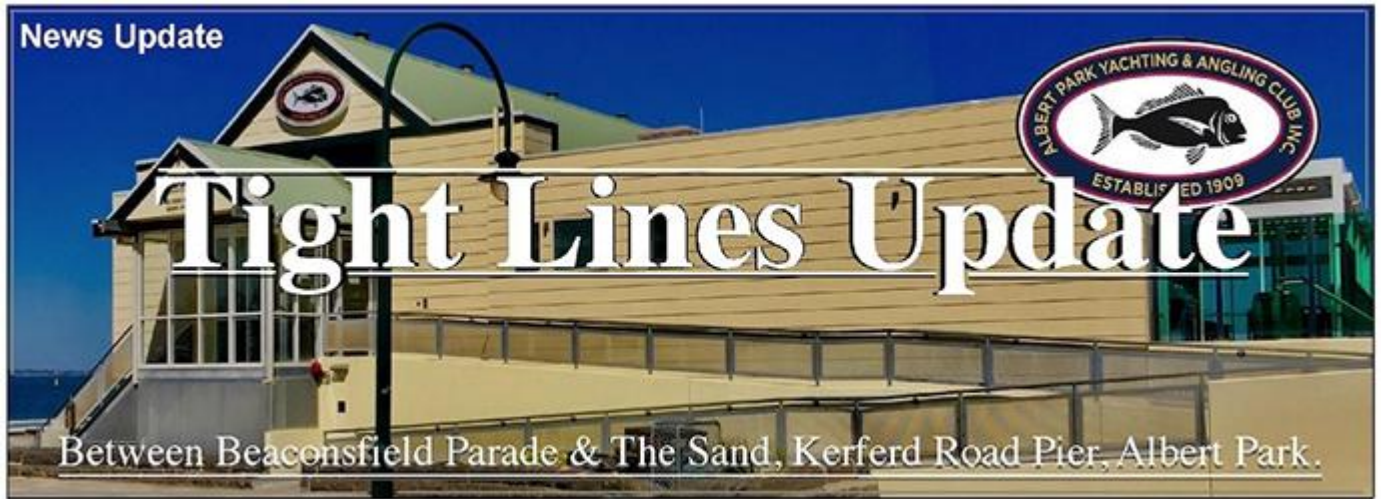


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Wednesday 11th - Tuesday 24th June 2025

Winter is here – but the Club is warm and welcoming!

Don't let the cold keep you away, come and warm up at the Club!

Join us every **Wednesday** for **Parma Night**. For just \$24, you'll get your choice of four delicious parmigiana toppings, served with chips and salad.

Even better—take your receipt to the bar and enjoy a **beer or wine for only \$2.50!**

Choose from a pot of lager or draught, or a glass of Hill Chardonnay or Shiraz.

You won't find a better deal this winter.

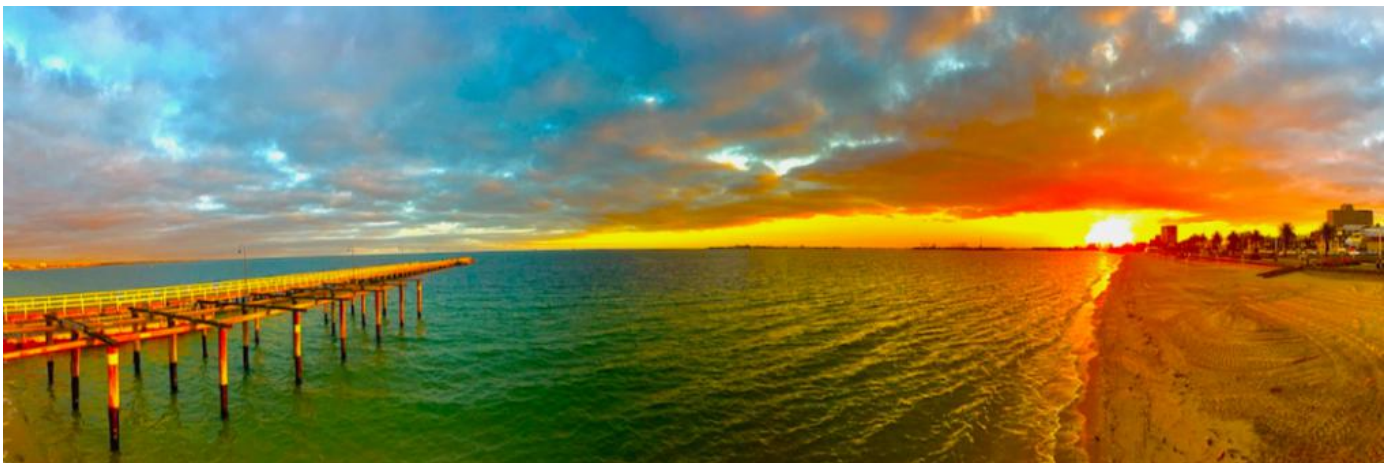
Presentation Night.

Don't forget Presentation Night 21st June. Join us for a fun-filled night featuring a delicious carvery dinner, live music, awards, and plenty of dancing! It's a fantastic opportunity to connect with members old and new, recognise outstanding contributions, and simply enjoy a great night among friends.

See you at the Club soon!

Elise Thomas

Manager.



Winter's here, blankets and heaters on the deck ... toasty inside.

What about Wednesdays?

4 - 8 p.m. Wednesdays

We are running a special Wednesday business trial. Would you like us to be open? *What about it?*

Vote with your feet.

4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Happy Hours, selected Wines & Beers at \$4 a glass!

The full dinner menu will be available, but without the Specials.

Wednesday Parma Night.

Chef Chris has kindly agreed to run four Parma options, each served with chips and salad, all for just **\$24**.

With every Parma sold, we're also offering:

- A **pot of lager** or **draught includes great northern** for just **\$2.50**, or
- A **glass of Hill Chardonnay or Shiraz** at the same price.

Happy Hour Thursdays.

4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Selected Wines & Beers at \$4 a glass!

7 p.m. \$1,000 Member's Draw!

It only spins once on Thursdays. To win, you must be present, and financial. When your name comes up, you must claim the prize within one minute.

Friday night at the Club.

The Member's Draw prize pool rolls at 7.30 p.m. sharp, and is \$2,600 for the 13th of June.

To win, the member must be present, and financial. When their name comes up, they must claim it within one minute. If not claimed, the jackpot increases by \$100 each week until won. The following Members missed out on claiming their prize last Friday night: *Eleanor Garnys (Sparks), Dougall McBurnie, John Watkins.*

Weekly Raffle

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

Four Prizes up for grabs:

- The Meats Tray, from *Kirkpatrick's Meats*.
- Mumm Champagne.
- A \$70 bar voucher.
- A substantial 'secret' prize, check it out on the prize table.

Tickets: one for \$5, or six for \$20 (EFT only).

Be nice to our Volunteers on the door and selling raffle tickets.

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

Reminder: When making a reservation for dining it is expected you order within 30 mins of your booking time and all meals must be ordered before 8:30 p.m. Thank you.

Saturday night dining every week.*

5:30 - 6:30 p.m. HAPPY HOUR**

Selected Wines & Beers at \$4 a glass!

Full Dinner menu available.

Book your table **by clicking here.**

Please note you will be directed to the website, and need to log into your portal, or use the App.

If there are no bookings or demand, the venue may close early.

Saturday 21st June – **Anglers Presentation Night** - *Bookings Essential.*

Saturday 19th July – **APYAC Trivia Night**

* Unless a function is being held.

** Happy Hour 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. EVERY Saturday (except when closed early for functions)

Sunday Breakfast - Last days!*

Sundays 9 - 11 a.m.

The Club opened for Sunday Breakfast as a trial during summer.

*To keep this session going we need to increase numbers. We hope you can come and check it out.

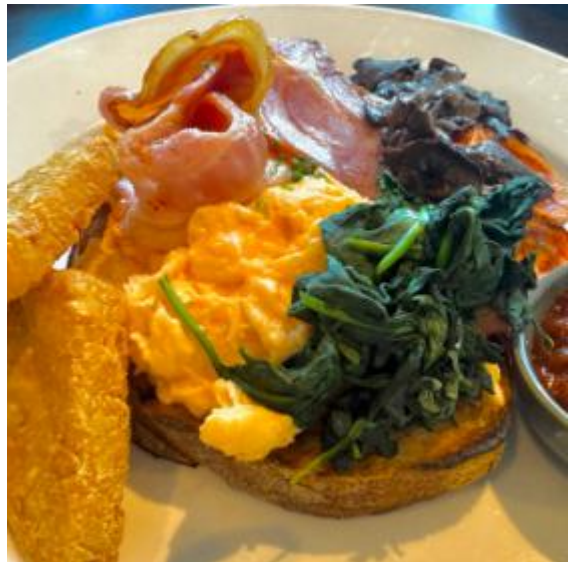
Eggs two ways, scrambled or poached, and extras available.

Eggs on toast - *Fluffy scrambled eggs on toasted sourdough toast* \$18

Bacon and eggs - *Chargrilled bacon served with eggs on toast* \$22

Salmon and avocado - *Scrambled eggs with smoked salmon* \$26

Big Brekky - *Eggs, bacon, tomato, mushrooms, spinach, hash-brown* \$28



Expecting a chilly morning? We have very a effective heater and blankets. Wrap-up on the deck and enjoy the weather!

Presentation Night

Saturday 21st June - 7 p.m.

A very special evening to celebrate our Club's proud angling heritage, shared achievements, and the spirit that brings us together.

Join us for a fun-filled night featuring a delicious carvery dinner, live

music, awards, and plenty of dancing! It's a fantastic opportunity to connect with members old and new, recognise outstanding contributions, and simply enjoy a great night among friends.

Let's come together to celebrate everything that makes our Club truly special.

- Your **\$65** ticket includes Entree, Carvery & Dessert
- Children Under 12 - \$25 Fish & Chips + Ice Cream
- Drinks available at the bar at Members prices

Book tickets by clicking here.

Note: Life Members, President & Ex-Presidents free - select choice in booking options.



Child Supervision & Safety.

We love seeing families at the Club, but we kindly remind all parents and guardians that children must always be supervised.

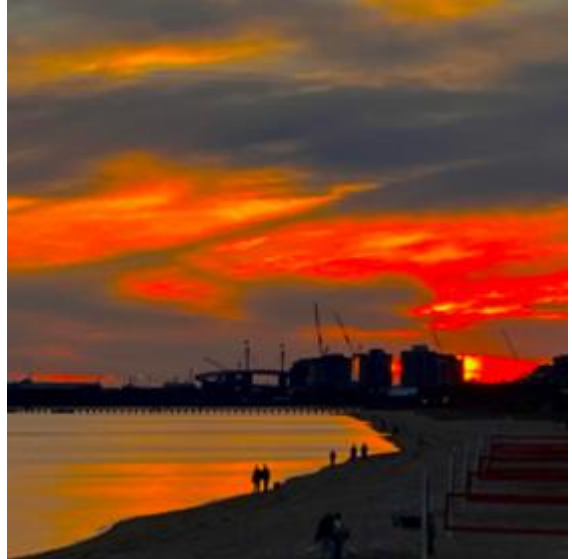
On Friday and Saturday nights, we've noticed an increasing issue with unsupervised children, especially around doorways.

To ensure everyone's safety, please:

- ✓ Assist YOUR children at the doors to prevent accidents.
- ✓ Ensure they are always wearing shoes.
- ✓ Remind them to follow Club rules.

Children are the Member's responsibility, not APYAC's.

[Image: 1 Jun 2025, first day of the Melbourne winter, EliseThomas.]



Angler's Kitchen Specials.

Oysters freshly chucked – Sydney rock oysters Half dozen \$32 / Full dozen \$58

Minestrone soup – Salsa Verde, parmesan \$18

Sweet potato & eggplant curry – Spiced yoghurt, pappadums \$26

Lasagne – Homemade pasta, bolognese sugo, grana Padano \$30

Grilled salmon - Nicoise style salad, creamy herb dressing, grilled lemon \$34

Check out the new menu [HERE](#).

BOOKINGS: call 9690 5530 or Click [HERE](#) to make a booking.

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.



Wine of the Month.

Domaine Felix Bourgogne - \$52

Matured in predominately seasoned French oak. Semi translucent dark red colour with black toned edges and a vibrant crimson red hue. Cherries, cloves, forest berries, pencil shavings on the nose; brightness. The palate is more direct and savoury, with graphite and a ferrous mineral component, strawberries, beetroots, hung meat, underpinned with tight, ripe and succulent tannins which will no doubt blossom with time in the glass or the cellar.

- \$52 per bottle

President's Report.

One Ocean, One World – APYAC Leading the Way

“If we save the sea, we save our world.”

– *Ocean with David Attenborough*

At APYAC, we believe in action, not just awareness. While the world wakes up to the devastating impact of destructive fishing methods, like scallop dredging, on our precious oceans, APYAC and our extraordinary partners are already out on the water, restoring balance, rebuilding reefs, and inspiring global standards for marine conservation.

We're proud to introduce our newly formed APYAC Conservation Team, led by our dedicated conservation specialist Bob Pearce, and proudly spearheaded by the tireless Anthony Osborne. With their guidance, we're continuing to grow our impact - one reef, one kelp strand, one fish at a time.

Kayakers' Reef 1 & 2 – A Model for Regeneration

Kayakers' Reef (just off Kerferd Road Pier) is a shining example of what's possible when community and conservation come together. Thanks to support from the Victorian Government's Fish Habitat Improvement Fund, and leadership from Bob Pearce and Ben Cleveland, Kayakers' is tripling in size with:

48 new reef towers deployed, and 45 more on the way,

90 oyster triangles, seeded with baby Angasi oysters, and

Thousands of recycled oyster and scallop shells, saved from landfill and turned into marine habitat.

Seaweed Solutions – Seeding the Future

In partnership with SeaGen's Chris Gillies, we're exploring the next frontier —restoring golden kelp forests under Kerferd Pier and Kayakers' 1 & 2 Reefs. These ecosystems are crucial in stabilising our marine environments and absorbing carbon. Our team is planning trials using cotton twine wrapped around pier pylons, a simple yet promising method inspired by nature.

And we're proud that every seafood meal enjoyed at APYAC supports this vision. A portion goes directly to SeaGen to help fund reef and kelp restoration.

From APYAC to the UN Stage

Watching *“Ocean with David Attenborough”* last week was a humbling experience. At 99 years old, Sir David reminds us of the fragility —and resilience— of our oceans. The documentary shows what we already know: if we protect, respect, and nurture the ocean, *it can recover to a glory beyond anything we've ever seen.*

Globally, the UN will meet in France this month to advocate for marine reserves covering 30% of national waters. While world leaders prepare to act, we at APYAC are already doing the work - together with our partners VFA, VRFish, Nature Conservancy, OzFish, and all of you, our members.

We encourage you to see the documentary for yourself—it's now screening at Hoyts and NOVA Carlton. Watch the trailer **by clicking here**. You'll walk away inspired, and perhaps even prouder of what we've already started.

We're a small part but achieving big things. Let's keep leading with purpose.

Can't wait to see you at the Club, yours in conservation and fishing,

Lee

Lee Spyrou

President.

[IMAGE: Grab yourself an APYAC Beanie]



Club Levy - use it or lose it!

Treasurer Chris is waiting to pounce. He is keen to move unused levies into consolidated revenue.

In accordance with APYAC Rules, all Club credits are cut-off at midnight on **30 June** – this year the deadly date falls on a Monday (Club closed) when every cent of unused levy is forfeited by Chris. This forfeit does not apply to your voluntary top-ups into your Club account.

Existing credit can be used for drinks, hire a boat, have a KitKat, purchase Club apparel and more importantly, to enjoy the facilities on offer at APYAC.

Please don't wait until the last minute, you may not get a booking to use your funds.



Tight Lines - 100 issues

We switched from the quarterly **Snapper Snippets** to the (mostly) fortnightly **Tight Lines** e-newsletter so that members could regularly find all the Club news and information in one location.

As Editor I would like to thank you for your support --over 59% of you open the emails-- and your kind words when we meet.

This is the 101st issue, and I think it's only fair to acknowledge the brilliant contributors who put up with my regular badgering, and blue pen.

I apologise for my obsession with sunset photos from the deck, I just can't get over how magical it is, 4.5 kms from the centre of Australia's second-biggest city. Anywhere else there would be 1,000 people on our beach! - James Nixon, Editor.

Volunteers needed.

Friday Night Helpers Needed!

We are still seeking friendly and enthusiastic volunteers to assist on Friday nights.

We need help with:

- **Raffle Ticket Selling:** 6 - 7:30 p.m.
- **Door Wardens** 5:30 - 7:45 p.m.

This is a fantastic opportunity to meet and connect with fellow members, contribute to the club's vibrant Friday night atmosphere, and enjoy being part of our welcoming community.

Gain a deeper sense of belonging and support the club you love!

No experience is necessary --just bring your smile and willingness to help. If you're interested or have any questions, please reach out by email to **apyac.volunteers @ gmail.com** with your preferred task, or let our Manager, Elise, know at the club.

Your support makes all the difference.

Barry Hayes,
Vice President.

P.S. Our Friday Night Raffle & Door Volunteer Roster has been updated and is ready for vacant positions to be filled. **Click this link** and add your name to the Volunteer Roster.

APYAC Podcasts.

The latest addition to the podcast library is a speech given by the Secretary to a business lunch about APYAC and our *Shellfish Reef Restoration Project*. Check it out **by clicking here**.

Other podcasts interview guests:

Remy Van De Wiel, 'Plastics in the bays.'

Travis Dowling CEO of the Victorian Fishing Authority (VFA).

Brian Wright speaking about his friend, Warren Davey.

Bob Pearce, speaking about his life and times.

Mick Sass, speaking about his life and times.

Chris Lockhart, introducing our new Caterer.

Phil Langdon, speaking about his life and times.

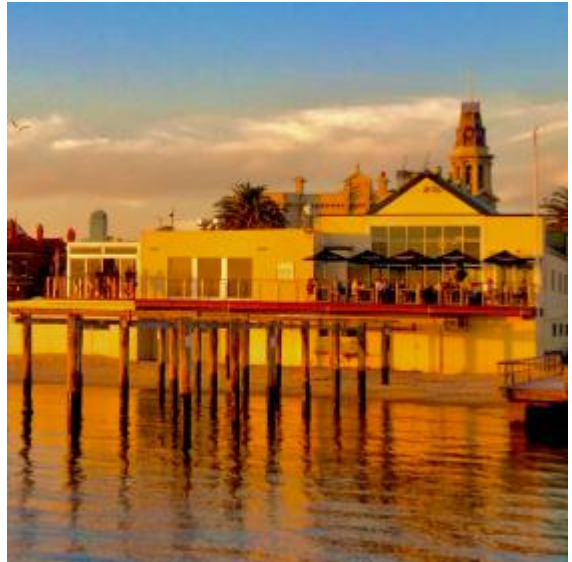
New Committee members, **Stuart Cousins**, **Barry Hayes** and **Chris Herbert**.

Plus

Bev Pinder & Lee Spyrou (88.3 FM).

Gavin McGrath & Lee Spyrou (ABC Radio).

Check out APYAC's **podcast page** **by clicking here**.



Email spam.

To reduce the amount of spam emails information technology experts recommend that we don't put linked email addresses in Tight Lines, so we write the email address, but leave gaps between the words.

It is up to you to put them together. For example: **members @ apyac.org.au**

Angling.

Angling *Presentation Night* is a must attend for all anglers and those interested in fishing, or just being part of APYAC. Get your tickets for June 21, there will be music, great food, lots of fun, and see who won what.

May Monthly winners:

Longest Snapper 78 cm **Mick Sass**

Random length snapper 53 cm **Eddie Bernobich**

Junior 29 cm **Henry Rudd**.

The last snapper of the season was caught by **Mick Sass** at Princess Pier.

Thanks to **Olga Harradine's** tireless work promoting angling to women, we have six women on the scoreboard this year, which, as far as we can determine, is the greatest number in the history of the club.

We also had 40 new members angling this year. Not bad at all!

Flathead study.

We are still proceeding with helping Latrobe University with their Flathead study. We have delivered 15 completed swabs so far. Grab your kits in the Langdon Room, and downstairs near the sign-out book. Swabs are to be returned to the Esky in the boat house near the sign-out desk. Again: swab as many flathead as you can, size not important, make sure you return all undersize fish to the bay.

Flathead are on the bite 2-4 metres of water. We believe a paternoster rig, sinker at the end of your line with one or two droppers above the sinker, is best. Start with a 4/0 or 5/0 hooks. Cut pilchards, squid or fillets of any fish are great bait, they will also take soft plastic lures. Drift over sandy areas from Black Rock to Port Melbourne. Once you catch a few go back over the area as Flathead do tend to school-up in waves on the bottom. Out the back of the club, 100 metres out further from the pier end can be productive.

Anglers who buy bait from the club, and book it to your fob, please be sure there are funds on your fob to cover the cost of bait. We are getting more and more bait buyers who do not have enough money on their fobs. The Club is not a bank. Please fix this we do not want to have to name and shame anglers. If you think you are out of credit call Elise to top-up at the club.

'Learn to Fly Fish' was cancelled due to lack of numbers, *Hurley Fly Fishing* and VFFA will keep me informed when they can take anyone keen to learn Fly Fishing.

The weather has been a mixed bag for boaters and anglers, last few days terrible, but end of this week looks settled. The Bay water temperatures have dropped since the last edition (13.56 C top end of the bay, 13.74 C Mid Bay, 15.38 C in the Ocean).

Snapper have pretty much left the bay, there are always resident fish in the bay, they can be hard to find. However snapper have been caught from our pier at Kerferd Road after storms or during strong S-SW winds. Also a few caught off Altona, Port Melbourne and Williamstown according to our spies. Snapper also reported in 8-12 meters depth Carrum, P2 and Chelsea. Kirks Point on the western side of the Bay and Mt Martha on the eastern side –hot spots for those who can travel. No reports to get excited about, tough fishing if you are after snapper. There are good size Gummy Sharks at many of the deep snapper spots same baits as for large snapper, which seem to be Silver Whiting, Australian Salmon Fillets, Pilchards, Garfish, and Squid.

Whiting have mostly been missing from the usual marks around the Club and reports are not great. They seem to be biting around Point Cook near the sanctuary, and south of there, including Kirks Point. Fish grassy areas 2-5 mts deep and keep moving if you are not catching them. Best baits, Pipis, mussels and squid strips. Whiting areas are also squid areas, and they are generally plentiful in the winter months so if chasing whiting keep a few squid jigs ready it may be well worth trying for them.

Keep an eye out for birds working as there are still very large schools of Australian Salmon up the Club end of the bay. Many good salmon caught around the red stick near Altona, a large school in that area. Any smallish slivery or pilchard-looking lure dragged through, or cast into the area the birds are diving-in should produce fish.

Garfish are plentiful in the Bay so if you see them, a light rod with a quill, or similar float, and a small hook with Silverfish (very small almost clear fish about 1-2 cm long), Prawn slivers, or bread dough works.

Rug up, check weather forecasts, keep an eye on the actual weather, do not take risks, give it a go and take care!

I never drink water because of the disgusting things fish do in it. - Unknown.

John Spragg

LONGEST FISH			LENGTH
SNAPPER	IN	HARRY TSOUMBAKOS	84
	OPEN	MICHAEL SASS	90
FLATHEAD	IN	ADAM MCLEAN	59
	OPEN	MICK SASS	54
SHARK	IN	JOHN CALI	95
	OPEN	MARK MERCEICA	138
1ST SNAPPER	IN	HARRY TSOUMBAKOS	51
	OPEN	MICHAEL BRIFFA	59
LAST SNAPPER	IN		
	OPEN		
WHITING	IN	ROB RAFFA	41
	OPEN	MICHAEL BRIFFA	43
WHITING BAG	IN		
	OPEN	M BRIFFA/M MERCEICA	8.575
PIKE	IN	DUNCAN DURIE	74
	IN	OLIVIER AVIAN	66
KINGFISH	IN		
	OPEN	PAULINE BIFFIN	99
SALMON	IN	ANTHONY ZIMMERMAN	49
	OPEN	LEE SPYROU	46
GARFISH	IN		
	OPEN	MARK MERCEICA	38
JNR SALMON	IN		
	OPEN	ANDRE CARTEL	41
JNR FLATHEAD	IN	HENRY RUDD	45
	IN	MATTHEW GOWANS	46
JNR GUMMY	IN	MATTHEW GOWANS	78

APYAC CALENDAR 2025.

Saturday 25th October – **Band 'My Girlfriend Sheryl'**.



Wednesday 4th November – **Melbourne Cup Day.**

Wednesday 5th November – **General Meeting 7 p.m.**

Wednesday 3rd December – **General Meeting 7 p.m.**

Note: Bands usually play from 7-9 p.m. Check the detailed listing as the event draws near.

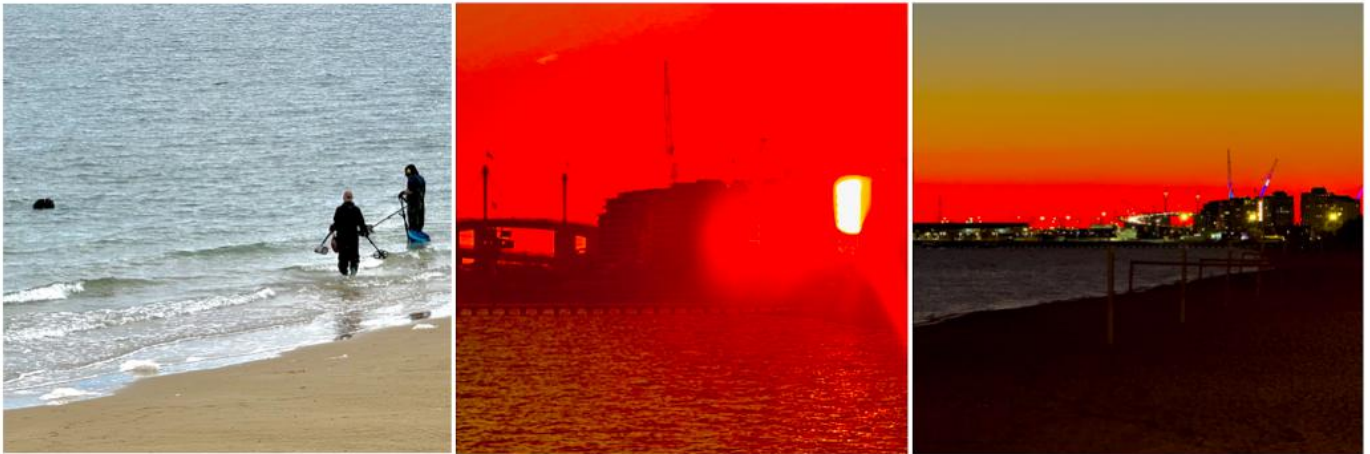
All events and bookings will be advertised in Tight Lines as they become available.

We are always seeking great people to help with these Volunteer run events email: Lee Spyrou, President **president @ apyac.org.au** or **apyacvolunteers @ gmail.com**

[Image: The Regular Boys played recently and had everyone up dancing!]

APYAC FISHING SEASON 2025 CALENDAR.

Saturday 21st June - **Anglers Presentation Night**



Images: King Low tides attract the metal detectors, and the fire in the sky.

Boathouse.

Centre Aisle Hoist

Could those using the electric crane in the centre aisle please take extreme care, particularly when moving the hook east or west. Some outboards on the upper decks of the centre aisle pose a contact hazard in that their cowling cover is high enough to impede the cathead. Remember, move the hoist slowly and watch for obstructions at all times to prevent damage to property.

Marine Licence Course

Coast Guard St Kilda will be running a Marine Licence course on Sunday June 15th. For further information, or to enrol, please contact Coast Guard directly via email **vf2 @ coastguard.com.au** or drop me a line.

Safety of the Water (and the importance of staying out of it)

Cold Water, Hot Tips: Staying Safe on Small Boats

Winter has arrived, the water temperature is plummeting, and the conditions becoming more challenging. This doesn't mean you should enjoy a day on the water, however as well as keeping a close watch on the weather, there other other safety facts to consider.

When operating a small boat, everyone aboard should know how to respond if things go wrong. Here are three often-overlooked safety essentials that can mean the difference between a story and a tragedy.

1. Everyone Should Know the Gear

Emergencies don't wait for the skipper. If the person at the helm is injured, unconscious, or overboard, who calls for help?

On small boats, it's critical that every passenger knows:

- Where all emergency equipment is stored and how to use it. This includes flares and fire extinguisher.
- How to raise the alarm
- How to deploy a life ring or throw bag

Tip: Before departing, run a 2-minute safety brief. Show, don't just tell.

2. Use the Kill Switch—Every Time

The engine kill switch (lanyard or wireless fob) isn't just a suggestion—it's a lifeline. If you're thrown overboard and the boat keeps running, it may:

- Circle back and strike you
- Continue out of reach, stranding you
- Endanger others in its path

Clipping on the kill switch ensures the engine cuts out if the operator goes overboard.

Even on calm days, unexpected waves, steering failure, or slips can launch someone out of the seat—and out of control.

3. Hypothermia: Cold Water Kills Quickly

Falling into cold water can lead to cold shock, muscle failure, and unconsciousness in minutes—even if you're a strong swimmer.

Symptoms:

- Uncontrollable gasping or hyperventilation
- Loss of coordination or numbness
- Shivering, confusion, slurred speech
- Collapse or unconsciousness

Risks in 10°C Water:

- 1–2 minutes: Cold shock response—gasping, panic, hyperventilation
- <10 minutes: Muscle function declines; swimming becomes difficult or impossible.
- <30–60 minutes: Hypothermia sets in; unconsciousness likely without insulation or rescue

Wearing a PFD isn't just about floating—it's about surviving long enough to be found.

Final Word

Small boats feel casual—but the risks are real. A few simple actions:

- Share knowledge
- Clip the kill switch
- Respect cold water

These can prevent your day on the water from becoming your last.

Stay safe on the water.

Stu

Stuart Cousins, Boathouse Captain

0438 788 278

[captain @ apyac.org.au](mailto:captain@apyac.org.au)



The boys are anything but regular.

We walked into the club on Saturday night and saw the staff dressed in 1980s gear, and wondered '*did we look like that?*' Sipping a B-52 cocktail we decided it didn't matter ... but really, was it 40 years ago this weekend that I introduced my dangerous B-52 derivative — *The JT8D cocktail*— (named after a Boeing 727 engine) to the bar at Watzmann Haus on Mount Baw Baw for the season opening? *It seems like yesterday.*

This is the first time that the band **The Regular Boys** have played at our Club. It won't be the last. They are quite incredible. Brothers **Chris** and **Anthony Ziros** were in *The Spaniards*, and Anthony has played drums with

just about everybody, including the *Kevin Borich Express* and has toured with *Matt Taylor, Ian Moss, Ross Wilson, Dale Ryder, Brian Mannix, Stuart Fraser, Wilbur Wilde, Matt Moffitt*, and more.

As a tribute band they play every artist in exactly the same style as the originals. Shut your eyes and you are on the dance floor in front of the *Doobie Brothers, Lionel Richie, and Van Halen*. The list goes on.

At one point, everyone in the place was dancing, even the lady with a broken foot! The bar staff had nothing to do but dance. Our Boathouse Captain and his bride-to-be led a conga-line, looking like they both had come straight from a Richard Simmons aerobics class —complete with fluorescent sunglasses and tracksuits! (*I have politely torn-up the negatives*).

This was a freezing winter night, and the first time we've had any substantial rain in the town for about three months, so the place wasn't packed; but it was rocking! We'll be getting them back. Make a point of putting-them in your diary. You need to see **The Regular Boys** live. Until then check them out on YouTube **by clicking this link**.

A couple of Island Coolers, and a B-52, *may even make them sound even better!*

- James Nixon



History.

History Group member and journalist **Grant Aldous** investigated the early APYAC Minute Books to come up with a number of interesting snippets for Tight Lines. Many thanks to Grant for all of his work.

Far from being a dry account of monies spent, and motions forwarded and passed, the Minute Books offer a rich vein of insights into how the Club became what it is today. We will continue to share some of the important (and also lighthearted) moments in our shared history in Tight Lines in the coming months.

#20 Bottoms Up

Whether 80,70, 40 years ago, or presently, the provision of drinks to the Club members has always been serious business. Sharing convivial drinks --though not too many-- with fellow Club members has always been a part of Club culture and has been a recurrent theme in the Minute Books. Although Cribbage Nights, Smoke Nights, Billiard Nights and monthly socials may have passed into history, the Club bar is always a central meeting point, especially on Friday nights before the raffle.

'The Committee agreed to write to Harbour Trust for permission to serve alcohol at smoke night.' (26 May 1944)

'In April 1957 it was decided that monthly socials would be disbanded because of lack of interest.' Was the new fangled TV responsible?



If you have any old club pictures or documents we'd love to get a copy of them. Contact: apyac.volunteers@gmail.com

Bill Ryan.

[IMAGE: Our Vice-President **Barry Hayes** provided this amazing photo from 1946, just before his parents were married: "**Kathy George** (Mum's sister), **Kevin Hayes** (Dad), **Beryl George** - (Mum). The George's lived in Page Street, the Hayes' in Richardson Street."

APYAC Footy Tipping Competition.

Well what a week of football!

Tip-stars of the week

- Los Demon (**Lorraine Russell**) picks seven for the week - a really strong tipping result. She is our tip-star of the week.
- Three tip-stars played their Joker. That Fasso (**Sam Fasso**), Jillbo (?) and ESPN...863 (**Chris Lockart**) played one of their Jokers in a bye with Sam Fasso doubling his score to 12
- The Leaderboard shows Hairy Hawk (**Nick Herath**) in the lead with Blossyboots (**Belinda Holt**) moving up to second with Bruey4 (**Bruce Caldwell**) in third. Eight tip-stars are within three of the top three. Its close.

Memorable Moments

- The Bulldogs didn't wake up until the second quarter and the four goal difference at the start of the second quarter was the same at the end of the match. A much needed win for the Hawks after some indifferent form. They are back as premiership contenders ... *again!*
- The Tigers kicked one goal after the 18 minute mark of the first quarter against a team that were beaten in the prior week by 97 points
- As they usually do, the Cats won at home, humbling Gold Coast
- Port Adelaide pull off a big win away against GWS
- Carlton maintain composure for a narrow win against the injury decimated Bombers
- In the Big Freeze - football and the MND charity were the big winners

Important trivia questions

1. How many drugs that Fight MND have given grants to have progressed from the lab to the clinic? (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5 HINT: <https://fightmnd.org.au/our-impact/>

ANSWER: (d) 5

2. Neil Daniher played for Essendon for 13 seasons. How many matches did Neil Daniher play in his last 10 years of VFL football for Essendon? (a) 113 (b) 93 (c) 16 (d) 1

ANSWER: (c) 16

3. On 1 September 1990, in a VFL first, Neil Daniher played a match with his three other brothers for Essendon. Name Neil's three brothers that also played in that match.

ANSWER: Terry, Chris, Anthony

4. Nick Daicos took his first contested mark in 83 matches last week. Another fantastic player, Matt Rowell, is a good comparison. He has played 96 matches. How many contested marks has Rowell taken in 96 matches? (a) 113 (b) 93 (c) 16 (d) 1

ANSWER: (d) 1

5. Jack Ginnivan has twice had more than 30 possessions in his career. Which team were they against (a) West Coast (b) Port Adelaide (c) Essendon (d) Collingwood

ANSWER: (d) Pies

How did my smokie tip go?

I seriously thought the West Coast would be a good chance to beat North in Bunbury after the marathon effort for North players to get over there. I even tipped them. That looked like a hot tip for a while. My smokie form is disappointing. Good tipping!

Mike.

For sale.

EQ675

Savage Fisherman - Reduced to \$8,500 ONO

Fresh two-pack paint to hull and deck. Full length heavy stainless steel keel band & prop guard. New lifting eyes, bow ring. Re-wired with new fuel and exhaust hoses.

All in great working order. Owned / work carried-out by a Shipwright. Stern tube & shaft removed and overhauled.

Comes with spray dodger, oars, anchor, lifejackets. Cradle, sundry extras.

Call Michael on 0403 855 785 or mwhurrell@gmail.com



Boathouse Volunteers

A big thank you to our regular volunteers who attended last Tuesday, Wednesday, or both. Your ongoing support keeps the Boathouse running smoothly, and your efforts are greatly appreciated. It was great to return last Wednesday after five weeks away and be welcomed by familiar faces—**Mal, Bruce, Chris H, John L, Stu C, Remy, Tony M, Tony P, Neil, and Richard**—already hard at work. Thanks to everyone's commitment, both routine maintenance and significant project work have continued without a hitch.

Recent achievements include the installation of a new Nanni engine in PA43, now ready for launch, and removal of the old Ford 10 engine from the George Watkins clinker boat to begin restoration. Other tasks completed include seat repairs in PA35, timber work on Club Clinker PA005, and a sea trial of the two-person kayak. Special thanks to **Chris Herbert** for coordinating activities, and to **Tony Mitchell** and his daughter **Alexandria**, as well as **Amy**, for the delicious cakes that kept morale high. We're happy to report that 'Mrs Cakes' will be providing another treat next Wednesday.

Looking ahead, there are several ongoing and scheduled tasks: final checks on hire boats VX410 and VE523, a suitability assessment for the kayak, regular crane safety checks and training, and various maintenance projects including cleaning, painting, and workshop organisation. Restoration and repair work continues on multiple vessels including PA005, PA25, PA35, PA43, and the George Watkins boat. Your continued efforts and expertise make it all possible—thank you once again for your invaluable contribution.

- Ian Sekac

[Editor's Note: With Ian's permission this 870 word email to volunteers was reduced to a 250 word article using ChatGPT in less than thirty seconds.]

Boat Hire

Boat Hire Coordination

Admin has now taken on the task of coordinating boat hires. Please check our website for full instructions (Angling / Boat & Kayak Hire) or by [clicking here](#).

To hire a boat, you must:

- Complete a boathouse, boat, or kayak induction.
- Hold a marine licence (for boat hire).
- Register as a hirer, and complete a risk waiver.
- Be 18 years or older.

Payments for boat hire can be made:

- At the bar during Club hours.
- Online with a credit card through our payment gateway.
- Using fob credit (ensure you have sufficient funds loaded).

For further information, please reach out to **Stuart Cousins**, our Boathouse Captain, at **[captain @ apyac.org.au](mailto:captain@apyac.org.au)**.

Admin is assisting with the booking process only.



Reminder to Wait Listers

If you've recently submitted a joining application you are now on the Club's **Active Waiting List**.

Applicants on this list will be invited to join as members on a first-come, first-served basis, replacing resigned, or non-financial members in October / November each year.

As an Active Wait Lister, you will receive our regular newsletter, Tight Lines, keeping you updated with club news and events.

While waiting for membership, you are welcome to experience APYAC's ambience and cuisine. You, and up to three guests, are invited to book a table for one of the dining sessions listed below. This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy our stunning Port Phillip views, meet members, ask questions, and get a feel for the club atmosphere.

As a Wait Lister you can dine -Thursday lunch or Dinner, Saturday Lunch or Dinner and Sunday Breakfast please advise the office what session you would like.

Here is how to Book: As this is a special booking, you cannot reserve a table through the Club website as usual. To book, please call the APYAC office at 03 9690 5530 during office hours (Tuesday - Friday, 10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.). Speak with a member of the admin team and provide your name, preferred session, and the number of guests up to a total booking of 4. Alternatively email **[admin @ apyac.org.au](mailto:admin@apyac.org.au)** and provide your full name and preferred date and time.

Shellfish Reef Restoration.

If you are not up to speed with our involvement in this project, check out the **short video by clicking here**.

The **Victorian Fishing Authority** recently posted:

"Kayaker's Two Reef

Kayaker's Reef is a small-scale shellfish reef that was installed around 800m south-west of Kerferd Road Pier, Albert Park, in November/December of 2024.

In 5.4m of water, 90 triangles and 45 fish towers were arranged on the bottom, across an area of about 10x20m. The triangles were seeded with native oysters at the Victorian Shellfish Hatchery in Queenscliff, to help restore lost shellfish reefs in Port Phillip.

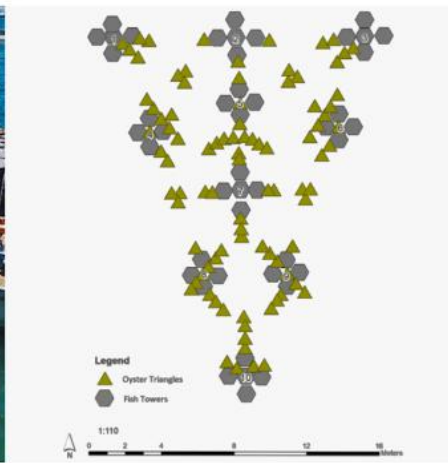
The triangle and tower structures will attract snapper, whiting and calamari and provide a convenient, near-shore reef for the growing number of kayak and small boat fishers enjoying the Port Phillip fishery, which has been net-free since 2022.

This project was led by Bob Pearce from the Albert Park Yachting and Angling Club, supported by us, and funded 50/50 by the club and recreational fishing licence fees.

We'd also like to acknowledge Reef Design Lab for designing and creating the fish towers, Stonekast for the oyster triangles, Kina Divers for helping to place the oyster triangles and Marine Aquaculture and Commercial Services for installing the reef towers."

Business lunch speech. The latest addition to the Club's Podcast library is a speech given by the Secretary to a business lunch about APYAC and our *Shellfish Reef Restoration Project*. Check it out by **clicking here**.\

[IMAGES: Deployment of the fish towers, the plan showing how the towers protect the spore-laden oyster triangles, diver with an oyster triangle next to a fish tower.]



New slide show

We have added new slides for the Club's slide show ... mostly from images that have appeared in Tight Lines. If you would like your image removed from the screen, please advise the office and it will be done immediately.

VRFish.

VRFish is the peak body representing the voice of recreational fishers in Victoria.

"When decisions are made that affect our fisheries we advocate for recreational fishing interests. We love fishing, just like you.

Whether it's fish habitat, water security and quality, fishing access and infrastructure or best practice, we aim to work in partnership to make sure Victoria's fishing experiences continue to improve, be sustainable and more enjoyable for all Victorians."



Art on the pier.

The latest exhibition has just been installed on Kerferd Road Pier. Come and check it out. You can vote on your favourite piece until 30th of July.

South Melbourne Pier Exhibition

June 1st – October 30th 2025

Richmond Traders Exhibition*July 1st – November 30th 2025***Central Square Ballarat Exhibition***July 2nd – December 30th 2025***Queenscliff Pier Exhibition***December 1st – April 30th 2026***Rosebud Pier Exhibition***February 1st – May 30th 2026*Check out the background to the exhibition ArtOnThePier.com.au

Tight Lines - Why so often?

The larger 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, (which we call *Slack Lines* behind the scenes), usually 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.

We have removed all email addresses, not because we don't want to hear from you, but it stops the bots that roam the internet from finding them to send spam email. Just click the contact links instead. For email addresses, just put them back together without any gaps. Tight Lines is edited by **James Nixon**.

Club Opening Hours.

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

Wednesday Trial.

Open 4 p.m.

Happy Hours 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Dinner 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Normal menu, no specials.

Book tables to help prove demand.

Thursdays, Fridays.

Lunch 12 noon - 2:30 p.m.

Bar Snacks 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Thursday Happy Hours 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Dinner 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Bar Snacks 8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Saturdays

Lunch 12 noon - 3:30 p.m.

Bar snacks to 4:30 p.m.

Saturday Happy Hour 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. (except when closed early for functions).

Dinner 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

If there are no bookings or demand, the venue will close at 7 p.m.

NOTE: If there is a function, we close at 3:30 p.m. sharp.

Sundays

Breakfast 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Lunch 12 noon - 3:30 p.m.

Bar Snacks 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

We remain open later on Band Sundays, details during booking.

Merchandise.

Get yours now. Use your house levy:

Jackets \$85

Vests \$75

Hoodies \$65

Golf Umbrella \$50.

Fishing Tops \$50

Polo Shirts \$50

Scarf \$20

Wine Glasses (pair) \$20

Neck warmer \$15

Cap \$30

Hats \$25

Pom Pom Beanie \$25

Postcards \$10 Eight cards and one stamp! (Buy for your Auntie!)

Stubby Holder \$10.



Wednesday 11th - Tuesday 24th June 2025

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