

# FAIRFIELD CANOE CLUB

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## CLUB NEWS

For those of you who have ventured down to the club recently you will have noticed that the river landing is undergoing repairs. We are endeavouring to rebuild half the landing and may need to replace all the metal frame as well as the top timbers.

Please take great care when using the remaining half of the landing as, apart from its normal winter slipperiness, some of the boards are at the end of their life and access to the landing is more difficult than usual. We have had to postpone the development of the inside of the clubhouse and use the funds already saved for this work. It is quite a difficult and expensive task so please have patience.

Please note, the dismantled section of the landing has been roped off and should not be used by anyone for river access. There are numerous hidden obstacles in the river under the dismantled section so for your own safety keep clear. Should you see anyone using this dangerous section please politely advise them to use the other portion (river level permitting).

## COACHING AND TRAINING

With Zolli Szigeti

Sundays:       Beginners           1 hr, 9.00 am  
                  Training Squad   2 hrs, 10 - 12 noon

Wednesdays: By arrangement 874 1260



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## CLUB MAINTENANCE

The Directors, in their wisdom, have introduced a roster system for general club maintenance. Some members have already been contacted and selected a weekend for participation. Within the next month members will be contacted to select a weekend for their contribution of time in undertaking some or all of the following tasks.

1. Sweeping club downstairs
2. Sweeping pathways
3. Clearing out gutters
4. Basic gardening
5. Rubbish removal
6. Lawnmowing.

The roster is displayed on the club house notice board, just inside the main door.

This system will be open for comment at the Annual General Meeting next month, however the intention is to initially introduce a 'levy', refundable after participation. Many other sporting clubs run similar systems, some with fines of \$200 for non-attendance at working party weekends. To avoid such severe fines we need the active participation of all members - remember, many hands make light work! (and a few \$ may get the electricity on as well.)

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

(put them in your diary now)

AUGUST 13th MONDAY NIGHT  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OCTOBER 13th SATURDAY NIGHT  
FUNDRAISING RESTAURANT EVENING  
Venue to be announced

NOVEMBER 24th - 25th  
Vic Health MASTERS GAMES  
Mornington Peninsula

Andre Kowalski - note masters  
start at age 30 for canoeing!

Application forms available see Editor

DECEMBER 1ST  
BBQ at the Club House

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## RACE NEWS

Fairly disappointing turn ups to the Marathon races this winter season. After 8 club members turned up to the Salt Water Classic in early February it looked like the enthusiasm might continue. Unfortunately only 3 members have been spotted at the VACA races (Essendon & Geelong).

### Results

- Essendon K1 45 years

2nd Ken Chandler 1:30.09

TK1 Open

10th Tony Payne 2:09.50

16th Michael Loftus-Hills 2:21.34

- Geelong TK2 Open

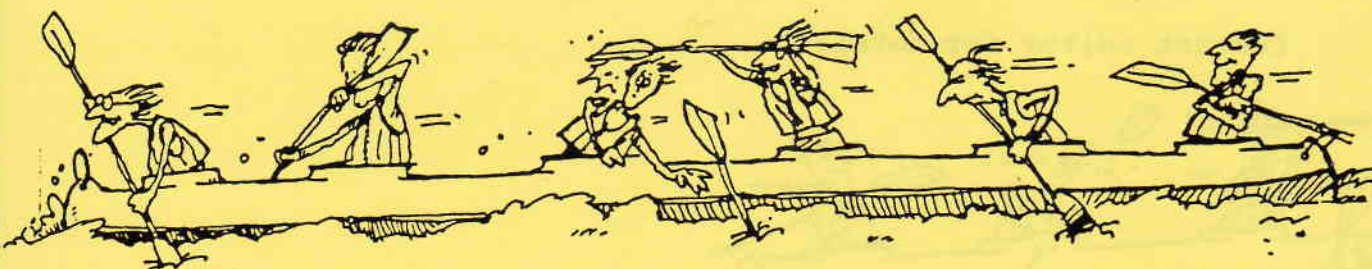
7th Tony Payne/Michael Loftus-Hills

Ken Chandler also competed (unknown result)

Each time a club member competes they earn points for the overall club competition so the more the merrier.

Those of you who plan to compete in the 1990 Murray Marathon should be starting to think about getting down to the river for some early build up.

We are planning pre-marathon sessions for September/October in conjunction with Red Cross and Zolli - watch out for further details. And don't forget Zolli's squad and lessons to straighten out your technique.



## SOCIAL EVENTS

Although long past now, the FCC BBQ was a typically enjoyable occasion for those in attendance. Once again David Ross and the Sweet Nutcrackers Jazz Band entertained the crowd whilst they tucked into the delicious food.

For those who don't know, Vena Kuna supplies all the food for these social events and there is no exaggeration in saying it is the best food you will ever eat at a BBQ.

Vena runs the 'Le Belmore' restaurant in Belmore Road, Balwyn and always welcomes Fairfield Canoe Club members. Vena has always supported Fairfield CC with his catering skills and family membership so we strongly encourage you to sample his fine fare. Phone: 857 6445 for bookings.

## FOR SALE

TK1 SABRE in excellent condition  
\$500 O.N.O

K1 - TIGER excellent condition

TC2 - TORRO  
good condition

Club Track Suit Tops (only \$20 each)

1. Light blue upper, dark blue trunk Size 36
2. Dark blue Size 36
3. Dark blue Size 38.

Contact editor for details.





MEMBER NEWS

Since the last newsletter we have several new members:

Christine Hill  
Neil Grierson  
Graeme Preston & family  
Joe Barr

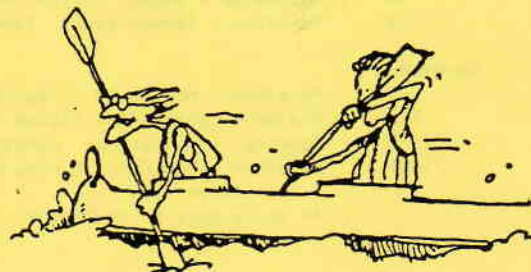
We welcome these people and hope they have many happy years paddling with FCC.

At least another dozen enquiries have been made so hopefully we will convert these into real live members.

We are still trying to entice Peter Ohman back to Fairfield, so if you see him on the river - ask him when he is joining the friendly club. (A vicious rumour is circulating that Peter has finally seen the light and gone back to sitting while paddling - he was recently seen in the front of a K2.)

Congratulations !! to past Director Mark Kuna who married Kathe Callaghan in Boston (USA) on June 30th. We wish Mark and Kathe good health and happiness together and look forward to their participation in the club on their return to Oz.

Mark's younger brothers are making good use of his TK1, in fact, rumour has it that they can now easily account for Michael Loftus-Hills over any distance! The Kuna tradition lives on!



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June				
1	Canoe Polo Committee AGM	Elizabeth Tunaley	762-1347	
2-3	Dragon Boat - Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival			
3	Touring - Novice Tour Jumping Creek to Warrandyte Yarra River	Rod Jones	723-5117	
7	V.B.C.E. AGM - 332 Banyule Road, Viewbank 8 pm	Mike Higginson	459-4251	
10	Marathon - VACA Race 3 Geelong	Peter Shorten	(052) 92-260	
11	Marathon - VACA Race 4 Footscray	Judy Clarke	311-5226	
14	V.A.C.A. Annual General Meeting - Hawthorn Recreation Centre	Christine Matthews	387-7576	
16-17	Wildwater - Training & Coaching Day Big River	Torsten Krebs	419-9237	
24	Triathlon - Mid-Winter Triathlon Ballarat	Ann Blee	(053) 341-536	
30-01	Slalom - Yarra Slalom Series Race 2 M.U.C.C.	E. Stackpole	481-1021	
July				
1	Marathon - VACA Race 5 Cobram	Ian Docking	(058) 734-450	
7	Wildwater - 'Gut Buster' Wildwater Race Homestead Rd Yarra River	Kevin Mansfield	428-6531	
8-10	Canoe Polo - Aust. Inter-Club Championships State Swim Ctr	Frank Magee	314-3887	
12-14	Canoe Polo - Aust. Interstate Championships	John Pearson	397-2583	
13-22	Slalom - Junior World Championships Grisons, Switzerland			
22	Marathon - VACA Race 6 Yarrawonga	Wendy Phillips	(057) 441-879	
26	V.A.C.A. Council Meeting - Hawthorn Recreation Centre	Christine Matthews	387-7576	
28	Marathon - Essendon Canoe Club Night Race Essendon	Nora Smith	311-3402	
28-29	Peregrine Winter Classic Omeo	Peregrine	663-8611	
29	Touring - Novice Tour Jumping Creek to Warrandyte Yarra River	Rod Jones	723-5117	
August				
4-5	Slalom - Double Header Howqua River	Canoes Plus	817-5934	
11	Marathon - Victorian Schools Championships Footscray	Dawn Mickelburgh	754-4292	
12	Marathon - VACA Race 7 City Sherbrooke-Knox	Craig Reece	836-4061	
19	Slalom - Yarra River	Outdoor Act.Group	878-1943	
18-23	Slalom - Pre-World Slalom Championships			
19	Yarrawonga-Mulwala Ironman Yarrawonga	Wendy Phillips	(057) 441-879	
26	Wildwater - Victorian Wildwater Racing Championships King River	Torsten Krebs	419-9237	
September				
2	Slalom - Yarra Slalom Series Race 3	Andrew Farrance	857-5303	
2	Marathon - VACA Race 8 Echuca	Trevor Herbert	(054) 824-515	
9	Triathlon - Whitehorse Bush Triathlon Barkly River	Geoff Greenwood	387-7680	
15-16	Slalom & Wildwater - Victorian Schools Championships Yarra River	Canoes Plus	817-5934	
22-23	Marathon - Victorian Championships Mildura	Dawn Mickelburgh	754-4292	
22-23	Slalom - Victorian Slalom Championships Mitchell River	Canoes Plus	817-5934	
29-01	Slalom & Wildwater - NSW Championships Goobragandra Creek	B. Pallister	(042) 616-739	
October				
*	6	Marathon - Barwon Mini Geelong Red Cross	Jenny Mayne	848-1653
	6	Marathon - Bendigo Cup Bridgewater Bendigo	Tony Misson	(054) 411-170
	7	Sprint - Bendigo Cup Bridgewater Bendigo	Tony Misson	(054) 411-170
	13-14	Slalom - Mitchell River	Canoes Plus	817-5934
	20	Marathon - Echuca Mini Echuca Red Cross	Jenny Mayne	848-1653
	28	Wildwater - Race Howqua River or King River **	Michael Wentworth	717-3550
November				
	3-4	Slalom - NSW Southern Zone Canberra	R. Crick	(062) 30-1454
	4	Marathon - Canoe Swan Hill	Sally Bodinnar	(050) 323-189
	10	Marathon - Yarra Marra Healesville Red Cross	Jenny Mayne	848-1653
	11	Slalom - Yarra Slalom Series Race 4	Richard Macquire	844-3366
	11	Marathon - Bridge to Bridge Challenge Geelong	Peter Shorten	(052) 92-260
	11	Triathlon - Yarrawonga-Mulwala Yarrawonga	Wendy Phillips	(057) 441-879
	11	Touring - Novice Tour Jumping Creek to Warrandyte Yarra River	Rod Jones	723-5117
	17-18	Marathon - Goulburn Classic		
	18	Wildwater - Races Buffalo or Ovens Rivers **	Warren Elms	850-6156
	25	Marathon - Tarwon River Tarwon Lower	Colin Brown	(051) 222-062
December				
	1	Marathon - Murray 40 Yarrawonga - Cobram	Ian Docking	(058) 734-450
	1-2	Slalom - Canoes Plus Slalom Goulburn River	Canoes Plus	817-5934
	2	Touring - Novice Tour Jumping Creek to Warrandyte Yarra River	Rod Jones	723-5117
	27-31	Marathon - Red Cross Murray Marathon	Jenny Mayne	848-1653

\* Tentative date

\*\* Verue must be confirmed