



# DESPATCHES

## SAILABILITY BAYSIDE

Sailability Bayside  
Is an all volunteer non-profit  
organisation dedicated to  
providing sailing for people  
with disabilities, regardless  
of age gender or disability.

Sailability Bayside Inc.

September 2024

Manly Queensland

### We Need YOU!

Like to join our fantastic  
friendly team of volunteers?

Come down and see us in  
action at Darling Point Sailing  
Squadron, 22 Trafalgar St.,  
Manly. (beside the Brisbane  
Coast Guard)

We operate on Mondays and  
Thursdays from 9.00am  
during school terms.

New volunteers, whether you  
can sail or not are always  
very welcome.

### CLIENT BOOKINGS

[sailabilitybayside@gmail.com](mailto:sailabilitybayside@gmail.com)

### CHANGES & CANCELLATIONS

**Tel 0432 152 310**

Bookings are not carried over. They  
need to be re-organised each term.

To contact Sailability on Sail Days  
between 9.00am and 2.00pm

**Tel 0432 152 310**

**Will Sailing be operating?**

**Tel 0401 994 271**

**After 7.00am on the day of sailing**

### Sailing Calendar 2024

Start Term Four:

**Monday 30th September**

End Term Four:

**Thursday 12th December**



### BOWLED OVER

Ever wonder what our crew get up to when they are not sailing? Well, just recently we arranged a fun day at the Manly Bowls Club for those adventurers who like to try out for the fast and furious sport of lawn bowls which attracted quite a crowd of our volunteers.

You can see from the image above, how serious the game was taken, though when it came to who was the best at having their bowl the closest to the pin, the gloves came off and every ploy and tactic you could dream of was applied including a good bucketful of sledging.

The winners were the group pictured above, however we all were winners as it happens, as the day was most successful in bringing our people together for good times in matters other than sailing for people with disability. The day was sponsored by our new partners, The Ubuntu Foundation and Carolyn Vincent, who provide support for charities and particularly the volunteers with the aim of a better world that works for everyone.

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MEMBER FOR LYTTON





**The Barefoot Bowls Day** at the Manly Bowls Club was a great success and something that we should plan for on a regular basis, to meet with colleagues in their 'civies' where they look quite different to their usual appearance in 'sailing gear'. It was a very relaxed outing in pleasant surroundings and enjoyed by all who attended. President Richard awarded the winners who were graded :

Best Pair—Brian & friend; Best Mixed Pair—The Talbots; & Best Rookies—Heather & Glenn

A huge Thank You to Wayne for organising the event, where trying to arrange a competitive ladder to progress the competition and arrive at the ultimate winners was quite a feat. Thanks also to our volunteering sponsor, Carolyn Vincent and the Ubuntu Foundation.

## Yacht Maintenance

During the September holiday break, our yacht Faith was removed from the water to have the underside cleaned of marine growth by our long term supporters The Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron at Manly Harbour. The growth on this occasion was minimal, probably due to the cooler winter weather, however the anti-fouling was noted to be starting to flake due to the loss of adhesion of the old coating underneath the many layers added over the years. The plan at this stage is to slip the yacht again for a few days over the summer holidays, when the layers of old anti-fouling can be removed and the process restarted with a fresh application. A huge Thank You to RQYS for their continued support of Sailability Bayside and sailing for people with disability.



## Dinghy Maintenance

The September break also allowed us to spend some time to keep our hard working dinghies in good order. On this occasion we were concentrating on renewing some furling ropes and splicing them so that they could operate in an endless fashion. This means that when the sails are added to the hull each sailing day, the furling ropes do not have to be positioned, rather they will be ready to furl/unfurl the sails from their present position.

The other work attended to here, refers to some of the centreboards that have been noticed to be loose within their housings and required some soft packing to be added to the housing to stop this movement during rougher sea conditions. To enable this work, it was necessary to be able to lift the heavy centreboards in and out of the dinghy in an environment where it was possible to observe the fitted centreboard from under the boat. After much thought, our tractor was modified to allow a crane frame be attached to have the means of safely processing this work in a convenient manner. Thank You to everyone who contributed to this work that ensures we are able to sail into the future.





## Blessing of the Fleet

Our partners in sailing, the Darling Point Sailing Squadron, commenced their sailing season in September and invited our club to participate in a 'Blessing of the Fleet' ceremony to commemorate this occasion. The day was picture perfect with all manner of craft rigged on the lawn to be included and a good crowd in attendance with all eager to welcome the start of the new sailing season. The DPSS commodore Peter R officiated and presentations of their club awards were then followed by the 'Blessing' led by Father Kevin from Iona College.



## Raffles at Fielders Club

During the month of September, the Fielders Club and the Wynnum Manly Workers Sports Social Club invited Sailability Bayside to participate in the selling of raffle tickets each Friday night at the Club. Fielders is a popular club within the local community and the raffle tickets sell like hot cakes, so that it is a great opportunity to spread the word about sailing for people with disability as well as earn some welcome funds to maintain our sailing program. On the final Friday night, Social Club President Damien, presented our President Richard with a cheque for \$3000, which is derived from the profits resulting from the raffles. We are very grateful to both the management and staff of Fielders Club as well as the members of the WMWSSC for their ongoing support of Sailability Bayside over many years.



## A.G.M. 2024

The Annual General Meeting of Sailability Bayside occurred on the 12th September 2024 following the sailing program for that day. There were no matters to be considered at the meeting apart from the election of office bearers where the resignations of Pam W and Sue B were accepted and their contributions acknowledged. As all positions were filled and uncontested, all nominations were accepted and elected accordingly. Whilst the position of Treasurer was required to be changed (under the Constitution), there were no nominations received and the current Treasurer remains in the position in an acting role.

The new committee for Sailability Bayside are as follows:-

President: Richard S—Secretary: Peter S—Treasurer: Steve M

Client Registrar: Jan G

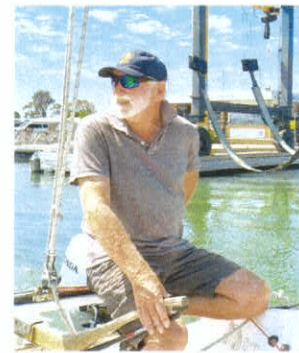
Committee Members:

Peter L; Wayne N; Glenn R; Kathy B; Geoff G; Sara de G; Heather A:





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## TERM 3

