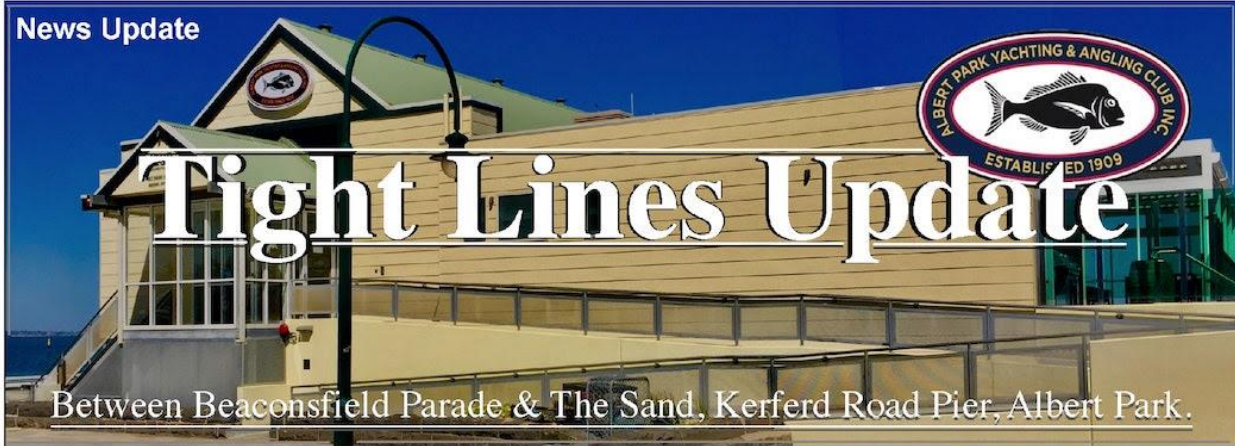


News Update



Between Beaconsfield Parade & The Sand, Kerferd Road Pier, Albert Park.

UPDATE: Wednesday 26th April - Tuesday 16th May 2023

Saturday Night Club Nights.

Due to requests for more trading hours, we have listened and are opening on the Saturday nights that we have no functions booked. Our first night is **6th May**, followed by the **20th May**.

This is a trial to see if there is demand. Book now so we can look at keep these going.

Reminder that the Langdon Room only has limited tables.

Menu for Saturday nights:

- Fish and Chips,
- Scotch Fillet Steak,
- Chicken Parmigiana,
- Rigatoni Pollo e Fungi / Vegetarian Rigatoni, and
- Seafood Spaghetti.

The full children's and dessert menu will be as usual.

AFL matches on the 6th May evening will all be interstate, and on the screens:

- Gold Coast Suns Vs Melbourne 4:35 p.m.
- GWS Giants Vs Bulldogs 7:25 p.m.
- Fremantle Vs Hawthorn 7:30 p.m.

I look forward to seeing you at the Club.

Elise Thomas,
Manager.

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Friday night at the Club.

The Member's Draw hits \$2,300 for the 28th of April.

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 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:

- Mystery Hamper.
- *Brenta Meats* tray.
- Mumm Gift Pack.
- A \$70 meal voucher.
- A secret prize.

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](#).

From the President.

I like Melbourne, particularly these fabulous autumn days and now we have the bonus of seeing the southern lights. What better place to see it than on the beach at Albert Park?

Many of you would now be aware of the serious erosion issues we are having at the Club as a result of high tides and wind causing a great deal of sand to be removed, but more particularly, undermining the apron to the boathouse and effectively turning part of it into a pile of rubble. We are obviously concerned, because firstly there is a danger with the big drop caused. Then secondly, a danger to the structural integrity of the building. The council, not unexpectedly, appear to want to wash their hands of the whole matter, notwithstanding that we are merely lessees of the building, and they are responsible as delegates for the actual structure. We have taken steps to have an engineer make an initial report and on Monday we had an appropriately qualified civil engineer inspect both the apron and the gantry and are presently awaiting his report.

With winter rapidly approaching, we normally see a slight decline in attendance. However, let me encourage you to continue using the facilities, because there's something nice about sitting inside a warm environment looking at a grey whipped-up sea with ominous clouds in the background. At times we even get surfers launching from the end of the Kerferd Road Pier and surfing into the beach.

We'll be looking to discuss a winter menu with Elizabeth Andrews, so you can look forward to some hearty winter meals.

Again, a special thanks to all those volunteers, both those who have volunteered for many years, and to those who in recent times have put up their hands. You are the lifeblood of the Club and part of our culture.

Peter Neville,
President.

Have you used your House Levy?

Heads up - we're pleased to advise that any remaining House Levy on your account, can be used until close of business, on **Sunday 2nd July 2023 (67 days to go)**.

Look out for your membership invoice which will be sent out via email on Monday 3rd July. It's a good chance to remind any friends and family to get their applications in, and jump onto the wait list: <https://apyac.org.au/membership/>

Your House levy can be used to purchase:

- Club merchandise
- Beverages / Bar snacks

- Boat / Kayak hire
- Bait

Please note that additional top-ups will still remain on your Fob beyond this date.



Keith Campbell Band

We hosted another great private function featuring this excellent band.
If you would like to host your own party, contact Elise, Manager@apyac.org.au.

Angler's Kitchen

Specials

Vietnamese Prawn Spring Rolls
with Asian herbs & Sweet Chilli Aioli
\$14.50

Smoked Salmon and Prawn Risotto,
with Chargrilled Zucchini and Dill Pesto
\$28.50

Red Thai Chicken Curry
with Fragrant Rice and Chargrilled Flatbread
\$28

Dessert Special

Warm Chocolate Brownie
with Chantilly Cream and fresh Berries

\$9.50

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BOOKINGS: call 9690 5530 or click

<https://tinyurl.com/AnglersBOOKING>

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Waitlist Dining Experience.

We currently have 91 people listed on the Waitlist. Normally they cannot dine at the Club.

To give you them a taste of APYAC's ambience and cuisine, the Committee has extended an exclusive invitation for those on the Waitlist to book a table for one of the Club's dining sessions on Thursdays, or for a Saturday lunch.

As these are special bookings, Waitlist diners must reserve a table by calling the APYAC office on 9690 5530 during office hours Tuesday – Friday between 10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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The pier's resident stingray often appears at lunch time, nosing around the gantry pylons before heading north.

President's Table.

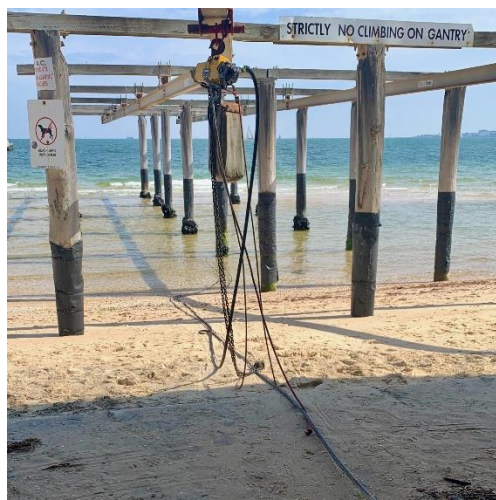
Please note this table cannot be booked. It is for singles or couples new to The Club wishing to meet new people. Should you wish to sit here, you are obliged to welcome anyone else that sits with you.

Boathouse Report.

Boathouse Cranes.

Please be patient as we get the cranes in the Boathouse back up and running. The centre aisle crane has broken down and we are currently working with the crane maintenance company to get this repaired as soon as possible. Thank you to **Ian Sekac** and **Alex Spyrou** for your help in getting all this organised. I'd like to remind other Boathouse users, that the people who help out downstairs are volunteers, please treat them with courtesy and respect at all times, rude behaviour will not be tolerated.

The cranes are an essential part of the Boathouse and need to be treated as such. The chains must not be left lying in the sand, as in the picture. In this case, the whole mechanism was left out and the Boathouse doors left open, the fisherman had gone out fishing and didn't return until later in the afternoon. We were very lucky that Elise came downstairs 45 minutes later, pulled everything back in, and locked-up the club.



In another instance members who had hired a boat, were witnessed sitting in the boat while the boat was suspended on the gantry. The boat kept sliding down, and one of the people in the boat kept using the up-control to counter-it. You can only imagine the strain this puts on the system. This is a BIG NO.



Life Jackets.

The chances of tripping, hitting your head, and going-under the water, are much greater when launching and retrieving your boat than blissfully sitting out at sea waiting to catch the Big One. It's also when you are more likely to hit another boat.

That's why the Gantry is considered a heightened risk area, and life jackets must be worn when launching and retrieving boats & kayaks by all occupants. 'Heightened risk' is not limited to when the vessel is underway.

Marine Safety Victoria states: *"When launching and retrieving, vessels are often in restricted areas and the risk of being nudged by another vessel or bumping into a jetty or other object is high risk."*

So slip into your jacket when you are still on dry land.

Clinker boat restoration project.

As previously mentioned, the Boathouse is moving forward with the preservation and restoration of our Clinker fleet. We are assembling a Volunteer working crew, headed up by **Ian Sekac** and **Robert Pope** with the aim of bringing many of these old girls back to show room condition. We have two boats currently in the works. If you are interested in being part of this dynamic, passionate team, please shoot your interest to apyaccaptain@gmail.com Remember, we're after enthusiastic people for this crew, you don't have to have had any previous experience, just a desire to be involved.

Hire Boats & Kayaks

Available to book via the website <https://apyac.org.au/boat-kayak-hire/> For boat hire you must have a current Victorian Marine Licence and for both Boat & Kayak you need to complete a Boathouse / Hire induction, which can be organized with Ian Sekac i.sekac@bigpond.com .

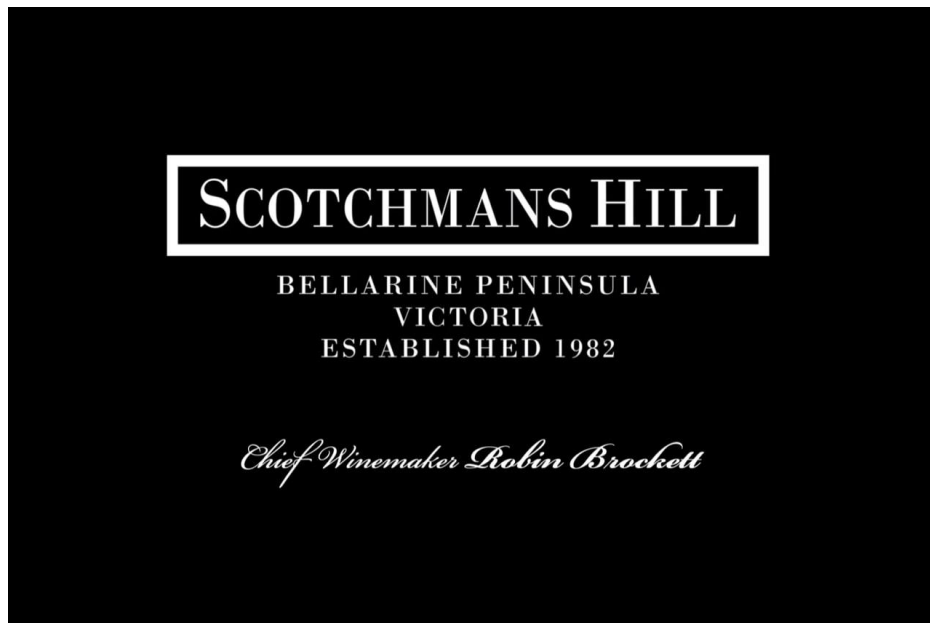
Boats for Sale.

We always have boats for sale in the Boathouse. If you are interested in finding out what is currently on offer, please contact Lee Spyrou apyaccaptain@gmail.com who can organise a time to show you what we have to offer.

Knife Sharpening Monday 15th May – time to be confirmed

We have had a lot of interest in a mobile knife sharpener to come to the club. Knives can be dropped off and then returned the same day. Those that have already registered will be contacted once this is sorted, anyone still interested please feel free to contact me and I'll add you to the list - Lee Spyrou apyaccaptain@gmail.com

Lee Spyrou
Boathouse Captain.



Angling News.

The competition season is ending with around a month to go. We are hearing reports of plenty of Flathead, "pinkies", and squid being caught, along with some whiting. While Flathead is taking almost any bait, pilchards, pipis, and squid seem to be the best bait.

Try fishing sandy areas 2-5 meters in Williamstown, St Kilda, Middle Park, Altona, and near Wyndham Harbour. Breakwater and pier anglers are catching flathead, so you do not need a boat. Pinkies (and the odd snapper) are on at every shallow reef area but try fishing into channel exclusion zones as well (do not let your boat go into the exclusion zones). Pilchards and squid seem to be the preferred baits. Fish in close at Altona Reef, Black Rock, P2, Princess Pier, Ricketts Point and Williamstown. Squid is more prevalent down the southern area of the bay, with Point Cook, St Leonards, and Indented Head being good areas, with Williamstown worth a try too. Whiting should start to appear again in good numbers, so try your favourite spot but keep moving until you find them.

Polite reminder:

Pinkies/Snapper minimum size limit is 28 cm with a bag limit of 10, with no more than 3 fish equal to or more than 40cm per angler. Fish to not be filleted or cut up until off the water.

Flathead minimum size is 27 cm, with bag limits of 20 per angler.

King George Whiting minimum size is 27 cm, with bag limits of 20 per angler. Like snapper, fish must be whole (can be cleaned) until on shore.

Squid has a bag limit of 10 per angler (total limit includes squid, cuttlefish, and octopus).



*Pics from **Gordon R**: A couple of nice catches from off the West Kimberly Coast. On the left, a great Barramundi that was eaten for dinner. On the right, a Queensland Groper that was returned to the water.*

We are looking to put pictures of recent catches on our screens at the Club, so please send pictures of your recent catch to johnrs3175@gmail.com

We are looking for quality, not quantity.

Three-fourths of the earth's surface is water and one-fourth is land. It is quite clear God intended us to spend triple the amount of time fishing than taking care of lawns. - Chuck Clark

John Spragg

FISHING COMPETITION									
MONTH	TOTAL	OPEN	FISH	POINTS	INHOUSE	FISH	POINTS	HEAVIEST FISH	
September	3	M. SASS	54	242-785	H. TSOUNBAKOS	44	187-165	H. TSOUNBAKOS	(1) 5-420
		M. HIOTIS	26	132-585	R. RAFFA	14	45-305	Snapper	(2) M. SASS 8-250
October	32	R. MUSCAT	12	80-135	A. OSBORNE	7	37-335	S. CALL	(1) 8-60
		G. AHEARN	4	18-85	E. BERANOBICH	4	33-205	M. SASS	(2) 1-085
November	61	A. SPINELLI	3	17-775	D. VITKIN	3	26-900	R. POPE	(1) SHARBY ANIMAL
		B. PEARCE	3	13-200	A. CANTKI	1	2-000	R. MUSCAT	(2) GIMMY 4-525
December	60	S. SPRAGG	1	10-740				H. TSOUNBAKOS	(1) 1-085
		M. MEREKKA	2	9-665				1st. Snapper	(2) 6-445
January	10	C. MCKEAN	3	6-660				Last Snapper	(1)
		L. SPYROU	2	6-385					(2)
February	9	A. SPYROU	1	5-620				HARRY R. R.	(1) 3-545
		M. MUSCAT	2	3-760				Whiting Bag	(2) 5-050
March		M. BRIFFA	1	2-600			PAUL WAKELING	(1) 5-575	
April							M. SASS	(2) 5-50	
May							Other Species		
TOTAL							M. BRIFFA	Salmon	200 KG
JUNIORS							DUPIN	PIKE	315
							H. TSOUNBAKOS	DUPY MASHINE	
		T. SASS	3	19-585	MATT G. SNAPPER				
		D. VITKIN	2	10-210	HENRY R. SNAPPER				
		ANDRE	2	4-260					
		HEIDI	SNAPPER - FLATHEAD		2-470				
		HARVEY	1	1-320					
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Leopard Seal visits the dog beach.



Last Thursday dogs (and humans) at Lagoon Pier Dog Beach were treated to the sight of a huge Antarctic Leopard Seal sun-baking on the sand. Instinctively all dogs sat quietly staring, happy to keep their distance.

Football Tipping.

Well what a week of football!

Tip-stars of the week:

Elephant Stamp quality tipping by SMW01 (**Scott Meyers**) and **Leigh Carlson** who correctly picked nine winners and therefore receive a bonus point.

A few Jokers were played this week – by Brooksey23 (**Grant Brookes**), Melbain (**Helen Bain**) and Cakes23 (**Ian Sekac**). A great week to play a Joker. All three correctly picked eight and have their score doubled to 16 by playing their Joker.

Grant Brookes moves into 3rd with his Joker round and is now one behind **James Nixon** in 2nd position. Tigerpfp (**Peter Powell**) increased his lead over second position with a round of eight correct picks

In a new category of tip-stars awards dreamt up over a long Anzac Day weekend, an endangered species award will from time-to-time be awarded to tip-stars that *Must Try Harder*. In the spirit of that award, this week's John Dory Medal (an at-risk and over-fished species of Australian fish), it was noted that is what most people called an easy tipping round, quite a few people only tipped 6 (too many to name but you know who you are). Don't think for a minute that you can hide down the tip-star ladder without some helpful tipping advice, acknowledgement and awards!

Moments of the round:

How wrong were those tip-stars, who picked Fremantle to win in Perth on Friday night? The Bulldogs embarrassed them.

The Grand Final replay was almost lost amongst the Anzac Day hype. How impressive were Geelong in the Grand Final replay over the Swans beating them by almost 100 points? Even more impressive is the turnaround by Geelong after half time in Round 4 – something went click!

Who won the Melbourne v Richmond Anzac Eve match? Football was the winner on the night.

Anzac Day as ever was fantastic. Great win by Collingwood. The second biggest crowd ever for a home and away match turned up to see a great contest with Collingwood's last quarter getting them over the line for a great win. The Anzac medalist was of course Nick Daicos who must now be the Brownlow favourite.

#	TIPPER	ROUND 6	TOTAL SCORE
1	tigerpfp	8 (62)	50 (221)
2	JamesNIXON	7 (57)	47 (208)
3	Brookesy23	16 (63)	46 (218)
4	Larrigai	8 (34)	44 (205)
5	SWM01	10 (65)	44 (220)
6	Shifty	6 (62)	43 (313)
7	Beefraiser	8 (53)	42 (163)
8	BigCrab	8 (57)	42 (218)
9	Deisel Power	7 (65)	42 (240)
10	Melbain	16 (65)	41 (227)

Trivia questions:

1. ANZAC Day celebrations start with a dawn service. Why is the service held at that time?
2. A gunfire breakfast is a culinary tradition on Anzac Day. There are many variants on the ingredients of this meal, but one thing is common to most of them. What is it?
3. True or False. Is the team that runs out on Anzac Day this year for Collingwood the shortest on average to ever play a match for Collingwood?
4. Which year was the biggest for Anzac Day attendance on record?
5. Who has kicked the most goals in an Anzac Day match between the Pies and Essendon and in which year?
6. In which year did the two teams draw the match?
7. Since the Anzac Day matches between Collingwood and Essendon first began in 1995, how many of the 27 matches have Essendon won?
8. Name the two players who have each won the Anzac Medal three times?
9. Who is the only player to win the Anzac medal in a losing side?
10. Twenty of 27 Anzac medalists played more than 200 matches in their career. Only three Anzac Medalists, including current players, have played under 100 matches in their career. Name them.

How did my smokie tip of the week go?

My smokie tip was that the Hawks would beat the Silver Spooners in Tassie. Did anyone follow my advice? Sorry if you did!

The Hawks went down in the dying seconds to Adelaide by 3 points.

Answers:

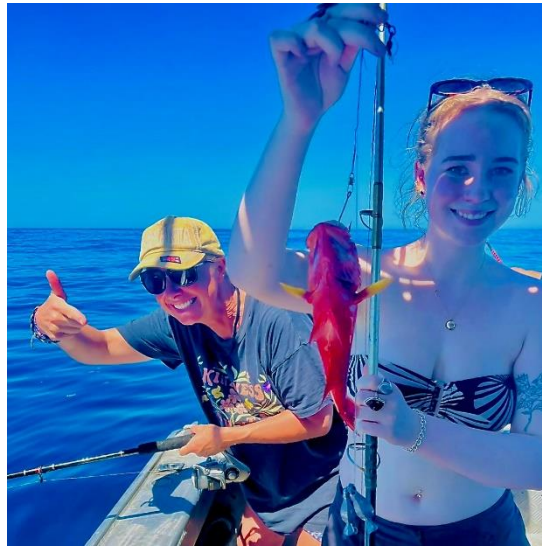
1. *The landing on the beaches of Gallipoli started at dawn.*
2. *Coffee laced usually with rum or even condensed milk.*
3. *No idea. I just made the question up. Probably False. Average height of a player these days is around 183 cm. 100 years ago they were all shorter.*
4. *1995.*
5. *Sav Rocca in 1995.*
6. *1995.*
7. *10.*

8. *James Hird and Scott Pendlebury.*

9. *Chris Tarrant in 2001.*

10. *Mark McGough, Andy Lovett, and Jack Ginnivan.*

- Mike Kotsanis



Lee and her niece Sienna - Coral trout

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Tight Lines – Why so often?

The large edition of Tight Lines appears at the end of the month to advise you of the next club meeting, and always on a Wednesday so you can plan your weekend.

The smaller edition, *Slack Lines*, appears in the second week of the month to advise changes, events, band Sundays, and the latest Menu Specials.

The clue is in the dateline at the top and bottom.

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.

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

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