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CORPORATE REGATTA, SARASOTA & PAN PACS



REDCLIFFE RED DRAGON BOAT CLUB
YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US AT OUR

DRAGON BOAT CORPORATE REGATTA
JULY 26, 2014

8.00am-12.00pm
Rotary Park
Redcliffe Foreshore (near jetty)
Redcliffe Parade



- Join other teams paddling towards the finish line in traditional Dragon Boats.
- Trophies for finalists
- Host Thermal Crew Prizes
- All equipment supplied e.g., Paddles and Life Jackets
- Arranged training for all teams recommended prior to the event on the 18th and 19th July.

Event Coordinator Contact Person:
Brad Stephenson 0405 360 218 or brad.stephenson@live.com.au

Cost: \$20.00 per Paddler
Teams: 10 paddlers per team
(no more than 2 male Paddlers per team)
Nominations Close 07th July





CORPORATE REGATTA

July 26th Redcliffe Red Dragons held their Corporate Regatta at the Redcliffe Jetty.

We had the chance to showcase our club as well as give our new safety boat, which we purchased with the funding provided by the Queensland Government, a run.



A total of 6 teams competed on the day and a fun day was had by all. Some teams took to it like a duck to water and were very impressive on the day.



INTELLI DRAGONS

members from IntelliDesign Pty Ltd

TOM'S LAW DRAGONS

members from boot camp run by Tom law

FIT DRAGONS

members from a local gym

R.A.W. DRAGONS

members from Real Adventure Women

COMPOSITE BLUE DRAGONS

members from Redcliffe Red Dragons and willing novice paddlers

COMPOSITE RED DRAGONS

members from Redcliffe Red Dragons and the willing novice paddlers

The Grand Finalist were INTELLI DRAGONS, FITBOX DRAGONS and COMPOSITE BLUE DRAGONS.

1st INTELLI
DRAGONS



2nd FIT BOX DRAGONS



3rd COMPOSITE DRAGON BLUE



The Minor Finalist were COMPOSITE RED DRAGONS, TOM'S LAW and R.A.W. DRAGONS

1st COMPOSITE
RED DRAGONS



2nd TOM'S LAW



3rd R.A.W. DRAGONS





October saw the Redcliffe Pink Snapdragons travel to Florida to participate in the 2014 IBCPC PARTICIPATORY DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL. Sarah Firman was the proud team captain.



After Day 1 of racing, Redcliffe Pink Snapdragons were ranked 57 out of 101 crews. On Day 2 the Snapdragons had to paddle their hearts out (and they did) against 7 other crews in the Grand Final in what was to be a nail biting race to the finish line. They rocked it and paddled hard finishing 2nd with 18 paddlers! Arthur was truly overwhelmed as was everyone as they all shed tears of joy.



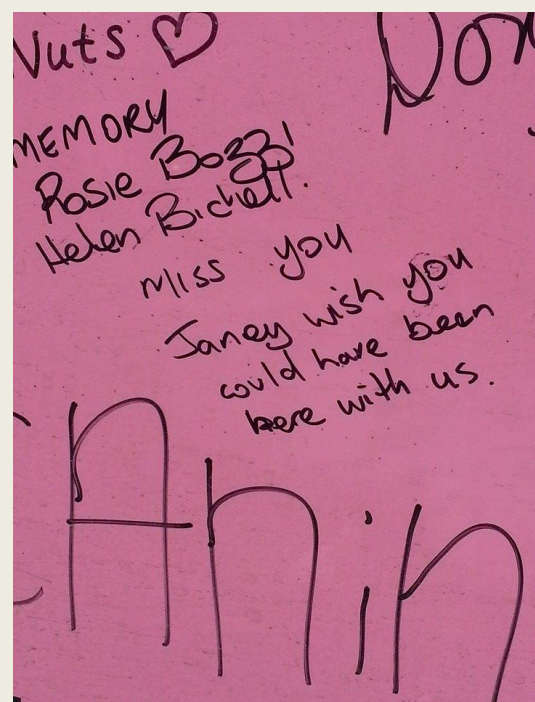
The Redcliffe Pink Snapdragon Supporters team did the Snapdragons proud winning the Supporters race with a few new paddlers on board.



REDCLIFFE PINK SNAPDRAGONS SUPPORTORS TEAM

Overall the event was a huge success and everyone who competed had a blast catching up with old friends and remembering their lost sisters and friends who were unable to be there. Everyone will no doubt be looking forward to the next IBCPC Festival to do the same thing all over again.

ROSIE PINK





Captains Call

*We went to Florida to make our team **proud**
We were busy, happy and most of all **loud**!
We **paddled** our **hardest** in double quick time
That got us into **2nd** at the finishing line
A **great team effort** and so we **stand tall**
Redcliffe Pink Snapdragons loved by all!*

*Beautifully penned by Sarasota Team Captain,
Sarah Firman*



In November approximately 25 dragon boat teams took part at the Pan Pac Masters Games being held at the Varsity Lakes Gold Coast.



REDCLIFFE RED DRAGONS CREW

A total of 38 Redcliffe Red Dragons members participated in four teams racing in both 200m and 500m over the two days of racing. These teams were:- SENIOR A 20's Mixed, Women and Opens and SENIOR B 20's Mixed.



SENIOR A WOMEN



SENIOR A OPEN



SENIOR A MIXED



SENIOR B MIXED

We had three teams through to the grand final - Senior A Women 200m and 500m and the Senior B Mixed 500m. Our crews in Senior A Mixed 200m and 500m, Senior B Mixed 200m made the semi- finals.

Unfortunately no medals were won by Redcliffe over the weekend but all four teams showed true sportsmanship both on and off the water as only Redcliffe Red Dragons know how.

Redcliffe should be proud of their effort as they were racing against mostly crews who consisted of combined paddlers from different clubs whereas we were **ALL** Redcliffe through and through.



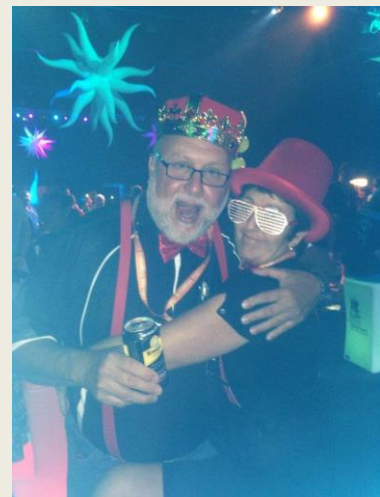
Special thanks must go to **FELICITY BEADSMOORE** (Rita's daughter) who took on the job of Team manager for the weekend. She did a fantastic job which made everything run smoothly for the club over the two fast paced days of racing.





Everyone enjoyed themselves and were on their best behaviour whether it was on the water or off the water at the After Party which unfortunately for our paddlers was in between our two racing days. This did not however deter us from letting our hair down (not too much) and enjoying ourselves.

Our club members were in force, at the celebrations, dressed in our **RED** theme. This made an impressive section of red on the night.



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