

**UPDATE: Wednesday 28th December - Tuesday 10th January 2023** 

# **Happy New Year!**

Hope you all had a fabulous Christmas and enjoyed quality time with family and friends.

The Club will reopen at 12 noon on the 5th of January.

Many thanks to you, my great members, for a successful 2022, it seems like just 365 days ago I was saying this, but Happy New Year!

Stay safe and have fun.

After the Boat Race on Australia Day the kitchen will be open from 12 noon until 2:30 p.m., and club will be open until 5 p.m. Book your tables, as normal, on the Club website.

Elise Thomas, Manager.

P.S. Although Tight Lines is circulated to all, please understand that if you are still on the **waitlist** you are not officially a member, thus cannot book for Club functions or Anglers Restaurant Bookings until your membership is approved. Thanks for your understanding.

# Friday night at the Club

The Member's Draw hits \$800 for the 6th January.

Assorted bar snacks are available. The Member's Draw rolls at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

To win, the member must be present, and financial. When their name comes up, they must claim it within one minute. If not claimed, jackpot increases by \$100 each week until it won.

## Weekly Raffle

Tickets are sold in the hour prior to the Member's Draw and the raffle is drawn soon after.

Five Prizes up for grabs:

- · Clamms Seafood platter.
- Brenta Meats BBQ Meat platter
- Mumm Gift Pack.
- Two secret prizes.

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Tickets: one for \$5, or six for \$20 (eft available)

If you wish to stay for a meal, please make sure you book a table by clicking this link.

# Australia Day Clinker Boat Race & Lunch.



**Thursday 26th January 2023** 

Race starts @ approx. 10 a.m. (tide dependent).

Full details will be in the next Tight Lines on the 11th January.

We will be getting you to register if you are a:

- Captain,
- Captain willing to take out another member, or a
- Member wanting a Captain.

There will be no BBQ this year, as the kitchen is open for lunch, so book online to secure your table.

## Book tables via the APYAC website by clicking here.

It's not too late to purchase your own Clinker Boat and compete, some of the past winners are currently up for sale.

We are planning competitions for the other boats and kayaks, so get yourself ready!

Make sure you read the next Tight Lines.

## **General Meeting.**

We do not hold a General Meeting in January. The next one will be Wednesday 1st February.

## From the President.



As we come to the end of another year, I would like particularly to thank all of our volunteers who make such a great contribution to the club and are an integral part of its culture. Also, to acknowledge and thank our staff, headed up by our Manager, Elise Thomas. It has been quite a difficult year to find good staff and Elise has done a very creditable job.

I'm pleased to report we are ending the year in a relatively strong financial position, with a continuing demand for membership. However, we should never take either our privileged position on the beach, or our strong membership for granted. While we cannot ever, please everybody all of the time, it's incumbent upon the Committee to

ensure that they provide facilities and activities appropriate to the various demographic groups of members. We always welcome your suggestions.

One of the major projects for the coming year is to prepare plans for the acquisition of the area over the stormwater drain to the east of the club. It was formerly leased to the club in past years. With our membership numbers and increasing interest in fishing we need more space. Our intention is to have the balcony extended around on that third side with more boat and other storage below. However, the project needs to be put together very carefully before we look at presenting it to the various government bodies. I would like any of you who are town planners, architects, engineers, project managers, or builders and who are prepared to assist as volunteers in this project to contact me so we can start on this fairly ambitious project.

On behalf of the Committee, I wish you and your families all the very best for the festive season, and trust that we will all enjoy a safe, healthy, and prosperous New Year.

Peter Nevile, President

### **New Members.**

For members who have recently been offered, and have accepted membership of the club, welcome!

The Club will be running three meet-and-greet sessions for new members. We will run through a brief history of the Club, show you around the boat house, and explain how you can use the facilities.

All new members are welcome to attend one of the sessions which will be run at **2.00 p.m.** on:

Saturday 14 January, Saturday 28 January, and Saturday 4 February.

Further details will be sent by email to new members. Look out for that in your in-box.

Michael Kotsanis, Committee Member





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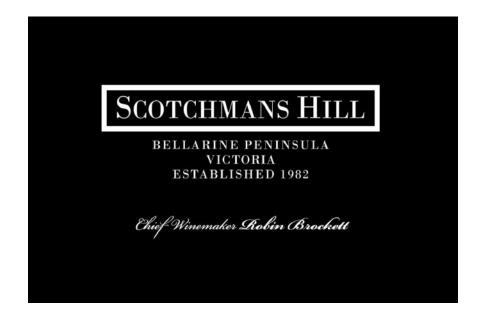
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Please call APYAC member **Grant Brookes** on 0411 187676 for any marketing needs including website development and social media.

## President's Table.

Please note this table cannot be booked. It is for singles or couples new to The Club wishing to meet new people. Should you wish to sit here, you are obliged to welcome anyone else that sits with you.



#### **Boathouse News.**

The Roller Door installers added outdoor fascia panels above the door and added door track protection to either side of the door. Care must be taken to ensure the Roller Door tracks are not damaged.







The Air Compressor will be out of service one day for the replacement of a leaking corroded pipe. **Thursday 29th December** is the likely day this work will be carried out. During this time boats will not be able to be launched using the gantry hoists. We are also looking at replacing all the hoses as they are showing signs of ageing and deterioration.

With summer here, the hire boats are in hot demand. To avoid disappointment, please make sure that your induction is up to date, i.e. completed within the last 12 months. **lan Sekac** is running regular refresher courses, so please email him if you are due at <u>i.sekac@bigpond.com</u>.

Please note that hire boats and kayaks will be available again from **Saturday 7th January**.

When you hire, along with your confirmation, you will receive a PDF 'Reminders when hiring a boat from APYAC' document. Please take the time to read it, and even keep a copy with you on the day.

Lee Spyrou, Boathouse Captain

# **Angling News.**

I hope all members, especially those who fish, had a wonderful Christmas and celebrated to capacity but not to excess. The weather has finally calmed-down, at least while I write this, and the Bay waters are clearing and starting to sparkle.

Fishing has been a little inconsistent, good numbers caught one day, then quiet the next. There are still good numbers of Snapper around but appear to be in the deeper water and Whiting are showing up in good numbers but again hit and miss.

Australian Salmon are around so keep a rod with a lure on for when a school comes close to you. Squid are also being landed in the clearer waters.

I have had a tip that the water police will be out in force, so make sure you have your boat and fishing licences with you, and all safety gear is current and in good condition.

The club bait supply has been re-stocked, there has been a price increase to \$8 a bag, it is still by far the cheapest place to get your bait. The bait freezer is in the boat house under the main club building, payment is cash in the tin, or an IOU that comes out of your bar tab.

A quick reminder that "Vic Fishing" is a great app for your phone which details bag limits, sizes, and much more. I like the "Can I fish here?" function that checks your position and lets you know if you are allowed to fish in that spot, this function may save you a fine from VFA, Police, or the Harbour Master. The best thing is that the Vic Fishing App is free.

We hope everyone has a great and safe New Year and it is a perfect time to get the rods and handlines out of the garage, and go dangle a line.

It is impossible to grow weary of a sport that is never the same on any two days - Theodore Gordon.

John Spragg



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# Bring back snail mail.









## Wish you were here.

Who do you **love** the most? Who was your **favourite** teacher? Who was your **mentor**? Who would you like to **thank** for helping you get where you are?

Who do you know who is **sitting in their room** in a retirement village, or aged care home?

Who has sent you **pictures** on their phone from Iceland, or Paris, or St.Tropez ... or Noosa?

Now is the time to make them **drool**.

We have produced eight postcards taken from **James Nixon**'s stunning images guaranteed to

make it onto the fridge (or wall) of anyone who receives them.

You know they'd love to receive a postcard.

## Passenger to Cairns, Luggage to Perth.

You don't have to face the drama of the airport and spend half your holiday wondering where your luggage is.

Just catch the #1 tram to the Club, grab all eight cards, and one stamp for \$10, (we have more stamps for sale if you need them), write away, and make them jealous —right away.

We'll even post them for you.

#### Albert Park Yachting & Angling Club

On the sand beside Melbourne's historic Kerferd Road Pier. **Join Us.** Why should we have all the fun.

## Merchandise



Grab a new APYAC hat - three styles!

Get yours now. Use your house levy:
Cheese Boards engraved with our logo \$65
Jackets \$65
Vests \$55
Fishing Tops \$50
Polo Shirts \$50
Scarf \$20
Wine Glasses (pair) \$20
Neck warmer \$15
Cap \$15
Beanie \$10
Beer Stein \$10
Postcards \$10 Eight cards and one stamp! (NEW)
Stubby Holder \$10.
Hats \$25 (NEW)

# **Opening hours:**

**TUE-FRI** (OFFICE): 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

#### THU-FRI

BAR: 12:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. LUNCH: 12:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. DINNER: 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

#### **SAT-SUN**

BAR: 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.\* LUNCH: 12:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

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<sup>\*</sup>Bar closes at 4 p.m. Saturdays if there is a function booked & remains open later on Band Sundays.