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Beautiful Nongsa Point Marina in Indonesia
Picture by Jo Calleja

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New Members



Cameron Daly and Danny Vance
Riviera 37' Silver Lining

Club News

Another Mooring ??

Alan and Grace Lowther, long time members of the club have sold "Statesman" in January this year.

Graham Rowell and myself have spoken often about purchasing Statesman if she ever came up for sale. Things don't always work out the way we would have them, so neither of us owns Statesman. (ho hum). Alan and Grace have donated their mooring apparatus to the club, a very generous gesture indeed.

Ted Harrison acting on behalf of the club has asked Vic Heffernan to move the mooring to the mooring nursery adjacent to "Rosie". When the committee decides we want another club mooring, we will already have the apparatus, saving us a considerable amount of money. On behalf of the Club and Committee I thank Alan and Grace for their generous donation, and we are sorry to see them leave the river, we have had many a good time aboard "Statesman"

George Herczeg

The timing may be somewhat premature, but members put your **thinking caps on.... And come up with some possible locations for our next club mooring.** Unfortunately it has to be in a designated mooring area, (not in some beautiful isolated location) subject to availability and cost.

George Herczeg

Berowra Waters ducks

HEALTH OF BEROWRA WATERS DUCKS

When Karen and Warwick went to MV Jess recently after a few weeks away, they noticed immediately that the local ducks were extremely healthy. Not one of them was showing any signs of constipation!

Old Friends Visit

It was good to see past members John and Maureen Wilson turn up at our June 2FM Club dinner. John had to do some urgent work on their cruiser "Phoenix" which is still moored at Berowra Waters. John and Maureen purchased Forster Marina a few years ago and subsequently moved up to Forster. Unfortunately it is not possible to move "Phoenix" to Forster at this stage. So John and Maureen have to visit. Maureen also won the raffle.



Mooring Update

MOONEY MOONEY MOORING HAS BEEN MOVED

Several club members have complained that our new mooring at Mooney Mooney was too close to a houseboat. We can now confirm that Vic Heffernan has moved it away from the houseboat to give us more room to swing. Members, please let us know if you are happy with the moorings new position.

Your Committee

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Annual AGM

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This AGM is very important for **your Club's future, please support your club** by attending, have your say as to who runs your club.

Annual Christmas Party

No 2FM this month, but a big Christmas party to celebrate the end of 2014. Our Christmas parties are usually very well attended, so come along and support your club. This year we will have a new caterer, we look forward to a sumptuous feast. There will be some great raffle prizes with a special prize as well.

Daly Delicious

RICH BLUE CHEESE & POPPY SEED BISCUITS

Prepare UNGREASED baking tray/s with gladbake/ baking paper.

1 cup (150g) plain flour
100g butter cold, chopped
75g full fat soft blue cheese, cold, chopped
1 & 1/2 tablespoons poppy seeds...you may need more.
Sea salt to sprinkle

Process flour, butter and cheese until mixture forms a soft ball. Place mixture on plastic wrap and shape into log 4cm in diameter, refrigerate until firm. Then remove log from plastic wrap, roll in poppy seeds & cut into 5cm slices. Place rounds about 3cm apart on prepared baking tray/s, sprinkle lightly with a little sea salt.

Bake in moderately hot oven for about 15 minutes or until lightly browned.

Cool on trays. Makes approximately 30 biscuits.

HANDLE CAREFULLY THIS IS A VERY SHORT MIXTURE.

DELICIOUS WITH:- A glass of your favourite Port or topped with your favourite topping e.g. smoked oysters, sundried tomatoes...etc

ENJOY

Kate Kassar.....Lady Daly

Club Sponsor Profile

This is a new segment in your newsletter, in each newsletter we will profile a club Sponsor, to help you know who they are, and what services they can provide. In this issue we are profiling our newest club sponsor:

“LCS Mechanical Repairs”

Geoff and Maureen Bollins have been running this business for 28 years. Their business performs all services for motor vehicles including servicing, repairs, tune ups, pink slips etc. They can also source parts new and used. They recently sourced a used part for me, when I could not find one anywhere. They sell a range of economical batteries for both cars and boats, including deep cycle batteries. I bought a battery for Louise's Corolla and it is the same brand as supplied by NRMA at a much better price. Geoff sourced a front mudguard for my son David's Magna and also a complete used engine for my son Gerard's Holden Jackaroo. Geoff is very helpful and will help out if at all possible. They are very well known to most members, Geoff and Maureen are foundation members of our club, joining on 16/10/1996.

Geoff and Maureen are very involved in the “Upper Hawkesbury Power Boat Club” Geoff has been the Commodore for many years, and Maureen and their daughter Kristie are also on committees. Please support their business, they will not let you down. Please welcome LCS Mechanical Repairs as our newest Club Sponsor.

George Herczeg

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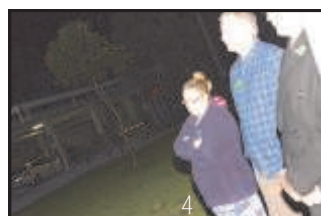
Anzac Day 2014

They are all gone now – the original ANZAC's and the rest of the Diggers who fought what they hoped was the war to end all wars.

But their spirit lives on. In the loving hearts of their descendants and in the traditions of bravery and sacrifice they established for every Australian military serviceman and woman of successive generations who followed in their footsteps.

On the 99th Anniversary of the Gallipoli landings, the Berowra Waters Community came together for a very solemn ANZAC Dawn service conducted on the Western Foreshore. The service was conducted by members of the BWMYC; Mick Calleja, Graham Rowell & Graham Gow. We were also very fortunate to have one of the younger members of our community read a reflective story about the youngest Solider to die at ANZAC Cove – it was awesome to have a member of our next generation be so proud of our heritage and eager to ensure the ANZAC spirit forged at Gallipoli will never be forgotten – a huge thank you to Johnny Fordham from Fordham Marine.

'Lest We Forget'



Spit Roast on Twin Beaches

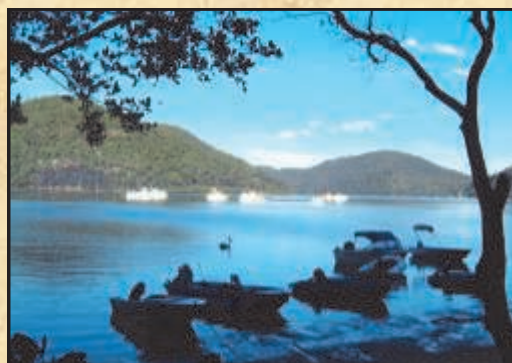


The Club had a spit roast at Twin Beaches on 17th May. We were blessed with perfect weather and a reasonably warm day considering the time of year. We were also lucky to have no bushfire smoke as the ridgetop above the beaches was hazard reduced the following weekend.

The spit was planned to be a lunchtime feast so that the people who did not want to stay overnight could go home in the daylight. When we arrived at 1:30 we were informed that lunch would be on in 10 minutes. As these things go, lunch turned into DINNER. The feast of various roasted meats and vegetables possibly tasted better for the wait. It was accompanied by a pot of gravy cooked by Bill.

Numerous boats departed about 5pm, the last to leave being Glenn with the Spit on board his inflatable. The rest of us settled in around the campfire to chat and toast marshmallows and watch a beautiful full moon rise.

Thanks to the Committee and everyone else involved in organising this event.
Twin Beaches is a special place and this is my favourite activity on the club calendar.
Jo Caldwell





Sunset at Nongsa Point Marina

Flying the B in Singapore



During winter Mick and I were lucky to be able to fly to Singapore.

We arrived just in time to celebrate Masons 1st anniversary for the next 12 days.

Dick and Annie live on Sentosa Island in a lovely villa just meters away, they are also lucky enough to have a short minute walk from home to the boat wouldn't you say?

We started off with a boat trip to nearby islands and it was hard to believe it was winter back home. Next was a walk through the crab in china town with very cold beer...very cold beer.

We went down to the local beaches passing many amazing cars like Bentleys, Porches etc in the driveway....increasingly cold.

There were many cocktails on offer just to make sure we were happy. We also celebrated Annie's birthday, Dick took us to a high top structure sitting 50 levels up on top of a skyscraper.

during the night in between courses we watched a fireworks display. We remember fine food, fine wine together with fine company.

Now for the highlight, a boat trip to Indonesia. We were bobbing around in the water next to huge container ships.

One day we were in an old tug type boat, a little man comes out with a net and catches some fish.

It is then taken into the boat and we are ready to get unharmed. It was a beautiful day, the sea's quite calm as we cruised.

During the whole time Dick was dodging huge container ships. Dick. We were greeted by two staff to help us.

Over the next few days relaxing by the pool, soaking up the sun and good food. Oh and don't forget the massages.

Thanks Dick and Annie we had the best time. Mick & Jo xx



Dick & Annie's condo

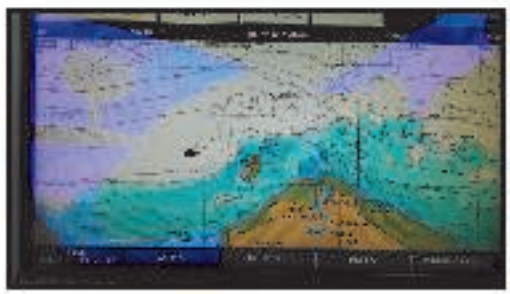
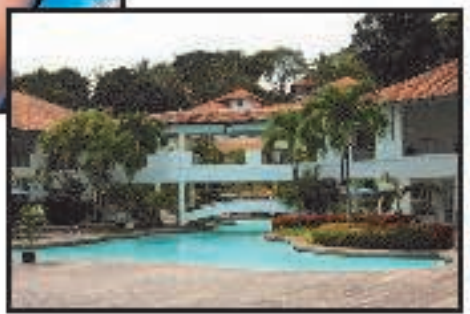


Nongsa Point Resort

WMYC flag & Indonesia

to visit our very good friends and fellow club members Dick & Annie
 8th birthday party. This was the start of one big party that would last for the
 velly condo on ground level with their balcony overlooking a huge pool only
 to have their boat moored in the canal on the other side of the pool, a one
 we all love that?
 ds were we floated around in the water drinking champagne, it was hard
 a tour of the city of Singapore via an open top bus and a pig out on chilli
 yummy. Just to ensure we still got some exercise we went bike riding
 amazing mansions with the most remarkable architecture all with at least two
 dible. At the beach we sat down to more great food and tested all the
 hydrated enough to make it home on the bikes.
 ok us to 'Ku De Ta' which is a very fine restaurant located in a huge boat
 building. From here we could see the whole city of Singapore and
 had a spectacular light show over the water. It was a night to
 ine friends.
 for 3 days. Immigration on the water, never to be forgotten. Here we
 ge container ships waiting our turn for immigration. Then over comes a little
 a fishing net and Annie proceeds to put the paperwork together with our
 e old boat to be processed, then out comes the little man with his fishing
 derway and really happy our passports didn't end up in the sea. It was a
 sed to Nongsa Point Marina & Resort Indonesia, it took about 3 hours the
 ships as we were in the shipping channel most of the waygood job
 s into the pen, once all safely tied up the party began again. We spent the
 p the sun, soaking up the cocktails and eating our favourite Indonesian

, you sure are the Host & Hostess with the Most & Mostest.



Dinner at Ku De Ta



Dick & Annie's boat

Dick & Annie's backyard



September 2FM club dinner



For once there was only one person talking at a BWMYC dinner! On 12th September it was our local Boating Safety Officer, Dave Lyons. Allan Ray had a fully booked out restaurant, so things were a bit noisy, but our area was partitioned off, which helped a little.

Dave explained his role in the RMS and gave his perspective on a number of boating issues, including that perennial – wash! Members were keen to take up the opportunity to ask questions. We were all **very appreciative of Dave's time in attending our dinner.**

Dave was kind enough to pass on his contact details, which can be found at the end of this article. The mobile phone number is his work number and answers when he is working. Also please note that West Gosford is now the headquarters for the local Maritimes Service, and that there is now only one Maritimes staff member at Hornsby RMS office. All other staff have moved to West Gosford.

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Club Clothing & Merchandise

Our new club clothing and merchandise is now available, a big thank you to Paul King for taking over this project at short notice. The catalogue is also on our website for you to view. The order form is also on the website with instructions for ordering items. The catalogue & sample clothing will also be on display at 2FM Dinners.

For Sale

If you have anything to sell, send me the details and I'll include them in the next newsletter.

Toddler's life jacket, approved for 10-15 kgs, used twice, as new. \$40.00
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Glenno's Tips

Where windows have leaked and permanently stained the precious teak below the windows, rather than remove the teak lining, it is easier and cheaper to get rid of any old varnish and rot and cover the existing lining with new teak ply glued over the top. If you do this carefully and cautiously it is difficult to tell that the repair is not the original. Remember to reseal the window before starting the relining work.

To clean your bilge use the water based degreaser available from Bunnings or an Auto parts store. There is less chance of fire and also less chance of damaging your bilge pumps and it is far cheaper than the expensive bilge cleaners available at some of the Chandlers.

Try cleaning the clears on your boat with Mr. Sheen. You will be amazed at the results.

Keep a wax candle on board.

Apart from the obvious of providing light in an emergency it can also be used in the following way:

1/ When using screws rub a little wax on first. They will not only screw in better but if you ever have to remove them they will unscrew without breaking the heads off the screw. Soap has been used in the past but remember that soap is corrosive and can damage the fastener that you use.

2/ Rub the wax on the slides of drawers to stop them grabbing and jamming.

3/ When sawing rub wax on the saw blade for a better and smoother cut.

4/ The wax from candles is also useful when doing any rope work such as splicing. It can also be handy to heat seal rope ends rather than burning your fingers with a lighter.

Happy boating and

I'll see you on the river.

.....Glenno



In case you haven't heard

MARINE Business newsletter has reported that Bias Boating Warehouse will cease trading this week following the recent news of its receivership.

Editor: Scott Thomas

2FM Dinner Attendance & Raffle Winners

April 11th 2FM. Winner of the raffle prize was Vicki Linfoot. Congratulations to Vicki. There were 15 members in attendance, a very disappointing turn up.

MAY 9th 2FM. Mothers Day Dinner

Winner of the raffle prize was Christine Heffernan. Congratulations to Christine. There were 32 members and guests in attendance. A great turn out and a very enjoyable evening.

JUNE 13TH 2FM. Winner of the raffle was Maureen Wilson, congratulations to Maureen There were 20 members and guests in attendance.

JULY 11th 2FM.

Winner of the raffle prize was a guest friend of Therese. Congratulations. There were 28 members and guests in attendance.

AUGUST 8th 2FM.

Winner of the raffle prize was Karen Savage. Congratulations to Karen There were 22 members and guests in attendance.

SEPTEMBER 12th 2FM.

Winner of the raffle prize was Loretta Thomas. Congratulations Loretta. There were 27 Members and guests in attendance.

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Club Mooring Protocol

1. Only boats belonging to financial club members are entitled to use the club moorings, and must fly the club burgee.
2. No single member is entitled to exclusive use of a club mooring.
3. Any member on a club mooring shall accept any other club member to raft up along side providing it is safe to do so.
4. It is the responsibility of the skipper joining the raft up to provide the fenders and ropes for a safe raft up. Both the skipper already on the mooring and the skipper joining the raft up should agree on the safe tethering of both boats.
5. The number of boats rafting up on the club moorings will be determined by weather conditions, proximity of other moored boats and common sense. At all times the skipper takes responsibility for the safety of his boat.
6. At all times the skippers in the raft up must ensure that they do not interfere with other boats on nearby moorings.
7. If when arriving at a club mooring you find a non club member moored. (Check your Members' boats list). It is recommended that you inform them that they are on a private mooring and you may politely ask them to leave. If they refuse your request the committee recommends that you contact the local R.M.S. Boating officer or the Water police.
8. It is the skippers responsibility to ensure the mooring is adequate to moor to before attaching their boat.
9. Please remember that you represent the Berowra Waters Motor Yacht Club when on a club mooring so be mindful of the comfort of others moored nearby.

REMEMBER YOU ARE THE SKIPPER AND YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE

Secretary's Report

One of the responsibilities of the committee is to organise and keep up-to-date an appropriate liability insurance policy for the club. This sounds boring, but it is a necessary part of most organizations, especially one like ours, where "Murphy's Law" seems to operate strongly and frequently.

BWMYC is insured with ANSVAR, an insurance company that specialises in not-for-profit organizations, such as sporting clubs, churches and community service organisations. We have \$10 million public liability cover, \$10 million products liability cover and \$100,000 cover for property in care/custody/control.

However, this does not mean that your boat is insured through the club. ANSVAR specifically says that it is expected that club members are expected to cover their own boat insurance, including their own public liability.

The cost of the club's public liability insurance and other on-going expenses such as maintenance of moorings is paid for by your joining fees, annual membership fees and fund-raising, such as our 2FM raffles.

Loretta Thomas,
Club secretary.

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Reports September 2014

Commodores Report - September 2014

When the committee met a couple of months ago to discuss future events and to prepare for the AGM, we decided to review the past and draw up a list of what had been achieved in the last 2 or 3 years. It has already been sent to all members but I just want to highlight it here, in the Newsletter, and to personally thank those committee members who have worked hard to achieve the following:

- A fully operational and attractive website
- Fuel discounts at the marina
- Berthing discounts, regardless of boat size, at the marina
- Discounts for secure parking at the marina
- Extended range of club clothing/merchandise
- Two new moorings, with another shortly to come, making a total of five club moorings in place within a few months. These are located in a range of excellent positions within the Hawkesbury.
- Purchase of club trailer, stored locally. This is used to store and transport tables, shelters etc.
- Purchase of a PA system
- Improved club insurance arrangements
- Increased membership joining fee, reflecting a more realistic amount for those becoming part of a club with increasing assets and increased number of mooring facilities
- Club Facebook page

In addition to all this, the committee has continued with existing practices, eg, providing a breakfast at the AGM, organising maintenance of moorings, organising events such as the Twin Beaches spit roast, newsletters, paying accounts and looking after club finances, communicating with members and, in general, seeing that the club runs in accordance with club rules and the requirements of the Department of Fair Trading.

I hope as members you agree that this is an impressive list and a credit to the committee members who have made it happen. It is almost the end of the club year once more and I hope to see as many of you as possible at the AGM. I know that there are members who have some good input and ideas (that will help add to the above list) and would love for that to result in those members getting involved in the direct running of the club. See you soon, on the water or at any of our forthcoming events.

Richard Bell - Commodore

Vice Commodores Report - September 2014

Firstly, I offer my apologies for the lateness of this only second newsletter for 2014, but there has been a lot happening during the year, both with business and personal life, that have not left me a lot of time for my committee duties.

Club sponsorship is still down in numbers, we have lost a few sponsors over the years, but we have a new Club Sponsor in **LCS Mechanical Repairs**, owned by Geoff and Maureen Bollins. Many thanks to Geoff and Maureen for coming aboard, we appreciate their support. Members, please support them. There is a "Club Sponsor Profile" on page 3, this will be a new segment in your newsletter.

Your Club website is updated as soon as there is any news or changes to the Social Calendar etc. The date of the last update is at the bottom left corner of the home page.

I have decided not to accept any nominations for any committee position this year, after serving 12 continuous years on the committee, I feel that the time has come for me to retire. This has been a decision that was very hard to make, I have been chewing over this for a long time long before the last AGM. There are a number of reasons that have contributed to my decision, some of which has to do with attacks on the committee and on me personally, but there are many others, business pressures, the damage to Rosie and problems with the insurance claim. There have been numerous reasons that have all contributed to my decision.

This will be my last newsletter for the club, so I would like to sincerely thank all the contributors who have helped make this job a pleasure. I would also like to thank all the committee members with whom I have served. It has been a very enjoyable and rewarding experience.

Also many thanks to all of those members who have supported me over the years.

Cheers,

(and we hope to see you on the water when Rosie is finally repaired).

George Herczeg - Vice Commodore

Security Issues in Berowra Waters

Members will have heard of a number of security problems in the Berowra Waters area recently. Some that the committee has become aware of are: fuel being siphoned from outboard motors; a houseboat being broken into and vandalised by young people; late night unauthorized visits to the marina pontoon; men making a nuisance of themselves to young female employees of the café and restaurant and wild behaviour around the boat ramp, especially on Friday and Saturday nights.

It has been suggested that we compile a list of those who would be willing to make their phone numbers available should any problems arise locally. This process is underway, but contact me if you would like to add your number. Naturally, the Police emergency number would be called if appropriate.

A letter from the club to Hornsby Police, outlining the above issues and asking for increased police attention to the area has also been sent.

I am sure most of us feel very frustrated at having our favourite activity spoiled by these pests, but a little time spent **reviewing your boat's security and keeping an eye out for anything unusual around the area would be time well spent.** Make sure you report everything to Hornsby Police. BSO Dave Lyons at the September 2FM pointed out that the police need to know as much as possible about crime in the area.

Loretta Thomas - Secretary

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2014 Social Calendar

September - December

Friday 12th September 2FM DINNER
A wonderful Hot and Cold Seafood Buffet, sumptuous salads and non-fattening desserts is on offer for the special price of \$43.00 per person includes all beverages for the evening including wine and soft drinks

Saturday 4th October OCTOBERFEST CELEBRATIONS
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Friday 10th October 2FM DINNER
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Friday 7th November 2FM DINNER
A wonderful Hot and Cold Seafood Buffet, sumptuous salads and non-fattening desserts is on offer for the special price of \$43.00 per person includes all beverages for the evening including wine and soft drinks

Saturday 6th December ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY
No 2FM this month, but a big Christmas party to celebrate the end of 2014. Our Christmas parties are usually very well attended, so come along and support your club.

Where would you rather be than on Twin Beaches on a beautiful autumn's day with friends.
photo by Ted Thomas