

Vice Commodores Report

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2021/22 AGM of the PDYC

The best way to describe the 2021/22 season, is one of consolidation. The season kicked off with a successful shakedown up to Rosevears and just rolled on from there. With the Covid monster looking over our shoulder at every turn we managed to keep it at bay and deliver a packed program of sailing.

Thanks, on behalf of our members to our many volunteers who help deliver the sailing program, our sailing committee, our race officers, our rescue and mark boat crews, safety officers and handicappers, a lot goes on behind the scenes and racing would not take place without it.

Even though the wind is not only free and exempt from tax, our sport of sailing has some annoying overheads, thankfully with the support of our many sponsors and supporters we can defray these costs from our members, so on behalf of our members thank you for supporting our club

Last year I proposed that this season our club would strengthen its position as the premier **SAILING CLUB** in the states north with a commitment to inclusion, training and safety. I believe that we have done this and more, and our plans moving forward should see us consolidate this position.

The adoption of the club's strategic plan has given us direction to our program and emphasizes the necessity to grow our junior, youth and she sails programs. With our Discover Sailing center on a sure footing, we are well placed to capitalize on these programs.

As we move into a new season, we see Greg handing the Discover Sailing Centre stewardship on to Ben Galbraith, who I am sure with the ongoing support of Instructors, assistants and parents/members will continue to deliver a valuable learn to sail program.

As Vice Commodore the highlights for me were the expansion of our offshore program, a solid representation in the L2H, growth in our SB20 fleet and events, and the cracking performance by our young Sabot sailors both here and at Teralba for the Nationals.

On the horizon we look forward to an expanded SB20 lineup, further growth in our offshore racing, and the honor of delivering both the Sabot and NS14 National Championships this summer.

In closing i would like to thank the many members who have assisted me in my role as Vice Commodore over the last 4 years, in particularly the guidance and advice from Peter Sluce, Greg Rowsell, Kevin Lloyd and Dave Shepherd and I wish our incoming Vice Commodore all the best and offer my assistance to them moving forward.

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Vice Commodore