

# Myall Lakes Aquatic Club

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## Last Outing - Valentines Day - Joes Cove - 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> February 2010

It was good to see our new members, Rod & Melissa Blanch, and Shane and Kristen Elvy at our meeting with their children. It's good to see some young blood coming into the club.

Our last outing to celebrate Valentine's Day, on 13-14<sup>th</sup> February, was held at Joe's Cove. Twelve boats with about 27 crew made it up for a very enjoyable extended weekend. Tim Motum came armed with a trivia quiz to entertain us on the Saturday night, which was won by the crew of "John B II".

Chris Julian also put all the blokes on the spot by giving them all a red rose to present to their ladies and the hitch was we all had to express our feelings for our partners and we were judged on the best speech. Old silver tongue, Donny Legge won the event hands down with his little speech to First Mate Wendy. He's been around long enough to know where his bread is buttered!



We were also entertained by Shane Elvy on his guitar with a singalong led by Kim, Donny's

daughter. As usual the weather did its thing about 10.00pm Saturday by turning west and quite strong. It's the only wind to affect you in Joe's Cove. Thankfully the blow didn't last too long so we didn't have to shift, but it was lively enough to show a few first timers at that anchorage what a westerly can do, especially at night. Anyhow, there was no damage and a great weekend was had by all.



## Next Outing - Fish & Chip Night 13-14<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Our next outing is on March 13-14<sup>th</sup> at Johnsons Beach and its our annual Fish and Chip Night with fresh Myall fish and chips cooked in our own chip cooker on site and served with salad and buns, on Saturday Night.

**IT'S NECESSARY FOR US TO HAVE NUMBERS ATTENDING THE NIGHT BY THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**, so we can order the fish and organise the salads etc. If you are coming, please **RING SUSIE SHERWOOD ON 4982 3302 OR EVE ON 4982 3663**. It's always a good feed so try to make it up there. Price is \$10 per adult and \$5 for kids.

## Happenings

Our illustrious Vice Commodore can always be counted on for a story. I will do my best to relate the truth, the whole truth and nothing like the truth to recall the several different accounts of an incident involving Doddsy and his brother on Impeccable Too on a recent weeks holiday on the lake. On arrival at Blossom anchorage, Pete attempted to suck onto the side of Leggie's boat for the night so he didn't get his anchor wet, but he was quickly dispatched to Long Point by Leggie who wanted a quiet night (after his speech to Wendy on Valentine's Day, one has to wonder about his motives) Anyhow, Doddsy and his brother picked up the inside protected mooring at Long Point, and SECURED THE BOAT for the night.??? Following a meal and several wines they retired for the night. Morning arrives, and Doddsy's brother John says to Pete, who is not yet up, "Pete, I think we've moved!" Pete says to John, "Don't be so stupid, we're on a mooring, we can't move". John says "I can't see any other moorings". Pete says "Open your eyes, they must be there, you've had too much to drink last night." They were then suddenly startled by a voice booming out at the side of the boat saying "What the hell are you doing here?" On investigation, Pete eventually makes it on to the deck to find Donny Legge in his trusty tinny alongside. "What's the problem?" says Pete. "What are you doing here and aground to boot, I thought I told you to get onto a mooring?" "I did" pleaded Pete. "Well then the moorings are 4km that way" said Donny, "and you're here. Didn't you tie on!" "Of course I did" says Pete innocently, "Didn't I, John?" On investigation there was some minor evidence that he had tied on (the mooring rope was still on board! Just no longer attached to the float.) Anyhow 30 minutes later they arrived back in Long Point and spent some time collaborating their version of events. All this and it's only night one!!

Watch this space for the continuing Saga.

And while we're on the subject of STUFF UPS, Terry and Margaret Coates set up a continuous dinghy line to shore along their stern line. Terry was observed trying to relocate a 40cm whispering pine when he tried unsuccessfully to navigate his dinghy back to his vessel. It helps considerably to

untie the dinghy from the tree, Terry!! Must be all that Navy training!.

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## Calendar - Proposed dates

**Put these dates in your diary for this year**

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1. **16<sup>th</sup> May** – Korsman's –BYO – Master's Games
  2. **12-14<sup>th</sup> June** - Captain's Stew- Bandicoot Point
  3. **24-25<sup>th</sup> July** – Christmas in July – Bulahdelah Bowling Club
  4. **September 11<sup>th</sup> AGM** – Lemon Tree Passage Bowling Club
  5. **November 13-14<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas – Violet Hill
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## Thank You

We would like to thank Ian Sherwood for all the photos he has taken of our outings since he joined the club. Also remember if you would like a memento of any of our outings, Ian has done a wonderful job of making a DVD of each outing. If you would like a copy of any outing over the past few years, ring Ian on 4982 3302 and organise to get a copy from him. Each DVD costs \$5. This is a great way to remember the wonderful times we have up the lakes with our boating friends.

## Club Raffle for 2010

Chris Julian has suggested that a member of each boat do a patchwork square, which she will then make into a rug to be won as first prize in a club raffle. The colour scheme is red, white, blue and grey, Each square is to be 12" square, allowing a bit for a hem. You can do patchwork, embroidery, etc but all squares should have a nautical theme. Think about this and ring Chris on 0422 931 899 for more information.

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## 500 Club

The club will be running a 500 club during 2010 meetings which will be drawn at the Christmas outing. More information at the next meeting .

## Thoughts of the Day

1. The true measure of a person is not in dollars but in sense.
  2. An extended warranty lengthens your coverage to the day just before your appliance breaks
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## Welcome to New Members

Welcome to new members Rod and Melissa Blanch and Kevin and Sandra Denham. We hope to see you at some of our meetings this year!

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## Sick Call

Our Vice Commodore, Peter Dodds, is going into hospital on the 8<sup>th</sup> March to get a hip replacement. We, the members of the MLAC, would like to wish him a speedy recovery and hope to see him up the lakes again in the near future.

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Safe boating until next time

