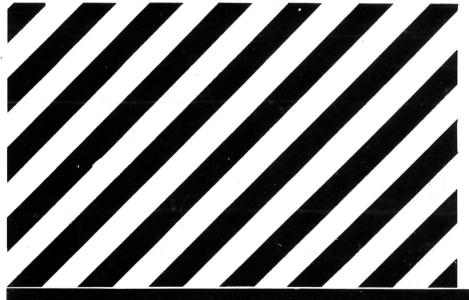
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NEXT MEETING MARCH 9: 8.00 pm The Palms. Cnr Rokeby and Nicholson Rds, Subiaco. NEXT RACE LOGUE BROOK DAM FEBRUARY 29 MARCH 1-2 FREDERICKSTOWN CUP APRIL 18-19

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ROUSE HEAD

The inaugural Rouse Head Spectacular was held on Saturday February 15th. Rouse Head is a new harbour built on the North Mole in Fremantle. Facilities such as toilets and a kiosk were provided by Boat Torque Cruises which made the event more civilised.

Unlike any other location this venue lacks a launching area. A makeshift ramp was built from various materials donated by club members.

A barge was hired from Lombardo's and construction started on Friday afternoon. By 9pm the ramp was finished bar final trimmings such as handrails, Stretch's, bedroom carpet and a marlin board.

Racing got underway at 2pm after everybody passed scrutineering successfully. Two courses were set, one long and one short. These were raced alternately to add a bit of diversity.

Tubs and F8's were out first, with Craig Whately finally showing some form with the circuits suiting his tub. Several drivers were disqualified for driving around the wrong side of the start buoys.

Static starts were the order of the day for the Peewees. Tyran Wilson was in form showing himself as a promising up and coming driver.

RESULTS

BATHTUBS

- 1. Gary Evans
- 2. Craig Whatley
- 3. Justin Ferguson

FORMULA 8

- 1. Kim Webb
- 2. Colleen Skewes
- Scott Bennett

PEE-WEE

(Group 1)

- 1. Justine Watson
- 2. Todd Williamson
- 3. Ben Fairhurst

PEE-WEE (Group 2)

- 1. Tyron Wilson
- 2. Narelle Watson
- 3. Nova Bevan

SPECTACULAR

"Sports Dinghies" followed with a large field of boats. Ian Williamson bowed out on the first corner doing a pearler of a flip. He soon found out Suzukis don't run verv well upside down. Paul Tregurtha also had trouble keeping his glass boat up the

"Standard Dinghies" was taken out by "Rob De Pretty Boy Joode" once again.

There were no major complaints about the day and competitors found out that many hands make light work when it comes to launching craft.

Many thanks go to the Flag Marshalls, Time Keepers, Scrutineer, Rescue Boat Teams and the crew who built the ramp. An event of this calibre would not be possible without their support.

After the expenses of the event such as barge hire, trophies and cleaning Stretch's bedroom carpet, the club came out with \$400 in its pocket.

A pleasant barbecue tea was enjoyed by all afterwards under floodlights supplied by Wreckair Hire. There was talk of installing a concrete ramp in the area so Rouse Heads may become a quarterly

CAMERON WILKIE Race Director

DINGHY SPORTS

- 1. K. Parnell G. Black
- 2. I. Williamson -
- T. Maxfield
- 3. P. Tregurtha -
- M. Tregurtha

DINGHY STANDARD

- 1. R. De Joode R. Gerrick
- 2. I. Williamson -
- T. Maxfield
- 3. K. Parnell G. Black

P.D.R.C. **COMMODORE'S** REPORT

Our racing season is fast coming to an end with only Logue Brook Dam and Albany left to decide the Class Champions.

It is no secret who will take out the Bath Tubs but the Dinghies and Formula Eight's will be down to the wire.

The additional interest in the Championships has helped boost the numbers competing at the meetings. You should however give a little thought to the people who handle each race and have made this year's racing calendar the best and most successful yet. They do not deserve abuse from any competitor for doing their job. The people involved in the incident at Rouse Head should be ashamed of their actions, they acted like spoilt brats. You know who you are and should apologise prior to action being taken from the committee for unsportsman like behaviour.

The reason for mentioning this incident is we are now in the process of seeking nominations for committee members.

To date, too much work has fallen on too few people, if you want the club to develop with a continued increase in the standard of racing, don't put the dump on the committee who have worked for the club during the past year, or do it yourself and get elected. Criticism comes easy, put up or shut up.

On the fitness issue for this year's Avon, don't panic just yet, the details are still to be finalised. Advice is being sought from the appropriate organization to put together a reasonable fitness test. By the way, this new deal is on advice from the Government Departments, not WASDA or NADA and we do not have any choice in the matter. As mentioned before, to race is going to get harder, if we all work together on the total issue we will be a stronger club and with a better quality of competitor.

NEW PDRC OFFICE NUMBER 490 1714

Office manned between 10.00a m. and noon Monday to Friday. Answering machine

Secretary is LYNN BERLOTH



COMMITTEE POSITIONS TO BE VOTED ON 13 APRIL 1992

AMENDMENT OF COMPETITION RULES

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EDITOR ROBERT DE JOODE

P.D.R.C. NANNUP HOTEL CUP

This year's event will be held on Sunday May 30th 1992. The race will be a one day event, starting at Nannup and finishing at Sues Bridge. There will be a presentation cabaret at The Nannup Hotel that evening. All competitors will also be provided with a meal at the Hotel as part of their race entry fee. Accommodation is limited, so book early.

Nannup Hotel: (097) 56 1080

WHERE TO GO

ALUMINIUM WELDING: (Racing dinghies, engine reinforcing, fuel tanks, transom frames etc.) Frank Berloth 398 1800 Steve Palmer 457 9935

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Supplementary Regulations

ENTRY FEE:

\$25 PER RACE NUMBER OF \$30 FOR MULTIPLE ENTRYS. ENTRY MUST BE ON AN OFFICIAL WASDA ENTRY FORM. FEES WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY.

CLASSES:

8 H.P. Sport, 8 H.P. Standard, Bathtubs. Formula 8. Pee Wees, Ladies.

REPLACEMENT PARTS:

No replacement parts other than those specified under clause 9.1 WASDA rulebook.

WITHDRAWALS:

Entrants withdrawing during the race MUST advise an official. Failure to do so will incur a \$50 penalty.

PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATIONS WILL BE MADE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE WEEKEND'S RACING.

START ORDER

Saturday 29th February 1992 1.30pm Dinghies

Sunday 1st March 1992 8.30am Dinghies 10.00am Formula 8 11.00am Bathtubs 1.00pm Pee-Wees 2.30pm Ladies

SCRUTINEERING

Saturday 29th February 1.00pm Dinghies

Sunday 1st March 8.00am Dinghies 9.30am Formula 8 Bathtubs Pee-Wees

RACE DETAILS

other classes.

Saturday will be Circuit Racing for Dinghies only. Sunday will start with the traditional Round the Dam Race for Dinghies. followed by Circuit Racing for all

BRIEFING

SATURDAY 29th FEBRUARY 1,20pm SUNDAY 1st MARCH 8.20am

SCRUTINEER:

Frank Berloth.

ACCOMMODATION LOGUE BROOK DAM CARAVAN PARK. PHONE: (097) 33 5131 **BOOK EARLY**

RECOVERY

The recovery of craft will be by several sweep boats manned by two competent people with previous experience.

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ARTHUR FAIRHURST
459 5799 wk, 459 8360 hm.
RUBBER GEARBOXES:
Jeff Hodgkinson 364 9720 or Frank Berloth as agent for Jeff, (same price) 398 1800
TRANSOM JACKS:
Kevin Green 364 7820
ENGINES & MECHANICAL SERVICE:
Frank Berloth 398 1800
(For any additions to this list please contact the editor Rob De Joode)

CLUB NEWS

ALBANY - FREDERICKSTOWN CUP 1992

EASTER APRIL 18th & 19th

RACE DETAILS

Race start foreshore Kalgan River Caravan Park. Start will be Le Mans start with craft out of water, Standard craft first, followed by Sports class. NOTE: KILL SWITCHES MUST BE WORN.

Craft will race down Kalgan River into Oyster Harbour to Emu Point. They will then cross the Harbour and into King River to a re-start point up the King River. NOTE: RE-START HAS NO SUPPORT CREW OR SPECTATOR VEHICLE ACCESS. Re-start will be last boat in first out. Boats will then race to finish point at Kalgan River Caravan Park.

COMMODORE'S BALL

The Commodore's Ball will be held on Saturday night 16th May 1992. We have managed to secure a sensational venue for the Ball this year. So keep 16th May marked in your diary as this will be huge.

FOR SALE

BATH TUB. 1 vr old. Exl. cond. \$550.

ALUMINIUM DINGHY. Ultra light weight built by River Racer. Almost new \$800.

Phone: Geoff Hall — Wk. 430 5043, Hm. 314 2613

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The Lawrence Bros. (Boat 109) have been concerned over the rapid fading of their signwriting caused due to daylight saving.

Tim Kelly is back in town with his new wife Jackie. Will he thrill us again with his upside down stunts?

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Be aware that as per new rules that have been instituted as a result of the Coronial Inquiry into the death at the Avon last year, all licences will become null and void as from April 30.

A new form of licence will be issued for the 1992/1993 season which will require competitors to pass a new Fitness Test (which will replace the old swim test) and provide a medical certificate. The new licence will also incorporate a personal accident insurance policy.

The licence fee will rise as a result, but the figure is yet to be recommended by the committee.

WASDA has no option in accepting these changes as they are the result of a Court of Inquiry recommendation.



SPORTS DINGHY ASSOC. ENTRY FORM

LOGUE BROOK DAM

8 H.P. SPORTS DINGHY BATHTUB 8 H.P. STANDARD DINGHY PEE WEE	
their members, employees, officials, officers or helpers of or in demands, damages, expenses, charges, injuries and any other los	and in consideration of my/our payments herein of the es governing the Event and agree by the rules and instructions of the he Western Australian Sports Dinghy Association Inc. and all and any of any way connected with the Association for all actions, claims, costs, sees arising out of or in conjunction with the said Event regardless of the tions, damages, demands, expenses, charges or other losses. I/we Event entirely and absolutely at my/our own risk.
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NAME OF TEAM:	RACE I.D. NUMBER
DRIVER	CREW
NAME:	NAME:
ADDRESS:	ADDRESS:
TEL: P/CODE: LICENSE NO.	TEL: P/CODE: LICENSE NO.
This Entry Form must be completed and signed by both members of the team and forwarded with the Entry Fee to the Organiser/Race Director at the address below.	If under the age of eighteen years as at the date of the Event the following section is to be completed. I agree to my son/daughter entering the Event.
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CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS 1991/1992 SEASON

DINGHIES		BATHTUBS		FORMULA 8's		PEE-WEE's	
K. Parnell	546	J. Skewes	480	K. Webb	400	J. Watson	600
G. Black	546	J. Ferguson	246	C. Skewes	380	T. Williamson	340
R. De Joode	521	N. Watson	218	S. Bennett	380	N. Watson	280
R. Gerrick	521	G. Evans	192	T. Maxfield	166	B. Fairhurst	280
T. Maxfield	467	F. Berloth	186	M. Healy	140	K. Parnell	240
I. Williamson	467	B. Watson	152	B. Dimmock	80	C. Bevan	200
R. Wilson	421	D. Palmer	100	P. Corboy	72	N. Bevan	160
J. Ferguson	421	G. McNamara	66	S. Webb	46	T. Wilson	140
J. Haynes	328	T. Thomas	46	L. Doggett	40	B. Smith	120
M. Whately	320	G. Hall	38	B. Barden	26	A. Rowe	120
G. McNamara	286	J. Haynes	18	P. Hink	6	N. Thomas	106
M. Healy	278	D. Austin	12			S. Goddard	60
G. McNamara	240					C. Goddard	40
J. Skewes	234					C. Thomas	40
F Berloth	219						