



Redcliffe Red Dragon Boat Club

Newsletter

NO MATTER HOW YOU FEEL, GET UP, DRESS UP, SHOW UP AND NEVER GIVE UP.

JULY, 2022

A Note from the President

Mel Roper

Taking on the role as interim president until the AGM is my way of saying 'thank you' to the club. I have loved the welcome and atmosphere of this club since I started almost two years ago and hope to be a part of it for many more. Thank you to Norma for an amazing job as president and her shoes will be tough to fill.

I hope everyone enjoyed seeing the photos of our paddlers that made it to the Tin Can Bay Regatta. Great idea on the Noah's Ark theme, everybody looked fabulous. It was a cold and wet weekend so thank you to those that made it there to represent the club.

Speaking of cold and wet, winter is definitely here. It can be a struggle to get out onto the water (I am a bit of a summer & some of the time paddler myself). Those of you that consistently make training, my hat goes off to you. You help keep the racing energy alive in the club.

Now those of you that can't make training, there are plenty of other ways to stay involved with the club. Please volunteer when we have any fundraising activities like the Bunnings Bbq, regattas or the Come 'n' tries. The social breakfast bbq will be starting regularly again soon and we hope to see you there.

Thank you to those that helped out for the Bunnings bbq last weekend. We couldn't have done it without you or the help of the outrigger club as so many of our members were in Tin Can Bay.

If anyone has any ideas for the club that they would like to put forward, feel free to email me:
melaniemroper@outlook.com

Until next time, happy paddling. Mel

Note from the Editor

Hi Everyone,

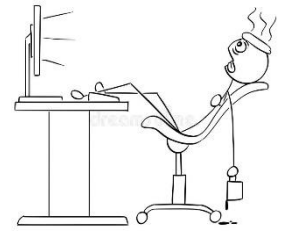
Apologies for the late edition this month- between the TCB regatta and then getting COVID its been tricky to get it out. I've just pulled together the basics this month with no additional articles etc but hopefully back to normal next month.

I intend to hand over the reigns in August as my 12 months is up. If you would like to take over then please come and see me or drop me an email. Commitment is about 1-2 hours per month so not too bad- I usually manage to pull it together on a Sunday afternoon.

As ever, I am grateful to all those who contribute to the newsletter- please send me your articles and update the last week of every month -I try to publish on the 1 st weekend of every month.

Send all your things to : andreacoe101@hotmail.com !

Andy



Committee 2022 – 2023

An update on the Committee from Deb (secretary)



Congratulations and sincere thanks to those Club members who have volunteered to fill Committee vacancies - Melanie Roper - President; Steve Evans - Vice President & Simon Argus - Club Registrar. Thanks also to Ann Matthysen and Peggy Rapley for volunteering to take on the roles of Facebook & Messenger Co-ord and Uniform Coordinator respectively.

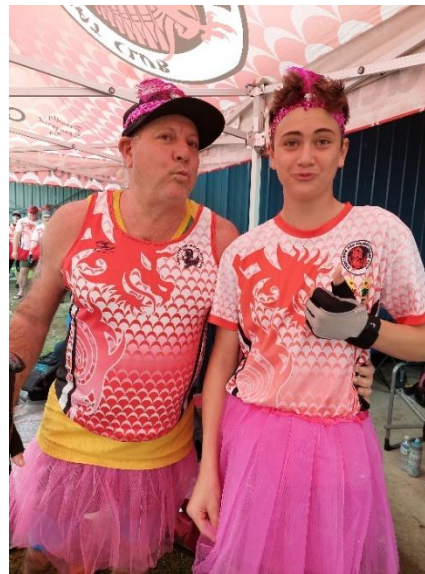
Also - sincere thanks to those retiring from Club positions - Norma Kelly and Natalie Bliesner from the Committee, as well as to Iciar Argus (Facebook & Messenger) and Gillian Robinson (Uniforms).

Team Managers Update

Simon Argus

The Tin Can Bay Regatta was held on 2nd and 3rd July, with the Diamond Dash held on Saturday and 200m racing on Sunday. The weather conditions were cold and rainy on Saturday but cleared on Sunday.

The Tin Can Bay Regatta gives members experience paddling in tidal conditions we don't see at Scarborough. Six members experiencing their first regatta, (Darren, Harry, Brett, Iris, Marina and Tony).



Redcliffe entered two teams in the Diamond Dash (Red and White), with only Darren, Mel and Harry paddling in both teams.

The Diamond Dash was won by Bundaberg Dragons in a combined time over the two races of 5 min. 24.32 sec, with Redcliffe Red and White coming 8th and 9th respectively, around 50 combined seconds behind.



Sunday began with a parade and judging of the team costumes. Redcliffe were dressed as Noah's Ark.



First prize for team costumes went to Dragons Abreast Gold Coast, who were dressed as Mexicans.



In the 200m racing on Sunday, Redcliffe Red was entered in Division A and Redcliffe White in Division B. Division A was won by Mackay Stingers in a time of 1min 10.11sec and Division B was won by M & M's (combined Manly/Lakers crew) in a time of 1min 10.47sec. Neither Redcliffe Red nor Redcliffe White made the grand final.

Additionally, Ann, Sonia and Lisa paddled with Bribie Dragons in the Breast Cancer category, and Bernie from Bridie Dragons paddled with Redcliffe in the sports racing.

Finally, thanks to Phil and Ann, and Marty and Kate for transporting the tents to/from Tin Can Bay, and also to Marty for his "board work" over the weekend.

Redcliffe Pink Snapdragons Inc

Fran Heales



Thank you to Sue Drinkwater and her trusty band of volunteers for another successful Bunnings BBQ a couple of weeks ago. This is our only fundraising event so it is very important that we all support it.

As you may have heard Joan Sommerfeld (Julie's Mum) passed very peacefully last week. Joan was a major supporter of The Redcliffe Pink Snapdragons and we will miss her dearly.

I have a very fond memory of mum back in 2007 when we attended an International Breast Cancer Regatta in Caloundra, part of the celebrations was a parade through the streets of Caloundra. Past members Barb and Tom Tolhurst supplied us with armfuls of Snapdragons. Mum was sitting very proudly in her chair that Tom pushed, she had a smile from ear to ear and a lap full of Snapdragons which she threw into the crowd.

Rest In Peace mum.

Happy paddling everyone.

Fran Heales

President Redcliffe Pink Snapdragons



Paddlers Journey

Situation vacant!!!!

Please let me know if you'd like to share your journey. Its such a lovely part of the newsletter.

All you need to do is write a few words telling us about yourself and how you came to be a 'Paddler'. To make it easier I usually send out some questions first as a guide- you can also have a look at past newsletters for inspiration. There's no right or wrong – everyone is unique.

Paddlers Journey questions :

A bit about me : (name , where you live , what you do for work or who your family are - anything really as a way of introduction)

How long have been a Paddler ?

What made you come along to Redcliffe Red Dragons ?

What inspires you to keep coming back ?

What's your favourite paddling memory ?

Is there anything else you'd like to tell us ?

Drop me an email if you are keen !

Calendar of Upcoming Events



** Changes may occur to some dates and times

August 2022

Sunday 7th July TE WAKA DRAGONS REGATTA @ KAWANA

Saturday 13th August MBRC Come and Try - TBC

September 2022

Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th September Wollumbin Regatta @ Murwillumbah TBC

Saturday 10th September MBRC Come and Try - TBC

October 2022

Sunday 2nd October CURRUMBIN REGATTA @ CURRUMBIN CREEK

Sunday 23rd October BURLEIGH FIRE DRAGONS REGATTA @ VARSITY LAKES

Saturday 29th October MBRC Come and Try - TBC

November 2022

Thursday 10th - Saturday 12th November PAN PACIFIC MASTERS GAMES @ VARSITY LAKES

Sunday 13th November KIDS IN NEED (KIN) REGATTA @ JACK EVANS BAY - TWEED

Sunday 27th November MANLY DRAGONS REGATTA @ KAWANA

December 2022

Sunday 11th December DAGC Christmas on the Creek @ CURRUMBIN CREEK

January 2023

Sunday 22nd January DBQ REGATTA @ KAWANA - Host Club TBC

February 2023

Sunday 5th February BROADWATER REGATTA @ EMERALD LAKES

Sunday 26th February BRD REGATTA @ KAWANA

March 2023

Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th March DBQ STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS @ KAWANA

April 2023

AUSCHAMPS - TBC

May 2023

Friday 26th - Sunday 28th May COAST TO COAST @ KAWANA

Fundraising



Club ID Code
C10002560

We have all been very successful in donating our cans & bottles to the club's recycling scheme. We raise over \$50 most weeks, so THANK YOU !

If you would like to help with the recycling, and willing to take your bottles etc to your nearest facility, follow the steps below:

IT'S AS EASY AS 1, 2, 3...

1. Collect eligible containers

Most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard drink containers between 150ml and 3L are eligible.

2. Take them to a container refund point

There are different types of container refund points across Queensland, so find the right one for you.

3. Donate to Redcliffe Red Dragons

You'll receive 10 cents for every eligible container you return which you can donate to our club

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE CENTRES

CLONTARF

266 Duffield Rd, Clontarf, 4019 (Near the waste transfer station)

(8 – 4.30 Mon – Fri 9 – 2 Sat 9 – 1 Sun)

SANDGATE

81 Kempster St, Sandgate QLD 4017

(8.30 – 4.30 Mon – Fri 8 - 4 Sat 9 – 3 Sun)

NORTH LAKES

81 Flinders Parade, North Lakes, 4509

(8-5 Mon – Fri 9 - 4 Sat 10 – 4 Sun)

NARANGBA

3 Ferrier Road, Narangba, 4504

(8 – 5 Mon-Fri 9 - 4 Sat 10 - 2 Sun)

CABOOLTURE

16 Machinery Parade, Caboolture 4510

(7 – 4 Mon – Fri 7 – 1 Sat)

RETURN IT CENTRES – NO CASH GIVEN

Lifeline Express Drop Off - No Cash Given

25 Beaconsfield Street, Margate, QLD 4019 07 3390 1377

IKEA Northlakes Express Drop Off - No Cash Given

3 Northlakes Drive Northlakes, QLD 4509 07 3390 1377
