



Minutes of the Elections General Meeting held on Sunday 7th May 2017 at The Clubhouse, Davey's Bay Yacht Club which commenced @ 11:10am.

ATTENDEES

Peter & Jo Manger, David & Jo Streader, Nic Peasley, Julia Schwarz, Richard Starkins, Glenys Hitchen, Matthew & Dana Barry, Michael & Anna Jones, Peter & Jeni Danks, Athol & Julie Lidgett, Adam & Katie Stafford, Annabel O'Connor, Sam O'Connor, George & Marites Barnak, Glenn Kerkhof, Susan Thompson, Rob Radnell, Scott & Kate Lidgett, Tony Eustace, Alison & Leigh Cummin, Geoff Eldridge, Richard Shears, Tony Wood, Sally Radnell, Chris & Kate Harper, Richard Bath, Lewis Davies, Tom Seymour, Andrew & Jane Meldrum, Tony Nash, Ginevra Hosking, Kate & Mike Oxley, Mick Swales.

APOLOGIES

Sue & Terry Everard, Ed Brewis, Joanne & Thorry Gunnensen, Cameron Taylor, John Radnell, Patricia Peck, Graeme & Jo Gilbert.

Annual General Meeting Minutes (held 23/10/16) approved. Proposed Jeni Danks, Seconded Nic Peasley Passed by a majority show of hands.

COMMODORE'S REPORT

Another successful sailing season 2016/2017 at Davey's Bay Yacht Club. Two major happenings this year, the final iSail Lidgett Trophy and the passing of our Commodore in Chief Nigel Peck.

Sailing

The Opti fleet was excellent with plenty of sailors. We have had a good number of new memberships from Opti sailing parents and hope that they can continue to encourage the class and participate in State and National Championships. The 4-day intensive was well supported. The junior dinner and film screening was a great success. Thanks to Sally Radnell for her efforts and the great coaches, quite a number being ex-DBYC sailors.

The intermediate fleet with 420's and Pacers is always a challenge. We had highs and some lows this season. We really need someone to grab this group and make it all happen.

In the FF's numbers of boats sailing rose this year which was terrific. We were represented at the Worlds in NZ and the State Championships. The Club Captain will give further information.

The iSail Lidgett Trophy was the last to be held but again was a great success.

School sailing and Girlsail - ably led by Kate Harper and her helpers - had another most successful year.

And the Adult learn-to-sail program helped many parents participate in dinner discussions about tacking and gybing.

And we had one very successful twilight evening.

Thanks to the race management crew of Richard Starkins, Glenys Hitchen and Bill Ferme plus thanks also to the course layers. They are the unsung heroes without which the Club could not operate. And congratulations to Glenys on achieving National Race Officer Status. It is a rigorous training course and few achieve that status. The downside is that Glenys is now in high demand from others to run their events.

Boats

The Pacers were given some new sails and covers and expertly looked after by Tony Nash. They were very well utilised on Sundays and during the week.

Power boats were serviced at the Club this year by West Reynolds. This proven to be both time and cost effective, and West was able to attend to any issues that arose during the season. Many thanks to David Streader for the organisation.

Functions

Commodore's and Australia day cocktail parties were well attended. Tackers enjoyed their lunches as did attendees at other events. Many thanks to the tirelessly working kitchen and BBQ helpers. They were superbly led by Jane Meldrum, and indeed she did much of the catering for the parties, as she has done for some 10 years but she is sadly retiring this year. And she has managed the external functions. Thank you so much for such an extraordinary effort, we will surely miss you Jane.

Buildings and Grounds

The major improvement was the refurbishment of the change rooms. This has been very well received. The NBN was connected and new under counter fridges installed. Some 12 trees were planted to eventually give shade and a softening to the lawn. General maintenance has been kept up and the painting of the lawn lockers is well advanced. The purchase of 'Greta' the garbo trailer has worked out well. Dredging was not required this year.

We are working on a 10 year look ahead plan for major maintenance. Some more urgent tasks include making Rob's Way more robust, investigating a wall in the FF yard to stop rock intrusion and fence replacement. We need to look at more rocks in the wall.

iSail Lidgett Trophy

This has been the signature event at DBYC for some 18 years. It takes a tremendous amount of organisation which Peter and Jeni Danks, Scott and Kate Lidgett and Chip Lidgett have so ably and willingly undertaken. And Athol and Julie Lidgett have provided great encouragement and provided the major prizes. But they are unable to continue and not having any replacement organisers this was the last time the event was held. In any case this was inevitable with the changing scene where coaches are now paid. Club members didn't mind assisting and we need to find some replacement to utilise the enthusiasm of members. This event was the major reason DBYC was awarded the best contribution to Junior and Youth sailing prize by Sailing Victoria last year.

We owe the people mentioned above our heartiest congratulations on a job so superbly done.

Nigel Hugh Peck

Nigel was a superb and competitive sailor. Just look at the honour boards where his name appears more than anyone else's. He was the only person to have been Commodore on 2 different occasions. He was an effective President of the FF Association again on 2 occasions. He has made a truly significant contribution to DBYC. Just think of the 2010 new construction and renovations, the Arthur Peck starting boat, the concreting of the FF yard and 2 new cranes, the museum and the Marguerite etc. He embraced DBYC and loved it. We will miss our Commodore in Chief.

Committee

James Cooper retired from the Committee due to his changing commitments. We appointed Ed Brewis who has been a keen contributor.

Some matters covered this year include signing a Schools Sailing MOU with Australian Sailing and forming a Working With Children policy. We also asked Alasdair West to review our accounts presentation. He has drawn up a Financial Statement which reflects contemporary practice. We will be keeping Sailing and Club activities separate from the Capital Fund. The Notes to the accounts will be more extended to better illustrate the background to the accounts. For the Capital Fund we have formed a sub-committee to be chaired by a member of the full committee. Members will be David

Streader, Bill Forrest and Alasdair West. Their task is to review investment strategy and deal with ASF and to report to the full committee 4 times a year. We have minuted that the Committee can only use up to 5% net of the Fund in any year. Expenditure beyond that will require General Meeting approval.

Income is down a little this year due to poorer returns from external functions and sailing events but overall the Club is in good financial shape.

The Committee have again been hardworking and very supportive. I have been away somewhat and David Streader filled in admirably. Nic Peasley has been busy with Tackers assistance and ordering and generally assisting with functions. Perhaps the highlight of the year has been the regular and informative Thursday night communication from Matt Barry. Sue has been a hardworking and effective Club Captain and Cameron Taylor has again looked after his FF charges, whilst others are mentioned elsewhere.

Richard Starkins, Glenys Hitchen

Richard has been a member of Committee on two occasions over about 20 years. His wise counsel and general knowledge of the Club is always keenly sought. Richard is not standing for re-election but his passion for junior sailing and commitment to start boat duties is undiminished. Glenys has been treasurer for some 6 years. She took over when the previous treasurer had not left matters in a tidy state so her start to the job was difficult. Treasurer is a constant duty, always bills to be paid and invoices to be sent out. She also is not standing for re-election but well could be assisting us in treasury functions.

A great thank you to you both for service well out of the ordinary.

New Members

We had 9 new members this year, mostly family memberships. All have shown great enthusiasm and have already joined in Club activities. Many are Tacker parents where their willingness to assist augers very well for the future.

Strategy

Some eight years ago a business plan was prepared by Bill Ferme. Conditions have changed but it would be true to say no continual attention has been paid to this document. We have magnificent facilities which are grossly underutilised. We also need to review our sources of income especially income from external hirings. With the ending of the Lidgett trophy we need to rethink the way the Club moves forward. We have set up a small subcommittee under Rear Commodore Nic Peasley to address these issues and are devoting a whole meeting to Strategy before the end of May.

Conclusion

I believe we have a great Club and strongly feel that voluntary organisations are one of the backbones of society. We are going to make the Club even better.

Thanks to all who have contributed this year. It can be fun contributing as the happy pack up day people all demonstrated last week.

Have a restful winter and be ready to be back for a successful 2017/18 season.

Peter Manger
Commodore
DBYC

***Commodore's Report accepted. Proposed: Scott Lidgett, Seconded: Jeni Danks
Passed by a majority show of hands.***

It was requested that the Minutes reflect the significant achievements of DBYC's Commodore-in-Chief, Nigel Hugh Peck as a way of recording his passing in the weeks before the EGM. Below is a record of some significant aspects of Nigel's life.

NIGEL PECK – A LIFE

Early Days

Born in 1927. His father, Hugh was an architect. Good fortune must run in the Peck family as Hugh was shot in the head at Gallipoli and survived, unlike soldiers either side of him.

Nigel attended school at Melbourne Grammar matriculating in 1945. By all accounts, his school days were happy and he followed his father into architecture but believed his strength was in business. He completed a part time course in Management at RMIT. He joined Johnson & Philips (the genesis of NHP) in 1950.

He married Patricia in 1951, Tim was born about 10 months later. Nick and Belinda followed soon after with Matthew being born in 1968. Over 65 years of marriage is compelling evidence that Nigel and Patricia made the right decision. That sort of commitment is not even on the scale these days. With three children and one of the way, Nigel founded NHP in 1968.

NHP

The company commenced operations on 1st October 1968 with 20 staff. Nigel was the Managing Director. By the time Nigel retired as Managing Director in November 2001 the company had staff in excess of 400. It is now almost double that size. Nigel continued as Chairman of Directors until June 2013 and thereafter remained a director.

How he built the company gives some real insight into his core values. First, he scoured the world seeking the best products for Australian industry. He had a good eye for the right products. Secondly, agreements were made by handshake or a simple letter of intent. There were no contracts. Thirdly, he made many friends along the way and retained close friendships long after ceasing any active role in the company. With his staff, Nigel created a positive team attitude. He fostered self-belief and encouraged longevity of employment. He was a people person. His ability to remember names and details of his staff was legendary. He was much adored by staff and greeted everyone with a smile which put them at ease.

Nigel was an iconic figure within the electrical industry - his eminence was recognized nationally in 2004 when he was honoured as a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for services to the electrical industry.

Other Professional Recognition

As well as the Order of Australia he was a Fellow of the Institute of Management and founding Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. He also found time to be a Trustee of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia for 25 years.

Sporting Interests

Sailing has been his lifelong passion something he inherited from his grandfather Arthur Peck and his father Hugh. He was:

- Commodore, Davey's Bay Yacht Club: 1966-1968 and 1982-1984 and then appointed Commodore-in-Chief (for life) from 2009
- National President, Flying 15 Class Yachts International Association, 1984-1986 and 1990-1992, and life member from 1996
- Represented Australia in World Flying 15 Yachting championships on 8 separate occasions

- He sailed non-competitively in many exotic water ways across Europe.

Cars

He was a long-time member of the Porsche Car Club and raced at Calder, Sandown and Winton racetracks. He purchased a Honda NSX following a personal recommendation from Sir Jack Brabham. He collected many fine motor vehicles over the years, but curiously sold almost none of them.

Travel

Nigel made annual trips to Europe, many with Patricia until ill-health prevented this a couple of years ago. Nigel has been to every continent of the world, including Antarctica. He has travelled to the North and South Poles, he invested in space travel and acquired a ticket on a future trip on a space craft to beyond the earth's atmosphere. He was beaten in this endeavour only by time and technology.

Wine

He developed a keen interest in wine, French and Australian reds in particular, and built a marvellous cellar. Nigel participated actively for nearly 50 years in the Beef, Steak & Burgundy Club and other wine groups. He happily shared his extensive knowledge and his cellar with other wine buffs.

Philanthropy

Nigel genuinely enjoyed assisting people, donated large sums to worthy causes and gained deep satisfaction from his philanthropy. Nigel has been a generous donor to:

- Woolmer's Estate, a Tasmanian World Heritage listed property (it is 200 years old this year and Nigel can trace his ancestry back to the original founder, Thomas Archer).
- Melbourne Grammar School – including the 'Nigel Peck Centre for Learning and Leadership'
- Cabrini Hospital, Rotary Club of Richmond and National Gallery of Victoria; and
- his beloved Davey's Bay Yacht Club

The above is an edited version of the eulogy delivered by David Thomas at Nigel's funeral on 7th April 2017. For more detail on Nigel's life, particularly his DBYC and sailing achievements, see the following weblink: <http://www.dbyc.com.au/nigel-peck--commodore-in-chief.html>

TREASURER'S REPORT

We continue to be in a strong financial position with very healthy bank accounts at comparable balances to last year having increased our membership base and invested strongly in updates, maintenance and refurbishments. We have significant share portfolio that is generating a useful income stream although our profit for the year so far is well down.

Income has been reduced because of less functions this season at only 4, however we are working on this in partnership with a potential restaurateur. We have had less income from sponsorships with only 3 sponsors this year being Toorak College, Bendigo Bank and Club Marine. We would encourage support from other sponsors, therefore if you know of any other businesses that may be interested, please contact Nic Peasley.

On the bright side we have welcomed 9 new family members and one senior member.

The fantastic iSail Lidgett Trophy weekend was a fabulous yet again but had less supporters in only 127 children sailing. Therefore, the support of parents at the canteen was reflected in a reduced income. Overall the weekend as per usual was a great success but with a reduced net income. On the expense side, Nic was again able to keep the insurance down to a minimum but this still represents a significant expense line in our annual budgets.

Repairs and maintenance was again very high and this included the purchase of three sets of sails for the Pacer fleet. It is our intention to replace a further 3 sets of Pacer sails each year and this is well covered by the income from YV for the School Sailing programs. On top of the usual repairs and maintenance we spent a significant amount on the upgrade of the downstairs changerooms/bathrooms. This expense was well worth it and we should be thankful for all the time David Streader put into this update.

Again I would like to reiterate that if we see repairs that need to be done whether on yachts, power boats or around the club, if you could let a committee member know then we can get it repaired before it becomes an expensive replacement.

Happy sailing and enjoy the use of the club.

Glenys Hitchen
Treasurer

*Treasurer's Report accepted. Proposed: Glenys Hitchen, Seconded: Kate Harper
Passed by a majority show of hands.*

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

It has been a pleasure and privilege to have worked with so many club members over the last season. I set myself a task to share our combined knowledge and skills with as many members as possible not only to help them feel part of our club, but enabling them to feel confident enough to step up and share the considerable workload. Thank you to everyone who contributed, the club is more vibrant with the energy you have created.

A passion for sailing has seen some of our club members travel far and wide to world championships in South Africa and New Zealand, nationals in Adelaide and various state championships. This participation is important as their experience and knowledge is brought back to the club and contributes to the growth of our fleets, and so our after sailing tips and rules during munchies on the deck, will become "Tips and Dips" next season as we strive to increase the standard of all of our fleets. We have several enquiries from very experienced sailors wanting to join Davey's Bay, this will be great for our club racing, a special thanks to Cam Taylor in particular for his work in promoting the Flying 15 racing.

Our Race Officers continue to provide excellent racing, always amusing at the start boat, their characters and bad music shine through in all weathers. Thank you to Glenys, Richard and Billy and to all who set courses, assisted with rescue and supervised in the Murdoch Safety Tower. Dana Barry has brought a new enthusiasm to the tower with her attention grabbing tinkling notes which has been embraced by all of our tower operators.

(As you will see this afternoon) the Optimist fleet and flying 15 fleets have been very active for the whole season. The intermediate fleet (420s and Pacers) were active through to February but slowed after that. As with all sports and organised activities, this age group often has conflicting interests, so it is a challenge that we, as a club need to address in creative ways. We are considering a Laser fleet or perhaps a Sabre fleet as well as the 420 and we welcome your input.

There are two people who I wish to personally thank, Kate Harper and Sally Radnell. Kate continues to manage and run the school sailing programs, both team racing and Girl Sail. Kate does a fantastic job, mostly unseen by the fleets on Sunday, but these programs are a vital link to the wider community and enjoyed by all involved. When you see Sally on a Sunday, or at the 4 day intensive, she has already spent twice the hours during the week, organising, communicating and giving great thought and consideration to making the Tackers experience the best it can be, and not just for the sailors but the families too. I am sure we have gained many family memberships from her efforts and personal delivery of the program. This year she even coached a group of parents to run the start boat. Thank you to the parents for your contribution to the Tackers program, on the water, on shore and in the kitchen, and to the coaches who make learning sailing fun and safe, thank you.

Davey's Bay Yacht Club is a community and while children grow up and sometimes move away, they are always welcome to come back, and for the parents of our Tackers, please continue to make Davey's Bay your club even after your Tackers have graduated. Be involved, be social, go sailing or get involved in our race management team, enjoy our unique location and great club.

I look forward to 2017-18.

Susan Thompson
Club Captain
Davey's Bay Yacht Club

***Club Captain's Report accepted. Proposed: Sue Thompson, Seconded: Kate Lidgett
Passed by a majority show of hands.***

SAIL PROGRAMS UPDATE (KATE HARPER)

School Sailing

Midweek school sailing at DBYC continued to thrive during the season. Monday nights with Toorak College and the Learn-To-Sail program saw good numbers enrolled in terms 4 & 1. Term 1 was further enhanced with the introduction of a Learn-To-Race program which doubled the numbers on Monday nights and will help bridge the gap which existed between Learning To Sail and becoming a member of the Toorak College sailing team. DBYC has benefited from a few of the Monday night Toorak sailors joining the Sunday morning program too. Tuesday night's continued to see Peninsula Grammar train at DBYC.

On the back of our inaugural season running the John Middleton Series at DBYC with 3 schools last season, we were thrilled to have 5 schools enrol this season. Whilst this always means a higher level of management, the DBYC midweek volunteer team rose to the occasion and offered a great program. Students from Toorak College, Woodleigh, Dromana Secondary, Flinders College and Cornish College (and their teachers, parents and grandparents!) all pitched in to help the DBYC team make the program such a success. We extended one evening session with sausages and bread on the lawn which saw a full house enjoying themselves. A special thanks to Nic (father of Sue Everard) who came and cooked the sausages and hamburgers for us on that evening.

The Toorak College sailing team also enjoyed many afternoons of training at the Club throughout the season.

The Wednesday night sessions saw all 9 pacers in use in every session. Monday nights saw a mix of Optis and Pacers in use, and Tuesday nights saw just Pacers in use. Our boats get a serious work out during this time. Thanks goes to Tony Nash for his consistent and reliable attention to not only ensuring the Pacer fleet is up to scratch at the start of the season, but also that it continues to be throughout the season. Tony has been a fabulous support person to ensure that issues are resolved and fixed, and quite often in a short space of time!

Midweek programs are very difficult to run with so few volunteers being available due to work commitments. Several members leave their work place early to be on hand and several are lucky enough to be able to flex their time to be able to help. At the end of the day, we could not run the programs without our DBYC volunteers. There are too many to name, but a thank you to everyone who has given their time to ensure that Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights continue to showcase DBYC in such a positive manner and enable children from the Mornington Peninsula to enjoy the opportunity to sail.

Girlsail

The weather played into our hands perfectly, and it was another successful Girlsail regatta on Friday March 3rd for 96 secondary school female sailors from around the State and some 30+ volunteers. The partnership between Toorak College and DBYC in organising Girlsail continues to ensure a highly regarded and full capacity regatta. We were thrilled to have Lisa Darmanin, Rio Olympic Games Silver medallist in the Nacra class, as our guest speaker this year. In warm conditions, the junior club house was packed to overflowing with Lisa sharing her sailing story with the audience. Thanks to YV (Sailing Australia!) for enabling Lisa to be able to join us. With 21 Pacers on the water Girlsail commenced at 8am and finished at around 4.30pm – it is a huge day! The volunteer base is too large and spread too far around the Bay to individually thank everyone, but it goes without saying, that every volunteer is highly valued and needed!!!

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR SEASON 2017/18:-

- Peter Manger– Commodore
- Matthew Barry– Vice Commodore
- Nic Peasley – Rear Commodore
- Ed Brewis – Secretary
- David Streader – Treasurer
- Sue Thompson– Club Captain
- Cameron Taylor – General Committee
- Tony Nash – General Committee
- Chris Harper – General Committee
- Leigh Cummin – General Committee

Proposed: Tony Eustace, Seconded: Sam O'Connor

This was the only nomination received for 2017/18 Committee positions so the Commodore declared them duly appointed.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION

In accordance with Rule 4.E, the Committee is recommending to the members that the following Club Members be granted Honorary Life Membership of DBYC:

1. Peter Danks
2. Jeni Danks
3. Scott Lidgett

Supporting Criteria

Each of the three members recommended has given distinguished and selfless service to the Club over many years. This service has:

- promoted the wider good standing of the Club in sailing circles
- enhanced the opportunities for younger members to fully participate in Club activities
- added to the infrastructure of the Club
- contributed to the sailing success of the Club
- provided other members with examples of internal leadership
- upheld the values of the Club

The Nominees

1. Scott Lidgett

Scott has sailed with distinction in Sabot, 420, Fireball and Flying Fifteen Classes. He won the Junior Sabot Cup 1975, Junior Sabot Trophy 1975 and Senior Sabot Cup 1976 & 77.

He has served on the Club's General Committee on a number of occasions. He was the Club's Captain 1990-1992 and Commodore 2012-2014.

2. Jeni Danks

Jeni has sailed with serious distinction. Her Club titles are many but the highlights are Sabot Endeavour Award 1976, Junior Chairperson 1981 and, at a young age, Victorian Sabot Champion 1980.

Jeni went on to win the Australian Women's Championship 1980 and again in 1981. She represented Australia in the World Women's Championship in Sardinia. In 1987 and 1992 she was voted Victorian Sportswoman of the Year. She has represented Australia at two Olympics Barcelona and Atlanta.

Jeni has served on many yachting administrations and the Australian Olympic Committee. But more importantly Jeni was D.B.Y.C. Commodore 2008-2010.

In the early 2000's our Junior and Intermediate fleets were at a low. Both Jeni and Scott re-invigorated our junior fleet and managed the change from Sabot to Optimist Class. Jeni "coined" Tackers training and sailing.

At a number of Opti Nationals D.B.Y.C. had the most entrants from one club. This solid foundation has led to D.B.Y.C. being a major contributor in Opti Sailing in Victoria.

3. Peter Danks

Whilst Peter has not served on D.B.Y.C.'s General Committee, he has chaired and served on a number of important Sub-Committees. The three Sub-Committee's he chaired, the building, the F/F Nationals and the Lidgett Trophy, have had an indelible significance to our club and its members.

Peter has also actively been involved in our Junior Tackers program assisting with coaching and resourcing. He has served on State Class Associations representing D.B.Y.C. Peter has been an important partner with Jeni in promoting Junior sailing and our Club.

Peter is also an accomplished yachtsman.

Related achievements

Because of the overlapping roles played by these 3 members there is merit in presenting the contribution of the three nominees in their various capacities.

1. Lidgett Trophy

Over 18 years ago the concept of a Junior Training Regatta was conceived. Originally for Sabot Class the regatta has expanded to cater for Pacer, 420's, visiting Minnows and finally Sabot, Minnows and Optimist.

From the beginning World Class coaches gave their time to ensure all young sailors of various skill levels were taught, trained and encouraged.

As the Regatta grew in size so did the "care and responsibility". The planning and management commenced three months prior to the Regatta date. Areas covered included coaches; ribs; on water safety; off water medical; management of four courses; registration; gift bags for all and catering for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

The Regatta became the largest of its kind in Australia, with over 158 yachts covering 3 Classes. The Lidgett Trophy Weekend has produced 1 Olympic and many World, Australian and State Title winners.

But more importantly over 2000 young sailors improved their sailing, made friends and had heaps of fun. This Regatta was the envy of many Clubs in Victoria, if not Australia.

Driving Committee: Peter Danks
Jeni Danks
Scott Lidgett

2. Building of D.B.Y.C. Rooms

What started off as a desire to house the Club's archives has become a total rebuild of the Junior Club Rooms and major renovation to the Main Club Rooms. The rebuild cost over \$1.2 million and took over 13 months to complete.

For a small club we have some of the best family friendly facilities on the Bay.

To bring all the “Trades” together and manage a recalcitrant builder took a “special” set of Project Management Skills. The financing and fundraising was a careful consideration and was organised in such a manner that only a moderate cost was born by members.

Project Chairman: Peter Danks

3. Flying Fifteen National Titles

D.B.Y.C. hosted the F/F National Titles December 2012 – 4th Jan 2013. This Regatta was attended by over 58 yachts. The planning for this event commenced some 18 months earlier. Regular meetings of the Sub-Committee were held and covered:

- On-water management: Juries and judges, National RO
- Off-water management: Safety, catering, yacht storage, medical

The western end of the F/F yard had to be concreted, water, power and air also installed. This was a massive effort. The F/F sailors voted this to be one of the best National Titles.

Sub-Committee Chairman: Peter Danks & Scott Lidgett (2IC)

4. 100th Birthday Party

Those of you who were members of our Club in 2009 will remember the Yachting Social Event of the year, our 100th Birthday Party.

A black tie event was held at Cruden Farm. Over 580 members, former members and guests enjoyed a magnificent meal, fine wines and were entertained by a 9 piece “Big Band”. One of the highlights of the evening was a guest appearance of Lenore Cody, who sang a selection of arias. Guests from other Yacht Clubs were overheard saying, “Only Davey’s Bay” would organise such a Grand Event.

Once again the planning and preparation took over 12 months

Chairperson: Jeni Danks
Committee: Peter Danks
Scott Lidgett

Summary

And as one of a few active members with over 27 years’ membership I have much pleasure in recommending to the Committee the following for Honorary Life Membership:

- Peter Danks
- Jeni Danks
- Scott Lidgett

***Proposed: Richard Starkins, Seconded: Glenys Hitchen
Passed by a majority show of hands and unanimous acclamation.***

GENERAL BUSINESS

1) Gift Presentation:

The Commodore called forward Athol & Julie Lidgett, Jeni & Peter Danks and Scott & Kate Lidgett. As a token of thanks from DBYC for all their efforts to deliver 18 years of the iSail Lidgett Trophy, each couple was presented with a garden bench, labelled with a small plaque to record their achievements. Unanimous cheering, applause and comments were provided by all members present.

2) Question from floor:

Question – What action is being taken to update the club’s honour boards? Response: The honour boards have all been photographed and will be updated by the 2017 AGM in October.

3) Comment re: Jane Meldrum’s contribution to DBYC

Comment from a member to highlight and thank Jane Meldrum for her support and welcome when families join DBYC and then the huge amount of work she has done with internal and external events. Full agreement from all members present. The Commodore noted that Jane’s contribution would be additionally celebrated later in the day.

Meeting was closed at 12:00pm.

Minutes Accepted

Commodore: Peter Manger

Date: Day Month 2017