REAR COMMODORES REPORT-2020/21 SEASON PORT DALRYMPLE YACHT CLUB

It has been a busy year with general maintenance being undertaken by the Works Committee as well as our Club members. It seems there is always plenty to do most of which goes on behind the scene and I thank all who have contributed to the physical effort to keep the Club functioning The past season has been busy with ongoing maintenance around the Club by the Works Committee running smoothly.

The jetty project is complete with the final railway iron and old timber piles being removed as well as well as zinc anodes being fitted to prevent electrolysis.

The enclosure on "Bobs Nob' has been completed and the area tidied up.

The original roof of the Clubhouse has recently been replaced and we intend to reuse the best of the old iron to reclad the wall of the dinghy/storage sheds to the north of the clubhouse.

In relation to the slipway a number of second hand cradles have been purchased from Tamar Marine who have closed their slips and one has been donated. We will bring them into service in the coming months.

Regarding the slipway upgrade good progress is being made with plans finalised and approval being sort from the various Government Departments to enable us to proceed to submit a Development Application to the West Tamar Council.

Funding has been sought from the State and Federal Governments as well as the West Tamar Council with the State committing to approx. 37% of the budgeted cost. We are hopeful of securing the remainder by the next Federal election.

The coming season should see commencement and hopefully completion of this project. Our slipway will then be the first facility on the Tamar to be compliant with the Environment Protection Authority guidelines.

In relation to the trailer park and launching ramp a subcommittee will be formed to expand the area and to enlarge the launching ramp to allow simultaneous launching of two boats to alleviate congestion on race days. The parking area is full and we need to provide more area for members to store their boats. A storage container has been purchased and will be sited next to the rescue boat shed for storage of sails particularly for the ever expanding SB20 fleet.

We are also upgrading security in the area with cameras and alarm system.

We continue to manage our mooring area on behalf of MAST and they have acknowledged that during a recent storm there were no incidents with our boats breaking away. I thank our members for continuing to have their moorings serviced every two years as required by the Club.

Finally, I would like to thank the hard working members who volunteer their time and efforts to keep our Club running smoothly.

Glen Cornish

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