### **Annual General Meeting 2020-07-12**

## **Rear Commodore Report**

# 1. Regattas:

The three day Easter Regatta in conjunction with the Javelin Championships and the Hobie State Titles scheduled for 10-13 April was cancelled on 15 March due to the developing pandemic with Covid-19. This of course was frustrating for potential participants and for the club, which lost income. Our regattas are our main income generating events. It also was frustrating for me because negotiations with Hobies and Javelins had been finalised, NORs and SIs were published, the registration was open and I even had prepared a results file with already 8 registered participants.

I hope some of that preparation work may not be in vain because Javelins as well as Hobies have rescheduled for next Easter.

The May Regattas also had to be cancelled.

For the coming season the Weta Nationals are scheduled for 28 December - 02 January.

# 2. Club racing:

Only 6 of the 14 races scheduled for the autumn series were held because of unfavourable weather conditions (2 races cancelled), lack of interest (1 race cancelled), race mismanagement (1 race cancelled) and the developing pandemic (4 races cancelled).

Similarly only 9 of the 14 races for the club championship series were held with 2 races cancelled because of fire in Cooroibah, 1 race cancelled due to lack of competitors in increasing winds and 2 races cancelled due to Covid-19.

New, old club champions are Jane and Jenny, with Tony a very close second only missing out by 0.8 points because of the pandemic. All other results are finalised and can be found on the website. Congratulations to all winners and participants!

#### 3. Membership:

The online registration for new and renewing members is open for the next season.

#### 4. Safety management plan:

The club does need a dedicated person to look at our safety and risk management plan. This has been on the agenda of the executive for nearly a full season but still has not been addressed. I would like to take this opportunity again to encourage a member to come forward and tackle this document.

### 5. Conclusion:

I would like to thank the membership for giving me the opportunity to fill the role of rear commodore during the last season. It has been challenging at times but I also learned in more detail how the club is working and above all that it very much depends on the voluntary support of its members.

I am unable to continue because I found the role too time demanding especially with the additional jobs of looking after the results and filling the roster each week. Unfortunately unlike in the past when we had a more permanent crew for club racing duty boats, I had to find 3-4 people each week to fill those positions. I would like to thank every one of you for coming forward and many of you who were willing to learn new skills and reliably fulfil these positions.

Special mention in this context must go to David and Timo. I could not have done it without you!

I also would like to express particular gratitude to Ari, Tony and Rhonda, who opted not to sail in any of the regattas but chose to work tirelessly during our major income generating events.

Lastly I would like to thank everyone who helped in any of the events on and off the water. Your names are not forgotten, I have them written in the multitude of rosters I compiled during the season and I am sure the next rear commodore will call on you again to help making LCSC an enjoyable experience for members and visitors alike.

Thank you! Petra