

February 2019



REDCLIFFE RED DRAGONS NEWSLETTER



COME 'n' TRY

Beginning of the month of February saw the third of the Club's Come n Try for the year via the [Moreton Bay Council Healthy and Active Program](#).

On the day, 8 members of the public decided to come and give the sport of Dragon Boating a try. Even though there was only a small number of new paddlers to the sport, with club paddlers helping out on the day, a full boat was taken out with



[Theresa](#) and [Ann](#) as strokes and [Rita](#), the trusted sweep.

After the customary safety talk and warm up for paddlers, everyone made their way to the boat for a great day out on the water. The weather was not kind, so the paddlers were not able to venture out into the Bay to see where the members train.



After some technique drills and some light paddling up and down the canals, it was down to learning about race starts.

Unfortunately, due to only one boat, the paddlers were unable to experience racing against another dragon boat.

Even so everyone was happy for the experience and came back to shore with big smiles and comments on how they enjoyed themselves. One of the children of the new paddlers was fortunate to experience a ride in the dragon boat as it was taken back up to the compound. She seemed to be over the moon.

BIG THANKS to all members who helped out on the day be it on or off the water.

As always a great day was had by all.



REGATTA NEWS

BROADWATER – Battle of the Paddles

- Redcliffe had 20 paddlers attending and entered crews in Mixed 20's, Women 20's and 10's, Open 10's in 200m races and the 2km Ultimate Steel Island Dash. While none of the teams made the finals, it was an enjoyable regatta for the club both on and off the water despite a very wet start at the beginning due to a heavy downpour of rain.
- Redcliffe were fortunate to have the help of some club paddlers from **MANLY** and **HERVEY BAY** due to shortage of numbers.

THANK YOU

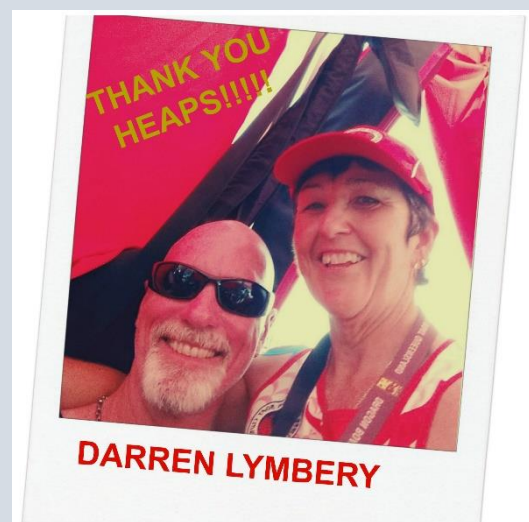
Sharon Roberts from **HERVEY BAY**

Christine Furness, Barbara Jeffries and **Janine Williams** from **MANLY**



Huge Thanks to **DARREN LYMBERY** in helping out as assistant Team Manager.

He did a great job and made the day more enjoyable for everyone.



BRD

- Middle of the month saw 28 club members – along with 9 members from the Scarborough Outrigger Canoe Club for the Mixed and Open crews and 2 members from Hervey Bay for Women crews - attended Brisbane River Dragons' regatta.
- Crews entered where **2 x 2km Mixed 20's, 2 x Mixed 20's, Women 20's and 10's and Open 20's**. All races were over 500m distances except for the 2km race.
- 2 of our 5 500m crews made the Finals i.e. Women 20's and Open 20's having achieved 3rd place and 2nd place in their two respective heats. The women 10's crew would have progressed into the Final also but it was agreed with the organisers that only one Women's team advance due to the rule of '**no double rostering**'.



- **Women 20's** came **5th** in the Final in a time of **2.31.90min** and **Open 20's** came **3rd** behind MSS and Sunshine Coast in a time of **2.06.37min** only .02.24 sec behind first place MSS.

Once again, the results from the overall day were very promising with all crews doing well in their respective categories.





MARCH

Mark Alderton
Bruce Musgrove
Helen Foster
Kay Roper
Rita Beadsmoore
Doug Trott
Michelle McGillivray

APRIL

Phil Matthysen
Peter Bambery
Cheryl Rigby
Laurie Nicolson
Tahlia Harle



UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 2019

Saturday 6th

Snap Dragons

Pink Social Paddle

Wednesday 17th – Monday
22nd

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

@ Rowing Course, Weston Park,
Yarralumla, ACT



MAY 2019

Saturday 11th

Council COME n TRY

Saturday 25th

- Club Monthly BBQ
- Club Presentation Night
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JUNE 2019

Saturday 15th

Paddle for Kids

Juice TV @ Southbank