

*December/Xmas Edition*



*REDCLIFFE  
RED  
DRAGONS*

*XMAS  
NEWSLETTER*

*Merry Christmas,  
Happy New Year!*



*Peace & Love!!*

*By Oriza*



# CLUB XMAS PARTY

1<sup>st</sup> December saw the annual Xmas party held at the Paddlers' Den. The shed was decorated in all Xmas attire the day before and cleaned to make it ready the party the next day. The boys were in charge of the BBQ for the night.



While people mingled and feasted on the various food available, they were able to watch club photos from yesteryear and leading up to the opening of the Paddlers' Den.

Organised games were on the agenda – *RING TOSS, SECRET SANTA, FACE THE COOKIE, CORNHOLE TOSS and PASS THE PARCEL.*

Everyone who participated in the games thoroughly enjoyed themselves with some of the members providing great entertainment during certain games especially **Face the Cookie** and **Pass the Parcel** games.



The Xmas party as usual was a huge success and it will no doubt be exactly the same for future parties. Everyone will be waiting in anticipation to see what other fun and exciting games our Games Co-Ordinator *Peggy Rapley* can conjure up for the event.



# REGATTA NEWS

8<sup>th</sup> December saw 39 paddlers attending the **BURLEIGH FIRE DRAGONS** regatta at Varsity Lakes.

The club were lucky to have 8 of the paddlers from Scarborough Canoe club join us for this regatta.

The racing on the day was all 500m in distance. Due the number of paddlers available the club was able to enter 2 x 2km Mixed 20's, 2 x Mixed 20's, 2 x Open 10's and a Women 20's.

The club did well in that they did the trifecta of achieving a trophy in 3 out of the 4 categories entered. The results were:

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Mixed 20's 2km (Redcliffe Gold).**  
**11.29.41mins** - 1.38secs behind 2<sup>nd</sup> place Currumbin and 15.54 secs behind 1<sup>st</sup> Sunshine Coast



**3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Mixed 20's (Redcliffe Gold)**  
**2.09.06mins** – 0.24secs behind 1<sup>st</sup> place Currumbin and 0.09secs 2<sup>nd</sup> place Sunshine Coast



1<sup>st</sup>

### Open 10's (Redcliffe Black)

**2.10.97mins** – 4.31secs ahead of Sunshine Coast.

The Open 10's (Redcliffe Gold) were unlucky to have missed out on a Finals berth. The composition of this crew was 7 men and 3 women.

The club's winning Open 10's had some pressure on them this day, as they had won the same category at last year's regatta. Majority of the crew remained the same as 2018. The Open 10's, as they did last year, did the trifecta in winning each of their heats and then the finals.

The **Women 20's** missed a place in the Finals. They came a close 6<sup>th</sup> behind Tweed Dragons (5<sup>th</sup> position) by 0 .56 from a field of 13.



Our two Junior members **TAHLIA HARLE** and **KAETE AFONSO** were kept very busy on the day jumping from the SONIC teams to the Redcliffe Mixed 20's 2km, Mixed 20's 500m and Women 20's. Despite looking very tired, both girls managed to give 100% when it was time to race. They definitely did themselves, their clubs and families proud.



Charlene was very proud of the club's overall effort on the day and as usual one could not wipe the smile from her face.



# XMAS LOLLY RUN

18<sup>th</sup>  
December  
saw the  
Annual club  
Lolly Run.

Paddlers attended in their Xmas attire and with lolly bags on board, as well as Xmas bells to ring, they made their way through the canals distributing lollies to the residents.



Along the way, the paddlers were able to experience the joy of seeing the many beautiful Xmas light displays along the canals.

Some of the residents had gone to very extravagant lengths to display their Xmas spirit.



A very enjoyable night of paddling was had by all.



## DECEMBER

*Suzie Juno*

*Maui Mocaraka*

*Bob Rapley*

*Tupuo Teava*

*Rhonda O'Brien*

*Christine Afonso*

*Bruce Brewster*

*Kaete Afonso*

## JANUARY

*Margaret Scott*

*Jane Kennedy*

*Sue Drinkwater*

*Lorna Hill*

*Karen Hitchcock*

*Kelly Monds*

*Paul Hogg*

*Erlinda May*

*Charlene Povey*

*Paul Den Ronden*







UPCOMING  
EVENTS

**JANUARY 2020**

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>**

Club training resumes

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>**

**REGATTA – *Redcliffe/Lakers***

@ KAWANA WATERS

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>**

Committee Meeting

UPCOMING  
EVENTS

**FEBRUARY 2020**

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>**

**REGATTA – *Broadwater***

@ Emerald Lakes

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>**

Come 'N' Try – Moreton Bay Council

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>**

General Meeting

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>**

**REGATTA – *BRD***

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