

Myall Lakes Aquatic Club

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Last Outing - Masters Games at Violet Hill 16-17 May



Peter "The Shark" Kendall

Our Games outing was transferred to Violet Hill from Johnson's due to the winds. However this did not stop this year's Master Games from being declared our Best Ever!!! Our social committee added some new events this year with a men's and women's kayak race plus Aqua Golf events such as The Longest Drive and a Hole in One. The hole in one was accomplished if you could hit the golf ball into a canoe moored offshore. The old favourites of the gumboot throwing competition and American horseshoes were also popular. And there was also Boule for those still with some energy.

It was good to see everyone participating in the events which is what makes it so good. Our oldest members, Peter & Yvonne Kendall played golf, American horseshoes and Gumboot throwing, which goes to show, you are only as old as you feel.

The winners for the events were:

Men's Kayak Race: Bob Julian

Women's Kayak Race : Chris Julian

Hole in One Golf: Alan Coates

Longest Drive: Kevin Williams

American Horseshoes- Men : Joe Marko

American Horseshoes- Women: Margaret Coates

Gumboot Throwing – Men: Terry Hayden

Gumboot Throwing – Women: Evon Williams

After a bit of R&R and dinner, we settled down to a night of Trivia, ably run by Joy. This was run in 5 teams of 4.

The results were:

Equal First: Go Getters and Just Brett

Third: Puffing Billies

Fourth: Yip

Fifth: Violet Hill Vultures – who won a prize for the best team name.

All in all it was a most enjoyable day. Peter Kendall, who has been lending us his horseshoes for the event, has now donated a set of horseshoes to the club along with a set of rules. Thank you Peter & Yvonne.



Chris Marko in action

Next Outing - Captain's Stew Cooking at Bandicoot Point- June Long Weekend - 6-8 June

Our Annual Captain's Stew Cooking is on again and this year we are hoping for better weather on

the Long Weekend than we have had the last couple of years.

The event will be held at the River Mouth at Bandicoot Point, which is at the mouth of the Bulahdelah River (for new members)

The Captain's Stew Cooking Competition will be on the Saturday afternoon and we eat the stews for dinner that night. So men bring your camp oven's along with a bag of wood for the fire and your best recipe for the stew. Remember there is no helping from the wives and the men prepare the stew onshore. Chris is trying to get an impartial judge to be there for the judging. There are trophies to be won for the best and the worst stew. Remember Brian, we all need to be able to eat the stew without it burning our insides out!!!

On Sunday, it's the ladies turn to cook a damper in the camp oven, which is again judges and a trophy awarded to the best damper. This will be eaten for afternoon tea.

Happenings.....

The good ship Wyandotte made another trip up the Myall following further modifications. Rumour has it that Brian has secured a contract dredging the foreshore between Lemon Tree and Mallabula. Should any vessels wish to navigate along this area, there is now significantly more water available than before!

And while we are on the subject of Brian, a protest has been lodged with the stewards following Heat 1 of the Men's kayak event, during the Masters Games, when Brian was leading the event, he significantly changed his stroke and his craft actually reversed for some reason in front of other eager participants causing disruption and loss of ground in the fleet. He is crying foul play caused his direction change but we all know better!! A drug swab was called for and the stewards are awaiting results.

Terry Hayden was so hot following his heat in the Kayak event, he was forced to overturn his craft to cool off (yeah 16° water temp, come on Terry!), we all know it was a stability problem with the craft. Maybe too much weight too high up??

Peter Kieran led his heat to the halfway point in the Kayak event. The rounding mark was Bob & Chris Julian's 35' houseboat. Not difficult to see was it!! Anyway, during his rounding manoeuvre, Peter ran smack bang into the side of the houseboat. Some things never change, do they Pete???



Terry Hayden tests the temperature

New Boat

Vice Commodore & Treasurer, Pete & Suzie, are now in possession of a different "Impeccable Too". They recently purchased a Clipper 40" and she looks very schmick and shiny. She's all tarted up and ready to go so we'll be seeing her often out on the bay and up the lakes. Congratulations, Good Luck & good choice, Pete & Suzie. Whitworth's are now "OFF LIMITS" for Pete for a while according to First Mate, Suzie!!

Upcoming Event Calendar

1. **July – 18-19 – Joe's Cove –Spit Roast**
2. **September 6 – AGM at Lemon Tree Passage Bowling Club**

Safe boating until next time

