

#### Winter 2016

# **Commodores Message**

My how fast the year has gone, it seems like only yesterday we were getting our boats ready for the summer season. The weather over this summer has been fantastic and I hope all members have taken full advantage of it to enjoy your boats. Our events this year have had mixed attendance, our annual Christmas get together attracted 74 members and our Australia Day raft up around 100 members and friends but our fishing day only attracted 5 boats and about 24 people. I encourage all members to join in and participate in the various events you will be made welcome and I am sure you will have a great time.

My two years as commodore will be completed at the next club AGM to be held on 17<sup>th</sup> September, thank you to the Committee for your assistance over the last two years.

**Happy Boating** 

Shane Hards

Commodore

#### **ANNUAL FEES**

You will be receiving by e-mail an account for your annual fees. Members are reminded that the annual club levies are purely to meet the cost of the 10 moorings in the Bay, at Tea Gardens, and on Lake Macquarie. These moorings must be maintained annually and NSW Maritime has an annual fee of \$387 each.

#### **CHRISTMAS FUNCTION 2015**

This was held at Baroque Restaurant at the end of November it was well attended and a great night was had by all, as usual the food was great and the band sensational and the liquid refreshments flowed freely.

### **BOAT CHECK BY NSW MARITIME**

NSW Maritime was good enough to come down to the Marina and do a boat check on the various boats and 8 member boats took part. It was great to have the maritime boys on board to double check we were meeting the Maritime requirements. They also spent time explaining various regulations and giving us tips on how to check self-inflating life jackets. We look forward to doing it again pre summer.

## **COMINGS AND GOINGS**

Eric and Janell (BULLEYE) have gone north to the Whitsundays for winter.

Ron and Gillian (PANDORAS BOX) a travelling north to Whitsundays.

Brian and Sue (ENCORE) have deserted The Bay gone for the Whitsundays.

Peter and Kay (BLUEWATER) have moved to Mooloolaba.

Mark and Carol (ANARCHY) have moved back to d'Albora Marina.

David and Kaylene (SHELBY) have taken their boat back to Sydney.

Alan and Dee (PIZZAZ) have sold their boat.

# **AUSTRALIA DAY 2016**

What a day, the weather gods were good to us again, the raft up under the supervision of Captain Brown (AKA Captain Seaweed) went without a hitch. About 100 people attended and the following are the results of the various events that were held:

- Beer drinking Champions: The Crew HALCYON
- Junior soft drinking Champions: Luke Doran CROSSCUT

Senior pie eating Champion: Chuckie - RUMOURS

Junior pie eating Champion Jack: AKOYA

Australia day tennis Champions: KAOS

Best dressed boat: KAOS

Rubber Duck Challenge: Bob Meale , Aleah Doran - KIRONA

Medals were presented to all the winners and a rousing rendition of Advance Australia Fair followed. Thank you to the organisers of the various events and to the participants. Next year will be even bigger and better.

DON'T FORGET! Put January 26TH 2017 into your diaries as an outing next year

#### ANNUAL MARLIN TAGGING FISHING TOURNAMENT

The Competitors **EAGLE**, **KAOS**, **HULLABALOO**, **SCORPION & SHELBY** proceeded to the fishing grounds on a glorious morning, calm seas and sunshine alas the bait and the marlin had been forewarned & were not as plentiful as they had been. **SHELBY** had a great day tagging two marlin and again has their name on the perpetual trophy. They can be recognised with their big smiles & wearing the winners monogrammed jacket and Tee shirts emblazoned with the words 2016 tournament winner. Congratulations to Captain David McAndrew and his crew.

An Honourable mention goes to the skipper & crew of SCORPION who tagged a marlin and caught a Mahi Mahi of over 20 kg that fed the whole crew and their family.

### **MEMBERS PRIVILEGES**

- Use your club card to get at the Marina Chandlery to receive your 10% discount. Noakes offer one free day
  on the hardstand for every two paid days
- Your club membership entitles you to maximum discount on fuel at d'Albora Marina
- The use of the clubs moorings. Eight are located in The Bay 8 plus one at Tea Gardens and one in Lake Macquarie.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

• **PSMYC Annual General Meeting** to be held at Murrays Brewery Port Stephens commencing at 11:45am followed by lunch and a social gathering.

This year we are meeting to elect a new Commodore (Shane's 2 years is up) and committee all positions be declared vacant Nominations for Commodore or committee will remain open until the meeting all financial members can stand and are entitled to vote.

A courtesy bus runs from the information centre at Nelson Bay at 11:00am. The fare is \$5 each way. Bookings are essential call 02 4982 6411.

Christmas Function: Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 6.30pm at Broughtons in dAlbora complex Nelson Bay.

Australia Day: 26<sup>th</sup> January Raft-Up at North Arm Cove
 Fishing Competition: 4<sup>th</sup> February in the great outdoors
 Boating Activity: 26<sup>th</sup> March On The Bay – Format TBA

• Easter: Myall Lakes 14<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> April.

Would all members please put these dates in their diaries as a reminder.

## **Boating Gear For Sale**

If members have any boating gear they wish to sell the club would be pleased to circulate the members Please contact the Secretary who can circulate to members.