

Newslettter August 2022

Hello members, on behalf of your new committee welcome to the Classic Boatshed 2022/23

We have made some changes to the committee. Graeme Bishop and Brian Keast, who have served us well, have stepped down to make way for Nick Hornsby and Steve Price. Glenn Sellers has moved from Vice President to Secretary and Jeff Marriott steps into the role of Vice President. I am continuing as President and Peter Turner as Treasurer.

Here are the roles committee members will perform for the coming year.

- Steve will be Workshop 1 liaison and Jeff will do the same for Workshop 2. Anything you need to communicate to the committee needs to come through them.
- Chris Stewart and Bob Lowe continue as our mentors, Chris looking after rebuilds and Bob new build projects. Both Bob and Chris will arrange regular skills training.
- John O'Neill, apart from his work on Rhythm, coordinates the social side of Boatshed life.
- Glenn is committee Secretary and Safety Officer.
- Outside of the committee we have members taking on these roles:
 - o Peter Williamson and Keith Howard coordinating the rowers.
 - o Peter Currie in-house hygiene.
 - o John Cullen First Aid.
 - Mario Asset management.
 - o Chris Grallelis Lathe management.

Here is a rundown on current projects/Grants

- The Concrete Pad in front of WS 2; Awaiting a start date from JS Formwork.
- Mens Shed Association grant for a defibrillator for WS2; still not declared.
- Pittwater Scull Grant; from CBP has been finalised.

New Builds

- Sassafras project kit has been delivered and work has been started.
- Acorn 17 kit is under construction in WS 1
- William IV Ships Boat, plans have been purchased for lain Oughtred's Guillemot 11' 5".
- **Poddy dinghy** is being painted, Bob Stuart, the purchaser, visits regularly, he is very happy with progress. Due to collect end August.
- **Pittwater Sculls**. Numbers 1 and 2, the CBP grant boats, are complete, numbers 3 and 4 are being worked on. #1 is currently with Noel but will be returned for community use.

Works in progress.

- Rhythm II; Progressing will need to be put on the trailer by the end of 2022 and stored in WS 2 at that time.
- **Rhythm II budget**. Approval has been given to spend up to \$10,000, the fuel tank has been completed, work is underway to finish the top sides and electrics.
- The Rhythm trailer; is stored with Terry Pierce needs lights for registration.
- Wright Boat; Complete and ready for sale with trailer and oars. It is at my home for photography and sale.
- Harbour Master; progressing.
- Gareth's rudder, Terry Pierce, Wal and Gareth are working on a rudder for Gareth's boat.
- **Rescue ONE** is an 11ft fibreglass dinghy donated by Reg Crick it needs a clean-up the plan is to keep it as a standby rescue boat, we have a 4HP outboard and all the safety gear.

• Vaucluse Senior. Marline Jacobson has offered to donate a VS which Alf was working on at the time of his death. Graeme Bishop has been to see the project and will advise.

Marine engines

We currently have five (or six) marine engines to work on. The Volvo MD1 is running, the Stuart Turner single cylinder two stroke is also running. A Meadows twin and various outboards are being held in WS 2. Two ALBIN twin cylinders petrol engines are being consolidated into what we hope will be one good engine. The fifth engine(s) is/are BUKH single diesels, one with normal horizontal drive through a gear box and the other fitted with a vertical drive through a sail drive unit. If we are to demonstrate the engine(s) at open days we will need an engine hoist to assist lifting onto trailers.

Project Progress Report (clipboard)

Each month I have been reporting on our various projects in an attempt to locate the projects and gauge progress. The individual reports are kept on clipboards on the wall in WS 1. Glenn is drafting material usage sheets for each project in an attempt to keep track of where workshop materials are used.

Other Matters

- VIOLA: I have been in touch with John McNulty who is keen to take Viola, he has a crew to sail her
- **Financials:** Our major outstanding commitment is to fund the concrete pad at WS 2. We have received \$5,500 from CBP grant towards this project.
- Boatfest 2023. Scheduled for 5th February 2023. This aligns with Lakefest 2023. The LMCBA, Boatshed, Boatfest and Lakefest websites and Facebook sites are updated by myself (and others in the case of Lakefest) and are up to date.
- Planning and Research; LMCBA Management Plan is being developed by the LMCBA committee led by Jeff Marriott. The first sub committee will meet later this week.
- Constitution review: Apart from there being a number of wording changes there are a number of typing and spelling errors. An editor will be appointed to undertake a review and to report changes needed.
- **Regalia;** Clothing is supplied by Mono Unique Toronto. We have had plastic logo plates engraved for fixing to finished projects.
- **Covid compliance** continues with the end to mandated mask wearing and QR code log-ins in Glenn's hands.
- Washroom reorganisation; Rather than extending a toilet bay it has been decided to erect a curtain. Mario is handling.
- **Scouts use** of storage space. Peter T has been in touch, there is some space available if we require.
- Insurance Cover. We are currently covered by insurance through the St Ayles Skiff Association for activities while rowing Catalina. We are cover by Mens Shed Insurance for boatshed activities other than in powered boats. The St Ayles Skiff Assoc insurance will cost \$300 this year and Men's Shed insurance already in place cost \$850. Both cover the cost of membership of the organisations.
- **Fire extinguishers** Newcastle Fire Extinguisher will service fire extinguishers every six months. They are due in September 2022.
- **Test and Tag.** Terry Pierce and a team of himself, Peter Ingrey, Brian Keast and John Moran will undertake T and T soon.
- Safety Officer, Glenn will be our Safety Officer co-ordinating activities.
- Marlene Jacobson has been awarded Honorary Associate Membership for her long association with the group.

Till next time at the Classic Boatshed. Bill