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NEXT MEETING

March 8th, 8p.m.
The Palms, Cnr Rokeby and
Nicholson Rds, Subiaco

NEXT RACES

LOGUE BROOK
Sunday March 7th

WHATS IN THIS ISSUE

- **BUSSELTON RESULTS**
- **LOGUE BROOK DAM**
- **COMMODORE'S BALL**
- **FREDERICKSTOWN CUP**

BUSSELTON ... WHAT A BLAST!!

Great weather, big fields, tight racing and fun socialising made the Busselton weekend one of the best yet.

From the word go, the racing was fast and furious with tubs and F8's fighting it out on the supertight course on the Vasse river.

The big clash of the morning was set to be between Justin Skewes and Brad Watson who went into the event separated by just a few championship points. They didn't let us down! Time and time again, they hit the start line right on the button and drove down the first straight side by side.

Brad would win a race, then Justin would win the next and so on all morning. The rest of the fleet was left bouncing around in their wakes. At the end of the day, their points were identical and couldn't even be separated on a countback. They both received a first prize at presentation next day.

With a big fleet of 10 F8's, racing was divided into two heats. As usual, the H.C. Jones team was up from Busselton with their three boats and there was a large contingent of women drivers as usual, including Coleen Skewes, Jan Wilson, Justine Watson and Kerry Bardon. These drivers showed just how good you have to be to win a race - time after time there would be four boats abreast, hitting the

line at full speed just as the flag dropped. The Webb Boys were the ones to beat but didn't have it all their way all the time. Strong challenges were mounted from the women contingent, in fact nearly everyone was placed in at least one heat.

Good ol' John Haynes had a busy morning hopping from tub to F8 and back to tub all morning. Just about every heat had a Ill in it! I bet he slept well.

The day finished off with some excellent racing from the PEE WEE's. Although they found it difficult to get the starts perfect in the confined mill area on the Vasse River, when they got it right they went like the clappers. While Ben Fairhurst showed he is just about ready to step into a tub, the big improver was Peter Bardon who pushed everyone all afternoon.

After six hours of solid racing the crew retired to prepare for the Busselton Blue Water Classic for dinghies next morning.

A large field of 24 entries assembled at Meelup Beach on Sunday for the only ocean race still left on the calendar.

The usual moderate easterly had whipped up waves to about half a metre around Cape Leeuwin diminishing to perfectly flat water at Busselton.

Ian Williamson's little chined dinghy handled the chop best. He lead the pack past Dunsborough and wasn't headed in sports class.

Russel Wilson's 105, crewed by the two Justins (Ferguson and Skewes) should have been right up there with him but a strange 'ticking' emanating from the transom turned out to be a tethered transom pin trailing behind which was chewing lumps out of Russell's best chopper. It wasn't until they finished that they figured out what was going wrong!

The 'Fuming Skipper Award' went to Jeff Hall who's motor developed a splutter just out of the gate.

The match of the race went to John Haynes and Ken Webb in standard. Although John's V hull handled the chop better, Ken's flat bottomed Kevlar dinghy started to pull him back in the flat water.

They raced neck and neck past Busselton, John just squeaking into first spot by half a metre at the finish line.

The weekend finished with a well patronised Presentation at the Ship Hotel. Another terrific family weekend over, thanks should go to Lynne Berloth and her team that made everything work so well.

BUSSELTON FESTIVAL 1993

SPORTS DINGHIES

1st	166	Ian Williamson	Amanda Williamson	42:11
2nd	124	Frank Berloth	Grant Powu-Bray	42:41
3rd	002	David Wright	Michelle Holland	44:03
4th	109	Neville Watson	Bradley Watson	45:24
5th	064	Kim Bolvary	John Goodbody	48:00
6th	135	Rod Thomas	Justin Howarth	49:03
7th	105	Justin Ferguson	Justin Skewes	53:16
8th	009	Greg Stacey	Lloyd Buchanan	54:26
DNF	003	Geoff Hall	Peter Hink	

STANDARD DINGHIES

1st	111	John Haynes	Scott Bennett	46:09
2nd	150	Michael Webb	Kim Webb	46:10
3rd	113	Brent Barden	Ralph Jones	47:40
4th	010	Brett Stolp	Dick Stolp	52:10
5th	081	Greg Brandon	Howard Thomas	52:23
6th	022	Darren Austin	Peter Corboy	54:34
7th	051	Cliff Hills	Mick Mickle	55:40

FORMULA 8

1st	100	Scott Webb	32
2nd	150	Kim Webb	28
3rd	109	Justine Watson	27
4th	105	Jan Wilson	24
5th	111	John Haynes	22
6th	028	Scott Bennett	21
7th	113	Kerry Barden	21
8th	117	Colleen Skewes	20
9th	250	Steve Webb	15
10th	022	Peter Corboy	13
11th	184	Daniel Rutherford	13

BATHTUBS

1st	117	Justin Skewes	36
1st	109	Bradley Watson	36
3rd	105	Justin Ferguson	22
4th	013	Howard Thomas	13
5th	111	John Haynes	12
6th	071	Greg Brandon	

PEE WEE

1st	111	Ben Fairhurst	14
2nd	117	Narelle Watson	14
3rd	113	Peter Barden	
4th	022	Todd Williamson	1
4th	105	Tyron Wilson	11
6th	109	Lisa Watson	9

coming season.

On that note, I wish to announce that I will not be standing for Commodore next year. Although I have enjoyed every minute of it, and club members have inflicted very little pain on me this year, business commitments will make it very difficult for me to find the necessary time.

Anyone that feels capable of steering the club next year should think seriously about putting their hand up. It's an enjoyable and enriching experience. And the job is getting easier.

PDRC COMMODORE'S REPORT

I believe that 1992/93 was the most difficult year that the sport has ever faced.

It was the last year of the five year plan, and the first year that an entrant in the Avon and Blackwood was required to have experience in two club races beforehand.

In my opinion, this is the biggest disincentive to dinghy racing the club has had to impose, but it had to be done.

For dinghy racing to exist in years to come we needed a more responsible attitude for what is a relatively dangerous sport.

I am quite sure that if the changes such as licenses, insurance, 'Two Race Rule', etc. were not incorporated, at some time or other a committee was going to cop a professional negligence charge.

The measures taken by us, combined with the effects of the worst recession this century

have resulted in a fall in membership, from a high of 420 members down to 270.

The good news is that now all the hard work has been done, the club and sport have survived, and members are now accepting the new requirements as if nothing had ever happened.

I believe that the sport will now go from strength to strength.

We even look like coming out of the year with a small profit. Although modest, it is an improvement on the previous season.

With this in mind, the committee is recommending that club fees will not rise in the coming year. In fact we are proposing three new forms of membership that will make it cheaper for new members and families. (See proposals in Club News).

All in all, I believe we are set for a very good

Supplementary Regulations

ENTRY FEE:

\$40 PER RACE NUMBER. \$50 FOR MULTIPLE ENTRIES WHERE COMPETITORS ARE COMPETING ON BOTH RACE DAYS.

ENTER ON THE DAY

(Cheques payable to P.D.R.C.)

CLASSES:

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

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.

RESCUE:

Rescue craft will be on course for both race days.

Supplementary Regulations

ENTRY FEE:

\$40 PER RACE NUMBER OR \$50 FOR MULTIPLE ENTRIES. 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.

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.

PRACTICE:

No practice will be allowed 100 Mtrs North of Kalgan River Caravan Park or on the King River. Failure to adhere to this could mean disqualification.

PRESENTATION:

Presentation of trophies will be held at the Kalgan River Caravan Park on Sunday 19th at 4.30pm.

ACCOMMODATION:

Kalgan River Caravan Park
Lower King (Albany)
Telephone: (098) 44 7937

Anyone wishing to assist Race Director on either Race Day, please contact office on 490 1714.

PROGRAMME:

SATURDAY 18TH APRIL
FORMULA 8'S, BATHTUBS
& PEE WEE'S
KALGAN RIVER

SCRUTINEERING

9.00A.M. Boatramp - Kalgan River
Caravan Park

BRIEFING

9.45am Boatramp - Kalgan River
Caravan park

RACING

10am -
12pm Kalgan River
1pm -
3pm

SUNDAY 11TH APRIL

DINGHIES 8hp - SPORTS - STANDARD

SCRUTINEERING

8.30am Boatramp - Kalgan River
Caravan Park

BRIEFING

9.15am Boatramp - Kalgan River
Caravan Park

START

9.30am Standard
9.35am Sports

SCRUTINEERING

Sunday 7th March
8.00am Dinghies
9.30am Formula 8
Bathtubs
Pee-Wees

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.

BRIEFING:

Sunday 7th March 8.20am

RACE DETAILS

Sunday will start with the traditional Round the Dam Race for Dinghies, followed by Circuit Racing for all other classes.

RACE DIRECTOR

Frank Berloth



**RED FLAG
REMINDER**

**Don't signwrite your boats until the
new Avon Sub Regs on sponsor
stickers are confirmed.**

CLUB NEWS

NEW RULES FOR MARINE AND HARBOUR AND SPONSOR STICKERS COMING.

In an effort to make it easier for members to display the required Avon Descent sponsor stickers, a deal is currently being thrashed out between the PDRC and NADA. (See proposal) DON'T SIGNWRITE YOUR BOATS UNTIL IT IS FINALISED. The proposal will be outlined at the forthcoming PDRC meeting. If you want a say come along.

COMMODORE'S BALL COUP

The committee has pulled off an incredible coup by booking the sensational Starflyte for a river cruise Commodore's Ball this year. As the normal booking for the boat alone is \$3,000 we are very fortunate to have the deal that has been put to us by Russell Wilson at Boat Torque. As usual there will be a huge three course spread, beer, wine, soft drinks and, of course, live entertainment for just \$98 a double. You won't see value like this ever again! It's on Saturday May 8 with bookings required before April 23. Put the night aside and book now with Lynne Berloth on 490 14.

CHANGES MOOTED FOR AVON DESCENT.

The PDRC committee met with the ADA committee 1st week to discuss any format changes for the '93 Avon.

There are a number of significant changes proposed including the following:

- Power craft to start at 1pm after canoes.
- New format for entry form that is based on one payment for everything including campsites passes, bibs, entry support crew passes etc.
- New format Scrutineering Day located at Burswood with a big Best Prepared Entry competition, Circuit Racing (for Championship points.), a Dash-for-Cash and big presentation function.
- Priority and special car parks for Support Crews
- Finish at Burswood
- New rules for sponsor stickers
- Surcharge for entrants wanting two craft scrutineered.

THESE CHANGES ARE NOT CONFIRMED. They are only at the ideas stage. If you would like to voice your opinion on any of these ideas, come to the next meeting for an open discussion.

PROPOSALS

Proposed by: Peter Bevan
Seconded by: Jeff Hall
Clause 3.1 (a) and (b) of the Power Dinghy specifications to be replaced with the following.
(a) The Regulation Number must be displayed

on each external side of the hull adjacent to the transom with the top of each digit not lower than 75mm from the gunwhale. Each number must have a 10mm white surround.
(b) The Identification Plate must be displayed on the port side of the outboard motor cowling.

Proposed by: Peter Bevan

Seconded by: Jeff Hall

Club Fees for 1993/94

ONE RACE MEMBERSHIP: \$45

Includes license, not including ID No. or insurance.

For new members only.

6 MONTH MEMBERSHIP: \$75

Not including ID No. Includes license and insurance.

For new members only

FULL MEMBERSHIP: \$100

Not including ID No. Includes license and insurance.

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP: \$100

Not including ID No. Includes license and limited insurance.

SOCIAL MEMBER: \$50

Not including ID No., license or insurance.

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: \$230

Available only for two adults and two juniors living at the same address. Includes all licenses and insurance. Not including ID No.

JEFF HALL LOOKING FOR DECKIE

If your a lightweight and want a ride in the Avon ring Jeff on 430 5043.

FOR SALE

Readymix boat 166. Advanced kevlar construction built in June this year. Very good condition. Call Ian Williamson on 409 6595 (home) or 007 914 344 (work).

Underwater World Boat 002. Kevlar Dinghy, 8th 8 Sport 92 Avon Descent. Ready to race. \$2,500. See David Wright.

Bathtub \$475 ono, phone 490 1714.

Rubber Duck Boat 148

Metzeler "Maya" fully reinforced, built in fuel tank, ready to race. 5th 1992 Avon, 7th 1990 Blackwood (STD).
Phone Keith Brooker 439 1879 Home
360 2326 Work.



DINGHY DITTIES

Brad Watson showed maturity beyond his years down at Baldivis by giving the so called Hotties a thrashing in the Sports Class Dinghy. All of this years front row for the Avon were there with one exception, Rob (I had an appointment with the Hairdresser) De Joode, he reckons he doesn't need the practise. Rumour had it he was at home writing a victory speech for the '93 Avon.

Beware for low flying dummy's our larger than life scrutineer was last seen doing the big spit when his crew Peter Hink signed a contract with the Skews clan for the 93-94 calendar year. So if you like drinking scotch and being out of control, Hallies your man.

With a little more youth in the front of the boat this year, Justin Skews may start showing some of the form he once promised.

Long time Dinghy Guru Peter Street believed to be 40 next birthday, has pulled the pin to concentrate on his son's racing.

WHERE TO GO

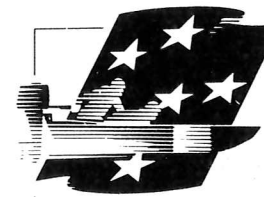
ALUMINIUM WELDING:
(Racing dinghies, engine reinforcing, fuel tanks, transom frames etc.)
Frank Berloth 398 1800

SURFACING PROPELLERS:
Arthur Fairhurst 351 8388 or
Frank Berloth as agent for
Arthur, (same price) 398 1800

RUBBER GEARBOXES:
Frank Berloth 398 1800

TRANSOM JACKS:
Kevin Green 364 7820

ENGINES & MECHANICAL SERVICE:
Frank Berloth 298 1800
(for any additions to this list please contact the office 490 1714)



WESTERN AUSTRALIAN SPORTS DINGHY ASSOC ENTRY FORM

LOGUE BROOK DAM March 7th

8 H.P. SPORTS DINGHY BATHTUB FORMULA 8
8 H.P. STANDARD DINGHY PEE WEE LADIES

INDEMNITY

In entering and in consideration of my/our payments herein of the Entry Fee I/we hereby acknowledge that I/we have read the rules governing the Event and agree by the rules and instructions of the Event's officials and hereby completely and absolutely indemnify the Western Australian Sports Dinghy Association Inc. and all and any of their members, employees, officials, officers or helpers of or in any way connected with the Association for all actions, claims, costs, demands, damages, expenses, charges, injuries and any other losses arising out of or in conjunction with the said Event regardless of the nature or cause of any occurrence giving rise to any such actions, damages, demands, expenses, charges or other losses. I/we acknowledge that I/we are entering and/or participating in the said Event entirely and absolutely at my/our own risk.

DRIVER SIGNATURE:..... CREW SIGNATURE:.....

NAME OF TEAM:..... RACE I.D. NUMBER

DRIVER CREW

NAME:..... NAME:.....

ADDRESS:..... ADDRESS:.....

..... P/CODE:..... P/CODE:.....

TEL:..... LICENSE NO. TEL:..... 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.

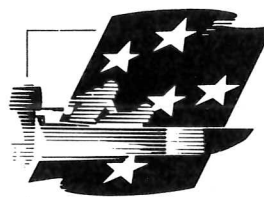
I agree to my son/daughter entering the Event.

ENTRY FEE \$40.00/\$50.00 multiple

Signature of Parent or Guardian

THIS IS A CLOSED EVENT.

IF YOUR BOAT'S NOT RIGHT — YOU DON'T START!



WESTERN AUSTRALIAN SPORTS DINGHY ASSOC ENTRY FORM

FREDERICKSTOWN CUP '93

8 H.P. SPORTS DINGHY BATHTUB FORMULA 8
8 H.P. STANDARD DINGHY PEE WEE LADIES

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ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 NON-REFUNDABLE

P.O. BOX 13, SUBIACO W.A. 6008.

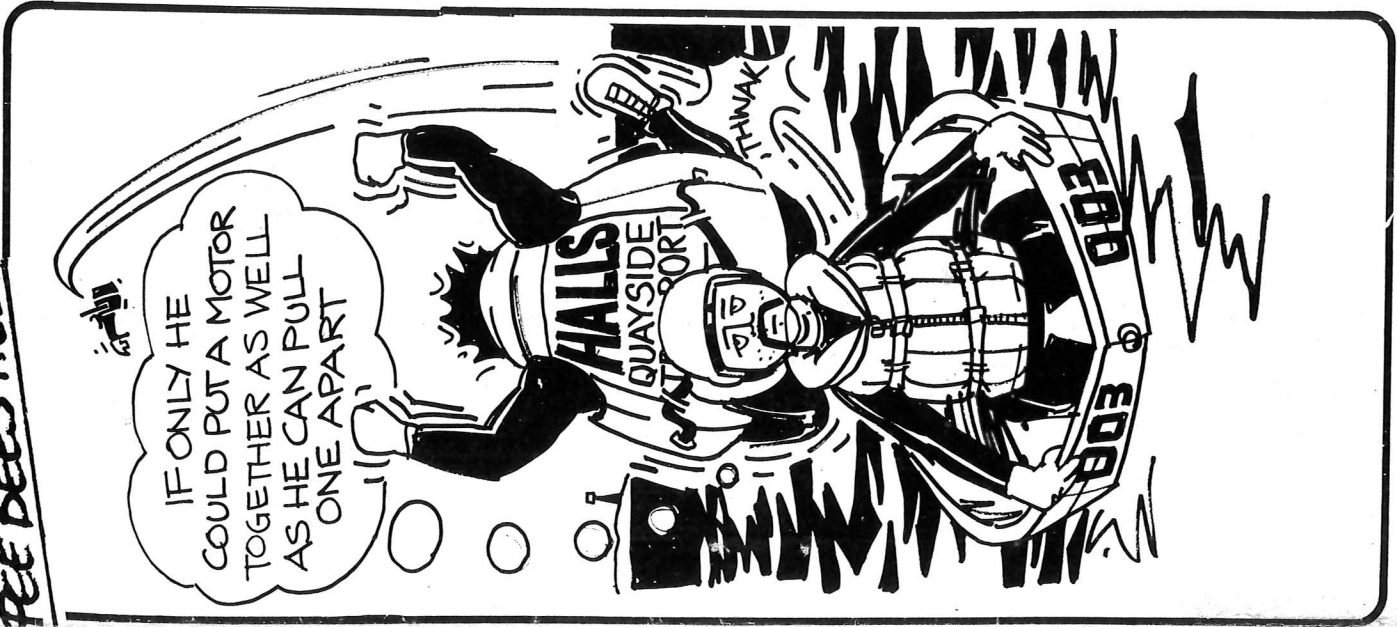
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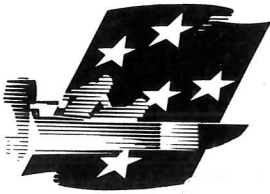
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CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS Up till January 1993

DINGHIES TOP "20"

Craig Whately	800
Trevor Gerrick	800
Justin Ferguson	552
Russell Wilson	546
Frank Berloth	532
Rolf Jones	440
Brent Barden	440
Grant Powu-Bray	346
Ian Willianson	346
Rob Gerrick	321
Rob De Jooode	321
Keith Parnell	321
Graeme Black	321
David Wright	278
Michelle Holland	278
Bradley Watson	266
Scott Bennett	255
John Haynes	240
Paul Tregurtha	220
Dennis Peach	220

Mick Chittick	212
Jill Evans	193
Roger Ambrosino	180
Neil Bailey	180
Geoff Massan	166
Bob Massan	166

BATHTUBS

Bradley Watson	500
Justin Skewes	300
Trevor Thomas	200
John Haynes	200
Justin Ferguson	166
Howard Thomas	112
Darren Austin	26
Greg Brandon	7
Geoff Hall	6
Tay Overstone	1

FORMULA "8"s

Scott Bennett	300
Scott Webb	260
Jan Wilson	220

Kerry Barden	186
Colleen Skewes	166
Kim Webb	146
Justine Watson	112
John Haynes	66
Peter Corboy	52
Mark Wilson	52
Cobie Bevan	18
Daniel Rutherford	18
Steve Webb	18
Peter Pavlinovich	6

PEE WEE'S

Narelle Watson	280
Ben Fairhurst	280
Todd Williamson	200
Tyron Wilson	180
Nova Bevan	106
Kris Parnell	61
Leigh Hindle	6
Lisa Watson	6