

**Jubilee Yacht Association (Vic) Inc**  
**Annual General Meeting Minutes**  
**29th November 2023**



**1. Welcome by President**

**1.1 Present**

Leonie Crosbie, Paul Crosbie, Sue Cockman, Graeme Cox, Joe Luciani, John Brewer, Chris Pulham, Steve Wright, Lesley Davies, Mike Cantwell, Olavi Rantala, Paul Buchholz, Peter Naismith, Tony Harland, Trevor Gray, Bob McDonald, Lins Curtis,

**1.2 Apologies:**

Eric Johnston Russell Hawkes, Brian Canny

**2. Minutes of Previous AGM**

As tabled

**3. Treasurers Report**

As tabled. The surplus of \$3,500 is accounted for by the donation of \$2,100 from the RBYC Jubilee fleet account and an unrepresented cheque of \$500 from the Ballarat Soup Bus which it seems got lost in the post. A replacement payment is to be made.

**Acceptance of Treasurers Report**

**Moved: Paul Crosbie    2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Pulham**

**Carried**

**4. Presidents Report**

The President presented her report which is printed in full as an attachment to these minutes.

**Acceptance of Presidents Report**

**Moved: Leonie Crosbie                      2<sup>nd</sup> Lesley Davies**

**Carried**

Steve Wright commented that the opportunity to locate the "sleeping Jubilees" could be by advertising in the Australian Sailing Newsletter. He also stated that the NSW trophies had actually come from the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron.

Discussion took place on the VFM of being a member of Australian Sailing. Generally, it was a view that little value being derived by yacht clubs let alone class associations and that to seek membership from the members of both clubs and associations was double dipping by Australian sailing of the same people.

## **5. Fleet Reports**

### **5.1 Albert Park**

Chris Pulham reported that Jubilees at APYC plan a sailing program of every second weekend. Pegasus has now been purchased by the syndicate that purchased Jemima. Wataworrie has undergone deck repairs and is now in good order.

Graeme Cox advised of using the Jubilees as part of social sailing program to grow membership and the invitation will be extended to the whole Jubilee fleet to join in sailing days particularly over the winter months.

### **5.2 Ballarat**

The Ballarat fleet has been racing regularly with 6 boats each week. There are still some Jubilees that have not yet launched as yet due to skipper's other commitments.

Several boats are under restoration that will boost the fleet size.

The fleet is strong apart from a shortage of crew, resulting in most boats racing with a crew of two.

### **5.3 Brighton**

There are no Jubilees currently sailing at RBYC.

### **5.4 NSW**

Steve Wight reported little growth in NSW as with the exception of Taj, local jubilees are only sailed for picnic sailor cruising rather than competition. He will endeavour to make contact with those owners so that the JYAA yacht register can be updated as well gauge interest in joining a competition or selling.

### **5.5 Queensland**

Tony Harland reported that racing at Moreton Bay racing is tide dependant which constrains racing. They have 11 Jubilees on the water. A few regularly race at Macleay Island and a quarterly mixed fleet regatta is also held. The next Qld States will be in the first week in October as tides are right.

An invitation was extended to borrow a local boat to join in their next state titles.

### **5.6 Sorrento**

Mike Cantwell reported that 6 boats were represented at a planning dinner to develop a program. The club is holding a skills development course using Jubilees and it's hoped they will have 7 to 9 boats competing this summer. The Linacre Titles being at Sorrento on 24-25 February will also boost the re-emergence of the class.

## **Acceptance of Fleet Reports**

**Moved: Leonie Crosbie**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Tony Harland**

**Carried**

## **6. Measurers' Reports**

Bob McDonald has advised that enquiries have started to come in for measurement this season. A sail measurement session was also recently held at Ballarat.

## **Acceptance of Measurer's Report**

**Moved: Bob McDonald**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Wright**

**Carried**

## **7. Election of Office Bearers**

One nomination was received for Mike Cantwell for the position of general committee and fleet captain at Sorrento.

As the nomination does not exceed the positions available, Mike Cantwell can be duly appointed.

All other members to retain their posts.

The JYAA Committee for 2023-24 is

President:	Leonie Crosbie
Hon. Secretary/Treasurer:	Paul Crosbie
General Committee	Brian Canny
General Committee -	Bob McDonald
General Committee	Tony Harland
General Committee	Michael Morrow
General Committee	Chris Pulham
General Committee	Brian Canny
General Committee	Gary Bunyard
General Committee	Steve Wright
General Committee	Mike Cantwell

Measurers:

Measurer - Sorrento	Bob McDonald
Measurer - Ballarat	Eric Johnston
Measurer - Qld	Tony Harland

Fleet Captains:

- Albert Park	Chris Pulham
- Ballaarat	Brian Canny
- Brighton	Gary Bunyard
- NSW	Steve Wright
- QLD	Tony Harland
- Sorrento	Mike Cantwell

## **8. COMING EVENTS**

- 8.1. The JA Linacre Memorial trophy for the Victorian State titles will be held 24 -25 February at the Sorrento Sailing and Couta Boat Club.
- 8.2. Huntingfield  
Date and Venue is to be determined.
- 8.3. Rudder Shield  
The Rudder Shield will be held at Ballarat at a date to be determined.

## **9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

- There were no items of General Business received however Leonie opened up the floor for discussion.
- Sue Cockman proposed that Trevor Gray be appointed as a measurer for SSCBC. It was advised that the appointment of measurers and the whole question of the measurer's role was listed to be discussed at the next General Committee meeting.
- Chris Pulham raised the possibility of the Huntingfield Cup for 2024 being held on Lake Burley Griffin in Canberra. The secretary will make enquiries and report to the next Committee Meeting.
- Paul Buchholz, Chairman of the Geelong Wooden Boat Festival and a guest at this meeting extended an invitation for wooden Jubilees to participate in either an on land static display or on water activities for

their event to be held 9-11 March 2024.

<https://www.woodenboatfestivalgeelong.com.au/>

The secretary advised that is already planned to have a partly restored Freydis J1 on display and Tahiti J12 on the water. Sue Cockman advised that Manana has now been restored and Samoa restoration is in progress. She will hope to participate.

Paul also advised that there is a photograph of Freydis at the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron that may be of interest to the association. The secretary will investigate.

The next General Committee Meeting to be scheduled for within the next month.

Next AGM: To be determined

## **Attachment to 2023 AGM Minutes**

### **Presidents Report**

Welcome everyone, I am so pleased to see such a healthy attendance and acknowledge one good thing from Covid days, improved communications. Although 'free' services have now become 'fee' services resulting in our communication costs rising. However, I do remember the days of printing out, enveloping and posting invites to an AGM, which was a laborious process, taking up to 6 weeks for completion.

In my first report as President, I would like to reflect on the year past and to plan ahead for the future as we consolidate and grow as a national body. That in our planning we consider:

- A program which is inclusion for all in events
- Stimulating the growth of the overall fleet by locating 'sleeping' Jubilees that may be available for purchase and restoration as well as ensuring the hull mould is available to anyone who wishes to build a new yacht
- Promoting our class and developing our sailing experience through sailing in a variety of locations
- Developing links to Classic Yachts and future sailing events for timber Jubilees

I am pleased to advise that the association is in a strong financial position due to a gradual increase in membership. In particular we welcome new members and growth from the Queensland fleet and renewed enthusiasm from Sorrento members. Your committee has continued to renew itself with new members maintaining enthusiasm and depth of experience.

The challenge for the new committee is to develop a Class environment where individual fleets can all grow while there is reasonable opportunity to all to be able to compete in State and National competitions.

### **Regattas**

#### **J.A Linacre Memorial Trophy Regatta**

- 2022 State Titles were held at Cairn Curran Sailing Club 11-13 Nov. 2022
- The regatta was dedicated to Jubilee past President and sailor Bryan Linacre who passed away 9th January 2022 in his 94th year. We had the largest roll up in many years with participants from Sorrento, Albert Park and Ballarat clubs. 13 boats competed.
- Congratulations to Albert Park for 1st place for Wataworrie and to Albert Park for bringing their whole fleet to the regatta and to their families for supporting the CCSC and Maldon community. Wataworrie was sailed with dignity in every race. The quiet achievers used their skill to find the breeze and weave their magic over the course.

- It was a family friendly event with several families sailing together. We had guests of honour in the Linacre family attending for the weekend. Doug Linacre presented the J.A Linacre Memorial Trophy and shared some great stories from when his father and his uncle (Bryan Linacre) were young lads and the history of our trophy.

## **2023 Huntingfield Cup Report**

- Held at Ballarat Yacht Club due to the falling water depth at Lake Learmonth. The regatta was held in light conditions over the last weekend of April. Steve, Karyn Wright and Ian Goodbury from Cronulla Sailing Club sailing "Taj" were victorious out of a fleet of thirteen boats. A new initiative in lieu of presenting personal trophies to the winners a donation of \$500 to local charity The Soup Bus Ballarat was well received.

## **Rudder Shield**

- Ballarat hosted the event with Four teams competing, Cronulla, Albert Park, Sorrento and Ballarat. This event is a key promotion and opportunity for us all to enjoy sailing and to share our wonderful facilities. Ballarat could maintain this as a regular part of our sailing calendar but we rely on the generosity of our fleet to provide sufficient boats to run the day successfully.

## **2023-24 EVENT DATES**

- Planning is underway for the 2024 **J.A Linacre Memorial Trophy Regatta** for the State Titles to be held at Sorrento Sailing and Couta Boat Club the 24 and 25 February 2024.
- The Huntingfield Cup and Rudder Shield are still to be scheduled. Options for dates and venue are being considered. It has to be accepted that some boats will never travel to events for various reasons while others will welcome the opportunity. To assist in planning and decision making a minimum of six entries will ensure that a regatta will proceed.

## **NSW Trophies**

Due to the wind up of the NSW Association we agreed to accept trophies which would otherwise have ended up in the back of a dusty cupboard. Thanks to John Easton who rescued two beautiful trophies from RPAYC and Steve Wright and crew transported them to Victoria. The committee will consider new events for their application.

## **CLASS PROMOTION**

### **Website redevelopment and Hosting**

Paul has been putting in a lot of effort in learning about WIX website, maintaining current activities, introducing a historical perspective and gathering information on boats. The development of a new site and host was considered but an outlay of \$3000 plus ongoing expenses was not considered in the Associations best interests.

**BOATS FOR SALE/WANTED TO BUY** are listed on the website. We are also maintaining a register of enquires to purchase and referring them to the sellers so they can individually negotiate. The Association does not serve as a broker but it links interested parties and aims to sustain all useable boats. We acknowledge that some are beyond repair and go on to life in another form. Sue Cockman advised that 'Caterpillar' is now serving a local kindergarten as an adventure play structure.

## **RESTORATIONS**

Exciting developments are occurring on our oldest girl- J1 Freydis. Restoration is now well underway thanks to RBYC Jubilee donation of \$2100 and the diligent work of Paul Crosbie, John Brewer and Joe Luciano.

Many dusty layers of ancient paint are being painstakingly sanded back to preserve and retain her as a living legend. I can't wait to see her on the water again. An invitation has been made to display Freydis at The Geelong Wooden Boat festival in March 2024.

Other restoration projects

- J11 Tahiti	John Brewer Ballarat	completed
- J14 Elokah	Geoff Gadsten Maree Wilson Sorrento	near completion
- J17 Sorrento Moo	Trevor and Jenny Rogers Qld	underway
- J30 Sirius	John Brewer Brat	to be commenced
- J45 Jessica	Bruce Legg Qld	completed
- J103 Lewana	Dave Wilson Ballarat	near completion
- J115 Taj	Steve Wright NSW	completed

## **Keeping up with changes**

Some of our challenges are insurance companies who no longer offer marine insurance or insurance for wooden boats and boats over 20 years old. We are developing a list of preferred providers so please contact us if you are having any difficulties.



In 2025 we will be celebrating 90 years since the formation of our class association. We are amongst a very small group of the longest continuous, one design sailing classes in the world. If we work together we can maintain our class and continue strong into the future. Keep an eye out for any Jubilees which become available and need to be recognised such as on Gumtree, in a yard somewhere or hiding amongst a fishing fleet at Williamstown.

Leonie Crosbie

President

29 Nov 2023