fighting pump and replacement of electric water pumps (3 phase) for auto control of all pumps plus overload unit,
- installation of new electric sound alarm,
- plus overhead lighting to BBQ and restoration of BBQ gas burners,
- drip system for gardens,
- general clean up of club grounds and in particular the boat storage security yard.

Due to the Club's operating deficit for the past four years (2003-2006) inclusive was \$9,150.00, membership fees were slightly increased.

#### \* 2005 –2006 TROPHY PRESENTATIONS

\* 2005 -2006 CLUB CHAMPIONS & TITLE HOLDERS

## 23rd ANNUAL REPORT - 2nd JUNE, 2007

## 45th Year of the Club

## \*INCLUDE COMMITTEE MEMBERS & APPOINTMENTS 2006-2007

## Commodore's Report:

Past season will be remembered as a time when the strength and loyalty of Bendigo Yacht Club members was tested to the fullest due to the absence of sailing and boating activities on Lake Eppalock.

Opening ceremony by past member and Coliban Water CEO, Geoff Michell, supported by Yachting Victoria CEO, Ross Kilborn and Eppalock Ward Councillor of the City of Greater Bendigo, Greg Williams.

Due to lack water at Lake Epplalock, Sailing Committee chairman, Mick Floyd & his committee organised a successful Club Championship series at Waranga Basin. Other members wishing to sail took up the offer from Cairn Curran Sailing Club to sail on its waters.

Success of Glenn Ashby winning World, International Australian and State Titles, and other club successes by Doug Carswell & Mick Floyd.

Our club had the honour of nominating Glenn Ashby as "Male Sailor of the Year' in the Australian & Victorian Yachting Awards, and 'the Advertiser' for the "Victorian Yachting Media Award".

Glenn Ashby and his sailing partner Darren Bundock won the 2006-2007 Australian Male Sailor of the Year Award. Our nomination of WIN TV last year won the 2005-2006 Victorian Yachting Media Award.

Our thanks Rear Commodore Geoff Russell for keeping our club's profile to the general public's attention by providing excellent media releases to Win TV, the Advertiser, Bendigo Weekly and ABC radio, and helping draft the YA and YV nominations.

BeYC committee arranged for a reduction in Rates by the City of Greater Bendigo Council and GM-W who deferred our lease payment for 2007-2008

and the support of Yachting Victoria who negotiated at a Ministerial level for further lease reductions from GM-W.

Yachting Victoria and Yachting Australia also offered to waive their fees during 2007-2008. (YV fee was \$2,640)

Events and Social Functions – visit by Probus and Bendigo Historical Society, the Christmas function, happy hours and movie nights and working bee lunches and the continuing counter teas.

Bendigo Yacht Club Vs Cairn Curran Challenge was won this year by Cairn Curran Sailing Club, but our Cadets, won the BeYC Vs CCSC Cadet Challenge.

The club was successful in applying for funding from the Volunteer Small Equipment Grants for the purchase of 7 inflatable and 3 standard PFD1s.

Member resignations – Toby Barton, Allan Brown, Bradley Clarke, William Elliott, Michael Ellis, Beverley Gilbert, Brett & Liam Goodall, Malcolm MacDonald, Margaret McDonald and Louise Richardson.

The Club welcomed new members, Christine, David, Deborah, James and Jennifer Bird and Graham Lobb.

Membership totalled 156.

\*2006-2007 TROPHY PRESENTATIONS

\*2006-2007 CLUB CHAMPIONS & TITLE HOLDERS

# 24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING – 14<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2008 (includes photograph of Past Commodores & Life Members on Opening Day)

#### \* INCLUDE COMMITTEE MEMBERS & APPOINTMENTS 2007-2008

## Commodore Report:

Opening by Life Member and Founding Commodore Allan Johnson (ston)????? Eppalock Ward Councillor Greg Williams of the City of Greater Bendigo, Dan Luscombe Property Manager for Goulburn Murray Water, and Glenn Ashby-Tornado & International A Class World Champion, Victorian Sports Person of the Year and Yachting Victorian Male Sailor of the Year. Glenn also represented Australia in the Beijing Olympic Games in the Tornado Class Catamaran

Adversities of low water and boat shed fire on 27 February 2008 caused by an electrical fault in one of the rescue craft, destroyed the entire southern boat shed and its contents, including 3 rescue craft, 9 training craft, the Fiat 480 tractor, the ride-on mower, 4 inflatable buoys and sundry equipment plus the Club members' personal craft.

Total loss based on new replacement cost was \$157,850. Reimbursement for losses totalled \$114,200.

The Club received support from Royal Geelong Yacht Club Commodore Graeme Ritchie when Yachting Victoria's Immediate Past President & BeYC member John Burgess, informed him of the fire and the Club's losses. This resulted in the very generous donation of 2 sabot and 3 international cadet dinghies with dollies and a 4.2m Naiad Rigid Inflatable Boat with a 40hp outboard motor and road trailer were donated to the club. Also Graeme Ritchie spoke to Commodore David Bingham of the Royal Brighton Yacht Club also donated a fibreglass sabot dinghy and 4 inflatable buoys with warp and anchors.

Doug Carswell winning Australian & Victorian Timpenny 670 Titles Mick & Tom Floyd winning the Mosquito Mark II Victorian Title.

Club Championships held at Waranga Basin.

Events & Social functions included the monthly pub and restaurant nights, Film Night, Christmas function, Pasta Night and Opening Day and working bee lunches.

One of the highlights of the year was the 'Drought Buster' Regatta conducted by Port Melbourne YC as a show of support for country clubs struggling with the lack of water. 64 entries were received and a social was held on the Saturday nights with the presentations on Sunday afternoon.

Junior sailors Sarah and Tom Floyd travelled to the Minnow National Titles in Darwin (July 2007) and then to Perth (January 2008). Jacob and Morgan McDonald together with Tom Cobden and Gabe Dornam from CCSC represented the Bendigo South East College at the Victorian Schools Championships.

Yachting Victoria waiving their affiliation fee of \$2,400 due to the drought.

Compilation of Assets Register for the Club by Ken & Jenny Coulson with the help of Ralph Chant., and Barry Lovell working on the Club's Emergency Response Plan and an Equipment Maintenance Register.

lan Wallis continues as our Mainsheet Editor and the colour photocopying provided by the Hon Bob Cameron MP and more recently by Jacinta Allan, MLA for Bendigo East.

Membership Totalled 154

#### **Resigning Members:**

Christine, David, Deborah, James and Jennifer Bird, Chris Carswell, William Elliot, David Heistlers, Heather McMullen, Brett Rowe and Alan Stone.

## **New Members:**

Jessica Champion, Russell, Briget, Meghann, Ben, Sam and Caleb Denholm, Chris Jarman and Keith Longridge.

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\*2007-2008 CLUB CHAMPIONS & TITLE HOLDERS

## 25th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING -13 June 2009

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Highlight for Club sailing on Lake Eppalock for the first time in two years and the Silver Medal won by Glenn Ashby at the Olympic Games in Beijing, and the World A Class Title, and the Club nominating Glenn for the Yachting Victoria Male Yachtsman of the Year award.

Official opening by Cr. Rod Fyffe from the City of Greater Bendigo. Other invited guests included John Brook Chairman of Coliban Water; Dan Luscombe GM Water and Lyn Wallace from Yachting Victoria.

The Club's facilities were utilized by the 1<sup>st</sup> Strathfieldsaye Scout Group for a 4 day "learn to sail" course and Trinity College Year 7 for sailing and canoeing, over a period of some 7 weeks..

BeYC Vs Cairn Curran Challenge this year was won by BeYC.

Doug Carswell and Rowan Gillies defendinfg their State and National titles in the Tempenny 670.

Jacob McDonald won the Junior section at the Paper Tiger Nationals and was invited to participate in the Paper Tiger Internationals at Lake Illawarra NSW.

Events & Social Functions – Canteen operating thanks to Marg and Ian Grant. 'Shed Shindig" was very popular, Pub nights well supported and thanks to June Palframan's organisational skills. New shed nearly finished except for the inside.

Thanks to members Doug Carswell, Kevin Long, Rex Hansford, Rowan Gillies, Margaret& Ian Grant, John Snowden, Don Ridge, Ken Hill, Ian Wallis, Jenny & Ken Coulson, Len and Colwyn Tranter, June Palframan, Cath Gillies, Jack Carroll, Ralph and Cheryl Chant, Ken Coulson, John Snowdon Barry Lovell, John Ashby, Glen Ashby, Jacob McDonald, Jim Boyer, Dane Boag, Barry Lovell and all members of the Committee and Sub-Committees.

Also acknowledgement of Club Supporters:

Trevor Crockford,
Public Officer of the Club Michael McCartney,
Sharon Gleeson of Strategem Financial Group,
Jacinta Allan, MLA, Member for Bendigo East
Jane Richardson, VCOS
Goodall Sails
Bendigo Advertiser
Adrian Todd Earthmoving

Membership Totalled 132

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\*2008 -2009 CLUB CHAMPIONS & TITLE HOLDERS

## 26<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 6<sup>th</sup> June 2010

#### \*INCLUDE COMMITTEE MEMBERS & APPOINTMENTS 2009-2010

Commodore's Report 2009-2010:

Rebuilding of shed completed and a great asset for the Club allowing equipment and boats to be stored comfortably.

Open Day invited guests -

Graeme Ritchie, YV Board Member and Past Commodore of Royal Geelong Yacht Club,

Cr. Rod Campbell-Eppalock Ward Councillor and his wife Alison, Dan Luscombe-GMW Property Business Developer, Debra Allan- Coliban Water

**Events & Social Functions:** 

Irish night

Winter Series 9 boats competed Summer Series 21 boats participated Go Sailing day

Attendance by Commodore Mick Floyd and Di at Royal Yacht Club of Victoria, Christmas Commodores luncheon

Trinity College Year 7 Outdoor Education camp continues and provides a welcome source of income.

BeYC Vs Cairn Curran Challenge won by Cairn Curran. Cairn Curran celebtated their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Glenn Ashby won the Tornado World Championships with Darren Bundock and then took up the role of Head Coach for the BMW Oracle Americas Cup team who won the Cup. The Club nominated Glenn for the 2009 Victorian Male Sailor of the Year Award which he won. The Club also nominated Glenn for the 2009 Australian sailing awards and again nominated him this year for the Victoria Sailing Awards.

Jacob McDonald competing in the Paper Tiger Nationals (NSW) and International Titles (NZ).

Other members competing in National and State Titles, Rowan Gillies, Doug Carswell, Ron Mason and John Burgess, Ian & Lorinda Grant, Mick, Sarah and Tom Floyd, Stuart Ridge and Phil Mann.

Club's Income for the year was \$27,729 compared to \$28,351 for the previous year, and the expenditure was \$27,391 compared to \$27,519 for the previous year.

Thanks were extended to

C & E Committee – Margaret and Ian Grant, Cath and Rowan Gillies, Lyn Ashby.

Building & Grounds hard at work on maintenance issues of completing the new shed and the concrete floor, boat racks installed, the fencing of the security yard and building the new "mobile" jetty from the old Brolga one donated by GM-W, also the pumping and sewerage systems.

Upgrading of the play ground with 9m of soft fill donated by the City of Greater Bendigo.

Permission has been granted from GM-W for tree removal near to the club house and caravan park, needing to be carried out by a qualified tree removal company.

Major works for next season,

- Replacing the club house and old boat shed spouting;
- paint the club house and
- repair the steps leading up to the front of the club house.

Welcome of new members, Bernard Cannon, Carlie & Ron Mason, Lucas & Ainslee Frost and family, Tim Buykx, Jenny Harrington, Ian Kataja, Clive Harman (who has since resigned) Peter & Wendy Rogasch, Wendy, Alex and Thea Morton and Jenny Coulson.

Resignation of John Burgess and Jim Boyer.

Death of long time member Ted Richmond.

Membership Totalled 148

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## 27th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 5th June 2011

## \* INCLUDE COMMITTEE MEMBERS & APPOINTMENTS 2010-2011

Commodore's Report 2010-2011

Lake levels near 10% during the winter and posed three problems, firstly keeping the mobile jetty ahead of the rising water, the large tree floating in the clubs race zone and the water too deep for the ground tackle. All very pleasant problems.

Opening Day was on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2010 – Encouraging address by Dan Luscombe (GM-W) and a great speech by Glenn Ashby and the attendance of many past Commodores and the present of 6 of the 8 Life Members.

72 people registered and sailed on Yachting Victoria's state wide "Go sailing Day" and the club gaining 10 new members.

120 children participated in Yachting Victoria Tacker's Program and the lake levels at 82%

January 2011 BeYC took delivery of 6 new Optimist Training Dinghies – 3 being insurance replacement boats originally donated by Mrs. Jenny Bland (Jim Bland) and Goodall Yacht Sails.

The remaining three Optimist yachts were:

(Ruby) donated by Margaret & Ian Grant; (Gus) donated by Lyn & John Ashby and (Jack Carroll) purchased with donations from Dave Richardson, Colin Nankervis, Bill McMaster, Tony Wall and a top up from the Club.

The Club now has two Pacers, one donated by Ms Cherry Fist and these yachts will be available for junior training in 2011-2012.

Due to the loss of one of the rescue boats in the shed fire, it was decided that the club proceed with the replacement of the purchase of a rigid inflatable rescue boat, the cost not to exceed \$35,000. (Caribe UB17 now known as Kimbolton).

Junior Cadet sailors, Sarah & Tom Floyd, Jake McDonald and Brett Goodall, together with Mick Floyd attended Yachting Victoria Assistant Instructor Training Course which now enables them to run the cadet program.

Events & Social Activities:
Christmas function & Santa visiting the Club
Farmer's market 'Egg and Bacon" stall
Pub dinner nights
Games night
'Got a Minute" night
"Over the Wall BYO BBQ" night

Annual Lake Eppalock Interest Group's Meetings & morning tea Yacht Racing Master Class and training course conducted by Greg and Brett Goodall was well attended and it is proposed to conduct another program in 2011.

Inaugural Audi Match Racing Regatta and the Club participation in the 'Easter Parade".

With the increase in membership, sponsorship and race entry fees the Club's income for the year increased from \$27,729 in 2009/10 to \$43,536 in 2010/11. The Club's expenditure was \$40,518 showing a profit of \$3,019.

Building & Ground improvements at the club have been replacement of spouting to the front and rear of the club, the front steps to the clubhouse upgraded, a new boat rack built in the new shed and a quick refurbishment of the jetty to handle the high water levels.

Membership increased from 148 to 247 for the 2010-2011 Season. There was a total of 19 un-financial members.

lan Wallis retiring as Membership Officer

Don Ridge retired from the Committee but continued as the Club's handicapper

Mick Floyd relinquishing role of Sailing Committee Chair in favour of Sam Hawkins, but will continue on as an ordinary member of the General Committee.

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\*2010-2011 CLUB CHAMPIONS & TITLE HOLDERS