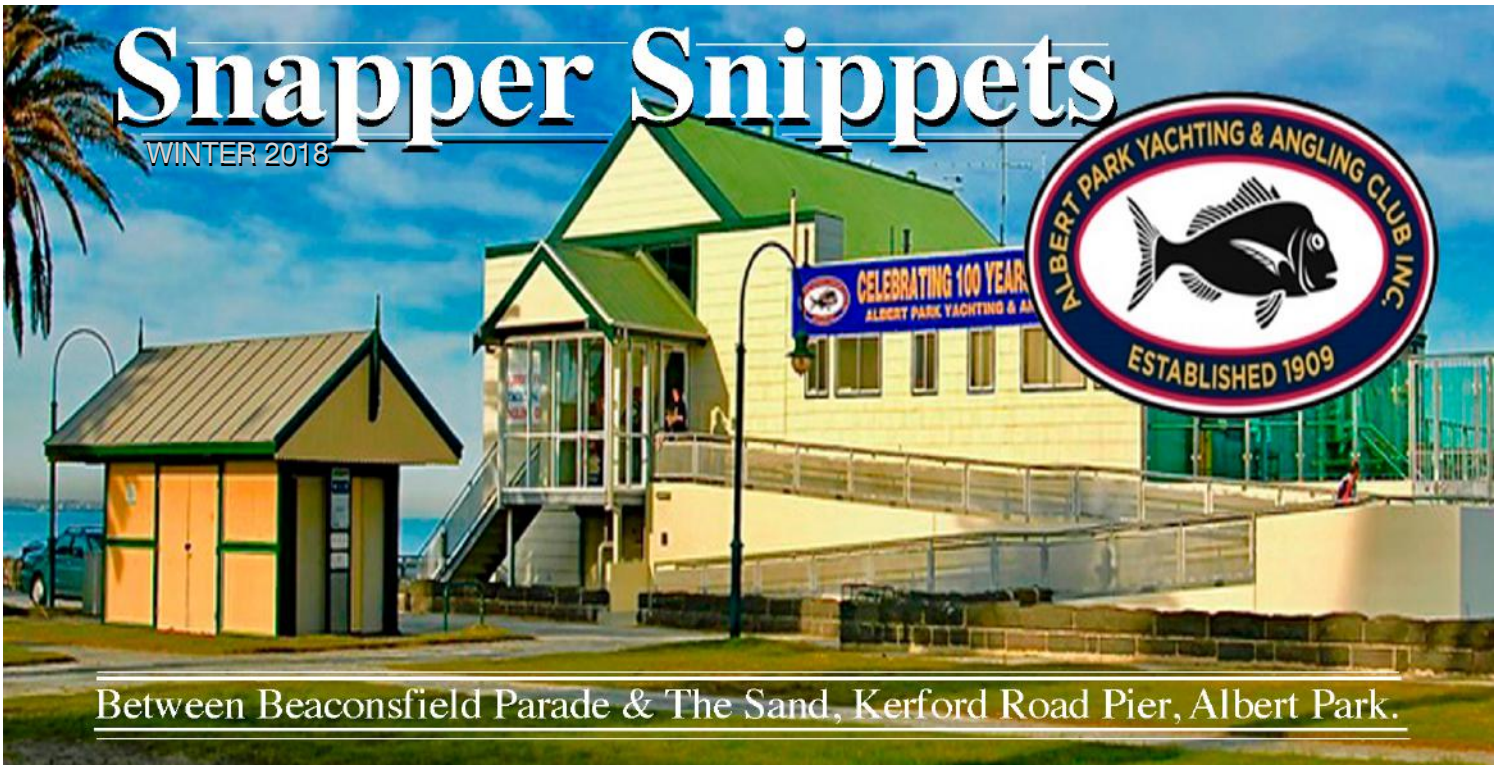


Snapper Snippets

WINTER 2018



Between Beaconsfield Parade & The Sand, Kerford Road Pier, Albert Park.



ANZAC DAY AT THE CLUB



Is one of your goals
to catch a Big Red?
Tony Spinelli tells you how.

Great News For Snapper Stocks

Record increase in the natural population of fish has been observed in 2018. This year has proven to be a phenomenal year for Victoria's snapper stocks with record *recruitment* found in Port Phillip Bay.

In an ecology, the word *recruitment* means:

“the increase in a natural population as progeny grow and new members arrive.”

2018 is the best year class of snapper stock in the past 26 years of sampling by the Victoria Fisheries

Authority leading to predications of strong catches in three to four years' time.

Port Phillip Bay is the major source of replenishment for snapper in our western coastal waters. The Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) completes snapper trawl surveys in Port Phillip Bay to track the stocks and to gain an understanding on what drives their populations.

Dr Paul Hamer, Senior Research Scientist at VFA, has been conducting the surveys for 19 years.

Great News For Snapper

These surveys provide information on the replenishment of snapper populations from Portland to Wilsons Promontory, including Port Phillip Bay and Western Port.

To ensure consistency of the data, these surveys are conducted during the same period each year, from around mid-March to the first week of April, and using the same equipment. The surveys are conducted during the night as that is when the juvenile snapper are more effectively caught. Nine areas across the bay are surveyed to coincide with the end of the larval settlement period. They survey anywhere from 7 metres in depth to the middle of the bay where it is 24 metres deep. The highest abundance of the juvenile snapper is typically found within 10 to 18 metres depth, where there is sandy, intermediate sediments which provide the right food and habitat for the fish.

The VFA's scientists have found that snapper on average have a good spawning season every five to eight years.

Environmental conditions have an immense impact on the replenishment of the snapper stocks. The VFA's scientists have found that the ideal temperature has a big impact on the spawning of snapper, with the optimal temperature being between 18 and 22 degrees celsius. Between November, and when the temperature begins to drop again in March, is the best time for the snapper. Their research over the past four years suggests that snapper are spawning twice per year when the changes in temperature occur.

Combined with the ideal temperature, the water flow from the Yarra River into Port Phillip Bay can create ideal conditions for spawning snapper. During the spring-time, middling flows, between 1000 – 1500 megalitres per day, allow for the right amount of flow to deliver critical nutrients to plankton which the larvae feed on.

Recreational anglers who target snapper can expect to see great fishing opportunities over the coming years. In four years, the 2018 stock class will reach legal catch size, around 28 to 30 cm. In 2025, they will have grown to an adult size of over 40 cm and migrate to the coast where they spent their adult life.

- information provided by VR Fish



Who is VR Fish?

The Victorian Recreational Fishing Peak Body (VRFish) was established after implementing recommendations outlined by a Ministerial Committee 'Recreational Fishing Peak Body Working Group' in 1995, and has over 60 delegates who meet four times a year.

They provided the information for our stories on Snapper and Whiting stocks.

Whiting Too!

There is also good news for King George whiting which has also seen an increase in their stock recruitment with 2018 identified as their third best season on record. The whiting surveys began in 1998 with samples taken across eight nursery points in Port Phillip Bay.

The whiting surveys are conducted in October and November and a small research net is used to sample the juveniles in seagrass. Whiting larvae drifts into the bay from coastal spawning sites. Environmental factors also impact the recruitment of whiting, with westerly winds across the bay pushing the larvae into the bay and helping the larvae develop.

It takes whiting two years to grow to a catchable size, and at four years they typically leave the bay and move to the sea.

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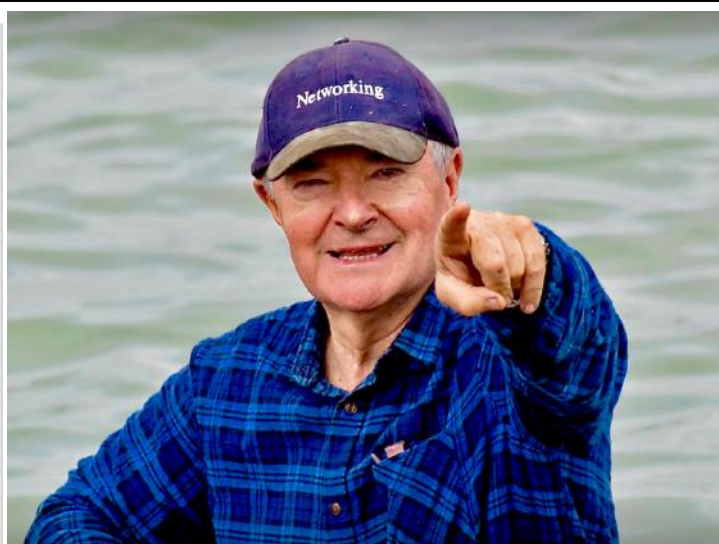
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ANZAC DAY AT THE CLUB

The club was open for lunch and broadcasted the Dawn Service from Gallipoli. Members observed the Last Post; and club-member, and Veteran, **Nick Holt** placed a wreath on the World War 1 Honour Board.

Earlier in the day the RAAF Historic Aircraft (the yellow one piloted by friend of the club, Darcy O'Connor), and the RAAF Roulettes flew over the club enroute to duties at The Shrine Of Remembrance.



Vice President's Report

by Pat Hutchinson

As Vice President, I consult with Club President, **Phillip Langdon**, on a daily basis on the running of the Albert Park Yachting & Angling Club, and its administration.

This includes building activities, meeting with Club Manager **Paul Davies** on social functions, club functions, bar and boathouse activities, kitchen operations, member-complaints and other activities within the club.

As a member of the Angling Committee, I report back to the executive on fishing activities, competitions, and organise end of year fishing presentation night with committee members, club sponsors and trophy donors. I also represent the club with fishing organisations both in Victoria, and interstate, (e.g. VR Fish, Fisheries Victoria, Nature Conservancy, and Port of Melbourne Authority).

Along with **Bob Pearce** and Phillip Langdon, we organised fundraising, promotions with other fishing clubs and organisations in Victoria regarding the **Shell Fish Reef Restoration** project. Our Club, together with Fisheries Victoria, Melbourne University and the Nature Conservancy, has pioneered the introduction of the new natural oyster reefs in Port Phillip Bay. This ongoing initiative has seen over 1.5 million dollars put towards the project, and is discussed in detail by Bob Pearce in another article.

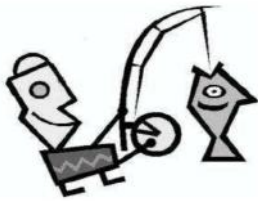
The club has been going for over 109 years and is part of Victoria's early history on boating and fishing in Port Phillip Bay. I am proud to have been a member of the Albert Park Yachting & Angling Club for the past 20 years.

It's A Club ... Not The Hilton.

We keep prices low because YOU are clearing the tables! After eating, please clean your plates and place them in the area provided. Glasses go back to the bar. Please wipe down your table for the next members.

To Catch A Fish

by Tony Spinelli



What is one of your goals? To catch a big red, not a little pinkie, but a fish of 6-7 kg. It is possible to catch several of these size fish early in the season.

Haven't got a boat? Jump on a charter boat!

Haven't got time? Make time!

Don't know where to start? Just ask.

Don't know how to tie knots, what bait or rods to use, where to go? At the club, we have many excellent fisher people to talk to. If you are not sure, ask the members of the Angling committee on any club night, or weekends; there is always a fisherman hanging around downstairs.

When the fish arrive early September, one of the best places

to start looking, besides the bottom or southern end of the bay, is the shallow waters of the top end, or northern end of the bay. The top end is where you will find 'Big Red' early in the season because of the higher water temperature. Start looking around the shallow reefs from Port Melbourne, Williamstown or the Altona reefs.

Although the main snapper season has come and gone, they stay in the bay all year round. You can still catch big snapper in the winter. Corio Bay holds really big fish in the winter time, if you can brave the cold to freezing nights. I've caught a lot of good fish this season up the top end, mainly at sunrise. Some mornings I only fished for one hour; two people bagged-out, and back at the ramp by 7.00 a.m.

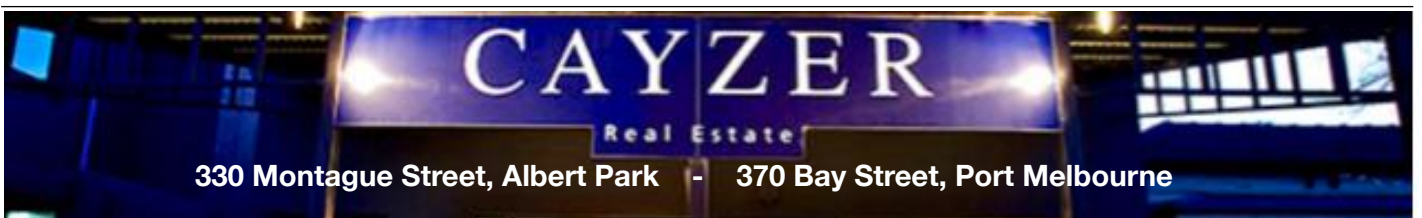
If you are not an early riser, try fishing at sunset. You can also try fishing at any of the tide changes during the day. I have caught fish at all hours of the day, even at midday. There is no set rule when the fish are going to feed, but bite

times are usually Dawn (first light), Dusk, or any tide change. As a matter of fact, whenever the fish are bloody hungry! Best baits are silver whiting, pilchards or salmon fillets. I don't fish really heavy line anymore, 15lb on the heavy rods, and 8-10lb on the smaller rods all with 40lb trace. Hook sizes vary during the season from a 5/0 down to a number 3/0.

April, May and June, is "Pinkie time" for me. These fish that I target in close, are around the shallow reefs. Put away the big rods, and bring out the whiting gear, or the bream gear. 6 to 8lb line on a 3/0 hook. If fishing on a heavy reef – no sinker required as you will surely get snagged every time. Fishing with too light a line, the reef will only cut your line or put nicks in it and will only result in lost fish.

I hope these notes make sense, and help increase your chances of catching a good feed of 'reds'.

Tight lines – Tony.





Albert Yachting & Angling Club (APYAC) has a long history in the Port Philip Bay area. Having started from a humble beginning, the Club has had two major renovations and extensions over the past decade to cater to its growing member base, and to extend the range of services.

Although fishing has historically been a male-dominated area, women have increasingly evolved from being just the partners of the fishermen, and attending the Club purely for the social environment, to being members in their own right, fishing both as a hobby and a sport. The competition board now features women giving the men a run for their money.

For a long time APYAC has had a Facebook page and also communicated with its Members through emails. As it is generally the male of the family that holds the club membership, the women have often not been privy to event and competition information, much to their detriment.

Olga Harradine, who runs the annual Ladies Fishing Day competition and manages two adjunct Facebook pages:

APYAC Ladies Page, and

The APYAC Ladies Closed Group.

The first is the APYAC Ladies Page, <https://tinyurl.com/APYACladies> an open interactive page to encourage females and their families to participate in fishing as a healthy and fun outdoor activity that the whole family can enjoy and share with others. Women anglers, from interested to experienced, will be encouraged to join and to openly discuss fishing, and share tips, with others.

The APYAC Ladies Closed Group, attached to that page, is to encourage female Club Members to share their knowledge, pics of their outings, and catches; to keep up-to-date and communicate with other female club members regarding competition results, outings, and general communication, in a comfortable environment.



Women In Recreational Fishing Network

“**WIRF Network**” is an initiative of the The Victorian Fisheries Authority and is working in conjunction with the **APYAC Ladies Page**.

The network has been created to encourage females to participate in the fishing activity with the family (not just to observe). It is linked to the *Target One Million* drive to increase participation to get one million Victorians fishing by 2020.

The aim is to establish an interactive facebook group for women to enable them to talk, gain and share knowledge to engage in recreational fishing activities in a comfortable manner. Female anglers of all levels are encouraged to join, post and learn from one another.

In summary, WIRF Network will:

- promote the benefits of fishing as a healthy and positive outdoor activity for the family.
- provide a space for females to discuss, share, engage with other females and ask questions.
- address barriers and offer solutions to encourage more women to go fishing and promote positive images of women in recreational fishing.
- provide women with the education and knowledge to give them the confidence to fish.

The WIRF Network facebook page is here:

<https://tinyurl.com/WomenInRecFishing>



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Club Sponsor's Corner



Simon Carruthers

Director - Cayzer Real Estate

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Where did you grow up?

I have lived in Melbourne my whole life and grew up in the South Eastern suburbs

Where did you go to school?

Melbourne Grammar

Where did you holiday as a kid?

I was fortunate that my parents had a holiday house in Sorrento, so spent most of the holidays there.

Can you remember your first fish?

My Father had a little 15 foot Haines Hunter and I remember fishing with him from a very young age off the Mornington Peninsular. We used to catch flathead, flathead, and more flathead.

Memorable fishing story...

I do remember fishing one day when I was young and we had caught a bucket of flathead but nothing else. All of a sudden my line ran and I thought I'd caught a nice-sized snapper or something. When I reeled it in (with the help of my father) I was shocked to discover it was a Gurnard. Still to this day the ugliest fish I have caught!

What was your first job?

A waiter at a function centre called 9 Darling Street which mainly did weddings. Real Estate is easy compared to that.

How did you get into real estate?

From a very young age I have always loved real estate. A very close family friend is a real estate agent on the Mornington Peninsula and I remember attending auctions with my father and loved the theatrics of it all.

For those who know nothing about life in real estate, walk us through an average week.

Our week starts with a sales meeting every Monday at 8.00am. This usually runs for an hour or two. We

then jump in the car as a team and visit all our newly listed properties that are starting that week. Mondays are typically busy with a lot of follow up from the prior weekend's opens and auctions.

We conduct open for inspections on Tuesday & Thursdays. The rest of the week between Monday – Friday is filled with meeting buyers for private inspections, conducting appraisals on properties and meeting with potential sellers.

The office work consists of a lot of phone calls to both buyers and sellers, preparing reports for potential sellers and arranging advertising for campaigns.

Saturdays are our game day. We meet as a team for a coffee at 8.30am to discuss the day and possible outcomes. Our "opens" start from 10.00am and can sometimes conclude at 4.00pm with auctions held right through the day as well.

Sundays are our day off, although with two children under four it is often more tiring than the previous six days put together!

How do you handle the long hours?

The key is organisation. If you're not organised you won't survive. We are also fortunate at Cayzer to have very good support staff that assist with a lot of the administration work. It helps us to what we do best, and that's sell properties.

Cayzer is an Albert Park institution, did it all start with Geoff?

Yes, Geoff started Cayzer Real Estate in 1986. It was always his vision to create a successful agency that specialises in the City of Port Phillip in residential sales, leasing and commercial. We now employ over 30 people across two offices.

We recently upgraded our Port Melbourne office to a beautiful building (was a former pub many years ago Circa 1874) across from the Port Melbourne Town Hall. It is something we are very proud of, to say we are the largest independent and local agency in the district.

How do you see your involvement with APYAC?

Being a local agency we are always trying to support local institutions such as APYAC to the best of our ability. We sponsor and assist approximately 30 different clubs and institutions across the district, as we believe that clubs like APYAC, and their history, is what makes Albert Park and surrounding suburbs.

If you could talk to each APYAC Member, what would you say?

Where's the best spot to catch a nice-sized Snapper? And keep the club authentic. It's what makes it special.

APYAC Rebuilding The Bay's Shellfish Reefs

By Bob Pearce

When you mention the word 'oyster,' most people immediately think about the oysters they can purchase at their local supermarket or fresh seafood outlet. These are mostly Pacific Oysters, which are a species introduced into Australia and are endemic to Japan.



The Pacific Oyster

Most people are not aware that Port Phillip Bay has its own native oyster species. Our native oysters have been known as 'Mud Oysters' or 'Flat Oysters'; the scientific name of *Ostrea Angasi*. They were once abundant but have been subject to massive over-exploitation, and, nowadays, only exist in small patches.



The native *Ostrea Angasi* Oyster

Prior to the over-exploitation of the shellfish, Mussels were prolific, and easily accessible from local jetties. After storms, millions of mussels and oysters were washed-off the healthy reefs, so it was easy to collect a feed of fresh oysters from the shallow water. Unfortunately, those days have long gone.

APYAC has a strong history of supporting the local community, so as a result of a discussion about the lost shellfish reefs at one of our Club Meeting Nights, we decided to approach Fisheries Victoria to see if there was a way that

we could work together to fix the problem. So began an amazing project, the first of its kind in Australia. The Shellfish Restoration Project is being carried out by a partnership between APYAC, the Victorian Fisheries Authority, and The Nature Conservancy. The University of Melbourne is also playing an important role.

To date, \$1.5Million has been raised for the project. APYAC has directly contributed over \$40,000.

The project involved the deployment of 360 tonnes of limestone at Margaret's Reef, off St Kilda in Hobson's Bay; and at Wilsons Spit, near Geelong. The total area, across both reefs, is 600 square meters, with more to come in future.

300 cubic metres of recycled oyster shells were donated from restaurants and saved from going into landfill in a campaign called: *Shuck Don't Chuck*. The shells were added to the limestone reef foundation to provide a bed. Divers then seeded over 300,000 juvenile native Angasi Oyster hatchlings that had been raised in the Victorian Shellfish Hatchery.

Placing native oysters and mussels on the two sites is like building a block of apartments for a myriad of marine creatures, leading to a massive increase in marine biodiversity. Since the commencement of the project a variety of fish and other forms of marine life have been attracted to these areas. This is expected to increase significantly, including our beloved snapper.

The project is already successful, providing:

- increased marine biodiversity,
- cleaner water, and
- more fish.

The future is looking very bright for our Port Phillip Bay.

Our project has been recognised within, and outside, government — both here and overseas; earning formal recognition as a finalist in the 2018 Victorian Coastal Awards, and receiving the Victorian Government's "Premier's Sustainability Award" in 2017.

Click on the links to see underwater footage from one of the sites, before and after the restoration works; plus the latest from Margaret's Reef:

<https://tinyurl.com/ReefBeforeAndAfter>

<https://tinyurl.com/ReefMonitoring>

The Nature Conservancy

The Port Phillip Bay Shellfish Restoration Project is a foundation partnership between Albert Park Yachting and Angling Club, the Victorian Government and The Nature Conservancy, with the support of other organisations including the University of Melbourne, and VRFish. The project has been running for over three years. The momentum behind restoring the shellfish reefs which once dominated up to 50% of Port Phillip Bay's seafloor continues to build and build.

Project highlights

- Four oyster reefs at Wilson Spit, Geelong Arm and Margaret's Reef, Hobsons Bay have been restored, totalling 1150 square meters over a footprint of 1 hectare.
- More than 1.9 million hatchery-reared-oysters have been used to seed the new reefs.
- The oysters are surviving and growing at a healthy rate.
- The number of fish and invertebrates has increased, particularly at Margaret's Reef.
- Six-monthly monitoring at Margaret's Reef has revealed a school of juvenile pinky snapper, goatfish, two species of flathead, red swimmer crab, banded and shovelnose stingarees, and seahorses.
- 16,500 kg of recycled shells and 200 tonnes of limestone rubble were used for reef bases.
- The Shell Recycling Project won the Premiers Sustainability Award in the community category.
- The Port Phillip Bay Shellfish Restoration Project was a finalist in the Victorian Coastal

Councils Awards in the biodiversity category.

- Over 80 volunteers from fishing clubs and other groups have helped with the restoration activities as part of the Restore The Bay Network
- Volunteer activities have included deploying baited remote underwater video's (BRUV) and settlement plates, preparing cultch for the hatchery, and monitoring

Where to next

- This month, another 500 square metres of mussel reefs will be restored in Geelong Arm.
- 11 tonnes of mussels, grown by a bay farmer, will be used to seed the reefs in Geelong Arm as well as one reef in Margaret's Reef which built in November 2017.
- More volunteer opportunities are coming-up, including with the BRUV's (led by Oz Fish Limited, VRFish and TNC), settlement plates (the project is called Oyster Watch) and other practical ways to assist in restoring new shellfish reefs.
- We are putting the finishing touches to a funding proposal to restore another 20 hectares of shellfish reefs at Geelong Arm and Hobsons Bay over the next three to four years.
- Beyond that, there is a long-term goal to restore 10% of the restorable bottom in Port Phillip Bay which is around 100 hectares.

For more information about the project and lend a hand to restoring new shellfish reefs, contact Simon Branigan from The Nature Conservancy at simon.branigan@tnc.org call (03) 8346 8600.



Minister Awards Grant

Minister for Agriculture, **Jaala Pulford MP**, with **Pat Hutchinson** from APYAC (left) and **Rich Gilmore** from The Nature Conservancy (right) at the announcement of the \$147,000 Grant to expand the Shellfish Reef sites in Port Phillip Bay.



Premier's Award Winners

Members of the Shellfish Restoration Project accepting the Victorian Premier's Award for Sustainability.



Nearly four tonnes of mussel shells from South Melbourne Market have become part of The Nature Conservancy's Shuck Don't Chuck scheme that uses them to create new reefs in Port Phillip Bay.

The **City Of Port Phillip** promoted the shellfish restoration project with this photo their "**Diversity**" newsletter which is delivered to residents and businesses within its jurisdiction.

1. Volunteers measuring oysters.
2. Margaret's Reef Stage Two.
3. Margaret's Reef Stage Two Pinkies.



President's Report

Over the last 12 months the committee has undertaken our largest building renovation ever. I am not only pleased, but very proud of what these renovations now deliver. Both to members, and the longevity of the club in the future.

The committee spent a long-time planning and preparing for the renovations, and has been pleased to put in place a banking facility which has not required us to seek funding from members. The loan repayment schedule, and terms and conditions, are



considered to be within our overall revenue projections.

I am pleased to report trading, since reopening, has been strong. We are ahead of last year's operating figures for both the bar and kitchen. Membership remains strong, and our waiting-list is out to five years, all of which gives the committee rock-solid confidence in our club's bright future.

Dining

We now have the capacity to serve up to 180 quality meals from our new kitchen per session. The new northern deck was a big hit with members as soon as it opened, with our custom-built tables and designer chairs providing the modern comfort levels the committee feel members deserve. In the next month the all-weather blinds will be in operation, making the whole area accessible year-round. We are planning to have state-of-the-art heating installed in

the coming months. We've also added the same tables and chairs to the western deck.

Fishing

Our fishing activities are being actively pursued, and a number of new fishing members have joined the club in the last 12 months. The annual fishing season has just wound up, and it is pleasing to see it so closely contested. Our **Fishing Presentation Night** will be another great occasion for all members to enjoy, and I urge members to come along on Saturday night July 14th.

Shellfish Restoration

In the last twelve months the club has continued to foster and push the growth of the Shellfish Restoration Project. It has brought a great deal of praise from government, council, and the general fishing community. We would not be in this wonderful position without the extraordinary work of Bob Pearce, as founder, and Pat Hutchinson as club representative. I, and the committee, are very proud of both of them.

Themed Events

On the social side, the club remains very focused on presenting members with a variety of club offerings, from music, to one-off themed events and dinners. If you have any special ideas which you feel members would enjoy please let me know and I will get our management team and wonderful volunteers to make contact.

In the coming months and years, the committee is committed to doing all in its power to provide the strong management, guidance and vision to see the club continue to grow and prosper.

On behalf of my fellow committee members I would like to thank all members for their continued support of the club and look forward to seeing you all down at the club over the coming months.

Phil Langdon
Club President

Fishing Presentation Night - Sat 14th July

7pm for 7:30pm Three course dinner & dancing DJ *Manny The Magnificent*

info@APYAC.org.au \$30 adults \$15 kids (up to 12yrs) to book a table [CLICK HERE](#) 9 6 9 0 5 5 3 0



Manager's Report

General Operations

Since reopening, in November 2017, the club has been a hub of member activity. The new facilities, including kitchen and north-western deck, has seen record numbers frequenting the club during the summer period.

The inclusion of the new tables and chairs, has proved not only popular, but has increased our outside seating capacity by around 40. As soon as the deck has been officially handed-over we will look at making member bookings possible. It is also hoped to have heating installed within the next couple of months.

The kitchen is now fully-operational, after taking a little time to settle-in. Our head chef Travis is constantly changing his Daily Specials menu. Over the summer, for both Friday dinner and Sunday lunch, over 160 meals per session were being pushed-out. Delays were experienced, so we took to requesting members to place their food orders as quickly as they could, after arrival of all their guests. This helped to spread the order-load and, will be a regular feature of next year's summer trading.

The BBQ area has now been finished and will be available for use next summer, on Sunday evenings. The club will be open till 9.00pm during the Daylight-Saving period.

Club Functions

Since re-opening, we have been blessed with a number of successful club events including Children's Christmas Party, and, of course, our special Christmas Members lunch.

This year, we hosted the **Australia Day Boat Race, Anzac Day, Mother's Day, and a Saturday Night Dinner and Music**. All these events were fully booked-out, and provided a variety of occasions for members and their guests.

Upcoming events:

- **Fishing Presentation Dinner,**
- **Christmas In July,**
- **Footy Tipping Dinner,**
- **Grand Final Lunch,** and
- **Melbourne Cup Lunch.**

Look for the email flyers announcing each event and booking details, or call the club on 9690 5530.



Paul & Lynne Davies.

The wife of our Manager, **Lynne Davies**, is an active club volunteer; arranging the flowers on tables in the Langdon Room, as well as selling tickets for the Club Raffle every Friday.

Community Involvement

The club works with a number of our local community groups, and the local Council, making the club available on Thursdays for groups and individuals to come and enjoy a meal and glass of wine.

Each year we take part in the annual Port Philip Council Seniors festivities. Apart from lunches, we also conduct tours of the boathouse and, provide a history lecture.

Function Availability

The club is available for members to book private functions on all non-operational days: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday Evenings. We have had a successful first half of the year holding a number of weddings, birthdays, special occasions and wakes. The club is also available for business seminars and product launches.

Glenn Smith has recently joined us, as Assistant Manager and Functions Coordinator, following the sad resignation of **Michael Bradbury** due to a serious family illness situation. If you would like to host a function, Glenn is available to assist you.

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Club Music

The committee is currently conducting a member survey to see if you would like to see a return to the fortnightly Sunday music evening, and in what format. A decision will be made shortly and you will be advised.

The successful trial of the Saturday Night band and dinner special event will see more planned for this year. Watch out for the flyer.

Email Address

The advent of email and demise of the family phone has meant that it is easy for people to drop off the radar. Whereas people fastidiously update their power supplier, or telco, sometimes their club goes unremembered. If you know someone who is in the club could you mention this edition of Snapper Snippets? That'll be a trigger to them that they may have forgotten to update their email address with the office. A note to info@APAYC.org.au will get them back on the list.

Friday Night Draw

Every Friday night at 7pm the Member's Draw is held. You have to be a paid-up Full, or Provisional Member, and be present at the draw, to win. The computer randomly selects a member's name, and that person has one minute to claim their prize. The prize starts off at \$500 then is raised by \$100 each week. As we go to press the prize amount is \$1,600.

A raffle is also conducted and drawn with an assortment of prizes, including a meat tray, meals and bottle of wine.

Exciting times ahead

The committee have provided members with a wonderful, modern venue, which is quite unique, and special. We look forward to continued growth, and seeing all our members down here, enjoying their club.

Paul Davies
Club Manager

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Olga Harradine
Ladies Group



Monthly Club Meeting

On the **first Wednesday** evening of every month the Club Meeting is held. The bar is open from 6:30 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7.30 pm.

Following the general meeting, in which the Manager and Committee Members quickly report the status of the club, a guest speaker gives a talk.

Our June speaker was **Rachel Johnson**, the CEO of Victorian Ports - Melbourne, who conducted a presentation on the Port's "**Steer Clear**" & "**Watch Out For Waves**" Awareness Campaigns.

Recent speakers have been expert fisherman **Peter Caruana**, **Andrew Hays**, the Deputy Harbour Master from Victorian Ports Corporation, and **Ken Alonso**, with **Tom Unkles**, from Maritime Safety Victoria.

The great thing is that; as well as partaking in the free party pies and sausage rolls at the end of the night; you always leave smarter than when you arrived! All members are welcome.

Winter Opening Hours

1200 noon until :

Thursday 10pm *

A la carte lunch — 12:00pm to 2:30pm
A la carte dinner — 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Friday 10pm *

A la carte lunch — 12:00pm to 2:30pm
A la carte dinner — 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Saturday 6pm *

A la carte lunch — 12:00pm to 2:30pm

Sunday 6pm

(**7.45pm** on Band Nights)

A la carte lunch — 12:00pm to 2:30pm

* closing time subject to member numbers



A successful APYAC Women's Fishing Day on board 'The West Wind' out of St.Kilda Marina.

TRANSFORMER

How The Club Transforms Itself In Two Hours — Every Saturday.

Members leave as the bar winds down at 4pm and the staff begin a well-oiled, choreographed dance, converting the club into a function centre.

The kitchen machine turns-out ten course finger food, or complete, served meals for 150

guests. Within two hours the space is transformed.

When the last guest leaves at midnight, everything happens in reverse; in preparation for our biggest club day: Sunday Lunch.

The most popular event, a birthday party, for instance, is standing-room where guests are met with a glass of champagne upon arrival. The food is ten or more servings of finger food with the remainder of drinks being

purchased over the bar by the guests.

Live bands have largely given way to a single DJ, and the dance floor is well-used late into the evening.

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