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## **REPORTS FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 18TH SEPTEMBER 2019**

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**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2018 TO 2019**

**SIMON BOYD**

In 2019 we as a club have celebrated our 100th Anniversary as a club; this of course is because of a band of volunteers that got together after the first world war to promote the sport of canoeing and build a community of like-minded souls.

On behalf of the club and all its current and past members, I thank the club founders for their enthusiasm, perseverance and tenacity without which there would not be a club that we enjoy today.

As the years progressed the club went from strength to strength and was maintained by groups of like-minded souls who kept the club going, embraced new members, grew the club and increased the club's assets when they could, kept the club going when members and interest waned and maintained the club's assets as best they could.

On behalf of the club and all its current and past members, I thank the club's volunteers for their patience, enthusiasm and efforts for without which our club would have withered.

Almost 40 years ago our club ebbed to its lowest level and but for a few die-hard members with a passion for the club which would have withered without them.

On behalf of the club and all its current and past members, I thank the die-hards that kept the club going and went on to begin the club's rebuild to where we currently stand.

In the past year we have enjoyed on our website the stories and anecdotes of the history and characters of our club. The events portrayed by the club history team are all part of a 'rich tapestry' of the life of our club, and long may we harbour, nurture and encourage all the characters big and small that will feature in tomorrow's history.

On behalf of the club and all its current and past members, I thank the history team for their efforts in shedding light on our club's people and past.

Looking at the past however reminds us that we can learn much, our club survives because enough of us have the passion to volunteer for club tasks, duties and responsibilities. I commend the club's currently active volunteers and thank them collectively and individually for their efforts.

We are sadly always struggling to find new volunteers to take on the tasks and responsibilities of the club and I implore all members to try and do something for the club, small or large every year so that far more people than just a few can be relied on to see the work of the club is completed.

In the last few years we have seen the "Canoe Polo" community within the club grow. This initiative led by a few members and supported by the board of management has grown and I hope will flourish within the club in the next few years.

Recently the club has revived the role of 'club Commodore'; this I think will reinvigorate the club's racing culture with enthusiasm and bring a spark back to the club. I ask all members to support Liz Jenkins and her brains trust by joining a Saturday morning coffee run and/ or a Sunday morning race; you will get camaraderie, enthusiasm and encouragement in spades.

As to the present I believe the club is in good financial shape with change always happening in small unforeseen ways whether it be the replacement of equipment, maintenance of the facilities or changes to the way things are done.

For the future our club has several challenges:

- Retaining younger members in the club.
- Keeping a flow of members through the club.
- Embracing technology to ease the workload of running the club.
- Engaging the membership in activities around the club.
- Making greater use of the wonderful club assets.
- Ensuring the interests of club members are at the forefront of decision making when dealing with Paddle Australia and Paddle Victoria as change arrives.

These challenges will not be easy and will require imagination and effort and I commend the new incoming board of management for their willingness to take these issues on and wish them luck and good fortune.

Simon Boyd

Chairperson 2018-2019, Fairfield Canoe Club

**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE YEAR FY2019**

- Collins Mellody have audited the 2019 financial accounts and have provided a clear audit report.
- Fairfield Canoe Club made a surplus of \$13,411 in FY2019. For fiscal year ended 2018 the club had a surplus of \$18,384.
- Income in FY2019 was \$70,840 including:
  - \$48,780 from membership renewal and boat racking
  - \$4,430 from interest income
  - \$13,638 from kayaking and canoe lessons
  - \$2,380 from fundraising
  - \$1,690 from other income including \$1,680 retention of CV early bird discount.
- Recurrent expenditure of \$57,429 in FY2019 is up 3.6% on last year. The major changes to the expenditure include the following items:
  - Social events were slightly lower which included the Centenary event
  - Administration costs were higher due to an increase in insurance costs
  - Coaching expenses were higher due to increased number of courses being offered, this was offset by increased course revenue
  - Club house expenditure was higher as Yarra City Council declined our application for a reduction in rates
  - Other expenditure was similar to FY2018.
- Net assets for FCC are \$436,889 compared to \$418,648 from last year.
- Shareholding funds have increased from \$138,940 to \$144,070.
- Fixed assets increased by \$5,429 in FY2019 comprising:

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| ○ Two Guppy's     | 2,670 |
| ○ Canoe Polo Shed | 2,759 |
- Cash at Bank (cheque account and term deposits) has increased by \$24,778 to \$281,777 mainly due to the reduced capital, club house and boat maintenance expenditure.

- Members who have not paid their membership over the last 3 years were sent letters requesting that they renew or resign from the club. No members in 2019 forfeited their shareholding.

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## THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR - FY 2020 FORECAST

For FY 2020 we are forecasting a deficit of \$9,121.

The deficit is largely due to increased estimates for council rates, insurance, social events and property maintenance.

We currently have \$84,356 cash and \$222,136 term deposits as at 31<sup>st</sup> August.

Proposed capital expenditure:

- 3 Canoe polo boats
- 3 new TK1s
- Slipway for launching the tinny with outboard motor

Craig Harpin, Treasurer.

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## SECRETARY'S REPORT 2019

ROWAN DOYLE

The Secretary is tasked with:

- Maintaining the Club Rules
- Regulatory Compliance particularly with the Cooperatives Act
- Maintaining Policy & Procedures
- BOM Meeting Minutes and Agendas
- Annual General Meeting
- Club Correspondence – including complaints
- Insurance

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## BOARD MEETINGS

- During the year, 11 FCC Board meetings as well as the Annual General Meeting were held with full attendance from board members at most meetings.
- Actions from prior meetings are tracked and reported upon at each meeting

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## POLICY, PROCEDURES, COMPLIANCE

- FCC's policies and procedures have been updated quite a bit over the past 12 months, with reviews of one or more policies at most board meetings. Policies updated

included 1. Neighbours, 2. Environment, 3. Club Building, 4. Club boats, 5. Motor boats, 7. Delegates, 11. Awards, 17. Life membership.

- FCC's risk register was reviewed and updated. Our risk register informs monthly tasks for the various director portfolios.
- FCC as a Cooperative works within the Cooperatives Act (Victoria) and submits annual reports to Consumer Affairs Victoria

Rowan Doyle, Secretary.

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

SIMON BOYD

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

- Renewal letters were posted to all shareholding members (including Trinity & Strathcona) at the start of June.
- Renewal Day was great successful. Very well-attended again, and many people stayed for the BBQ lunch. Approx 100 attendees with 116 members renewed.
- By the end of July, we had 200 membership renewals processed.
- By the end of August 213 membership renewals had completed processing.

### MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS (AS AT 12 SEPT 2019)

#### Membership Statistics - SHAREHOLDINGS

|               | <b>Total members</b> | <b>Adult members</b> | <b>Junior members</b> | <b>Seniors members</b> | <b>Concession members</b> | <b>Life members</b> | <b>Dependents</b> |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Active        | 219                  | 161                  | 36                    | 13                     | 7                         | 2                   | 36                |
| Non-Financial | 106                  | 83                   | 9                     | 2                      | 12                        | 0                   | 23                |
| All           | 325                  | 244                  | 45                    | 15                     | 19                        | 2                   | 59                |

|               | <b>Total non-financial</b> | <b>Since 2015</b> | <b>Since 2016</b> | <b>Since 2017</b> | <b>Since 2018</b> | <b>Since 2019</b> |
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| Non-Financial | 106                        | 6                 | 13                | 16                | 29                | 42                |

- 325 Shareholding Members in membership database
- 219 Financial Members (includes 20 Trinity & 10 Strathcona) + 36 Dependents
- 106 Shareholding Members not currently financial
- 13 Resignations for Financial Year 2019 to-date

#### Membership Statistics - AGES

- 36 11% Under 18 yrs (including Trinity & Strathcona)
- 36 11% 19-30 yrs
- 83 26% 31-50 yrs
- 160 46% 51-70 yrs
- 20 6% 71-90 yrs

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## FORFEITURES

Earlier this month (Sept), notices were posted to 35 shareholding members who have not paid membership fees for over three years. Under the FCC rules, if a member has been “inactive” for over three years, his/her membership is declared cancelled. And if the member doesn’t respond to the issued notice within the nominated time, his/her shareholding will be forfeited.

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## CHANGES AT PADDLE VICTORIA

In May 2019, Paddle Victoria advised of changes to the classes and associated costs of memberships. Initially, the proposed changes reduced the classes to just 3: Adult, Junior and volunteer. The club in principle supported this change however felt that the proposed fee rates needed amendment to encourage participation by in particular junior members and robustly represented this to Paddle Victoria to some success.

Paddle Victoria/ Paddle Australia continues however to undergo changes with respect to membership management and is implementing the “Go Membership” online database solution and is seeking to have it deployed at all clubs – more information under “Communications”. The adoption of an online technical solution would certainly be in the interests of our club given the effort required to maintain the current system and the inherent difficulties associated with reconciliation and updating of Paddle Victoria.

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## LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Just to recap on our life memberships:

- Until recently, FCC had only two life members: Tom Ohman and Zoli Szigeti (both awarded prior to FCC’s incorporation as a co-operative).
- At the 2016 AGM, we adopted the updated FCC co-operative rules - which include a provision for life memberships.
- At the 2017 AGM, Jon Mayne was awarded with life membership.
- At the 2018 AGM, Marg Buck was awarded with life membership.
- And tonight we will present another (ie FCC’s fifth) life membership.

Simon Boyd, Membership Director.

The Technical Director is tasked with:

- Overseeing club coaching and courses
- Overseeing the junior development program
- Supporting members to become club coaches
- Encouraging participation in races
- Running the Fairfield winter series race and other club races
- Arranging club awards

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## COACHING

During the last year we ran 11 Introduction to Kayaking and 3 Beyond Beginners courses. Thank you due to Tony Payne, Julie Perriam and Dasha Kopecek, who have all taken courses over the last 12 months.

There are currently 4 trainee coaches who are active at the club. We are keen to support more members through the coach accreditation program.

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## JUNIORS

This year the Junior PaddlePower squad continued to grow. We now have a core squad of about 20 children aged 10-14, who train on most Saturday afternoons. I would like to acknowledge the extraordinary amount of work Rowan Doyle puts in to the running of the Junior's program.

More of the squad members are coming to races which is fantastic to see. Many parents are also becoming involved with the club.

We now have a significant reserve in the Junior Development Fund which we began last year through the enthusiastic fundraising of Tony Payne. In 2020 we will aim to make the first grants from the fund, which is intended to support attendance at events, organise specialist coaching sessions and so on.

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## SCHOOLS

Trinity and Strathcona continue to be closely involved in training at the club and in racing in many of the Winter Series and other races for Fairfield.

We have hosted students from Fitzroy High and Northcote High for single day sessions, and hope to continue this relationship in the future. Thank you to Simon Boyd, Tony Payne, Michael Loftus-Hills and Trevor Archibald for organising and running these sessions.

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## WOMEN'S CANOEING

Dasha Kopecek and Georgina Wakim ran several 'This Girl Can' sessions over the summer and autumn. This is a new program designed by VicHealth to increase women's participation in sport. Several attendees have now joined the club. We hope to run more of these sessions over the summer.

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## COMPETITION

Marathon Paddling: This year we ran the second Winter Series marathon race at Strathcona's Tay Creggan campus. There were 124 entrants, slightly down from last year. I would like to say thank you to all of our club members who generously helped out on the day. We had several people volunteering for the first time, which is a great help in sharing the load. Thank you to Strathcona for allowing us to use the wonderful facility at no cost to the club.

Liz Jenkins has returned to the role of Race Director this year with a burning ambition to reclaim the Winter Series trophy, which has been bolted to the wall of Ivanhoe Northcote Canoe Club for far too long. We have been putting on pre race barbecues and making a more consistent effort to organise our approach to the races. After a great showing from eight of our paddlers at WS5 in Wodonga it looks like we are on track to win the trophy back from INCC this year. Thank you Liz for your efforts and enthusiasm.

Sprint Paddling: Fairfield members are also active in Sprint racing – both in competition and in administration. The Paddle Victoria Sprint Committee delivered two great races this year – the Victorian Championship and the Schools Championship - particular thanks to a number of Fairfield members including Georgina Wakim (secretary), Rowan Doyle (chair), Marg Buck, Neil Grierson, Jon and Jenny Mayne.

Canoe Polo: The re-development of polo at Fairfield has proceeded apace this year, with plenty of training on during the week and weekends – particularly Sundays – and with multiple Fairfield teams at most Victorian events. This year, for the first time, Fairfield has fielded a junior polo team at many of the events including on Wednesday nights in C grade. Congratulations to the Fairfield Juniors and many thanks to their coach Brigit Doyle.

Fairfield senior canoe polo players are well represented in Victorian and Australian teams and several have their sights set on the World Championships in Rome next year.

Wild water: Three of Fairfield's regular paddlers are also very active in wild water paddling and one in Slalom. Chris Wharton has chaired the wildwater paddling community in Victoria for a number of years. Chris, Tony Ladson and Tom Ladson all placed well in the National Wildwater championships in Tasmania in January this year. Chris Runting won the Masters V55+ National slalom championship on the Goulburn later in January.

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## AIMS FOR THE COMING YEAR

- Offer more club courses to meet the very high demand
- Increase the appeal of racing for new members
- Continue to develop our Junior PaddlePower squad, and increase participation in competitions using the Junior Development Fund

A final note - I (Pat) will step down from the board this year after a great 4 years. Being on the board has been a fantastic experience and I recommend it to anyone who would like to learn new skills and make a contribution to the club.

Pat Maclean, Technical Director.

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

**ANDREW MERRIFIELD**

**ACHIEVEMENTS THIS YEAR**

Below are some the activities and achievements of the social committee.

Huge thanks to everyone who helped us at these events.

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| Nov 2018  | <p><b>Working Bee</b></p> <p>Social committee catered BBQ lunch.</p>  |
| 2 Dec 2018  | <p><b>Christmas &amp; Awards Celebration</b></p> <p>Canoe Polo, “Walk across the Yarra”</p> <p>Catering: Roast chickens &amp; salads &amp; desserts (a lot catered by social committee).</p> <p>Activities included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kayak &amp; canoe races (incl K4 &amp; C4)</li> <li>- Live music (Zerafina Zara)</li> <li>- Santa visit with gifts for kids</li> <li>- FCC awards</li> </ul> <p>Great success. Approx 85 attendees.</p> <p>Tickets: \$15/adult, \$10/teen or child</p> <p>Cost to FCC: \$725 including awards</p> |
| <p>Mar 2019</p>  | <p><b>CleanUp Australia Day</b></p> <p>Social committee catered the BBQ lunch.</p> <p>Approx 4 participants, all FCC members.</p> <p>8 bags of rubbish removed from the river environ.</p>  |
| 7 Apr 2019  | <p><b>Centenary Celebration</b></p> <p>The Centenary celebration was a huge day with 160 attendees admirably arranged by the Centenary committee with social committee support.</p>   |
| 1 Jul 2019  | <p><b>Renewal Day</b></p> <p>Social committee catered the BBQ lunch.</p> <p>Attendance was the excellent. Approx 116 members renewing on the day.</p> <p>200 membership renewals were processed by end-July.</p> <p>Boat racks cross-checked.</p>   |
| 11 Aug 2019   | <p><b>Working Bee</b></p>   |

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|                | Social committee catered salads & cake.   |
| July-Sept 2019 | <b>Winter Series Preparation BBQs</b><br>BBQs to plot and plan our assault on the Winter Series to return the trophy to its rightful place. |
| 18 Sept 2019   | <b>AGM</b><br>Social committee catered the snacks & drinks & cake for Life Member award   |

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## LOOKING FORWARD – FCC CENTENARY CELEBRATION COMPLETION

Planning continues. The Centenary Celebrations sub-committee meets monthly.

Below are the proposed celebrations.

- 3rd celebration (the first two being the centenary in April and the FCC winter series race at Strathcona) – FCC Christmas Party on Sunday 1st Dec
  - Daytime carnival-style event, with games & races (eg tug-of-war, canoe bouncing, dancing, confetti battle, gunnel race, canoe tilting, best dressed competition)
  - All members of the paddling community invited

Andrew Merrifield, Social Committee.

## COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

ROWAN DOYLE

The communications committee's responsibilities include:

- Keeping the Fairfield website alive and fresh
- Sending out our weekly eNews
- Managing the FCC facebook page
- Managing automated mail outs such as advertising of classes, invites to annual awards night, Christmas function and AGM
- Managing club IT systems including board email, file storage, online booking, mailout
- On line surveys
- Maintaining noticeboards in the club house
- Linking with the History Project

It's great to continue to work with Michael Loftus-Hills (Lofty) on the club website and to have his support in delivering eNews and other club systems. His photography is superb and he has this year set up the photograph archive associated with the website, as well as supporting the ongoing history project.

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**WEBSITE - [WWW.FAIRFIELDCANOECLUB.ORG.AU](http://WWW.FAIRFIELDCANOECLUB.ORG.AU)**

Our website continues to evolve with regular news updates – particularly the history snippets which Hamish Ewing has mostly been writing, with the support of the History Committee – and hopefully our members have been enjoying. Hamish has a great turn of phrase.

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### **ENEWS – THE WEEKLY FCC NEWSLETTER**

Our weekly eNews has almost 400 subscribers.

Rowan, with help from Lofty and Pat, have produced our weekly eNews – mostly on a Thursday night, sometimes quite late and occasionally on a Friday morning instead...

We've continued History Snippets this year in our weekly eNews thanks to the History Team.

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### **CLUB MEMBERSHIP DATABASE PROJECT**

During the year, we started investigating transition to a database system for club membership – to replace our spreadsheet based system. During our investigations we found that Paddle Australia were looking to change the database behind their membership system, so we have worked with them and other clubs to provide input to the design of the new joint membership system.

The new system is called "Go Membership" and is based on a club/ national association database that is already used by many sports organisations around the world, including the British Canoe Association and subsidiary clubs.

Implementation of the system is underway at present in Paddle Australia, and the West Australian clubs went live recently. We plan to go live in a few stages over the next few months – initially for Paddle Victoria memberships, then for FCC membership.

This will mean a number of changes for new members signing up to FCC – we will sign up and pay online (although cash and cheque payments will also be possible) – and will also significantly affect our annual renewals process. We expect that the new database system will be fully implemented at FCC by February 2020.

One advantage of the new database will be a significant reduction in paperwork with the annual renewal cycle. It will also ensure that there is full alignment between our data and Paddle Australia data, something that has been challenging for athletes competing at national events.

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### **CLASS UPDATES LIST AND CLASS BOOKINGS**

More than 500 people are currently subscribed to our class update list. Pat and the Technical committee use this list to keep interested people informed about FCC classes. Anyone can subscribe to this list and then receive automatic an email when new classes are scheduled.

Pat has worked hard to manage the classes through Trybooking.

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### **FACEBOOK - [HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/FAIRFIELDCANOECLUB](https://www.facebook.com/fairfieldcanoecub)**

Our Facebook page has around 290 page likes, and is followed by more than 300 people.

Anyone can post an item as a visitor. To ensure suitability of postings Patrick Maclean, Michael Loftus-Hills, and Rowan Doyle are page administrators. Pat in particular has been great in keeping our FB presence fresh.

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## HISTORY PROJECT

The Centenary History Group met weekly for twelve months to prepare material for the Club Centenary celebration on Sunday April 7th. This major effort was rewarded by a magnificent celebration event for 160 members & friends, past and present. The by-product of the event was the FCC Centenary Photographic Exhibition which was then taken 'on the road' for month-long displays at both the Northcote (City of Darebin) and Fitzroy (City of Yarra) Libraries.

A major endeavour of the group has been to collate many hundreds of photos, long past, past and recent and then to make them available on our website for us all to enjoy. In addition, there is now a Centenary History Display Board which our group will curate with themed photos in the upcoming year. "Watch this space". In addition, you will note that two framed photographs 'bookending' our 100 Years have recently been hung in the catering corner of the clubrooms.

The History Group continues to meet monthly undertaking activities on several fronts...oral histories, history snippets for E-newsletter, cataloguing collected materials, refreshing the display cabinet, etc. There is much to do.

We believe that a Photographic History book is achievable and we are currently exploring any opportunities there might be within tertiary institutions for students of history or journalism to become involved. We reckon our history is an excellent project for someone to submit in 2020. We have now collated too much material to let it go to waste. We would welcome any ideas to achieve this goal.

The History Group supports the concept of a Centenary Tribute Theme at our Christmas Party this year to make a splendid finale to '100 years of paddling by FCC'.

We also suggest that it is timely to have a more visible sign on the riverfront to acknowledge the continuous presence of our club on this stretch of the Yarra for 100 years. The only signage at the moment is a small sign on the landing steps. Surely we can be more proud of our achievement than this? Perhaps an unveiling at the Christmas Party?

Finally we would like to thank the outgoing Board of Management for their vital ongoing support of our small group during this special centenary year. As our work is both unfinished and ongoing, we wonder if this group be a formal sub-committee of the BOM?

On a personal note, I would, once again, like to acknowledge the truly wonderful contributions made by the members of this group, viz: Margaret Buck, Michael Kane, Michael Loftus-Hills, Llew Morgan and Tony Payne. They are true champions of this club.

*Hamish Ewing* - Convenor FCC Centenary History Group

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## LOOKING FORWARD

- History project – several more snippets, potentially a publication and the final Christmas celebration of our history!
- A purpose built rack to display a range of interesting old paddles which have significant history with the Fairfield club.
- Upgrading the board's file sharing, action tracking and file storage system to Atlassian's "Confluence".

Rowan Doyle, Communications Director.

## CLUB MAINTENANCE REPORT

NEIL GRIERSON

### ACHIEVEMENTS THIS YEAR

In the 2018/2019 year a number of issues have been addressed

1. The usual lock change and service of locks was done for renewal day. We purchased 100 extra keys. The fitting of locks and change over of keys went smoothly.
2. The polo shed is almost completed under the capable supervision of Andrew Merrifield
3. The tree survey and report have been done to add to our risk management requirements
4. Further electrical repairs have been completed. This involved additional LED light replacements, the re wiring of some cable that was becoming unsafe in the boat store and maintenance of exit lights. Thanks to Jonathan Eager.
5. The usual bathroom consumables have been kept up to date
6. Ongoing maintenance issues have been dealt with such as replacing a soap dispenser, flashing the top of the boat store door, re fixing stair treads, maintaining the garden, keeping the boat store clean and tidy, adjusting the roller doors and other items as they occurred.
7. Liason and meetings as required with Fire Equipment Services and the cleaner has continued.

Thanks to those who have helped at the working bees we held and to Foster who is often at the club and fixes problems that he sees.

Without the members who support the working bees we would not be able to keep the club in good condition. Thanks again.

If you wish to report problems or have building maintenance suggestions please leave a note in the red box.

Chairman Maintenance Committee - Neil Grierson.

## RACKING

We have finally accommodated our waiting list for racks, be it 1st boat or 2nd paying rack.

We currently have a few easily accessible racks which are part of our greater plan.

Firstly all canoe polo boats are housed outside on the extended semi-open shed.

Please be aware this construction is below the high water level mark and has taken up considerable recreational space.

Secondly all equipment on the sloping faces of our building is secured; life jackets racks have been lowered resulting in a wider pathway, and junior boats have rope ties to prevent them from falling.

The other side of the building houses club K1s and TC1s, all secured by rope ties.

So, if you use any of these craft, please relocate them to same spot and secure them!

Thirdly we are investigating the possibility of joining 2 bays at one end of the building to house the Trinity boats four abreast over 5 tiers: this will accommodate their complete fleet.

This method of storage is successful at other clubs.

All this work would mean relocating members boats; every attempt will be made to place them in a similar level i.e. say rack D21 moving to location B 21.

Obviously respective members will be contacted prior to any movement.

We now have 100 club boats and probably 200 club paddles- replacement value \$150K.

We do value your input in looking after club equipment because the past 12 months have seen considerable damage occur. So if you see club equipment being used unkindly and likely to sustain damage, please extend your guidance to prevent any calamities.

This year we replaced one TK2 with a better one. We have 3 TK1's on order for beginners.

We have also purchased 2 new junior TK1's and some canoe polo equipment.

You can all make my job easier by informing me of any changes to your racking situation.

I would also welcome new finger prints on brooms and shovels used to keep the boat area clean and tidy; forensics know mine by heart!

Thanks to everyone who has helped with boat and shed cleaning.

Thanks to all members who complete the sign out and damage report sheets.

Foster Rossetto, Boat Maintenance and Racking Coordinator.