



Power Dinghy Racer

1998 COMMODORES BALL



The atmosphere was great at this year's Commodores Ball, you could see all the effort that had been put in to the club rooms, they looked magnificent. All who were there on the night had a 'ball' so to speak. As members and friends arrived they were looked after by friendly waitpersons before we sat at the candle lit tables. Dennis assumed his duties to present the 1997/98 trophies to the class winners and special awards.

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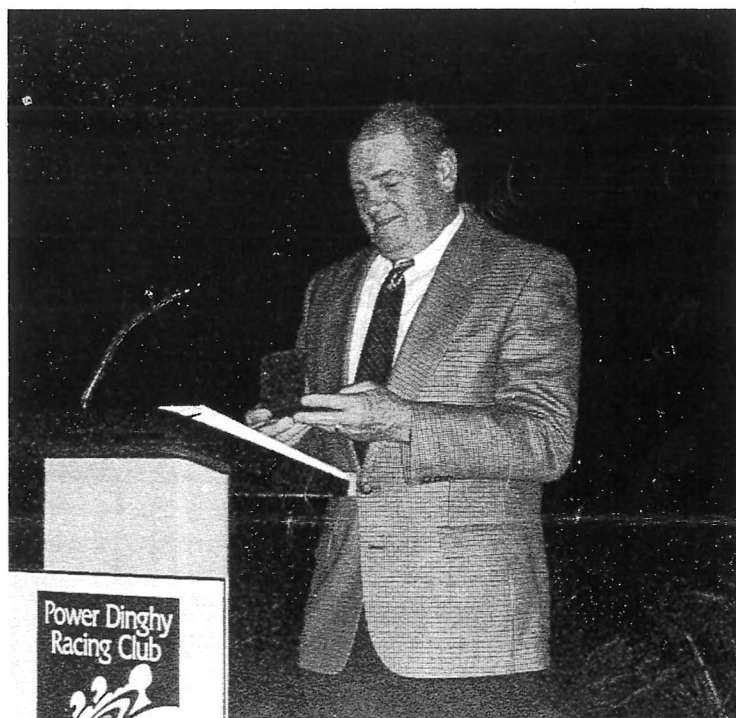
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THE AVON DECENT

Next Meeting

8 JUNE 1998
8.00PM
BURSWOOD CLUBROOMS



There was one award that got a standing ovation when Glen Skewes received a Lifetime Membership. He gave us quite an emotional thank you. The Best Member trophy went to Jamie George who seemed to be taken by surprise and was lost for words during his acceptance speech. There seemed to be a rush to the microphone at the end of the evening with many people wishing to thank others. There were a few die hards still there to see the sun coming up at 6 am. We'd like to take this opportunity to thank Leonie McGlew for doing such a fine job organising the night along with her many helpers. And thank you to Peter for all the work he put into the signs

COMMODORE'S ANNUAL REPORT**COMMODORES COMMENTS**
June 1998

Our first official race of the year was the Spit Post Marathon, starting at Burswood with 2 full laps around 5 turn boats into Melville water and back. Great Race! Excellent weather conditions and a brilliant day organized by Arthur Fairhurst. Thanks to Arthur and all his helpers on the day.

May 9th, saw our Commodore's Ball and Trophy Presentation night. Leonie McGlew put an enormous amount of effort into the night and it certainly showed on the evening.

Once again the PDRC lived up to its reputation with bar staff having to do a bottle shop run at about 9.30pm after 50 bottles of wine had already been consumed. Mostly by Keith Brooker, although Jarrad Elliott gave him a good run for his money, until the reversal procedure begun - vomiting. It was certainly a night to remember if that is at all possible.

Congratulations to all the trophy winners and especially Glen Skewes who was awarded Life Membership after thirteen years of serving the Club's needs. Well deserved indeed.

A huge thankyou to all the following people who helped set up the hall. Leonie McGlew, Kevan Goodall, Mary Vessels, Ian Williamson, Jan Truden, Tyron Wilson, Justin Ferguson, Leanne Chapman, Sue Cottrill, Vicki Wesley, Jarrad Elliott, Jenny Leek, Jarrod Street, Alison Lawrence, Geoff Taylor and Scott Bennett and thanks to Leonie and Ian in helping to clean up the next day.

By the time you read this newsletter the Nannup Cup would have been held and results will be in the next newsletter.

Don't miss the Sunnyside Down (info in this issue) and remember we have a few new members so give them a hand and make them feel welcome.

Dennis Peach

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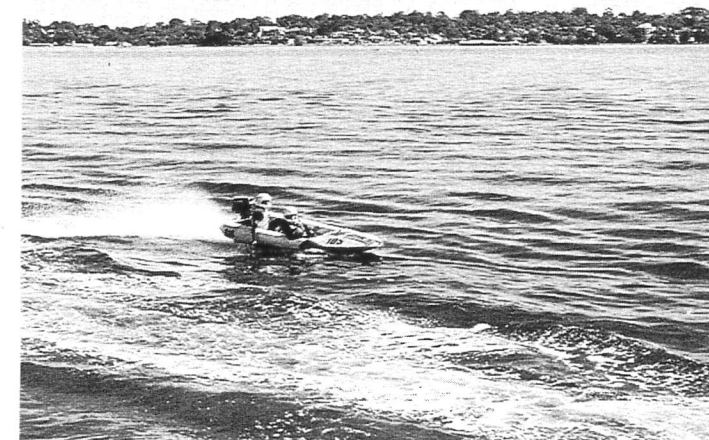
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1998 SPIT POST MARATHON
RACE REPORT

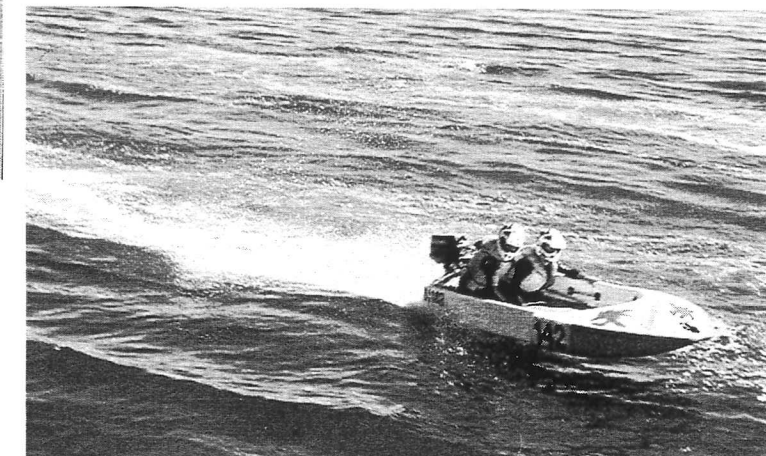
The Spit Post Marathon was started from a new venue this year. It was decided to start from the club house thus utilising the club house to the full ie; all weather area for officials, sausage sizzle and registration. As it was held early in the month the weather was glorious and a great day was enjoyed by all. The race was started later in the day to fit in with other events that were taking place on Melville Water. The start was a rolling start with five minute interval for each class and for once no-one jumped the start.



The course went up river towards the Bunbury bridge following the speed boat course around the marker bouys then down stream under the causeway bridge across Perth Waters past Barrack Street jetty. The boats were told to keep close to the jetty, but unfortunately there was a Marine and Harbour boat tied up at the end of the jetty and with thirty boats passing at high speed the captain's mid-morning break was seen to go overboard in the wash this created. The request came from them that the second race was to go further out from the jetty wishing not to lose his lunch this time.



The boats went under the Narrows Bridge alongside Mounts Bay Road to the corner of Matilda Bay then across Melville Waters to Point Dundas. A circuit of Melville Water and return to the club house. It was estimated that the 10hp would take thirty minutes, but due to very good weather conditions, the first boat home in 8hp standard class took thirty minutes. It was agreed at briefing, weather and time permitting, that there would be a shortened second race. But, a call came from the Commodore, sitting in his thirty-five foot Bertram in the middle of Melville Water, requesting another race of the full circuit. Thus giving him enough time to open another carton. After some reluctance by some racers the decision was yes.



The second race started as a Le-mans starts, all classes together. This was excellent for visual and we were told that the sound was awesome with the boats together under the Causeway Bridge. Thanks to Daniel Rutherford we will all be recording quicker times on the Trinity practice course because in practice he managed to hit the marker post head on. Both his boat and Jarrod's hand looked very much worse for wear.

Once again I would like to thank everyone who helped officiate, those in the turn boats, and the sausage sizzlers. Again the sausage sizzle was successful in adding to the club funds. FOOTNOTE: As there were thirty boats that started and only twenty finished (none of which turned over) it looks like some maintenance needs to be done before the Avon.

Race Director
Arthur Fairhurst

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SPIT POST MARATHON 1998 RESULTS**10HP SPORTS**

POS	NO	DRIVER	CREW
1	185	Rin Rutherford	Jenine Leek
2	051	Cliff Hills	Scott Overstone
3	052	Mike Lenz	Kim Pozzi
4	184	Adrian Griffin	Rebeca Rutherford
5	111	John Hynes	John Bousfield

8HP SPORTS

POS	NO	DRIVER	CREW
1	144	Jay Branson	Matt Branson
2	105	Tyron Wilson	Lisa Watson
3	007	Tom Hodgkinson	Michael Prosser
4	017	Scott Bennett	Steven Krause
5	028	Brent Barden	Kerry Barden
6	018	Richard Yeath	Clinton Fulford
7	053	Matthew Hall	Brendan Hancon
7	021	Glen Dicarlo	Brad O'neil

8HP STANDARD

POS	NO	DRIVER	CREW
1	142	Steve Brown	Shane Balleine
2	116	Shane Barden	Vicki Wesley
3	113	Peter Barden	Luke Eagleston
4	103	Mick Cnittich	Jamie Chittick
5	039	Lee Goddard	Chris Goddard
6	078	Nathan Love	Jay Stracham

OVERALL TIMES DINGHIES

POS	BOAT	CLASS	Time
1	185	10HP	55.55
2	051	10HP	57.01
3	052	10HP	57.29
4	184	10HP	58.01
5	144	8SP	58.46
6	105	8SP	59.33
7	007	8SP	1.01.05
8	017	8SP	1.01.23
9	028	8SP	1.01.37
10	142	8SD	1.02.15
11	111	10HP	1.03.39
12	116	8SD	1.06.49
13	113	8SD	1.09.50
14	163	8SD	1.11.01
15	039	8SD	1.11.08
16	078	8SD	1.12.40
17	018	8SP	1.14.26
18	053	8SP	1.14.57
19	021	8SP	1.14.57



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**FREEMASONS HOTEL
SUNNYSIDE DOWN**

DATE:	SUNDAY 12 JULY 1998
RACE DIRECTOR:	IAN WILLIAMSON 0418 921 294
SCRUTINEER:	Rin Rutherford 0418 917 347
ENTRY FEE:	\$60.00 Per craft
ENTRIES:	Available at registration on the day at Sunnyside start line
CLASSES:	10HP Sports, 8HP Sports, 8HP Standard
EVENT:	This is a CLOSED event. ALL COMPETITORS MUST BE FINANCIAL CLUB MEMBERS.
SCRUTINEERING:	8.00am Start line
BRIEFING:	8.45am Start line
START:	9.00am Sunnyside reserve (follow signs)
START ORDER:	As per drivers finish position in 1998 Sunnyside down. Balance of entries by ballot.
START LINE:	Single craft 30 second intervals. Motors must not be started until craft enters water.
REPLACEMENT PARTS:	As per WASDA power dinghy specification 10.1.
WITHDRAWALS:	Entrants withdrawing during race MUST notify an official. Failure to do so will incur a \$100.00 penalty.
RESCUE:	A sweepboat will cover the entire course. Boats withdrawn from the event will be towed to the nearest downstream check-point.
COURSE DETAILS:	Approx distance 40km. Competitors will race up stream through large pools, Titrees and log obstacles. All craft will stop at a restart area They will restart heading downstream to Bridgetown.
REFUELLING:	There will be no refuelling during the event.
FINISH:	Blackwood Park, Bridgetown
PRESENTATION:	Freemasons Hotel
NOTE:	Ration pack required.

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UPGRADING OF GENERAL LICENCES

You will see from this newsletter that a motion was passed at the January 1996 General Meeting that gives the Management Committee the option of considering applications for the upgrade of a General Licence to a 10 HP Licence for an individual event.

The Committee resolved at the 16 January 1996 Committee meeting that any such application must follow the following protocol.

- The application must be in writing.
- The application must be submitted to the Management Committee one week prior to a gazetted Committee Meeting.
- Any applications will only be considered at a gazetted Committee Meeting.
- The applicant is to supply a detailed racing history, for consideration. This history must contain: all races the applicant has nominated for, all completed by the applicant, the points allocated to the applicant (both championship and licence points.)
- The applicants must nominate the craft that they intend to participate in, along with the driver of the craft.
- They must be able to provide correctly fitting 10 hp helmet and safety equipment, relevant to the event.
- Applicant may be requested to attend Committee Meeting at which their application will be considered.

NOTE

The Management Committee has no authority to over-ride any supplementary regulations pertaining to minimum age specification directly relating to a specific event.

If you intend making an application for a licence upgrade for an event please ensure that you follow the protocol or the application will be rejected.

W.A.R.W.S.A. Clubrooms Report
West Australian Recreational Water Sports Association
BURSWOOD WATERSPORTS CENTER

West Australian Recreational Water Sports Association Committee are in the process of getting keys cut for members who requires the use of the boat ramp and toilets at Burswood.

Any member who requires a gate and toilet key please contact your clubs W.A.R.W.S.A delegate A.S.A.P.

As the gate keys are Security Keys a deposit of \$30.00 will be required prior to receipt of keys.

Peter Street

The Commodores Ball 1998

FORMULA 8 LADIE

1 st KERRY BARDEN
2 nd= JENNI LEEK
2 nd= KASEY COATES
3 rd JAIME WEBB

FORMULA 8 MENS

1 st JEREMY PAULL
2 nd PETER BARDEN
3 rd JAMIF GEORGE

BATHTUBS

1 st JUSTIN FERGUSON
2 nd SCOTT BENNETT
3 rd JARRAD ELLIOTT

8HP STANDARD DINGHY

1 st= STEVE BROWN
1 st= SHANE BALLARINE
2 nd GLENN PAULL
3 rd JARRAD ELLIOT

8HP SPORTS DINGHY

1 st JARROD STREET
2 nd BLAISE PARIS
3 rd= TOM HODGKINSON
3 rd= DONNA ELLISS

10HP SPORTS DINGHY

1 st JUSTIN FERGUSON
2 nd JON FAULL
3 rd= DENNIS PEACH
3 rd= JOHN GOODBOD

ROOKIE'S

1 st SHANE BARDEN
2 nd SCOTT GOODBODY
3 rd SCOTT BENNETT
4 th DANIKA BARDEN
5 th MATTHEW BRANSON
6 th GRAHAM BROOKER
7 th RHIANAN WHITNEY



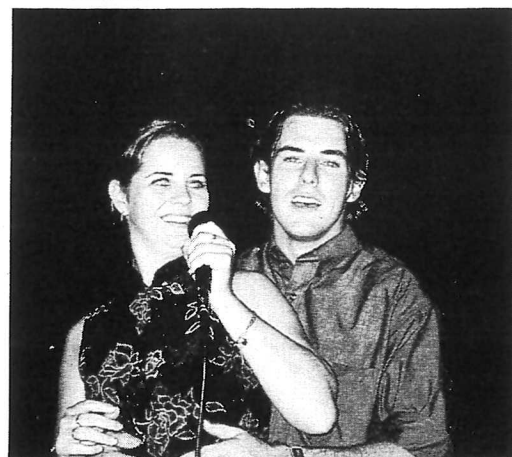
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JUNIOR DINGHY CHAMPION
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1998 BLACKWOOD CLASSIC 250

The World's Longest Power Dinghy Race

Newsletter

June 1998

POWER DINGHY RACING CLUB INC.

A BIGGER AND BRIGHTER BLACKWOOD IN '98

Preparation for the 1998 Blackwood Classic 250 is well underway with a newly formed committee working towards a bigger and brighter event this year.

Approvals have already been received from the relevant bodies and local shires are keen to support the 1998 Classic.

The organizing committee consisting of Peter Street, Brian Johns, Keith Brooker, Lynne Berloth, Kerry Barden, Glen Skewes, Nick Carroll and Lee Goddard are looking to make this year's event more attractive to competitors and support crews alike with a family atmosphere on and off the water as well as complete organization to ensure that the competitive racer is given the necessary assistance to facilitate the smooth running of the event.

Race to again fund Activ Foundation

The Activ Foundation has agreed to again come on board as a beneficiary of the event. Proceeds from the Classic will go towards ensuring that Activ is able to continue providing services such as educational, vocational, residential and leisure time needs of children with intellectual disabilities.

SHIRE PRESIDENT TO START RACE

The Blackwood - Greenbushes Shire President will perform an official ceremony to start all competitors off from Bridgetown on the first day of the Classic. The ceremony will be held at the Bridgetown start line just prior to the start of the event.

MORE PRIZES THAN THE AVON

Following on from the hard work by Lynne Berloth over the last couple of years, the 1998 Classic will again be providing more prize money than the Avon Descent as well as numerous prizes running way down the list of finishers and spot prizes during the event, enabling all competitors the chance to go home with something.

So all competitors, don't think that you won't have a chance to win anything in the 1998 Blackwood Classic 250

Race Inquiries Phone 08 9249 3062

Local Businesses To Back Classic

Discussions have been underway for several months with Bridgetown, Nannup and Augusta Chamber of Commerce to gain support for 1998. So far we have received favorable response from all parties who are willing to assist and support the Blackwood Classic.

The Blackwood Greenbushes Tourist Centre have taken on the job of promoting the event through the south west media and have already held a media conference with all local newspapers and television stations.

Blackwood Classic 250

The Power Dinghy Racing Clubs
Greatest Event

26th, 27th & 28th September 1998

DINGHY DITTIES

Any member who has S.A.S. or other military experience are asked to contact the committee as a rescue plan is in progress to release several PDRC members who are being held in captivity at an Albany caravan park by the commandant. Although these members have committed serious crimes such as ;smiling and laughing, walking too fast in camp grounds, preparing food after 6pm, playing in the playground area, and using a fire to keep warm, the club is willing to ignore these serious offences and assist with their release. Until an escape plan is put into operation would members kindly bring canned food, blankets etc to the next general meeting.



DINGHY DITTIES BROUGHT TO
YOU BY **WHOM???????????**

ANYONE NOT PAYING FINE FROM LAST YEAR'S AVON.
THERE ENTRY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR THIS YEAR'S AVON



ALL AVON DESCENT COMPETITORS

To all competitors or prospective competitors in the 1998 Avon Descent, there are only 2 qualifying events left for crews to qualify for this years event;

Nannup Cup
Sunnyside Down

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