



NYS Vice Commodores Newsletter July 2023

Dear NYS Members,

Still cold and wintry, but at least we can say the days are starting to get a little longer.

Our Commodore Peter has now made it to Darwin with Rhonda and family. Along the way at various caravan parks and tourist locations he has surprised and entertained many people with his trusty trumpet as we know he does so well. He sends his best regards to all down here in the cold.



GRANTS



Big news this month!

Newhaven Yacht Squadron has been successful in obtaining a wonderful grant from the Bendigo Community Bank San Remo. In the company of Marcus Bond, our Rear Commodore, I attended the Bass Football and Netball Club on the 27th June to be presented with a cheque for \$52,750.

A wonderful achievement with many thanks to Peter Smith, our Grants officer who successfully submitted our application with considerable input from our Commodore Peter. The money has

been awarded to our club for the purpose of upgrading our safety boat ND 11.

As you're aware, the boat has served the Squadron magnificently over the last 20 years, however, the time had come for some serious maintenance and repairs to be undertaken to the tune of about \$10,000. Your committee decided it would be in the best interest of the club to trade up rather than persevere with the current boat.

The Club has now secured a wonderful replacement boat which should hopefully arrive in the marina shortly. With the \$35,000 we received as a trade-in, plus the extremely generous grant from Bendigo Community Bank, the cost of the replacement boat has been totally covered. More details to follow.

Our thanks once again to our local Bendigo Community Bank who do such wonderful work in our community. On the night Marcus and I were presented with the cheque, 18 other community volunteer groups also received grants of various amounts. So far, our local bank has donated more than \$3,000,000 to local community groups and charities since they started 20 years ago. We in turn should support our local Bendigo Community Bank whenever we can.

SOCIAL

As winter continues, for those who have been unable to escape to warmer climates haven't been deterred from attending the clubhouse on Saturday nights for Happy Hour drinks and meeting with friends old and new. Numbers attending Happy Hour have remained strong and it was great to see around 65 people enjoying themselves last Saturday night. We should thank our volunteers in the Social Subcommittee who do such a wonderful job providing us with free nibbles and finger food. As I write this newsletter the members' draw stands at \$1,425 but you must be in attendance to win it.



We also thank our supporters San Remo Butchers, San Remo Hotel Motel and Saltwater Restaurant. (Pictured Raffle Winners – Ricky McIntosh taking home a meat tray from San Remo Butchers and Ben Leary with a NYS Cooler Bag)

SAILING

There are two winter series races left to run. These are stern chases which are great fun because everyone starts at a different time with the slowest boats starting first. As the name suggests it's up to the faster boats to catch and pass them. You don't have to be an experienced sailor or have a classy boat to enter as everyone involved helps each other so get involved and enjoy.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following members to our club -

Bill Studham Helen-Ann Kennedy

Make sure that if you see them around the club to say hello and to make them feel welcome.

VALE THELMA REEK

Our deepest condolences to George and Family on the passing of our long term and well-regarded member Thelma. Celebration of her life is being planned for later in the year and George will advise us accordingly.

Florian Andrighetto Vice Commodore NYS



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