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***"LIFE WITHOUT A DEFINED PURPOSE IS SIMILAR TO A BOAT
WITHOUT A CREW IN THE MIDDLE OF THE OCEAN".***

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***Cootharaba Messabout
Story inside***

Vivier Abe boat by Mark Scott of Victoria Point Launched April - Photo by Ross O'Brien



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A monthly Social BBQ for Members and Guests is held on the second Tuesday of the month commencing from 5.30pm. A short report on the previous Committee Meeting is given at about 6.30 pm followed by a Guest Speaker. Bring along your plans, projects and problems for group attention.

Don't forget something for SHOW, TELL & ASK. Until further notice, the Committee Meetings are held by video at 4:30 pm on the Monday preceding the monthly Social BBQ.

WE MEET AT

**THE BOATSHED, 39 ARGYLE ST,
ALBION**

Messabouts are held monthly. For details of these and other wooden boat events, refer to the calendar of events later in this newsletter or check the calendar on the WBAQ website.

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Your contributions to the LOG are sought and welcomed. Articles in MS word with JPEG photos are the preferred format. Email if possible. The Log is generally finalised the day after the monthly meeting. Editor Ian Primrose Phone 3263 3381 m 0491 120 888 Contributions to: imprimrose@powerup.com.au

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Sailing at Pt Talburpin Aug 2024



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FROM THE CAPTAIN'S CABIN

You may have noticed that the weather has been a wee fickle lately. To be on the safe side, we have had to cancel a Messabout and postpone a Meeting. But last week at Lake Cootharaba, the fickle index went up a notch. To borrow an overworked word, the winds were "unprecedentedly" fickle. On Thursday, the winds, at 8am as recorded on the weather station at Boreen Point, measured 5.4kts gusting to 21.1kts. These large gusts continued all day with the wind at 6pm, 10.8kts gusting 18.9kts. I cannot remember a day with such variation in wind speed.

Christmas is just around the corner and Calendars start filling up. The Association will have our Christmas Party at the BoatShed on Sunday December 15th, starting at 11:30am. An Invitation will be emailed later this Month.

This is also the time of the year when the Association starts planning the first half of next year's Messabouts. If you have any ideas or a favourite spot that would be suitable for a Messabout, pass the information to Phil within the next week.

The Redland City Council have completed a new boat ramp on the Southern side of Weinam Creek. It has been officially opened with three dedicated launching bays and a pontoon. Adjacent are 40 72-hour trailer parking bays with a further 45 trailer parks to be delivered in the Moores Road parking area when the multi-level car park opens. The original boat ramp on the Northern side of Weinam Creek is now only for the use by Emergency Services.

Twelve Months ago, I asked for Association Members to form a group of "flood responders." I don't have that team as yet. Ideally this is a minimum group of 8 Members who could reasonably respond to a callout at any given time. Given the nature of the location where the BoatShed is located combined with the data available from the surrounding flood level stations and

accurate tide predictions, the risk of flooding can accurately be gauged. During the last flood, we were able to predict the height and time of the peak several hours ahead. If you are within a reasonable distance of the BoatShed and would be able to respond to a call out, I would like to hear from you. A copy of the Flood Response Plan will be provided to the flood responders.

Sadly, last Thursday, Marian Elcock the wife and partner of our Membership Secretary Jon passed away. Marian showed great strength over the past seven years in her battle. We pass our condolences to Jon and his family.

Jim

WORKSHOP NEWS

WORKSHOP DAY SAT 16th NOVEMBER

To hand-sand the undercoat in preparation for topcoat. From 9 am. Sausage sizzle lunch.

Work continues on the Lazy E

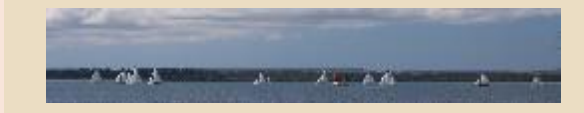


I hate sanding and this is one reason why. Red dust!
The Lazy E is all sanded and a 2-Pack undercoat has been applied.



Jim & Scott on the rollers.

If you would like to be involved, we meet at the Workshop each Thursday* from about 8.30 – sandpaper and torture-board supplied! From



November we are starting the Saturday after the meeting too – from about 9 am

NEW MEMBERS
A hearty welcome to:

Mr Finlay Robinson and Mrs Paola Morgigni
of Kedron
They have: Boat 1. 8 ft ply wood punt (motor) and
Boat 2. Mirror 16 sailing dinghy
They found us on face book.

Stephen Gollagher of Holland Park West
No boat details advised.
He found us Face book and saw us at a Brisbane Boat Show

John Cameron and Lynne Cameron of Tewantin
Their boat details: An 8.5 m 1935 Norman Wright Sharpie
They found us Facebook and Brisbane boat show

VALE: MARION ELCOCK

With great sadness, we advise the passing last week of Marion Elcock, wife of Jon.
Our sincere sympathy is extended to Jon and his family. Here is the link for YouTube
<https://www.youtube.com/@stphilsrochedale>
Marian's funeral will be held at St Phil's church 270 Rochdale Rd Rochdale, at 1.00 pm Thursday 14 November.

LAUNCHING AWARDS
HAVE YOU LAUNCHED A BOAT THIS YEAR?
Send a quality photo of your boat to
president@woodenboat.org.au
Awards made at Christmas party in Dec.

THE 2025 WBAQ CALENDAR IS OUT

ONLY \$12



Our 14th Edition with a page per month to allow you to write up your appointments plus photo of boats with a nautical saying and a reminder of public holidays and WBAQ meetings.
An ideal Christmas gift for friends or family.
Sold at cost for the benefit of members.

REPORTS

LAKE COOTHARABA
4th - 9th NOVEMBER
Story Phil Brown

The boats in play, according to my memory, hope I have not forgotten any. List in no particular order, a Penny Fee; Mirror 16; Flint 2 of; First Mate; Shearwater (stretched); Redfin 15 early model; Melonseed; Bobcat; Tirrik; Heavy weight Sharpie; a 125; Vivier Abe; a stretched Tuckeroo; Darrell's chonda powered dinghy; Catspaw and a Bolger Nymph.

What is that you ask?- 17 boats, a pretty good showing.





Some folk arrived on the Sunday and launched and, of course, had to sail. Some arrived on **Monday** and set up camp before the obligatory launching and sail.

The weather forecast for the week was for fine, hot days with a Northerly wind, light early lifting to about 12knots around 2pm. This forecast was reasonably accurate. The Monday sailors had a good day, the breeze very favourable to a straight out and back reach, by the time I rigged and got underway, thinking I'm doing okay, I saw this blur, it transpired to be a blue blur in the form of a Redfin 15. There were quite a few of us out messing about, all good stuff.

Tuesday, a loose plan was to try to sail up to Kineba a former Ranger Station, at the top of the Lake. Two of us set off and headed out on a reach, taking us toward the N E corner, so we knew there would be a couple of long tacks to be done, after a while some others joined and managed to point to windward better than us, and so stayed closer to the mainland side. Later a couple returned to the calmer waters south of Boreen Point, but six boats managed to stay the distance. This part of the Lake silted up considerably after constant rain upstream above The Everglades, late 2023. We all had to walk our boats when it got to 100mm of water. After chatting and morning tea, we set off to retrace our course, well, not quite, as the breeze behind gave us a straight run back to the Point. Another quick boat was out, the Sharpie, taking advantage of a few beam reaches, probably could have done three times the distance as us in half the time.

Wednesday, another loose plan to sail to Teewah Landing, on the Noosa North Shore peninsular, as the name suggests there is a landing here. The Adventure Tourism trade is big in this area with schools from S E Queensland, sending Students to Hike, Camp, and Canoe from Noosa to the Everglades in the Noosa River above Lake Cootharaba. There are several remote campsites not available to access by road. Our plans were aborted when we realised the wind was above safe comfortable sailing for dinghies, we still had pleasurable sailing in the lee of the Point.

Thursday a few boats were out and about early, or at least earlier than I was. When I headed out there were a few out heading sort of North – South reaches, by the time I was getting out of the Lee, I felt the boat not exactly obeying my tug on the reins, get momentum, go about, head off? No sail flops, back winds, repeat; repeat; repeat; NOT HAPPY JAN. And definitely not



comfortable. So I managed eventually to get back to anchorage. Soon one of the other boats came in and the Skipper, more experienced than I, quoted, that was weird, I felt I had no control over my boat. I felt happy with my decision. The Skipper of the boat is the only one in charge. The afternoon showed no improvement, so the boat trailered for the morrow.

Friday: Ian in his Melonseed had a long and good sail back to the ramp as conditions were good. Jim and Darrell, staying until Saturday took to the water to enjoy the conditions.

On he went to Teewah Landing before returning to base. We all know that boats of a short waterline length do not carry on well and that one has to row like a paddling duck on amphetamine.



Kelly's Woodyard at Teewah

From scaling straight lines on Bownie's Coastwatch Ross travelled an approximate **distance of 27.8km** He said "my arms are a bit sore today!"

Quite an achievement.

LEIGHTON MEETS DORADE

A story of building and using a boat

Lester Searle



It all started in 1943. Ted Searle was the 19 year old cadet on the British merchantman "Leighton". Past her sell by date and making a leisurely pace she was advised by the convoy commodore to "proceed independently" arriving in Fremantle Western Australia with bare cupboards and a hungry crew. The Pilot and Harbourmaster hit the phones and farmed the crew out for a home-cooked meal. Your author's grandparents – who must have been down the social

ROW, ROW AND ROW SOME MORE

Ross O'Brien at the Cootharaba Messabout had his 8' Bolger Nymph dinghy "Kelly's Woodyard" so he set off from the campground to Kinaba. Here he is taking a break there.



He went on to Lake Como where he took this photo over the back of the boat on the Noosa River near Figtree Point.





order a bit - got Ted the cadet – Ted met 16 year old Nancy Green and here I am!

Ted passed in 2005 and I realised if I was ever going to build that boat I'd better get started. Nancy passed in 2008 before I finished what she described as the yacht! Eight years after starting the build our Welsford designed Navigator hit the water. She could only have one name. My wife and mentor Paula painted the name board and included 4 full stops to represent Ted and Nancy's four children.

You know how it goes, some days you have crew, some days you sail alone and some days you borrow a crew from the admirers at the ramp and drop them back at the end of the day. In 2015 I met Merrill Barker at the ramp on the Macleay River on the mid North coast of NSW. "Thank You, but I cant' go with you, I'm due back at my daughters for lunch". Off he went back to his fishing mates. A short time later one of his mates came over and said "If you'll take him we'll fix it with the family".

Merrill and I had a lovely afternoon sailing Leighton together and as we chatted we discovered a shared paternal connection to the Merchant Marine. During the course of the day he invited me to bring her to Sydney for "Gaffers day", a Biennial rally for "Boats that raise a spar", hosted by Australia's oldest yacht club.

"Oh, no" I said. "That's a big do, too many big boats, Sydney Harbour! The Ferries! Finding a boat ramp! I couldn't". "Nonsense" said Merrill – "You're welcome. - I'll fix it"

Well, we did it. Most of my fears came true. I had to stealth launch from a little ramp meant for Kayaks right under the Harbour Bridge to avoid a long transit leg on our little trolling motor. The Ferries hurtled past, the chop grew and grew, I forgot to lower the centreboard, "Gretel II" was there, "Nerida" was there, Bill Gale's "Ranger" was there, The Prime Minister was there in his Cousta boat and Leighton looked like "Tom Thumb" (Matthew Flinders survey vessel) rafted up with the big boats. The start line with more than 90 starters was an experience for a bush living self-taught sailor and as the day went on two of the crew members were seasick (the chop, the chop!)



Photo by John Jeremy

And we had a ball!! The Sydney Amateur Sailing Club treated us so well. We were presented with their Ensign for "being part of the day" and Leighton flies that Ensign today.

Come 2017 we signed on again. Paula created a second name board so we could start or finish on either tack. Yep, we take our racing seriously in "Leighton". This time Paula went with a sailing theme weaving sails and hulls into the letters. 95 boats lined up to sail 4 different courses. The Cousta Boats and Ranger class were away first but there was still plenty of excitement as we crossed the start line. My being a bit more experienced and with the boat better tuned we had reefed early and were able to push on pretty hard as we tackled the first leg.

No great shame in being passed by a fifty-foot yawl of extremely elegant proportion and worth more than my house. As she surfed past I read the name – "Dorade". Hmmnn, says I, there's a famous American boat called Dorade, guess they copied the name? As she lapped us a little later in the afternoon I read her Port of Origin, New York! Well, I'm not slow, I made the connection! My crew (Brother in law and Niece – the sturdy crew member from last time unavailable and the seasick ones wouldn't sign on) politely smiled as I tried to explain we were in the presence of greatness, Olin Stephens, Bermuda Race, Fastnet Race, yada yada yada.



Photo by John Jeremy

Well, we finished that year but it's a big crowd and a long day so Merrill (crewing on "Ranger") and I didn't catch up in person. My crew and I sailed back to our ramp up harbour and I packed up and got the cover on just as the rain started and darkness fell. Merrill rang to be sure I was OK and I told him what a great day we'd had. He mentioned "Dorade". Unbeknown to me she was guest of honour at that year's event and in Australia for the Sydney to Hobart race.

"Merrill", I said, "I didn't think I would ever clap eyes on her let alone sail alongside. It was a thrill, an absolute thrill. For them Merrill! for them! – They didn't know you could build your own boat".

NEWS

NEW WBAQ BOAT PLAQUES NOW FOR SALE

Leo has arranged 2 new boat Plaques to jazz up your boat.



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See For Sale Section below

BOATING SAFETY from Boating Industry Assoc

Whether you're new to boating or seasoned mariner, boating safety skills should be top of mind before you head out on the water. Are you up to speed?

Here are six essential safety skills you should perfect for responsible boating.

1. Know Your Boat

There's more to boating than knowing the pointy end is the bow and the blunt end is the stern. A boating course will teach you about hull designs, for example, plus the equipment you need for your specific boat and even types of propulsion. This makes you a better-informed boat skipper because you'll respect the strengths and limits of your craft.

2. Understand the Rules for Safe Navigation

Do you know the difference between a red navigation marker and a green one? Like the roads we travel with our cars, our waterways use specific signs, called aids to navigation, to convey where to go and what to do.

3. Tying Basic Boating Knots

Boaters use lines (a.k.a. ropes) to secure their craft to the jetty or another boat if they're rafting up. Sailboat owners use lines to manage sails, too, and everyone uses lines to secure anchors and other safety gear, like fenders. That said, however, you don't simply tie a knot in the rope and call it a day. Every boating course teaches the most commonly used nautical knots, plus how to care for your boat's lines.



4. Improving Your Boat Handling Skills

Taking the helm and steering is just one small step. If you own a sailboat, for example, you need to learn how to trim the sails. Regardless of boat type, knowing how to come into a berth and leave, anchoring techniques and understanding navigation rules are all part of the essential safety skills.

5. Planning your trip

A trip plan is a written description of your intended boating destination and activities, along with who's going, what type of boat you have, your contact details, and when you expect to return. It saves time and could help save lives should an emergency arise. These days you can do a trip plan on an App! Check out Deckee or the Marine Rescue NSW apps.

6. Learn to Handle the Unexpected

No one likes to think about "what if" scenarios but being prepared for them is crucial. Boating courses teach the most common emergencies that arise when you're away from shore and how to handle them. This includes your passengers if you fall ill or otherwise can't drive your boat. Equip yourself with these essentials for a safe and enjoyable time on the water!

JUST FOR PUN!

The problem with political jokes is that sometimes they get elected.

THINK ABOUT THIS...

**My mind is like an internet browser.
At least 18 open tabs, 3 of them are frozen, and I have no clue where the music is coming from.**

WHAT HAPPENED AT THE LAST MEETING

Correction: In our report last month, it was stated that Bay cruiser Miss Bribie (emphatically a boat – not a person) had a 6 cylinder V8 engine. As our mate/ editor in WBA Victoria pointed out, that would be a very interesting engine, if not impossible. Miss Bribie had a mere V6 engine. ★

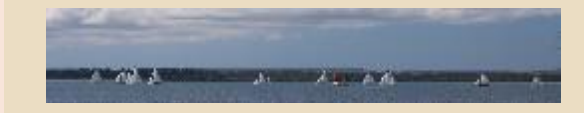
DAVID TRIPCONY gave us an illustrated talk on his family and the relationship with the slipway at the end of Argyle Street.

His ancestors came from Cornwall for the gold rush and not finding great wealth, finished up in the 1880's in the Pumistone Passage as oystermen. By 1900 the oyster industry had declined and the family gravitated to Argyle St into 6 houses. David's grandfather Percy served apprenticeship with Norman Wright at Newstead and later established the Argyle St slipway. When there were gaps in the boat building schedule they would go mullet trawling.

Percy started to build 40' ply Bay cruisers in the 1970's but by 1986 Percy sold the slipway to the Cavill family who ran it for a few years. The slip was sold to a Terry homes (or Holmes).

David's grandfather told him not to go into boat-building as there was no money in it but somehow it was in David's blood and he leased the slipway for the next 40 years. The majority of the work was making good (90%) but he built a few boats – one 46ft "Robbie T". The Tripcony family is indeed part of the Breakfast Creek and Brisbane's history.

(Hope I got all that down right!)



CALENDAR OF MESSABOUTS & EVENTS

One day, weekend and week-long Messabouts and big events in 2024

***NOTE:** Due to the wide range of boat sizes and types, and relative seaworthiness, it always remains the Skipper's decision whether to participate or not. Aim to launch & depart from ramps by 0900 hrs unless otherwise advised. All week long events have a "Plan B" to be Wivenhoe Dam or Atkinson's Dam. For last minute information contact the nominated organiser (listed below) or a Messabout Committee member: Darrell Spiers 3298 5394 Jim Jones 0408 443 291*

IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT MEMBERS CARRY PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE TO \$10M WHEN PARTICIPATING IN MESSABOUTS (OR AT ALL TIMES WHEN USING YOUR BOAT FOR THAT MATTER) YOU ARE THE SKIPPER – YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE!

If you are intending to go to a Messabout, Please advise the Host in case there are any last-minute changes (due to weather or other unavoidable changes).

Type of Event: P= Paddle, R= Row, S= Sail, M= Motor BB Big Boats Brackets () indicate possible but not reco'md

MONTH	TYPE	MESSABOUT	EVENTS
NOVEMBER	P,R,M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sat 16th Workshop Day 9 am with Messabout planning at 10 am Saturday 30th Brisbane River , South Brisbane upstream, HT2.36m @ 0856hrs+1 hr 	
DECEMBER	EAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday 15th Christmas Lunch at the Boat Shed, Argyle Street. 	Pt Talburpin Sailors' Get-together 7th December
FEBRUARY 2025	LOOK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Australian Wooden Boat Festival 7th -10th at Hobart 	



COMING EVENT DETAILS

**Mark your calendar now.
Contact the Host if you are attending**

MESSABOUT CO-ORDINATOR	Phil Brown 0416 057 277 Contact designated host for each event where stated.
30th November	Brisbane River, South Brisbane upstream from Riverside Drive boat ramp; Suitable for Row, Motor or paddle
7th December	37th Point Talburpin Sailors Get-together 11.30am Briefing on shore to confirm course, starting procedure etc.. 12.30pm Start (note that should the state of the rising tide facilitate an earlier practical departure from the beach, we may endeavour to bring the start forward by 30 minutes or so) 2.30pm 3.00pm On-water activity should be finished and social gathering begun Presentation. (earlier if earlier start and/or fast conditions permit an earlier finish to the on water event) 3.15pm onwards Continue lunch and socialising. For more information, or to register your interest, don't hesitate to contact Tony Harland (0419 848 684) harlandfamily@ozemail.com.au .
15th December	Our Christmas Lunch at the Boatshed under the big fig tree for members and partners



Two course meal with drink for \$12. Booking essential for catering purposes. Look out for the email circular closer to the date.

WBAQ MARKETPLACE

Members – advertise for free here for 3 months! Boats, tools, accessories etc
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SAILING ITEMS FOR SALE

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- **2 Spinnakers Ullman Brand** Luff 9'4" (2.8m) Foot 7'6" (2.28m) Useable parachute type Price Negotiable
- **Main Sail** - Ex Flying Ant - fully battened – in good condition Luff 11' 0" (3.35m) Foot 6' 3" (1.90m) Plus 2 Jibs - Wire Luff – 8'0" (2.4m) Foot - 4'10" (1.47m) Hood brand Price negotiable
- **Sail battens** Free
- **Boom** – Wooden internal track – 12'6"(3.8m) Off 16' Skiff (4.8m) No fittings Price Negotiable





- **Bumpkin off 16' Skiff - 8' 9" (2.6m) long.** Reeks of patina – Could be 1950's timber Suit wall décor Free

Contact Stan Wood torrielliwood@y7mail.com or 0400 549 322



For Sale. Ray Kendrick design. Scarab 18 folding trimaran. The main hull has been mostly finished. It needs some small touches and a good paint job. The construction is with a foam core in a sandwich structure. BoatCote products used in the construction. No plywood. The cost of building this hull has been around the 10k mark and many hours of work. To finish the boat requires the building of the two floats. The floats are easier to build and can be finished in about 100 hours each or so, depending obviously on the skill level of the builder. It is a very lightweight, fast on the water and easy to transport on the road on a trailer. Asking price \$5000 but very negotiable. All offers considered.

Location St Lucia. Contact Antonio Peyrache apecyrache@msn.com



For sale 1946 international 12 sq metre (heavyweight sharpie) built in Brisbane. Now 78 years old and kept in excellent condition, In early 1970 an extensive restoration was undertaken to restore the cockpit floor and all the broken frames. She now has 6mm marine plywood floor. Chines keel and bulkheads were packed 8 mm to conform to hull measurements. Alloy mast with internal halyards. Oregon boom, gaff and spinnaker pole all clear finished. Epoxy saturated internally including buoyancy chambers fore and aft. Exterior hull sheathed in Dynel and two-pot white paint. She is a very stiff and dry boat. See attached 2023 photos. Main jib and spinnaker in excellent condition. Tilt trailer For Sale \$12,500 **Charlie Hughes 0419 302 789**



FOR SALE - Timber Sailing Dinghy

This old girl, *Suum Cuique* (to each their own), is now a project boat. The top photo show her in her former glory. Built by a Brisbane timber boat enthusiast in 1996. She is 10ft long clinker/ lapstrake monohull boat with single timber mast and boom, Sabot rigging and twin dagger boards Sadly, she suffered superficial rot in the transom after an extended period of neglect. The mast and boom were broken – But no more. Replacements now fitted.

I have started the refurbishment, replacing the transom, sanding back the old paint and varnish, but due to a sale of our house the time has come to let the love of my life go and move onto other things as I embrace a new stage in my life. This boat would be suitable for someone who loves old timber boats like me and has the time and energy to complete it.

Inventory includes: Trailer registered until 10/10/24 (cost \$123.35/year), detachable trailer lights and a spare tyre. Honda 2Hp 4-stroke motor Sail and rigging, in good condition. Pair of wooden and aluminium oars.



Before



For Sale \$1,000 Leanne Stephens 0413 145 195
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Now

For sale BOLGER BIRDWATCHER WITH TRAILER FOR SALE New Build - Most of the work is done. Finish it quickly and easily and get on the water. See more details on the last page of this Log.

FOR SALE

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