Newhaven Yacht Squadron





# NYS Commodore's Newsletter November 2023

Greetings All,

The festive season is upon us, and your club has been working towards encouraging members to come along and enjoy some of the summertime activities which are being planned.

# **Kids Fishing Day**

This **Sunday 26 November** a Kids Fishing Day will see a repeat of a very successful event held last year. With good weather predicted and hungry fish to catch, will make for a great day for kids under 12 to experience the joys of fishing. Thanks to Committee Member Ray Mascaro for organising the fabulous gifts that every child will receive just for being part of the day. Free sausage sizzle and soft drinks for all.

## **Christmas Dinner**

The Social Committee led by Mim Kershaw will be hosting our Christmas dinner on **Saturday 2nd December** commencing at 6.30 pm. \$30 for 2 course meal and complementary drink. If you haven't already let Mim know you're coming don't delay ring or email quickly to secure a spot by 25th November. Family and Friends are most welcome.

## **Working Bee**

A big thank you to so many members and friends who volunteered and turned up for the working bee on Saturday the 28 October and particular thanks to those who fronted up the next day on the Sunday to complete some tasks that couldn't be finished on the Saturday. Also, to Lachlan who cleaned all the windows and glass in time for the Opening day. Without that generous support our Club would not be as successful as it is. Understandably many weren't able to make it on the day but there will be some calls for smaller working bees early in the new year.



Pictured: Lachlan from Squeegee Clean.

#### Peter Buitenhuis Life Member

As advised in my October newsletter congratulations to Peter Buitenhuis on being made a life member of the Newhaven Yacht Squadron at our Opening Day earlier this month. A most worthy recipient and it was indeed my pleasure to present Peter with his award. After 10 years as Commodore, we wish you and Rhonda well for all the trips you have planned.

# **Opening Day**

A very successful Opening Day was held on Saturday 4th November and what a delight to hear a fabulous presentation from our guest speaker Sheree Marris. Sheree is an Author, Marine Biologist, and active proponent of our amazing local underwater sea environment. Congratulations to the crew of "Lunchcutter" for winning the prize for best dressed and energetic crew and thanks to Sheree for donating the prize. Thanks also to Andrew Furphy for securing Sheree as our guest speaker, well done.

# **Club Safety Boat**

It was wonderful to have Chairman Peter Paul and Board Member Greg Mead from the Bendigo Community Bank San Remo with us for the Opening Day celebration. The very kind words from Peter about the relationship the bank has with our club were much appreciated. Without such wonderful financial support our task of upgrading our Safety Boat would have been much more difficult. We acknowledge the generosity not only to our club but so many other clubs and facilities in the local community which Bendigo Community Bank has supported over the past 20 years.



Pictured: Bill McIntosh, Greg Mead, David Tonkin, Peter Paul and Florian Andrighetto on board the new NYS Club Boat.

# Marina Repairs

As I reported last month on the successful repair to a finger on the middle arm of the Marina, extensive planning is now being undertaken by the Marina Subcommittee, led by Vice Commodore Bob Sterling, to map out a long term maintenance schedule for the eventual upgrade of our Marina which is now well and truly due. More to come but know that your committee is working hard for all of us.

Keep safe on the water.

Florian Andrighetto Commodore



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