

WHIT-BITS

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by **Darryl Ayson**

Hi Everyone,

Welcome to the latest edition of "Whit-bits"

Summer is here, hopefully you are all getting out there and enjoying the Qld waterways and avoiding those windy and rainy days that we just received.

Looking at trips since the last newsletter, November's trip to Days gutter was once again affected by the winds therefore it was cancelled, but December's trip was our luncheon at Ramada Hope Island. There was a great turn out with 38 members attending the lovely sea food lunch with a few people taking away prizes or certificates, a number of boats decided to stay in the marina to continue that night. Linda has done a report later on in the newsletter,

New Years Eve: there was not a trip planned but on looking at our private



Commodore's Comments

page on facebook there were a lot of Whittlian's out there enjoying the festive season.

Australia Day, We finally got to venture into Days gutter thanks to Tim and Julie, the weather, 14 boats attended overall and I would like to welcome the 4 new members who attended their first trip." Silver Bullet, No Reception, Sea-Renity and finally Lucy IV". Three days and two nights over at Koorngal was a successful trip and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone (especially Les). Also thanks to Stephen and Kelly for cooking those snags. Once again Tim and Julie have a report on that trip coming up. Finally our February trip to Bribie Island, well the rain decided on that trip, we will endeavour to get up there and enjoy the waterways of Pumicestone passage in the near future.

Looking at the next couple of trips, March is Peel Island with its clear Horseshoe Bay and a sandy beach then April is exploring the waterways around North Straddie.

Our face book page is continually being used by members, not only for what's happening in the club, but also by

members telling us of their upcoming trips planned and other bits and pieces, it's great to see, keep that up.

How many of you have a current first Aid/CPR certificate? You never know when and where you may need these skills, Sat the 28th of March we are running a day course with fees being reduced by our club so get hold of Lisa before the 28th of Feb to book your seat.

Thanks to Lisa for doing her first edition of "Whit bits", it's not an easy job as past editors know. If you have anything to contribute to the next edition that always makes the job easier, so get pen to paper and contact Lisa for your articles to be added to the next newsletter.

Look forward to seeing you all on the next couple of trips and if you have any inquiries at all please feel free to contact me on 0413-837-823 or by email on commodore@clubwhittleyqld.org.au

Safe boating,
Darryl Ayson,
Commodore,
Club Whittley Qld Inc.



Editor's Comments

by Lisa Greig

Well what a year so far the Club has had! This financial year we have gained 13 new members/boats!

We did have a few trips cancel later last year due to the harsh winds with the Kooringal trip cancelling twice, but we finally got there Australia Day weekend and the trip was a overwhelming success with 5 new members attending. It was also great seeing more kids in the club, Ellie and Kobe, Kane and Jacinta's children on their first trip with us aboard "Sea-Renity".

As most of you might have noticed, Whittley Boats have now opened a new Showroom at Coomera Boats Works. We have been in several discussions with Alan Whittley and they are very excited to build a close relationship with our club, offering the same deal as Northside Marine where new boat purchasers are signed up and paid for by the dealer to join our club for the first year. They will not be selling second hand boats nor offering servicing following the model they have in Melbourne.

Another exciting thing to mention, is that I will be working part time at the Coomera Whittley showroom every Monday and will also be there during the Regatta weekend to fill in for Laurie while he attends it and also working at the Sanctuary Cove Boat Show. So please drop in and say hello, I'd love to show you around the showroom!

We look forward to growing our relationship with the interstate clubs through this new dealership as well as maintaining our existing relationship with Northside Marine as it stands as we have also had discussions with Greg Nickerson and they will be moving forward selling Whittley's and offering service as they always have.

Sanctuary Cove Boat Show

Alan Whittley has asked if any members would be keen to volunteer some time to at the Whittley stand during the Sanctuary Cove Boat Show to promote our club and the wonderful lifestyle Whittley boats give us? His parents will be there so it will be very exciting to meet the family behind the name. They will have 11 boats on show, mostly outboards, so that will be exciting! Can you please email me if you would like to man the stand there and I will do up a roster for it.

Northside Marine have advised they will not be showing Whittley's at the show as they have other brands they would like to display this year.

So once again, please let me know if you can spend some time with Whittley at the Sanctuary Cove Bot Show so I can make up a roster asap.

THE MARINE VILLAGE, SANCTUARY COVE
THURSDAY 21 – SUNDAY 24 MAY, 2020 |
9AM – 5PM DAILY

25th Anniversary!

Get excited! Our 25th Anniversary is only a little over 18 months away!

September 1996, Greg Nickerson, the owner of Northside Marine, was at the Sanctuary Cove Boat Show and our club was born. We have been in discussions with Greg about this and he has been able to give me copies of original paperwork, newsletters and correspondence to help stitch together the forming of Club Whittley Qld.

Our number 0001 member George Szczepanski has gathered years and years of old photos and has given me a USB with them all on it for this occasion, they are absolutely amazing and I cant wait for you all to see them!

As we lead into this year I will be putting together a range of merchandise including formal polos with embroidery, long sleeved SPF fishing shirts, stubby coolers, a 25th Anniversary Memorial book with copies of these documents and photos and hats to help raise funds to go towards an Event/Rally to celebrate this milestone.

All the details will come to light over in 2020 and it will be an item we touch on it at the next AGM. But if you do have old photos or information you can contribute please put them on a USB and pass them onto me.



Christmas Party - Hope Island 2019

by Linda Parker

Ramada Hope Island was once again our venue for our annual Christmas lunch, 38 members turned up to the lunch including 5 boats that booked into the Marina to stay the night.

A couple of pre dinner drinks were under taken while people got together and caught up on a few stories that happened over the past 12 months.

Ramada did a wonderful job decorating the tables and put on a great sea food spread, I'm sure everyone filled there plates up especially with

the Moreton bay bugs, "They were yummy",

Tony and Jon then did the raffle draw giving away some great prizes followed by Darryl to hand out the annual awards.

These went to the following members, Most trips attended—"Seaduction" Jon and Kim Most unluckiest traveller—"Jazcat" Tony Pullan

The Golden Duck--- "Rogue One" Tony French

It's good to see everyone come to this event to support the club

and catch up on what's bean happening during the year. Also it's good to see Marty attend and well back on his road back to recovery.

Time for a change. It's been 3 years at this venue down the Gold coast so this coming December we are heading north side to the Sandstone point hotel on the 5th-6th (near the Bribie Isl bridge) so pencil that date on your calendar,

Happy boating,
Linda Parker.



New Years Eve get together - Manly

by Lisa Greig



New Years Eve 2019 was spent with great friends at Manly Harbour. As usual we ate way too much cheese, but there's nothing better than seeing a new year in on the water.

In the morning Gyp-Sea, JazKat, Venomous and AquaBella went over to Koorinal and had a great lunch at the Gutter Bar and a peaceful night sleep in Days Gutter.

We had breakfast and lunch aboard our boats and a nice swim, ran into a few friends of our out there too which was great! We spent the night tucked around a corner to the South which was a bit of a rocky night and in the morning went back to Tangalooma for another swim before we headed back to Manly Marina on Day 7.

Steve and I were pretty keen to get back out there, so we restocked, refuelled and went out to Horsehoe Bay and met up with Cathy and Craig, Jane and Tony. We all spent three days there in the best weather we have had for a long time!



Gyp-Sea and Venomous then left to make their way up to Tangalooma, Steve and I have never been there so we were quite taken by its beauty, magical spot!





Surf Life Saving Society Queensland

Provide:

(HLTAID001) CPR Training

(HLTAID002) Basic Emergency Life Support

(HLTAID003) First Aid

LOCATIONS:

The Plantation
1204 New Cleveland Road
Gumdale Qld 4154

Burpengary Aquatics
20 Fountain Road
Burpengary Qld 4505

Saturday March 28th

Minimum Numbers: 8 to run the course

TO ENCOURAGE ALL MEMBERS TO ATTEND
THIS VERY WORTHWHILE COURSE,

CLUB WHITTLEY SUBSIDISED PRICE:

\$95 PER CLUB MEMBER

Normal Cost: \$120 per person

**Email: secretary@clubwhittleyqld.org.au
to book your spot before Feb 29th**

Just a quick note on our facebook pages....



This top one, **Club Whittley QLD** is a public page, it is open to anyone posting on it whether that be someone from the club, someone from another club, advertisers, general public and anyone who wants to ask questions about their Whittleys, members or not.

This page can and has been shared by other interstate clubs and also by Whittley boats Victoria and Queensland, and anyone can share any Whittley related information on it. Rude or inappropriate posts will be deleted.



This page **Club Whittley Qld Group**, is our private page. You have to be a financial member to gain access to this page and we post between ourselves about upcoming trips, info we may have about our boats, the occasional joke and also if someone is going out at a time a trip is not planned and would like company. This page is not open for companies, ours or any one else's to advertise on. Advertisements will be deleted. Any rude or out of taste jokes will also be deleted.

CLUB WHITTLEY QUEENSLAND Inc

EVENTS & TRIP CALENDAR 00

| Date | Activity-Destination | Coordinators |
|--|--|-------------------------|
| 3 th -2 th January | Australia day--Millionaires Row/TMC | Tony and Kim Pullan |
| 8 th -9 th February | Bribie Island--Tangalooma | Jullian Cox |
| 2 th February-1 st March | Victorian Club Rally "0" | Tony Pullan |
| 7 th -8 th March | Peel island--Southern bay | Tim and Julie Bosgra |
| 0 th -3 th April | Easter—Slipping Sands /Kourey Abba Area | Darryl and Linda |
| 2 nd -4 th May | Labour day Weekend--Macleay Island | Mark and Cindy Arnold |
| 6 th -7 th June | Tweed River | Brian Svensson |
| 4 th -5 th July | Christmas in July—Tipplers--South Stradbroke Isl | Jon and Kim Heales |
| 5 th -6 th August | Manley- Annual General Meeting (AGM) | Linda Parker and Darryl |
| 2 th -3 th September | Runaway bay-- Whale watching | Lisa and Steve |
| 3 rd -5 th October | Queen's Birthday—Oktoberfest--Eat Street--Brisbane River-- St Helena Island | Mark and Kelly Wiemers |
| 7 th -8 th November | Days Gutter--Moreton island | Mark and Cindy Arnold |
| 5 th -6 th December | Christmas Function--Sandstone point Hotel | Jane Houghton and Tony |

1 Green denotes public holidays.

2 Trip Coordinators:

Please have your proposed event template back to the Commodore 4weeks prior to your event,

Also a trip report after the trip within two weeks, thanks

3 In the first few months of 0ve will be runn ing a first-aid / CPR course and also a VHF radio licence course.

Dates and prices (discounted by club Whittley Qld) will be advised in the early new year.

