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Long Point Bay – October Outing - 2022

1-3 October 2022

The anticipation and excitement of a long weekend on the lake was palpable! Several members were already enjoying the tranquility of the lakes. The tides and an early escape allowed the 'working class' on Toy Ship, Carroa and Karma to join Santosha and Imagine in Long Point Bay late on Friday afternoon.

Early Saturday morning the Commodore and Treasurer completed a high speed sortie for the most suitable location. The rain was trying to hold off, however the wind was indecisive about which direction it wanted to blow. The decision was made to change the outing location to Long Point Bay. Over the course of the morning club members continued to arrive which kept the captains suitably entertained with anchors, ropes and fenders until all 11 boats were safely rafted together tucked up in the corner of Long Point Bay.



Kiandra; Independence; Karma; Imagine; Santosha; Toy Ship; Carroa; Ampolla; Calypso; Spray and Larinda.



There was still plenty of time for members to kayak, jet ski and relax before the 4pm Huddle. The Commodore updated club members with the following:

- Welcomed long term existing members David and Chris who have been 'between boats' for a number of years whilst they built their boat 'Larinda'. (There was considerable interest over the weekend as members were eager to inspect David and Chris' handywork).
- Long term member Doug Ray has sadly passed away, our thoughts are with his family and friends.
- Reminder that the AGM will be held at Myall Shores, 19/11/22 at 3.30pm - all welcome.
- Club shirts are available for order through Secretary Linda, please email quantity and sizes.
- Congratulations to Mac and Linda who have been successful in securing the tender for the operation of the pump out service for the next 3 years.
- The maintenance on the Prawn is ongoing, inspection has revealed significantly more repairs than first anticipated. Many members have assisted so far in many hours of scraping, grinding and sanding. Fibreglass repairs are currently underway. A new cover has been completed and will be fitted when repairs and painting are completed.
- Reminder to members to be vigilant when navigating the river as there are still a large number of fallen trees in the river.
- The Committee are looking for suggestions from club members regarding activities of interest for club outings. All ideas are welcome.
- Thanks to the members who organised and prepared the nibbles and to Paul and Wendy for hosting the huddle in the 'club house' (aka the upper deck of Santosha).



Chatting continued well into the evening following the huddle and Sunday dawned with clear skies and sunshine. The tender trek proceeded as planned around to the Limestone cave and a search for some historic graves of the Bramble and Palmer families who farmed land in the area of Bibby Harbour and Kataway Bay for many years. The group fanned out into separate 'noisy' groups that could be heard all over the point. However, limited detail on the exact location and very thick undergrowth meant the grave sites remained hidden.....perhaps a challenge for another day! Nevertheless, lots of fun was had and some historic fence posts and lemon trees were found.

Intrepid Explorers!



Back to the boats for a late lunch and relaxation, followed by afternoon water sports. Then early tea for members who were keen to watch the NRL grand final. Those interested crammed into Toy Ship to watch the game.

Sadly, the weekend must end and early Monday saw the beginning of the exodus of members heading off for the trek home. See you all again soon @ the AGM on 19/11/22, 3.30pm Myall Shores.

