

President's Report AGM 8/1/2020

Thanks again to the 36 competitors for making the effort to come to Paynesville under such extreme conditions. Our thoughts are with those who have lost homes and property or loved ones.

This year has been relatively light work after the Hervey Bay Worlds.

11 of our countrymen attended the Weymouth Worlds. Congratulations to Mischa and Landy for winning their respective disciplines. Also we noted the speed of young Andy in the early races and the marked improvement near the end from Phil Robertson.

We managed to pocket some extra cash from the Hervey Bay Worlds washup due to a number of contractors offering their services rather than bill us for their work. It seems that the locals had so much fun they were just happy to have been involved. The Association owes a great thankyou to Paul, Clare, Darren and the many many local volunteers and businesses.

Two of our long time class stalwarts have indicated their desire to retire from their measurement duties this year. Bags has been very involved with the class both Internationally and Nationally for 20 odd years and will still continue his work as International Measurer. JD has been Qld rep and State Measurer for more years than he can remember since joining the class in early 80's. My heartfelt thanks to both of them who have supported me for over 20 years and made my job so much easier. We recognised their valuable contribution in the last few years when we presented them with life membership.

I would also like to thank all of our committee, Paul, Michael, Stuart our Measurers Bags, Brad, Simon, John, Paul and the State reps Hamish, Grantley, Clare for the work they have done over the past 12-15 months since the Worlds to keep our championships alive and boats legal.

After another 11 years at the helm, making about 25 years in total, I would also like to hang up my presidents hat and hand over the batten. Last year we appointed Paul Neeskens as Vice President and now Clare has very kindly agreed that he can take over the reins. Of course I would also like to thanks Jo-Anne for all the support she has given me and our family over the many years. I'm sure the ladies would also like to give her a shout out for organising many of the ladies nights out.

Thank you,

Ian Johnson