



HAPPY NEW YEAR to all our wonderful members from the committee

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Christmas Party 2009

Our 2009 Christmas Party was held at Nelson Bay Golf Club and a memorable time was had by all (well most). Our new supporter, Nautilus Marine Insurance donated the major prize of the evening, \$ 4000 worth of insurance. The lucky winner of the prize was Darryl and Dianne McNally! A big thank you again Jonathan and Vicki from Nautilus Marine Insurance.



Comings And Goings

All members **BEWARE** on a recent trip to Wisemans Ferry by Peter (Kaos), Eric (Bulleye) and Mick (Scorpion), white pointers were spotted in the river at Spencer.

Moorings

The club mooring that was at Shoal Bay has been moved to in front of Salamander Shores Hotel on the southern side of the wharf. There is now two club moorings here side by side.

New Members

A welcome to the club to Chris and Paddy Pidcock and their boat Crystapen.

Coming Events

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| • 6 th February | PSMYC Annual Fishing Competition |
| • 27 th March | PSMYC Boat Trial |
| • March | VHF Licence Course |
| • June | Dinner |
| • 21 st August | PSMYC Annual General Meeting |



Australia Day Raft Up



This year's Australia Day was another huge success with 16 boats and in excess of 100 members, friends and kids attending our Raft Up at North Arm Cove. The day's festivities finished without incident and before the storm arrived. Guess only 3 people out of 100 needing to be taken to hospital isn't too bad!! Various events were held throughout the day and after singing the national anthem there was a presentation of prizes and medals to various winners.

- Rubber Duck Champion:
- Pie Eating Champion:
- Beer Drinking Champion Team:
- Best Dressed Boat:
- Best Dressed Couple:
- Best Dressed Male:
- Pie Eating Junior Champion:
- Man Of The Match:

George Brown – Bling
 Danny Stoddart – Kirona
 Footloose
 Kirona
 Kate & Gavan Reynolds – Footloose
 Richard White – Kirona
 Ryan & Scott Slattery
 Shane Hardes



To all those people who had little mishaps before and after our Australia Day Raft Up, we wish you a speedy recovery. **YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE.**

We had a back injury, a leg injury, a foot injury and an arm injury both requiring a trip to the poly clinic and both had stitches.

We also had sunburn victims and a few headaches the next day. One big question on everyone's lips is **HOW WAS THE WORM SHANE?**

To all those people who want the Jelly Shots recipe! Sorry we are TOO OLD and you will have to wait until next year.

We really must thank Terry for the shark repellent alarm; it put everyone at ease and allowed them to enjoy the day.



Honestly, It's Not Mine ... It's The Wife's ... Really



Hawkesbury Trip

When 3 boats left d'Albora enroute for the Hawkesbury, Peter Williams made it very clear to me that what happens on the trip has to stay on the trip (so to speak) – but I can't remember what part or parts of the trip he was referring to (Sorry ... Pete) must be "men-opause" (a condition caused by a man).

An anxious couple, Janelle and Eric – Bulleye took advantage of good seas and left for the Hawkesbury early on Tuesday. They were followed on Saturday in some rather uncomfortable conditions by the crew on Scorpion 11 skippered by Mick O'Connell and Graham Donnely and of course the first mate Brent and the crew on Lorisha who was skippered by Steve Holmes "Chook" and Rod Ward. This trip took 7 hours due to an unexpected detour through Swansea via Catherine Hill Bay caused by a problem with the GPS and a blocked fuel filter on Lorisha. Peter and Narelle on Koas followed on Monday.



Scorpion met up with Kaos and Bulleye on Tuesday morning and the trio set off for Wiseman's Ferry. A delicious lunch was had by all at the old sandstone hotel. All boaties should be warned through if going ashore via a rubber duck or state of the art tender for a long lunch the tide goes out very very very fast and your tender can be left high and dry!!! Mmmmm wonder who??



Happy Birthday Brent

The trio once back in, off the rocks and on or in the water again set sail to look for a suitable place to drop anchor for the night. Peter found a very suitable position behind a Cuddles cruiser, which was very fortunate for Eric and Janelle, as Eric stated his motor had stopped dead at this point (probably had something to do with the totally naked young lady that was aboard the Cuddles). Mick missed all the scenery due to his generator not starting. Drinks were aboard Scorpion this afternoon so that the men could find Mick's blown fuse.

The anchors were pulled up the next day at 9am and the trio set out for The Basin, a beautiful area with multiple club moorings. On the way to The Basin the girls were treated to a "free body art show", by one of the locals who prefers to use his whipper snipper in the nude, (hope he never slips whilst still holding this tool).

Drinks were on Kaos this afternoon and Thursday saw Peter and Narelle set out for a spot of fishing. Meanwhile Eric assesses the fault with Scorpion's GPS. Hmmm, I wonder who has been playing with the co-ordinates offsets? Drinks that afternoon were held on Bulleye and we were farewelled Kaos and Bulleye. The evening was made all the more interesting with the arrival of Linda, Steve (Chook) and Brent on Linda and Steve's new boat "Knot Too Bad".

Scorpion and Knot Too Bad travelled to Akuna Bay for the day and moored that evening in Smith's Creek, or as we have renamed it "Wrongway 'Chook' Bay". Saturday saw the travellers set out for Brisbane Waters to meet friends for some shopping and the boats were refuelled by MDS mobile diesel services for \$1.18 a litre.

On Saturday Scorpion and Knot Too Bad left Broken Bay at around 5:30am and logged off with VMR Port Stephens at 12:00 noon. We on Scorpion experienced a wonderful two weeks and thanks to the friendship, hospitality and knowledge extended to us from Eric, Janelle, Peter, Narelle, Chook, Linda, Graham, Mia, Jan and Rod.

Written as I remember it,
Raylee.

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Lake Macquarie Trip

On Thursday 21st January 2010, 4 boats from d'Albora's, Satisfaction, Pizazz, Maverick and Ironic left and headed south to the NCYC enroute to Lake Macquarie. Berthing at Newcastle for one night to meet up with Yknot and Indulgence, everyone headed to the club for dinner. Unable to make the trip and feeling left out Bob & Liz Meale jumped on their local ferry and joined everyone for a nice quiet dinner at the yacht club.

On Friday everyone headed for the 1pm Swansea Bridge. Making the channel and bridge with no problems we all rafted up together at Browns Bay and with the temperature more than 40°. Ironic's swim platform certainly got a workout proving it can hold more than 600 kilos!



After moving around the corner on Saturday to miss the Nor-Easter, the crew all boarded Maverick for a great tour around Lake Macquarie. Dropping anchor at Rathmines



again in the heat, a great lunch was had by all. With one of the more experienced men on board deciding to get a weather check from Marine Rescue, he was asked to go to channel 73, however after some 45 Crown lagers or so couldn't work out why the operator was getting cranky as he was still on 16 chatting away!!



With the forecast of a 45 knot southerly due shortly after 5pm, Allan and Brad decided to take Allan's tender (and an Esky, in case) back to the boats ahead of the others. On arrival at the boats the tender was secured to Pizazz. Without having time to open a beer the tree tops started swaying and the southerly was here. Maverick was unable to get near the moored boats and Allan instructs Brad to get in the tender and go and get help. That would have been OK, however, someone didn't tie the tender off and it was last seen heading back towards Kilaben Bay! Eventually all boats were untied and moved out of the southerly without any damage.