

## Safety Beach Sailing Club

### Rear Commodore's Report

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First, I would like to thank all the club members who have stepped up and volunteered this past year. Our sailing activities rely entirely on the generosity of these individuals. Without their time and dedication, none of us would be able to enjoy the safe and well-run environment we all benefit from. If you do not currently volunteer in any capacity at SBSC, please consider how you can help in the coming season.

#### Junior Sail Training

Introducing new young sailors and families to sailing at SBSC is essential to the club's long-term future. The Junior Sailing Committee ran a very successful Sunday morning training program last season, and we aim to build on that in the upcoming season. We are planning to purchase three Pacer dinghies to support the learning pathway within the training program. One Pacer has already been purchased and delivered to the club; the search for the others is ongoing.

#### Club Boats

Maintaining the club's safety RHIBs has been a considerable expense over the past year, but they remain reliable and well-suited to the task. There are currently no plans to replace them. The replacement of the Start Boat is a longer-term project now underway, with the first phase focusing on identifying a suitable vessel.

The purchase of the new berth adjacent to the club has proven highly valuable during weekends and regatta operations. It also provides the option for a larger Start Boat in the future.

#### Club Accountability and Responsibility

SBSC has a duty of care toward anyone taking part as a competitor or volunteer during regular club racing or regattas. Due to recent unfortunate incidents around Australia, SBSC will begin enforcing the use of crew lists for keelboat racing to ensure the safety and accountability of all participants.

#### Future & Current Projects

- Reorganising the tower to maximise space and improve keelboat race operations
- Expanding the Junior Sail Training program
- Qualifying safety boat crews with licences and first aid certification
- Improving club facilities for OTB sailing
- Planning and delivery of Sail Peninsula 2026
- Recruiting and encouraging more sailors into keelboat and OTB sailing

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