



LORNE AQUATIC & ANGLING CLUB

Reports and Financial Statements

Year Ended June 30, 2018

Lorne Aquatic and Angling Club

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Annual General Meeting Agenda

To be held 1st December 2018
Clubrooms - 5.30pm Pier Rd. Lorne

BUSINESS

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Notice of Meeting
3. To confirm the minutes of the 2017 AGM held 2nd December, 2017. A copy of the minutes referred to has been exhibited on the noticeboard of the clubrooms. The minutes have been recommended by the committee for confirmation and it is proposed to request that the minutes be taken as read.
4. Presentation of following Reports
 - a. Commodore's Report
 - b. Treasurer's Report
 - c. Bar Report
 - d. Fishing Report
5. To receive and adopt the financial report and the audit report for the year ended 30th of June 2018.
6. To re-appoint Auditors Barkley & Associates
7. Election of Officers and Committee Members

In accordance with Association Rules, all positions of the Committee are declared vacant and the following positions are to be elected.

Election of Committee Members for a term of one year.

Commodore
Vice Commodore
Secretary
Treasurer
Other members



8. Annual Subscriptions

To confirm the amounts of the following subscriptions.

Single	\$45
Family	\$60
Boat Membership	\$75
Commercial Fisherman	\$180

9. General Business

- a. Point Grey Redevelopment Update
- b. Announcement of any new Life members and Club person of the year.
- c. To consider any other business

10. Meeting Close

Presentation of Fishing Awards – Keith Miller

Refreshments



Commodore's Report

My first year as Commodore has certainly been incredibly busy but also very exciting and fulfilling

Each month I have sent out my Commodores Notes and will only cover key points in this report to keep it brief. Thanks to all those members who have provided feedback throughout the year and please continue to do so.

I have attended many meetings with GORCC working on the plans for our new clubhouse. We have a good relationship with them and the plans should have been handed over to the Surf Coast Shire applying for our planning permit before the AGM.

We set up a building sub-committee to negotiate the plans and a finance sub-committee to negotiate the financial side of things. I would like to thank all the members of these sub committees who are providing their valuable time and expertise. I am on both committees and really appreciate their help, I wouldn't be able to do it without them.

Our building sub-committee members are; Ric Addison, Ian Hutchinson, Graeme Norton and myself.

Our finance sub-committee members are; Tony Peddie, Allan Walls, Tony Elder, Rory Costello, David Worth and myself.

I would also like to thank the members of our general committee who help out behind the scenes attending working bees, cooking roasts, mixed grills, sausage sizzles, picking up glasses, signing in visitors, attending our monthly meetings etc. Without them the club wouldn't exist.

A special thanks to Pip Elder who has revamped our website and Facebook pages updating them regularly.

Also, a big thanks to our sponsors who are displayed on this report.

The building of our clubhouse will go out to tender, so we are hoping a local builder gets the job, and we are encouraging them to have a go at the tender.

DESIGN OF NEW CLUB HOUSE

Regarding the plan, we are working hard to achieve the following;

- Keeping it simple with a lot of timber inside and out and giving it a nautical feel.
- No encroachment of our sensational views.
- The ability to operate efficiently on special days like Pier to Pub, Easter etc.

WE HAVE HAD CHALLENGES

- Having to work around the design being triangular to fit into our allocated location.
- Ensuring we have an increased building area of 235mt which is required to meet regulations, provide community space and have adequate facilities for our growing membership going into the future. This requires approval from DELWP.
- The boat wash is still a stumbling block and we are working hard to find a solution.

I hope I can give you an update on the final design at our AGM.

To ensure that we don't miss a summer trading period, we have proposed to commence construction on March 1st, 2020.



FUNDING OF THE BUILDING

We have to pay for the total cost of our building excluding services and permits.

At today's prices our estimate is \$1.4m but as time goes by it may increase substantially.

This was always going to be a challenge but now that our local federal member for Corangamite Sarah Henderson has secured \$900,000 to go towards our building we are now in a position to move forward.

I'm sure all of our members can't thank Sarah enough.

Our finance sub-committee is negotiating our lease which will be 21 years commencing on the date of the completion of our building.

Further details can be found on our website.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Through-out the year we organised many activities with great involvement from our members and the community.

- Monthly Fishing Competitions with roasts and mixed grills supplied
- Live Music with free entry
- Pier to Pub Day.
- Australia Day, Reverse Swim now a part of our tradition
- Grand Final day
- Melbourne Cup Day
- Garlic Competition
- Golf Day
- Next year we are going to have the Weekend of the Sausage Roll with competitions, prizes and lots of free sausage rolls. It will probably be on the Queen's Birthday weekend in June but that will be confirmed.
- After the summer period we will continue with our traditional; Happy Hour on Wednesday nights, Joker Poker on Thursday nights, Toss the Boss on Friday nights and the meat tray raffle on Saturday nights.

This year all our membership cards are numbered so we will be having surprise draws and if your number comes out you will win the kitty which will increase weekly until it goes off. You must be in attendance with your card to win.

Also, what has been great is the increasing number of female members joining in these activities and attending the club regularly. I'm sure this will continue and increase. I encourage all our members to bring their partners along and join us at the worlds friendliest Club throughout the year.



Councillor Clive Goldsworthy, Sarah Henderson, Ex Commodores Tony Peddie and Graeme Norton.





Recently we took 10 indigenous kids from near Alice Springs and a few local school kids fishing out on the pier. We showed them how to set up their hooks and sinkers and the basics of fishing. Most of them had never been fishing before.

With our funding for the building now secure, our committee is working on strategies as to how we can better support the Lorne Community with our profits. At the next AGM I look forward to outlining these key strategies.

Over the last few years we have been working at promoting our club with our new range of merchandise and it's been a roaring success. We have now sold over 750 shirts, 250 caps and 550 stubby holders. I believe that the merchandise has been a big part of our huge increase in memberships and profits.

The Courtesy Bus has also contributed to promoting our club and has been a great success getting our members home safely. We ran it all year on Friday and Saturday nights and over January we will run it 7 days a week. I would like to thank all our volunteers who drove it during the year and we are looking for more to help out over the upcoming season. Please be generous with your gold coin donations.

In closing I would like to express my appreciation to all our members who volunteer to help out and our regulars who make our club so vibrant and welcoming. I believe we have become the number one community hub where Lorne people enjoy each other's company.

A special thanks to Graeme Norton who is not seeking re-election at the AGM. He has worked tirelessly at the club for many years and we look forward to Graeme and Helen continuing to frequent our iconic club.

Keith Miller - Commodore





Treasurer's Report

It is my pleasure to present my first report as Treasurer of the LAAC in respect to the financial and trading position of our club last year. Again, we had a successful year with a trading profit of \$124,395 being an increase of \$40,285 above the 2017 result of \$84,110.

The significant improvement in profit was a result of increased bar trading, an increase in subscription fees from our increased membership and stringent cost control with many members contributing their services for free.

Last year we had just over 700 paid-up members with approximately 30% having Lorne postcode addresses. Each year we see a growing number of Melbourne members joining our local patrons not only during the Christmas period but throughout the year. Where else in Australia can you be most welcome, enjoy a cold beer, a great coffee with the most spectacular views – nowhere!

Given our expectation of having to contribute to the cost of the redevelopment of our club, we continued to accumulate cash in our building fund and as at June 30, 2018 we had just over \$600,000 in cash. As stated in the Commodore's Report MHR Sarah Henderson joined us at the Club and announced that \$900,000 of Federal Funding had been secured. We now feel confident that we can meet our obligations to ensure a new building will be in operation towards to end of 2020. Details have been provided in the Commodore's Report.

In 2018 we made donations to the local Lorne school, the Lorne Hospital, the Lions Club, Yvonne Murnane ride "Tour de Cure", Lorne Football and Netball Club and the Historical Society. Special raffles were held for quick one-off needs and thank you for all those that dug deep. Also, thanks to our Commodore who did a great job with ensuring all patrons on a night contributed. We were also very pleased to run free sausage sizzles on special occasions and will continue these activities on special days each year.

To ensure our patrons do not drink and drive we purchased a new Transit van during the year and with special thanks to Live Wire Park for their support. It's amazing how much a single gold coin donation can add to our coffers.

We certainly look forward to another successful year in 2019 growing patronage and membership.

I would like to thank Angela Quinn and Ian Hutchinson who both handed over some of their respective roles as Treasurer and Secretary to me. Both continue to do a great job and I look forward to their continuing assistance as I get to better understand the traditions of our club. I would also very much like to thank all the committee members who have made me welcome and provide great assistance around the club and to the many members that help especially during the busy periods.

The next two years will present challenges in finalising agreement for the redevelopment of our club and I would like to thank all members for their support and would encourage all of you to renew your membership early.

David Worth – Treasurer





Fishing Report

For 2018 we held 10 fishing competitions which consisted of 4 Winter Cup Comps and 6 Major Comps. The winter comps are held during the quieter times of the year so the locals who work get a chance to have a go.

The Majors are held on long weekends to give the majority of our anglers a chance to be involved.

The weather plays a big part in the success of our comps and this year we had a reasonable run with big turn outs when the conditions were favourable. We are fortunate to have a team of die-hard fishermen and fisherwomen who have a crack in all conditions which is wonderful.

We would love to see more juniors participating in this great activity. We encourage parents to get the kids away from the screens and into the outdoors and fresh air. Fishing is Australia's number one outdoor recreational activity and they say that 10% of the fishermen catch 90% of the fish.

Get involved with us and we'll teach you how to be part of that 10%. Approach me in the Club and we can arrange a trip.

On all our competition days we supply free scrumptious lunches for all the competitors. On winter comp days we have mixed grills and on major comp days we cook up a roast.

I'm very proud to say that we are the most proactive Angling club in South Western Victoria holding the biggest, best and most fishing competitions of any club and plan to remain that way.

Our Club Records board, Calendar Year Comp board, Unusual Fish board and Fish Caught Locally board have been a great success with members and visitors. I've seen dozens of people especially the kids spending a lot of time checking them out. I've even seen a few taking photos of them.

A couple of times each year we take students from the Lorne P12 College out fishing off the pier and show them the fine art of Angling. Recently we took a group of 10 Indigenous kids along with a few locals out on a fishing expedition.

Although not really part of the fishing report, but we are called upon from time to time to do sea rescues.

At least once a month I place a fishing report for Lorne into the Surf Coast Times along with a few photos so keep an eye out for that.

Don't forget we have the best value for money bait on the Great Ocean Road which can be purchased during opening hours.





FINAL COMPETITION RESULTS FOR 2018.

Fisherman of the year Andrew Clarke
Fisherman of the year R.U. Paul Staley
Fisherman of the year 3rd Bill Staley
Winter Cup Winner Paul Staley
Winter Cup R.U. Ian Middleton
Winter Cup 3rd Steve Arundell

CALENDAR YEAR SPECIES COMPETITION.

Biggest Bream 1020g. Miah Atwell
Biggest Flathead 1280g. Glenn Monaghan
Biggest Garfish 124g. Steve Spooner
Biggest King George Whiting 980g. Doug Williams
Biggest Salmon 2840g. Joel Norton
Biggest Snapper 8300g Joel Norton



Thanks to our sponsors as our comps couldn't exist without them.

Bar Report

Our bar takings this year have exceeded all expectations with a record increase. I would like to thank my staff for this year, Alana Perry, Andie Weetman, Bridget VanDeuren, Maddi Boylan for their amazing efforts. These guys contribute so much to our Club with their efficient and friendly nature and big smiles. Thanks also to all the volunteers this year including Ric Addison (Glassy), Tony Elder and Dave Manfreda for their bus driving duties, Leon, Dave and Tony for manning the BBQ, Shirl and the girls for doing raffle ticket selling and scrunching, Ange for doing the books and numerous other chores and her support over the year, Barry for manning the visitors' book, Keith Miller for running the fishing comps, Jason the Coffee Guy for being his usual, individual self. I would like to wish David good luck in taking on the role of Treasurer/Secretary, he has already proved to be invaluable. Also, the members for always behaving respectfully towards each other and my staff.

Ian Hutchinson
Bar Manager



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