



Boat Talk

VMR Brisbane's Monthly Newsletter



Above: Poly Va'a Ceremony: Blessing of canoes

Around the Rigging

Welcome to our new Members. We look forward to seeing you around the base.

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ACTIVE CREW

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FULL MEMBERS

Samual Banks	Michael Fearn-Wannan
Aaron Lederhose	Geoffrey Seeto
Mick Smith	

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WATERSIDE ASSIST

Andreas Azas	Jennifer Barry
Elliott Brown	Raphael Cendrillon
Craig Davidson	Ryan Dowling
Elliott Duke	Wayne Fischer
Mark Fluhart	Camron Gardiner
Matt Hetherington	Joseph Lane
Andrew Macdonald	Paul McCallum
Christopher Moore	Russell Moore
Trent Parker	Michael Priddin
William Radkovic	Geoffrey Rayfield
Danny Rayner	Casparus Schoeman
Leigh Speedy	Robin Testa
David Waugh	Michael Webster

DATES TO REMEMBER

SYC OPEN DAY

Sunday, 12th September, 2021

VMRB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

7.30 pm Tuesday, 28th September, 2021

VMR BRIBIE EMERGENCY SERVICES EXPO

17th October, 2021

POTLUCK DINNER

Sunday, 24th October, 2021 from 3.30 pm.

CAROLS BY THE CREEK

19th November, 2021 from 5 pm.

We all know that the cruise industry has had a catastrophic time which rather impacted the success of the new Brisbane International Cruise Terminal. However, a ship has finally christened the new port – although it wasn't a cruise ship but the Landing Ship Dock *HMAS Choules*, which was a bit of a surprise.

COVID continues to affect events all around the world and so it is with the Poly Va'a outriggers' race due to be held in September but there is a further opportunity to see this spectacle on its postponed date in February next year.

However, they had a fabulous celebration on 28th August with the blessing of their canoes including their impressive new one as you'll see on page 5.

A new initiative at VMRB was the Pot Luck dinner which was great fun so another is planned for 24th October. See more about it on page 6.

Do you know how distress beacons work? No-one ever plans for boating dramas but as you can read on page 8, having an EPIRB out on your vessel with you could be the difference between a terrible outcome and a rescue.

Of course this issue includes everything you need to be informed about the VMRB AGM to be held on 28th September. Hopefully we will see you there.

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President's Report

Welcome to another group of members who have joined VMRB and Waterside Assist; it is gratifying to see so many people willing to help our community and also taking boat ownership more sensibly.

Just a reminder that all Membership and Hardstand fees were due 30th July, 2021. If you haven't renewed, that might explain why your key card will not work! If you haven't received your invoice via email or you need some extra time to pay, please contact Gordon at treasurer@vmrbristbane.com.au or Les at membership@vmrbristbane.com.au.

I'm pleased to report that the initial Pot Luck Dinner coordinated by Cameron and Julie was a success and not impacted by COVID-19 restrictions. This bodes well for the next one scheduled for 24th October so remember to put a date claimer on your phones. It's such a great opportunity to meet other crews in a relaxing social environment.

Following the success of the Pot Luck evening, consideration is being given to holding a Beer & BBQ night at VMRB with guest local brewers and low and slow type BBQ providers. Watch for details in future *Boat Talk* newsletters.

Another coming event to keep in mind is the Sandgate Yacht Club's Open Day on 12th Sept. This will be the first for a couple of years as COVID cancelled last year's start of the season for them.

Poly Va'a Outriggers and Sandgate Paddling Club are both holding AGMs this week. Of course, our own AGM is coming up and we invite you to join us on Tuesday, 28th September upstairs at the base.

It will be a good day out for the family to attend VMR Bribie Island's very exciting and informative Emergency Services Expo on Sunday, 17th October, 2021 at their base (full details on page 14).

Unfortunately, the event being run by Poly Va'a Outriggers (stage 2 of the National Titles) with an Outrigger Race from Brennan Park Bongaree (Bribie) to Shorncliffe Jetty has been postponed because of the difficulty of participants travelling from other States due to COVID. Hopefully it will all go ahead on the newly planned date of 5th February, 2022.

Works has now been completed in the downstairs area to replace the sinking posts with a new steel beam and posts installed with the intention to eventually remove some uprights to provide a clearer more open area. Painting and installation of a kitchenette will occur when our budget allows.

Works to replace the present boat ramp are now being held up by Transport & Main Roads (as our Landlords) who have requested a Development Approval despite original advice that this would not be required so Management are following this up.

Our new vessel is under construction and we are now working with the builder on finer details and

September 2021 Crew Roster

Sat 4	Foxtrot	Sun 5	Tango
Sat 11	Alpha	Sun 12	November
Sat 18	Bravo	Sun 19	Papa
Sat 25	Charlie	Sun 26	Quebec

October 2021 Crew Roster

Sun 2	Delta	Sat 3	Sierra
Mon 4	Tango		
Sat 9	Foxtrot	Sun 10	November
Sat 16	Alpha	Sun 17	Papa
Sat 23	Bravo	Sun 24	Quebec
Fri 29	Bravo		
Sat 30	Charlie	Sun 31	Sierra

encourage anyone with suggestions or questions to contact the Vessel Committee. Projected completion date is in January 2022.

Our congratulations go to Matt Bugler and Rhys Forbes who have been awarded Authority to Operate VMRB vessels for training purposes within a defined area. It is pleasing when our members reap the rewards from their training. And with the uptake of the new training we are looking forward to reporting more and more Crew progressing through their training.

VMRB will be hosting Carols by the Creek on 19th November from 17.00 to 20.00 and it is being sponsored by Cr. Cassidy. There will be free entertainment for kids (jumping castle and face painting), as well as a guest choir and Food Trucks with our bar open for soft or harder refreshments.

Safe Boating

Thomas Grice, President, VMR Brisbane

Tuesday Crew ... on Wednesday

Our constantly vigilant Hugh was seen investigating a dysfunctional starboard automatic bilge pump.



Groups of VMRB

Our Association is made up of the following clubs. Please click on the logo to find out more details



Activations

AUGUST

13th - Callout to tow a 4.5m powerboat with 1 POB from Mud Island to Whyte Island boat ramp.

15th – Tow a 6m powerboat from Moreton Bay to the Nudgee Boat Ramp with 2 POB (Waterside Assist member), whose 5.5m Quintrex ran out of fuel.



15th - Tow from Shafston Reach to Colmslie with 2 POB in their 5.4 metre Buccaneer with no steering



21st – Charlie Crew had a training run across to Tangalooma and came across some uniform size green balloons floating in a straight line. They took the time to clean these menaces out of the bay.



ACTIVE CREW ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations and thank you to the following crew members who volunteered more than 5 years ago and who joined in August

Dean Steinback	2005	16 years
Ben Gillespie	2012	9 years
Noel Luxton	2012	9 years
Damien Lynch	2015	6 years
Robert Stout	2016	5 years
Shane Barnes	2016	5 years

22nd - It was a busy and fun filled day, and Quebec Crew “saw dolphins, a small whale and some turtles. We also had some help from Glenn, Col and Rob Woods which was much appreciated.

Matt was put through his paces as he was being assessed throughout the day. It started with a run out in to Bramble Bay with Sandgate 1 and 2.

We then ran a training exercise to Southwest Spit and down to Tangalooma, before heading down the Brisbane River to refuel at Rivergate. On our way back to base, we were flagged down for our first tow of the day not far from the mouth back to Cabbage Tree Creek. The 6.5m powerboat with 3 POB had engine issues and was towed from Teneriffe to the Colmslie Boat Ramp



After getting back to base we had a quick turnaround as we had to head back towards the Sand Hills to pick up a broken down 6.4m boat with 4 POB from Shark Spit to Cabbage Tree Creek. We managed to get the boat back to the public boat ramp in Cabbage Tree Creek before dark. Though the full moon was up after the boat was washed down and locked.”



Activations (Con'td)



25th – Mid-week callout meant Sandgate 1 provided tow assistance to a 4.2mtr tinny with 2 POB from Tangalooma Wrecks back to Cabbage Tree Creek Boat Ramp.



28th – Tow a 6.5m powerboat with 3 POB from Moreton Bay to the Nudgee Floodway.

29th - Sierra Crew reported "We had quite an interesting day last Sunday. It was a day of two distinct halves – light winds and calm seas in the morning followed by a strong northerly breeze that generated that nasty close-together chop that delivers an uncomfortable ride.

First up we travelled to Rivergate Marina Fuel dock to refuel Sandgate 1. All was going to plan with the boat almost secured to the dock when one of my crew (name withheld to protect the innocent) leaned down to adjust a line. Before our eyes he fell head first into the Brisbane River. A quick recovery was the order of the day. Fortunately no one was hurt – except some pride and a mobile phone. Next crew day we will do a re-enactment - this time with cameras at the ready! We completed refuelling and

headed back to CTC so our crew member could go home to clean up.

With our misadventure behind us, perfect weather conditions ahead and a need for me to complete my minimum annual 'open' hours sea time we headed to Cape Moreton. On the way we checked in with a chap who had called earlier advising that he was located at Cowan Cowan and had engine trouble and may require assistance. Fortunately, the engine trouble was sorted and the chap returned home under their own steam. Off Yellow Patch we were greeted by whales of all sizes – all very playful and great to watch. The return trip was equally enjoyable.

Late in the afternoon we received a request for assistance – a jet ski with electrical trouble and 1 POB located near the Story Bridge. It was a fairly quick trip across to the Koopa Channel then on to the Story Bridge. The jet ski was soon located and under tow to the Colmslie boat ramp. Fortunately we arrived at the Colmslie boat ramp while there was still some light. After the drop off we headed home and arriving safely back at the Base around 18:30."

Thank you to all the crews who are able to assist with any activations and who are on standby. We really appreciate receiving activation details and photos to help promote VMR Brisbane.

Also we are grateful for the skipper's reports as they add colour to the actual rescue details. Please email any information and/or photos through to editor@vmrbrisbane.com.au and also to social.media@vmrbrisbane.com.au

August in Summary

Activations:	22
Fuel Used:	1,760
People Assisted:	18

Shipbreaking

India's Ports, Shipping and Waterways Minister Mansukh Mandaviya recently announced India's ambitious plan to grab 50 percent of the global ship recycling business. Its current share stands around 30% at present. Right now, India recycles around seven million GT worth of ships per year, followed by Bangladesh, which recycles 6.8 million GT. Pakistan comes next with 3.7 million GT, followed by China, with 3.4 million GT.



The above photo was taken in Chittagong, Bangladesh some time ago and rather glamorises the toxic, highly polluting shipbreaking industry..

Poly Va'a-Alo Outriggers

A lovely event held on 28th August was the blessing of their canoes including the fancy new one. The Poly Va'a Outrigger Canoe Club Committee posted the following report:

"Thank you to everyone who helped make our Saturday a success and helped create yet another wonderful memory in Poly Va'a's history.



A big thank you especially to Pili for the wonderful blessing of our canoes and for being the base of our Club culture and spirit.

The day was made even more special by the attendance of Turrbal elder Uncle Joe Kirk and his grandson Charlie Chambers who came all the way from Ipswich to be a part of our blessing ceremony. We sit in their land and our canoes are housed exactly where their original village used to be.



A special thanks to our new Club sponsors Luci and Toby Black from the Full Moon Hotel who supplied the meat, bread and sausages for our BBQ.

Thank you also to our guests from Bribie, Scarborough and Redcliffe OCCs who attended. Your friendship and camaraderie as local clubs is very important to us.



Lastly thank you to VMRB for the wonderful facilities and support we always receive from you. We are very lucky to be hosted here."

This club has been awarded stage 2 of the National Titles with an Outrigger Race taking in all categories of competitors from Brennan Park Bongaree (Bribie) at 11am to Shorncliffe Jetty, arriving around 12.30 to 13.00 for Seniors and a second event from Scarborough Beach to Shorncliffe Jetty, arriving between 12.30 and 13.00 for Juniors.

It was to be held on 25th September with multi-cultural celebrations and presentations to follow BUT it has now been postponed to 5th February 2022 due to COVID.

Food Trucks Event

Unfortunately, the Food Trucks only want to patronise our area in Summer so there will be no more until at least November. We'll let you know in plenty of time so you can mark it on your calendar and support our fundraising efforts.

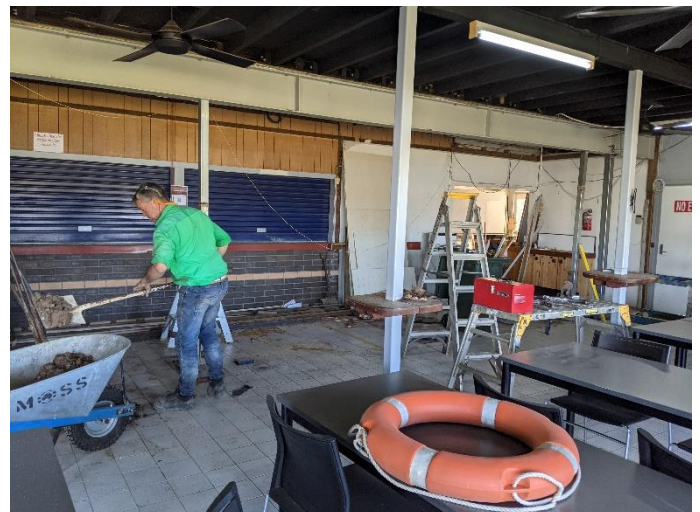
In the meantime, management is considering Sunset Drinks with either a BBQ or a single food truck present on either Friday afternoons or Sunday afternoons. We would like some thoughts from members on what they would prefer. Please let us know on [Junior Vice President Paul Hollingdale](#).

However, while your views are being collected, members and their families are invited to join in the Potluck Dinner evening on Sunday, 24th October.

Another date claimer is the Carols by the Creek on 19th November which is being sponsored by Cr Cassidy. There will be entertainment, food trucks and plenty to keep the youngsters happy.

Building Repairs

Thanks to Nigel Shepherd, our downstairs area now has a secure beam and post. When excavating, he said it was interesting to see evidence of differing stages of work over the years. There is still more work to be done to restore the kitchen area though.



Pot Luck Dinner

Cameron Pegler and Julie White convened a very successful Pot Luck Dinner on Sunday, 22nd August. It was the first one and, although not attended by nearly as many as we could permit at the time, it is well worth holding a second one and that is scheduled for October. It is a fabulous opportunity to meet people on other crews and their families.



Catering worked out really well with everyone bringing a dish to share so it was a low stress event for most of us. We had the most delicious pumpkin soup, sweet and sour fish, zucchini slice, a variety of salads, rice, etc. followed by an absolutely luscious cheesecake (with Gordon's very nice

but old-fashioned whipped cream), brownies and coconut slice. No truth in the rumour the Treasurer was saving money by not using electricity!

So put a date-saver in your diary for 24th October. Further reminders will be issued so you can phone to notify your acceptance. You can think of what you can bring and this time we will request people include a note of ingredients so people with food intolerances don't get caught out.



Let's make some time to get to know each other in a nice casual way.



Show off your culinary skills and bring a plate for some

'POTLUCK FUN'

That means bring a dish to share with others.

Hot/Cold/Savoury or sweet, your choice, the BBQ will be available if someone wants to cook up on site and the bar will be open for refreshments.

When you RSVP, also nominate which dish you would like to bring and just remember to jot down the ingredients for people to see.

Date: Sunday, 24th October from 3.30 pm –6.30 pm; all of our crews and their family members are invited.

RSVP by 19th October to social@vmrbrisbane.com.au

Please note:

'Potluck Fun' will be subject to any applicable COVID restrictions at the time of the function.

Christmas in July

Thanks to COVID-19, we are going to have Christmas in September. 11th September is the date now set for the MASH-themed Christmas party for Poly Va'a and VMRB Members and friends. You can still buy tickets by paying \$35 into the Poly Vaa Outrigger Canoe Club account (BSB 633000, A/c 155640493) leaving your name. Wear your MASH-themed outfit and perhaps be an entrant in the Dress Like Klinger parade. The party will be from 6pm to 11 pm and will include a delicious dinner. Photos next month.

Mask Protocol – Everywhere!



Bob Grey was probably wishing this pesky photographer away when he returned to the Base as he didn't have to worry about a mask while out fishing!

Kedron-Wavell Services Club

When Covid doesn't cause closures, there is always a lot going on at the Kedron-Wavell Services Club, 21 Kittyhawk Dr, Chermside.

If it's entertainment you are seeking, perhaps you would like Monet and Mimosas which is a Paint and Sip Art Class on 12th September or the [Lord Mayor's Seniors Cabaret Concert on Tuesday, 14th September 2021](#) or the North Brisbane Jazz Club presents the Justin Stephenson Ensemble on Saturday, 25th September, 2021.

There are lucrative Members' Draws, Bingo and Exercise Classes plus you can join in Karaoke every Saturday night. You can check their website for their full list of entertainment and prize draws at <https://kedron-wavell.com.au/> or phone them on (07) 3359 9122.



Remember Kedron-Wavell Services Club is a major supporter of VMR Brisbane so we can do them a favour and return the compliment by supporting them while enjoying ourselves.

There are several venues to dine at – The Kitchen, Gallipoli Lounge, Bean Shack, Red Delta, then there is the Bravo Bar with its boutique beers (and other drinks).

Where Are You?

Our President and our squadron need your help!

There must be someone out there who can fill one of the very important (but still vacant since our last AGM) Support Positions to Management. and we are looking for volunteers with the next AGM closing in, If you feel you can assist in any way, your help will be gratefully appreciated for all or part of any role.

The positions we would really need to fill are:

Internal Social Activities Organiser: The position is to organise Members only gatherings - either informal (afternoon tea or sausage sizzle) or formal (sit down dinner, Christmas, New Years, Origin, etc). It would suit someone who enjoys planning and hosting parties and get-togethers and is really a bit of a blank canvas for someone to make their own.

Community Relations / Publicity Officer:

This position is to build relationships with our local media like The Sandgate Guide, Radio Stations, TV as well as local Community Groups such as Sandbag, Scouting Australia, SES, QFES, QPS, QAS, BCC, State.

If you feel you have an interest in any position or could possibly assist with one, please feel free to call or email any of the following:

- [President Thomas Grice](#),
- [Snr Vice President Ben Gillespie](#),
- [Junior Vice President Paul Hollingdale](#), or
- Members Representatives [Les Pascoe](#) and [Darren Bates](#).

Brisbane Cruise Terminal

You will recall that last year we reported on the completion of the \$177m Brisbane International Cruise Terminal. The fact that international cruise ships have not sailed for over a year means the opening has been delayed indefinitely.

Actually the first ship to dock at the Brisbane International Cruise Ship Terminal was the Navy's *HMAS Choules*, which arrived in Brisbane on 27th August after participating in Exercise Talisman Sabre, Australia's largest bilateral training event with the United States alongside forces from Canada, Japan, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. Over the last few weeks, *HMAS Choules* has supported Australian Army's 5th Aviation Regiment training.

When thousands of people were displaced by bushfires at Mallacoota in January 2020, it was *HMAS Choules* that came to their rescue.

It is an amphibious Landing Ship Dock which originally served with the Royal Fleet Auxiliary and was commissioned by the Royal Australian Navy in December 2011. *HMAS Choules* is a highly operational 16,000 tonne ship, 176 metres long, 24 metres wide, and capable of carrying over 300 troops, 23 Abrams tanks, 150 light Trucks, LCVP, Landing Craft Mechanised (LCM8) and is also capable of operating Navy helicopters including the MRH-90 Taipan and MH-60R Seahawk and the Australian Army's S-70A Black Hawk.

HMAS Choules is a lot smaller than the 245 metre long *Pacific Dawn* which should have been the first ship at the terminal on 3rd October, 2020. Unfortunately, the pandemic has led to the *Pacific Dawn* being sold, renamed Satoshi before being sold again with future plans uncertain.



The *HMAS Choules* docked at the Brisbane International Cruise Ship Terminal because there were no alternative suitable docking locations available.

Following the visit to Brisbane the ship and its crew will return to Sydney.

(Includes info from an article by Tony Moore, *Brisbane Times*.)

How Distress Beacons Work

When your vessel and/or life is in danger, you should set off your EPIRB which can be activated from anywhere on the Earth's surface.

The international search and rescue satellite system, Cospas-Sarsat, listens from space for distress signals. When it hears a signal, it notifies the nearest ground station.

Beacons transmit on 406MHz which is detectable by satellite and 121.5MHz so emergency services can hone the beacon with special search and rescue equipment.



Rescue coordination centre is notified

When the nearest ground station is notified, your distress call is escalated through a local user terminal, mission control centre and then the Rescue Coordination Centre (RCC) responsible in that region for arranging search operations.

If your beacon is registered, the details are provided to the RCC in the country in which the beacon is both activated and registered.

Search and rescue authorities commence search operations as soon as they can. If your beacon is registered, AMSA Search and Rescue will look up your account and ring your emergency contacts immediately.

If emergency contacts are aware of trip details or trip details have been submitted online, search operations can be commenced much sooner. So it is essential to keep your details up to date.

The time it takes for rescue will vary depending on the circumstances. Be prepared to survive. When you see or hear search personnel or aircraft in your area, use flares, torches, or light a fire (if it's safe) to help them pinpoint your location.

The time it takes for search and rescue personnel to reach you depends on a number of factors, including the weather and accessibility of your location.

The more remote the location of the distress incident, the longer the response time. In all instances, be prepared to survive.

If your beacon has not been deployed correctly with the aerial vertical in a clear open area geostationary (GEO) satellites are unlikely to see you. In these cases, you must wait for polar-orbiting (LEO) satellites to pass overhead, which may take several hours.

The Cospas-Sarsat system

The Cospas-Sarsat System is divided into space segments comprising distress beacon receivers on Polar-orbiting satellites and on satellites in geostationary orbit over the Equator.

The ground segment is made up of a network of Local User Terminals (LUTs) that are the ground receiving stations for the satellite transmissions with Mission Control Centres (MCCs) that analyse and pass the distress alerts to responsible Rescue Coordination Centres.

In the Australian search and rescue region, there are three LUTs located at Albany (WA), Bundaberg (QLD) and Wellington (NZ) that are controlled by the MCC located within the Australian Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC) in Canberra.

Alerts from 406 MHz distress beacons may be received and processed by geo-stationary satellites and passed to JRCC-Australia within minutes.



Shorlink's Recommendation

Our number one recommendation is to ensure your EPIRB is in service and registered with AMSA. If it's not registered, there is no information about the vessel making search and rescue harder.

If you need to activate your EPIRB do it sooner rather than waiting to see what happens as that waiting time may be valuable in your rescue and...

DO NOT turn off your distress beacon until advised by rescue services.

Tip

While activating your EPIRB is valuable in your rescue there is another option, especially if you have a Satphone. You can call the RCC direct on 02 6230 6811.

The other option is to call the emergency number 112 on your Satphone.

For all maritime safety info, see <https://shorlink.com/>

A View At The Base

Not only do our volunteers have the opportunity to learn all about boating and help the community on their duty days (and quite often on after-hours call-outs), they also have the opportunity to see fabulous sunrises, sunsets and full moons at the Base on their rostered days. Thanks to our photographers, here are some of them captured in August that emphasise the wonderful venue we have.

James Maskell:



Alana Bold:



Richard Windham was there for the Full Moonrise.



Eskimo Roll Next...

Alana's All About Paddling students were lapping it up here but soon after they were out in the water (literally!) learning how to manage an Eskimo roll.



Xiang Dragon Boat Club

Unless you're down the base at training times, you probably wouldn't know the Xiang members were ever there! They had their annual Presentation Night on the last Saturday in August.

"Congratulations and thank you to all of you for a fun season 2020-2021. Looking forward to this season making it bigger and better, faster and stronger than the last! Soar and glide Xiang!!

(New paddlers welcome no matter what experience)
Training time: Tuesday and Thursday evenings 6:30pm to 7:30pm; Sunday Mornings 7am to 8:30am."





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NOTICE OF MEETING OF MEMBERS

Financial members of Volunteer Marine Rescue Brisbane Inc. are advised that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Association shall be held on Tuesday, 28th September, 2021, for the purpose of receiving various reports for the 2020/21 Operational Year, as per the Agenda and to elect the Management and Support Teams for the 2021/22 Operational Year.

Under the Constitution, Social, Waterside Assist & Associate Members are welcome to attend but are not entitled to nominate for positions and, may not nominate any person for a Management role or to vote upon matters.

Members of Associate Groups may only nominate a person to represent the Group to Management and this person serves only in a support role and does not form a part of the Management Team.

Nominations closing with the Secretary on 10th September, 2021, shall be called for the positions of President Volunteer Marine Rescue Brisbane Inc., Senior Vice-President Rescue Operations, Junior Vice-President Buildings & Grounds Maintenance, Secretary, Treasurer Financial Management and two (2) Members Representatives to Management.

Immediate Past President is automatically appointed to Management as per "Rules of Association".

Volunteers to fill Support Team positions do not require pre-nomination and shall be called on the meeting night as per the agenda.

- In the event of **no nominations** being received for a Management position by the closing date, the position shall be declared unfilled and open to nomination from the floor on the meeting night.
- In the event of **single nominations** being received for Management positions, a notice shall be posted on the Members Notice Board **7 days prior to the meeting night** as per "Rules of Association" clause 11 (3) (c) advising Members voting is closed and positions filled.
- In the event of **dual nominations** for a Management position, a notice listing nominee's names shall be posted on the Members Notice Board **7 days prior to the meeting night** as per above clause, **and a ballot overseen by a Scrutineer shall take place on the meeting night, with ballot papers destroyed upon declaration of the ballot result.**
- Should a Financial member be **unable to attend**, a **"Proxy Voter"** may be appointed via a **"Proxy Appointment Form"** to vote on their behalf, such form must be **signed by the Member and the appointed Proxy Voter and clearly show how the Member is directed to vote.**

As per Rule 24 Section 6 of the "Rules of Association", Members present at the meeting may only hold and cast one (1) Proxy Vote.

Notices of General Business relevant to the Annual General Meeting must be received in writing by the Secretary no less than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting to be admissible.

By requisition of Secretary

Volunteer Marine Rescue Brisbane Inc.

David L Massam JP Com.Dec.



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NOMINATION FOR MANAGEMENT POSITION

This form must be forwarded to the Secretary and received no less than fourteen (14) days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

I being a current Full Financial Member of Volunteer Marine Rescue Brisbane Inc. hereby nominate for the position of at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 28th September, 2021.

Signature Date

Nomination seconded by (a current Full Financial Member)

Signature Date

Nomination accepted (a current Full Financial Member)

Signature Date



PROXY VOTER APPOINTMENT

This form may be forwarded to Secretary or handed in prior to meeting commencement. As per clause 24 section 6 of the "Rules of Association", a Member present may only cast one (1) Proxy Vote on behalf of one (1) absent Member.

I being a Full Financial Member of Volunteer Marine Rescue Brisbane Inc. request an apology be registered on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 28th September, 2021 and appoint to vote on my behalf.

I instruct him / her to vote as follows: YES NO (Clearly circle your vote)

Signed Date

Signature of Proxy Voter Date

Witness Name Witness Signature.....

Volunteers saving lives



VOLUNTEER MARINE RESCUE BRISBANE

AGENDA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: 28th September, 2021

Time: 19.30 hours

Location: Squadron Headquarters, Allpass Parade, Shorncliffe.

Agenda Item		Person Responsible
1	Meeting opens , welcome Guests & Members, apologies tabled	President
2	Presentation of Management Reports for the 2019 /20 operational year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Volunteer Marine Rescue Brisbane Inc. • Senior Vice-President Rescue Operations and Sub Areas • Junior Vice-President Buildings, Grounds, Assets & Sub Areas • Unit Training Coordinator • Treasurer Financial Management Speakers to the reports invited.	
3	Election of Management Team for the 2020/21 operational year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President declares all positions vacant and vacates chair to nominated person. • Election of President, Snr Vice-President, Jnr Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, two (2) Members Representatives to Management. • In absence of dual nominations, Secretary declares all nominees for positions elected. • If dual nominations, Returning Officer & Scrutineer appointed & voting procedures explained. • Ballot declared. • Motion to destroy ballot papers. Management recommendation for Support Positions (qualifications required) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit Training Coordinator: Glenn Philip • Health and Safety Representative: David Massam These positions do not form part of the Management Team, and incumbents may only vote upon matters related to their role. Support positions to Management (No prior nominations required nominations or volunteers from floor) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Relations & Grants Officer • Membership Officer (including Waterside Assist) • Webmaster • Social Media & Publicity Officer • Newsletter Editor • Social Director Internal Activities • Community Events Liaison Officer • Food Truck Liaison • Crew Liaison Officer 	

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Agenda Item	Person Responsible
<p>3. (cont'd)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building & Grounds Maintenance Officer(s) • Vessel, Equipment, Assets Maintenance Officer(s) • IT & Communications Officer • Hardstand Manager • Venue Manager • Providore <p>These positions do not form part of the Management Team, and incumbents may only vote upon matters related to their role.</p> <p>Group Delegates Elected by individual Groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandgate Yacht Club • Sandgate Paddling Club • Polynesian Outrigger Club • Xiang Shorncliffe Dragon Boat Club • All About Paddling • Allstate Licensing & Safety Training <p>These positions do not form part of the Management Team; incumbents may participate in Management meetings and present reports on Group activities or raise business. Only a Group Member who is a Full Financial Member of VMRB may vote at Special or Annual General Meetings.</p> <p>Election of Management Advisors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auditor • Legal • IT • Other as required <p>Written nominations are not required for these positions. Management may seek out and nominate.</p>	
4	Appointment of Unit Chaplain 2021/22 year.
5	Appointment of Patrons for 2021/22 year.
6	<p>Appointment of Life Member.</p> <p>Election of Member of Year 2020/21</p> <p>Appointment of Honorary Members 2021/22</p>
7	Presentation of Crew service & Appreciation
8	<p>General business</p> <p>Only business pertaining to the AGM may be discussed at this meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion required to set number of Associate Members for 2020/21 operational year
9.	Meeting close with invitation to remain for social & refreshments

EMERGENCY SERVICES EXPO



9 am to 2:15 pm Sunday 17 October 2021
Volunteer Marine Rescue (off Sylvan Beach Esplanade), BELLARA

Join our Young EXPO Ambassador Willow and prepare for summer:

- See the latest emergency equipment in action.
- Meet local Firefighters, Police, Ambulance Officers, Marine Rescue, SES, and more!
- Get up close to a fire truck, water cannon, an Army Bushmaster vehicle, marine rescue boats and other high-tech rescue equipment.
- Live Westpac helicopter rescue and simulated bushfire display.
- Watch a kitchen fire demonstration and learn how to react.
- See a Surf Life Saving water rescue or watch a drone life raft deployment.
- FREE face painting.
- Visit various stalls, enjoy a sausage sizzle and more!