

June Edition



REDCLIFFE RED DRAGONS NEWSLETTER



AGM

Annual General Meeting

On 3rd June, the clubs Annual General Meeting was held at the Peacekeepers Room at the Dolphin's League Club Redcliffe. The outgoing management committee was congratulated on its hard work and achievements made throughout the year.

After nominations for the roles of the different management committee were read and confirmed, members voted and elected the management committee for upcoming 2017/2018 regatta season.

Below are the elected 2017/2018 Redcliffe Red Dragons Management Committee

VICE

PRESIDENT



Cheryl Rigby

PRESIDENT



Tina Van Kuyl

TREASURER



Rita Beadsmoore

SECRETARY



Gillian Robinson

TEAM REGISTRAR



Iciar Argus

UNIFORM OFFICER



Jane Kennedy

WEB MANAGER



Donna Pascoe

FUNDRAISING



Cheryl Rigby

GRANTS OFFICER



Tony Zedde

MAINTENANCE
CO-ORDINATOR



Deb Watson

ORD RIVER CHALLENGE



Four paddlers from the
**REDCLIFFE PINK
SNAPDRAGONS**

- *Sonia Anger, Jill
Aplin, Karen Rolfe and
David Hudson* and
supporters *Trevor
Anger, Annie Perry and
Ron and Maureen Hyde*

made the long trek to
the ORD RIVER for the **ORD RIVER CHALLENGE.**



On the day of the challenge,
Sunday 11th June, we had an early
4.30am pick up from
KUNUNARRA to **LAKE ARGYLE
RESORT** for breakfast and group
photo shoot. Our composite team
was called '**MISFITS**'.



Boats were loaded at the base of the dam
wall and we were on our way at 7.30am.
There was spectacular scenery in the upper
gorges, where we had to negotiate fast
flowing currents and rapids. Further down,
the river widened and slowed. The three
scheduled rest stops were most appreciated.



The last stretch was particularly picturesque as we left the main river and meandered through [LAKE KUNUNARRA](#). It was very emotional paddling to the finish line and seeing our support group and spectators giving us a huge welcome.

We somehow found the energy to drink, eat and party into the night.



To commemorate the occasion and for participating in the challenge, each participant received a towel, designed by a local artist.



A truly unforgettable experience

Courtesy of Sonia Anger



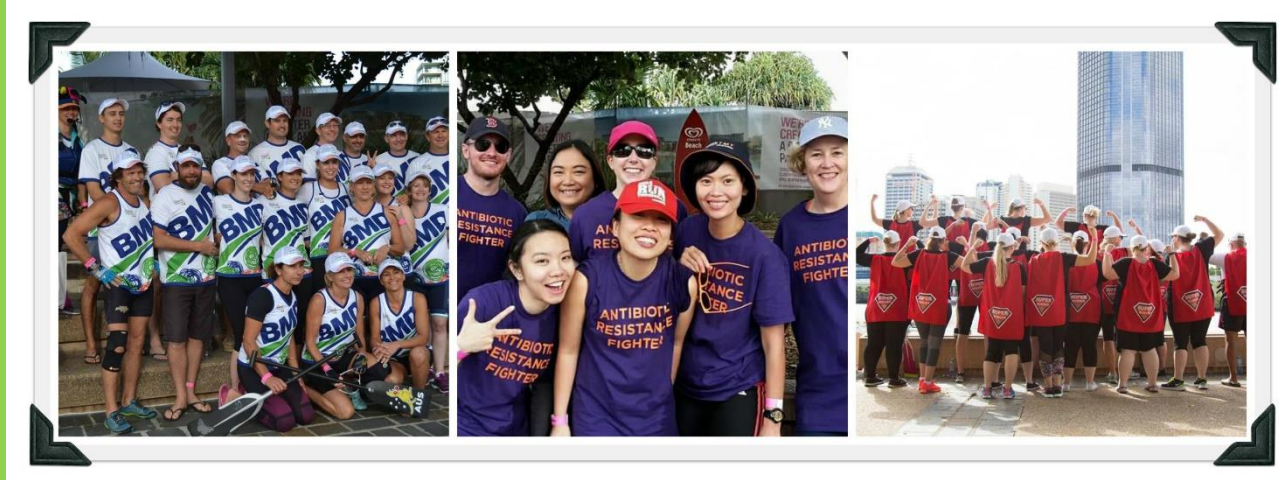
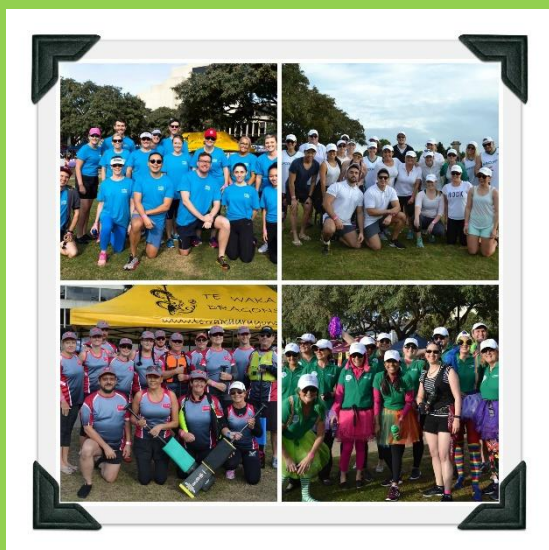
PADDLE FOR KIDS

On Sunday 18th June, Juiced TV from Lady Cilento Hospital and the Children's Hospital Foundation teamed up with Dragon Boat QLD for a family fun day – **PADDLE FOR KIDS** - in hosting a dragon boat regatta for Corporate crews to fundraise for kids whilst experiencing the fabulous sport of dragon boating.



The event was held on the Brisbane River at the Southbank Forecourt (in front of QPAC) with 15 Corporate crews participating and together raising over \$45000 by the day of the event. The final total was over \$50000 due to monies being raised from auctions and other associated fundraising.

Facebook supporter pages were set up by the individual clubs organising the crews in order that members of the public could donate towards the Children's Hospital. Some of the teams who were entered were 'Cookie Monsters', 'Super Nurses', 'BMD', 'ERM Power', 'Kezza'a Kanoo' and our very own 'Hull of a Laugh' just to name a few. All teams contributed towards the substantial figure of monies raised.



There was lots of racing on the day with a bit of drama when two crews capsized on the day. Luckily everyone managed to get back to shore safe and sound with possibly the only thing being hurt – ONE'S PRIDE.



Charlene from TEWAKA was in fine form making sure that all paddlers were fully warmed up before they headed out onto the water by taking a group session. As usual, Charlene brought her own style and flair to the warm up which contributed to it being heaps of fun to participate

While there could only be one winner of the actual race, there were other winners on the day. LAKERS entry - 'Super Nurses' – who did not make the finals, thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were voted **BEST TEAM SPIRIT** award.

'Kezza's Kanoo' won the award for **MOST MONEY RAISED** by a team - **\$4902**. Their prize, which was a return trip to Moreton Island on board the MICAT, was donated to the Children's Hospital.



What a great gesture on their behalf.

Redcliffe's entry of **Hull of a Laugh** managed to raise a total of **\$2643** (Great work) at the time of the event. Our Redcliffe crew (18) consisted of two of our sports paddlers –Jason and Bruce- with the remaining paddlers being either new to the sport or having paddled before but no longer involved in the sport.

The team won all their heat races, with some fierce competition from the other teams. After a day of racing on the Brisbane River, **HULL of a LAUGH** was the winner of the major final.



Well done and congratulations to all those who participated. At the end of the day it was the Children's

Hospital who were the REAL winners due to the amount of money that was raised on their behalf. It was certainly pleasing to see the Brisbane based clubs pull together for this event, and to see Dragon Boating supporting such a very worthy cause. Everyone is looking forward to this being an annual event and competing again in the future.

THANK YOU

CONGRATULATIONS



Kyle Wollstein (Manly & Qld Sonics) for being **SUNNY**, the DBQ Dragon mascot. It must have been rather hot and sweaty in that costume all day.

PIRATE NORBET (Brisbane River Dragons).

They certainly brought plenty of smiles to the crowd on the day.

THANKS to those Redcliffe members who helped out on the day by being a drummer - **LYN S** and **VICKI HARDING** - or a sweep - **DOUG TROTT** and **CHERYL RIGBY** - for those crews who required them.



Thanks was expressed by the DBQ president - **JUDY NEW**- to the DBQ clubs who participated in the Paddle for Kids events for "supplying equipment and most importantly for providing the training sessions beforehand and then the manpower to run the event". She also said "it was a great experience to see DBQ clubs working together as opposed to competing against each other.

Such an event could not have happened without the great work of Judy and her hard-working DBQ committee. With everyone co-operating together, Judy was able to fulfil her dream of DBQ partnering with Juiced TV, Children's Hospital Foundation and Lady Cilento Hospital to stage a spectacular fundraising event for the sick children and highlight the sport of dragon boating in the process.

It was certainly a great event, not only for those who participated in the races on the water, but for those who attended the festivities on the day. Hopefully, next time it will be just as much fun and people will contribute again towards what is a great cause.



COME N TRY



Saturday 24th June saw 18 members of the public attend the club's COME n TRY day which was organised through the Moreton Bay Regional Council ADVENTURE activity program

'Adventure' is a sport, fitness & recreation activity program run by Moreton Bay Regional Council for adults

and the whole family. It is perfect for residents who are looking to try something different, find a new interest, or just have an experience with family and friends whilst discovering the Moreton Bay Region.

After the usual warm up and run down of the history of Dragon Boating, it was time to take the paddlers out on the water to experience paddling. The dragon boating technique was shown to the paddlers whilst paddling out towards the bay.

Two boats were taken out with Kay R and Iciar as coaches on the boats, Rita and Doug as sweeps and Cheryl and Michelle strokes of one boat and Norma and Terri strokes of the other. Some of the other members stayed on shore to help set up the food and drinks that would be available afterwards.



The weather Gods were kind enough for both boats to venture out onto the bay and the paddlers were able to see our beautiful playground and gave them an idea as to what we experienced every time we were able to train out on the bay.

On our way back in from the bay the paddlers were given a short lesson on racing and all seemed eager to participate when asked if they were ready to race each other. As always everyone's competitive nature came out and they were all determined not to be beaten by the other boat.



Overall it was a great morning with Redcliffe paddlers helping out in the boats as well as those remaining on shore to make sure the fruit was all cut up and the drinks were cold. At the end of the session everyone was thankful for some food and drinks after a fun day out on the water.



Big thanks to everyone involved in making the event run smoothly and be as enjoyable as possible for the participants

SHED UPDATE

Since the MAY edition of the club's newsletter there has been a lot of progress made on the construction of the club shed.



Doug has been on the ball making sure that everything is going according to plan and along with Lyn S taking photos of the developments of the shed. Through the marvels of social media (FACEBOOK), club members along with members of the public, have been able to see the progress of the shed.

Below are some photos showing the progress made during the month of June starting with the laying of the waffle pods in readiness for the concrete slab, the construction of the shed and its roof to the final phases of having the roller doors installed. While the finishing touches are still to be made, all the contents of the storage container will now be able to be transferred into their rightful place in the club's new shed.

STAGE ONE



STAGE TWO



STAGE THREE



Some of the walls are up



ALL DONE!!!!



Stayed tuned for the JULY edition of the club newsletter for further details regarding the Club shed

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th - TIN CAN BAY REGATTA
Diamond Dash (Saturday)
Regatta (Sunday)

AUGUST

Saturday 5th – Fernwood Petrie Fitness Fun Day

- Pinkies Social paddle 8a.m.
- RELAY FOR LIFE (finishes Saturday 6th)

Saturday 19th - Trivia Night (Pink Snapdragons)
@Scarborough Bowls Club 7pm

Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th – DBQ A.G.M. and Conference
@Nudgee

- Rainbow Region Regatta @ Ballina

