



Executive Committee Report

2022 Annual General Meeting

31 July 2022

During the year, Peter Bulka, our Commodore, accepted a job promotion and moved to the warmer climes of Brisbane. With Peter's departure the Executive Committee stepped up and was able to function despite the uncertainties created by Covid. The commitment by the Executive Committee members and sub-committee members was unwavering and as a group of volunteers we were able to achieve much.

The first part of the year saw the Club still facing reduced racing and activities due to restrictions imposed as a result of the Covid pandemic. We managed to have a couple of working bees to get the Club ready for sailing and to also discuss some work needed to be performed by the Mornington Peninsula Shire Council (MPSC) to make the exterior commensurate with the interior following the interior renovations of the year before. What was expected to be minor works, uncovered some major problems in the building's structure. MPSC, as the Club's landlord undertook this work at their cost.



During winter 2021, the Club underwent major building remediation. What was supposed to be a replacement of some eaves and a bit of painting resulted in a few months of major works to the structure of the building, removal of asbestos and a removal and replacement of the windows. All this took place during lockdowns and much of the Club was covered in scaffold.



MPSC, the Commodore and Vice Commodore met regularly and although there were significant restrictions on the contractors, as to the number of people allowed on site, availability of building materials and some fairly horrible whether days, the work was completed in time for summer.



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The Executive Committee would like to thank Shane Smith and his team from MPSC for their management and consultation with the Executive Committee regarding the project. MPSC provided the Executive Committee with weekly updates and project reports and although some events needed to be postponed, the results is a better and safer building that will be here for many years to come.

Sailing Events

The Club hosted several events throughout the year:

- 2022 B14 & Musto Skiff State Championships in February
- Sail Peninsula Regatta in February
- 2022 A Class Catamaran State Championships on the March Labour Day weekend

Sail Peninsula attracted a record number of entrants, and thanks to the work of the Sail Peninsula Committee, Berwick Land Rover came on board as the major sponsor. Adding a major sponsor to the support received from our regular sponsors, enabled the Club to generate a profit from the event.

The hosting of sailing events showcases our wonderful Club and facilities and contributes significantly to the SBSC brand, but events do not happen without a large amount of work from Club volunteers. Liaison and administration to secure events, working bees to ensure the grounds are looking good, coordination and manning of the rescue boats and the tower, and providing a warm welcome to member and visiting participants are all elements of hosting and running successful sailing events. The Executive Committee would like to acknowledge the volunteers that got behind the sailing events and worked in the background to make them an amazing success.

One of our expenses for the year was the purchase of a new trailer for the for the Start Boat, a much-needed replacement for the existing 15 year old trailer. Hosting sailing events helps generate Club income enabling us to maintain, and when necessary, replace or upgrade Club equipment which in turn provides the resources and infrastructure to run our Club sailing programs and provide a sought-after venue for external sailing events.

If you are feeling left out, the Club will be hosting the 2023 420 Victorian State Championships in March next year, and of course Sail Peninsula will be on again in February, so there are plenty of opportunities to get involved. As new committees form following the Annual General Meeting, please indicate your interest to any of the Executive Committee members and we will be in touch.

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Financial State

The Club today is in a stronger financial position that it was 12 months ago. Our membership has grown and we have a strong balance sheet with a 14% growth in nett assets and equity. Our liabilities were down on the previous year and our income grew over prior year in the areas of membership fees, room hire, regatta revenue and sponsorship.

Just a few months ago the Lions Club of Dromana donated \$2500 to SBSC for youth sailing, so come the new season, that will be spent wisely by the sailing committee to further develop the junior fleet.

Risk Management

One of the newest and most important committees at SBSC is that of risk management. Formed during the 20/21 financial year, the risk management committee has been instrumental in developing Covid operating requirements for the safe running of Club events and implementing requirements for safe sailing. They have developed a risk matrix which has identified potential risks which are now being mitigated. The Executive Committee would like to thank Pauline Cleaver and the members of the Risk Management Committee for their commitment.

Risk Management will remain a key component of the Club and with ever changing rules regarding working with children, regatta safety management, duty of care legislation and Covid will need further volunteers to take an active role.

Membership

For many new members Jenny Thomson, Membership Secretary, is their first official contact with the Club. Jen does an excellent job responding to a steady flow of enquiries and new member applications and during her travels of the past 12 months was assisted in this role by Marg Hawker for which the Executive Committee are grateful.

Current membership statistics:

- As of 30th June 2022, SBSC had 489 members which is slightly up on last year
- Social membership numbers have grown significantly over the last 3 years, up by 23.4% last year giving us a total of 153 social members
- Apparently, we are getting a little younger with the average age of our membership at 50 years compared with 50.76 last year
- We have 39.67% females, 60.12% males and one member not identified. These percentages are very similar to last year

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Year on year membership comparison:

	2022/21	2020/21	2019/20	2018/19
Senior	206	214	182	198
Dual	n/a	n/a	n/a	30
Junior/Student	61	64	51	58
Crew	57	64	55	45
Life	12	13	13	12
Social	153	124	64	55
Total	489	479	365	398

Social Committee

The Social Committee are behind some of the growth in membership. With new members meet and greet functions, Sunday Sounds, Christmas in July and other events, these non-sailing events continue to bring more people to the Club, increases the brand and the success of the Club and contribute to the rise in Social membership. A special thanks to John and Anne Matheson for their efforts in increasing the bounds of SBSC.

Snooks Catering

Although the last 12 months have been challenging, David and his team have risen to every occasion. From the downstairs café and phone and pick up orders during Covid, Thursday and Friday night dinners and Sunday Sounds and drinks, Sail Peninsula, Presentation Night and most recently Christmas in July, David and the team have kept the members and their guests well nourished and hydrated. On top of all this, Snooks catering has worked hard to regain room hire and special function fees post Covid. On behalf of the Executive Committee, we would like to thank David, Deirdre and the team for their ongoing support.

Special Thanks

The Executive Committee would like to thank the members of the following committees and individual roles who generously give their time and knowledge to make the Club function properly.

Sailing Committee

Keel Boat Committee

Off the Beach Committee

E-News & Website

Junior Committee

Social Committee

Sponsorship and Grants

Risk Management Committee

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Sail Peninsula Organising Committee
KB Club Captain
Junior Club Captain
IT Committee

Strategic Planning
OTB Club Captain
Tower Team

And all of the parents that participate to get their children on the water.

Your Executive Committee

Vice Commodore	Tony Christmas	Secretary	Mem Mackie
Rear Commodore	Ross Martin	Treasurer	Di Allan
Risk Management Committee Member	Pauline Cleaver John Wemyss	Membership	Jenny Thomson

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