



MAY 2021

Bay Spray
NEWSLETTER OF THE SPRING BAY
BOAT CLUB



Annual Dinner and Trophy Night 2021

Long distance series winner, Sagittarius (J. Hall and crew)



The SBBC hosted the Lightweight Sharpie State Championship in March.



Rear Commodore's Report

Since our last issue of Bay Spray, we have enjoyed a full season of Club events both on and off the water. Apart from the almost weekly summer get-togethers which happen after every race event (Sundays and/or Tuesdays) and usually involve a barbecue and post-race analysis, Club members have had the pleasure of joining together for the following activities:

- Christmas Party
- East Coast Classic
- Camping Weekend (Derwent Valley)
- Mystery Tour (to Mt Murray)
- Two barbecues and a dinner with the Lightweight Sharpie sailing group
- The Pacer Challenge
- An evening of Music with DJ Rob Hutchings
- Annual Dinner and Trophy Presentations

We have also welcomed many new members to the Club.

Students from Triabunna School were given sailing lessons on three sports days which was an extremely positive experience all round. And we hosted the Lightweight Sharpie State Championship — a fantastic weekend of sailing!!

Malcolm Fergusson - Rear Commodore



Notes and News

Annual General Meeting

This year's Annual General Meeting of SBBC will be held on Friday, September 10th at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be followed by a shared meal (more details later). If you wish to join our Committee in any capacity (or recommend someone else), please look on the website for *Roles and Responsibilities* and a *Nomination Form* to do so.

Are you looking for gear, want to sell some, or need boating services?

The club website now has a Bosun's Locker page providing links to advertisements, buy and sell.

To have an advertisement listed send an email to sbbccontact@gmail.com with a pdf of your ad attached.

Spring Bay Boat Club Contact Phone Numbers

Our club as of 12/08/2020 has new telephone contact numbers.

Marina Enquiries 0407 773 830

General Enquiries 0417 303 076

Callers using above numbers will be directed to the appropriate person within the club.



GALLERY



ABOVE: Recipients of this year's SBBC Person of the Year—Leanne O'Brien (Sec) and Tim Geard (VC Sail). Congratulations!



RIGHT: Roy Forbes (Madiba), winner of the Summer Pennant series (and the Twilights).

RIGHT: Winners of the Pacer Challenge, Luka Emmerton and John Hall.

BELOW: Cock of the Bay (Biaime). Skipper, Ray Coope and crew, Nick Magers and Ashley Emmerton.



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Mystery Tour

On Sunday April 18, 2021, seventeen SBBC members gathered at the club with much anticipation about where we were going! After a lovely morning tea (Vonda) and chat we set off following John Hall in our eight vehicles.

We went North and turned right off the Tasman Highway only a few kilometres up the road. From the entrance of Grindstone Bay Pastoral we drove for some minutes passed paddocks and a large water supply (Eighty Acre Creek) on our left.



Already we were seeing what a spectacular place this was. Fantastic views of the lagoon and further to Freycinet Peninsular.

On we went through paddocks, gates, with the cattle and sheep



to get to the southern side of Mt Murray. A slight rest from our cars and a trudge up the hill to a flooded volcanic vent which is never devoid of water. It was very secluded and tranquil while we breathed in the fresh eucalypts.



We returned the way we came and did a right angle turn through more gates into a paddock of rape. Still with the wonderful view! Up into the lightly wooded areas which became a very steep and rugged incline. Lots of holding on here! At last we arrived at what seemed to be the top of Mt Murray (317 metres). Bill and Claire Fergusson welcomed us to their panoramic picnic spot where they answered many of our questions.

We all enjoyed a relaxing barbecue lunch in this idealic place. After lunch we walked to the trig point and had 360 degree views of our lovely coastline. Freycinet, Darlington and Maria, Hellfire Bluff, The Thumbs and even Mt Wellington was on display! We enjoyed finding our homes in the not so distant, Triabunna/Orford area.

Many thanks go out to Bill and Claire for sharing their special place.!

Deb West



Weekend Away

In February nine vans and their SBBC members descended on Rob Fooks property at Rosegarland. The farm which has sheep and grows cabbage seed is situated on the Derwent River between Plenty and Westerway.

We were nestled on the banks of the river. Watching the water was very mesmerising! Fish, rapids and the occasional kayakers. At one time we had the entertainment of seeing a group going down the river on very dubious looking lilos. The occupants did not look very confident as it seemed the lilos were losing air.



Camping at Robs was very relaxing and no-one felt like doing too much! Some went for a tour to Westerway for ice cream, Lake Meadowbank and Lawrenny (distillery) and it's beautiful garden.

Both evenings we had a camp fire with lots of chatting from us and scampering in the trees of possums.

We were all reluctant to leave when it was time to go.

Thanks Rob and Jackie for letting all of us enjoy your wonderful part of the world.

Deb West

