

May Edition



REDCLIFFE RED DRAGONS NEWSLETTER



AWARDS NIGHT

On Saturday, 6th May, 52 members, including partners, gathered to celebrate the Redcliffe Red Dragons Presentation night for 2016/2017. Once again it was held in the President's Room at the Dolphins Leagues Club.



This is the fourth year the awards night has been in play and the second year of it being held at the Dolphins Leagues Club.

Huge Thanks to Dolphins for allowing the club to hold the presentation night at their facilities. The night always proves to be a huge success and good for club spirit and morale.

The President's room was wonderfully decorated thanks to Michelle F and Co. in Red, White and Pink to show the colours of Redcliffe Red Dragons as well as our affiliated club of Redcliffe Pink Snapdragons.

The night was kicked off with the club president Cheryl welcoming everyone to the event and thanking everyone for attending. Cheryl went on to also thank the 2016/2017 committee for doing such a great job throughout the year. She also thanked the club's coaches for their marvellous effort for the year.



CLUB COMMITTEE



CLUB ASSISTANT COACHES

Tina, club Vice President, thanked the partners of all the paddlers for having to put up with all the ups and downs of being a dragon boater whether it be after a club training session or a regatta. All the paddlers really appreciate the help, support and understanding they get from their family during the year.



After everyone had enjoyed the delicious buffet meal, the presentation of Club awards were scheduled to get under way. Before this occurred, the assistant coaches were called upon to receive a small token of appreciation by Iciar, the club's senior coach, for all their time, efforts and support throughout the year.



The recipients of the Redcliffe Red Dragons awards were as follows:-

President's Award –
DOUG TROTT

Paddlers' Paddler -
DONNA PASCOE

Coach's Award –
ROSEMARY VAN STAM

Most Improved Award –
DEB WATSON



Along with the Redcliffe Red Dragon's awards being presented, Christine – President of Redcliffe Pink Snapdragons - presented 3 snapdragon members with a LIFE TIME MEMBER award for 10 years of commitment and service.....

LYN GRIGG, JOAN SOMMERFELD and MAUREEN HYDE



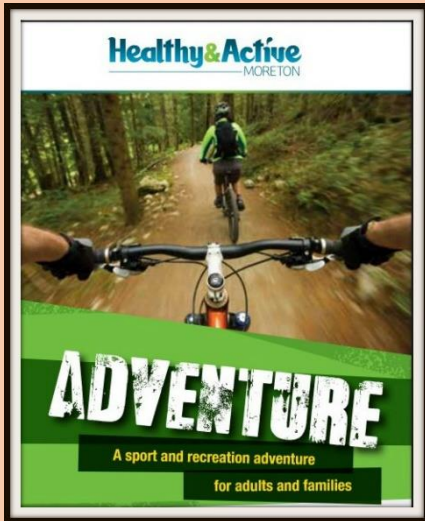
After the completion of the awards it was time to get and boogie the night away to the songs lined up on the Jukebox. For certain members this couldn't come quick enough.

Overall a great night was had by all. Bring on the upcoming season.

MANY CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL AWARD WINNERS



COME 'n' TRY



Saturday 21st May 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, Bruce and Doug as sweeps and Jane and Peggy strokes of one boat and Margery and Norma 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.



Although the weather was fine to venture out into the bay, the boats did not go out too far as the safety boat was out of commission. We were still able to show everyone 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.





After coming into shore it was all hands on deck to help load the boats onto the trailer.

Overall it was a great morning with Redcliffe paddlers helping out in the boats and 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

Activity on the shed in the month of MAY was as follows:-



With all the boats, trailers and dismantled sheds being removed from the compound it was time for the ground to be made ready for the concrete slab to be laid.

The heavy equipment was brought in to dig up the area and make it level. The digger set to work removing the last remnants of the two concrete slabs left from the sheds.



With Doug present to oversee some of the work, the digger started the big job of digging up the ground resulting in quite a few mounds of dirt piling up.



A boundary enveloping the work was established and pegged out in order to prevent any of the dirt being washed away due to rain.

Once the area had been dug up it was time to level the ground with cracker dust in preparation for the concrete slab. A wooden boundary was staked out marking the exact size of the slab.



Stay Tuned for further progress reports in upcoming newsletters.

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Courtesy of FACTOR X – SUNDAY MAIL



What did Cinderella say to the photographer?
One day my prints will come

What did the light bulb say to its mother?
I love you watts and watts

What did the judge say to the Dentist?
Do you swear to pull the tooth, the whole tooth and nothing but the tooth.

What did the dentist give to the marching band?
A TUBA toothpaste

What goes under your feet and over your head?
A skipping rope

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

Saturday 12th – Redcliffe General Meeting @ TBA

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

- Rainbow Region Regatta @ Ballina

