



South Brisbane Sailing Club Inc



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2019-20

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

President's Report

It has been a great honor to be the Club's President in 2019-20.

I have come to learn by experience that SBSC has an abundance of capacity to deftly adapt to new challenges, and to embrace opportunities for success. These qualities put us in a strong position to consolidate the gains of 2019-20, and to maintain steady growth next year and beyond. I would like to thank all members, our Management Committee and Sailing Sub-Committee who have ably steered us throughout this year.



Reinvigorated Learn to Sail Program

It has been over 30 years since SBSC has had a junior Learn to sail program, when kids in Sabots plied the St Lucia and Milton reaches of the river. With the purchase of eight colorful O'pen Skiffs (Bics) we have brought a renewed joy of sailing to many young sailors, their families and to many at SBSC.

Growing Heron Fleet

We can all be proud of the many sailors in this fleet who gladly share their enthusiasm for this versatile craft to strengthen our sailing ties and reputation in Queensland and across Australia.

Technology gains

From enumerable spreadsheets on various hard drives and paper files in different places we have rocketed to have an operational on-line system for membership and communication in just 1 year.

Banding together through COVID-19

We are managing the threat of COVID-19 by drawing on our innovative spirit, our bonds and the realisation that our founding members lived through the Spanish Flu and other disasters.

2019-20 Management Committee

Position	Name
President	Robert Preston
Commodore	Mary-Ann Pattison
Secretary	Stephanie Duggan
Vice President	Robert Graham
Vice Commodore	Chris Carey
Treasurer	Peter Robinson
Facility Manager	John Nobbs
Members Representative	Nev Murray

Robert Preston
SBSC President

RACE MANAGEMENT

Commodore's Report

The 2019 -2020 season commenced with the usual administration behind the scene; gaining aquatic authority to sail from the Maritime Authority, making decisions about the racing program, the afternoon's race, training and attending meetings. I attended both the She Sails network events and with the President presented at the Club's conference in July in the lead up to the season. We set an ambitious program for the season consisting of a regatta across clubs, championship heats, specialist races including the Women's Series, Learn to Sail and training events to improve skills. Assisting Nev Murray, our lead instructor, redeveloping our sailing program for adults all occurred before we were on the water in September.



But this was not to be a normal season

Just as the sailing season commenced the club learnt of the success in a grant application to purchase a junior training fleet. This was quickly expended with a significant discount on purchasing PFD's (thank you Zhik) and eight O'pen Skiffs (Bics) - the chosen boat to establish a fun training boat as our budding junior fleet. We welcomed Connor Williams as instructor, employed to lead the introduction of our junior training program. A coach boat was then sourced and bought. A new motor was purchased with the assistance of a small grant. John Nobbs worked tirelessly to get floor boards removed and the club herons ready for use at the 62 Heron Nationals. The club humming with training across junior and adult level 1, level 2 and specialist heron level 3 coaching. Winds in the first half of the season above average with some thrilling sailing.

September saw the club's signature event Riverfire Regatta again well attended assisting to build communication and comradery. Many sailors across SE Qld now have this event locked into their calendar. The reinstating of this event was designed to support the three river clubs showcase sailing on the river to the general public. Each year it is getting more recognition, attracting greater sponsorship, recognition and support from Australian Sailing. This year the regatta and our regular Saturday races have all been started from the banks. This has enabled our rescue boats to be more responsive to sailors' needs at the beginning of the afternoon on the water. Thank you to our volunteer finishers who took up the challenge and are now a starter finishing team. South Brisbane members are also moving to sail at other venues to stretch their skills with level 3 coaching for the Heron fleet in preparation for the Nationals.

The Club championship heats were sailed in strong winds with the series completed prior to Christmas. Again, one class championship coming down to the last heat's position.

Christmas school holidays saw not only all club boats and members Heron sailing at Lake Cootharaba but some of our sailors from other classes also joined the competition on a day sail basis if unable to compete for the week. The southern sailors provided exceptional competition and although none of our club members came home with the championship, our skill set and fitness levels certainly improved.

The second half of the season was a very different story

Club members were able to participate in the Nose to Tail and Tristram Shield events but specialist races – the Women's Series had postponement due to flood water in the river but eventually finalised. Our Clean the River event and sail classes were cancelled as concerns about the Corona virus suddenly changed everything. Words like "flattening the curve" and "social distancing" all dominate our lives and actions. This virus has impacted and affected each of us- loss of our employment, others working from home, value of our superannuation, distance placed between each and their family and friends. I am unaware of any member who has lost a family member but I like others have friends who have had this virus.

Our Presentation night, which is the culminating celebration of a sailing season, was cancelled. In my nearly 50 years as a member of this club I am not aware of another season which did not include a presentation night. Possibly it will be as part of our different AGM as we need to acknowledge and celebrate both individuals and team efforts throughout the year.

Thanks to Australian Sailing and the IT skills of the President who organised and officiated we had the opportunity to participate in a virtual regatta. Invitation races allowed our skills to improve and 15 races in one day led to a clear winner. Mark Smith then went on to represent the Club at the State virtual regatta. While totally engaging I find it also extremely addictive. It has provided a platform for club members to engage from our own homes in these extraordinary times.

As I write this report our AGM is to be postponed and may need to be held remotely or at least differently.

Although I, as the Commodore, have coordinated the events none would have been possible without the committees and volunteers who make it happen. The energy our President has put into the Sailing school, the new Rev sports and the Virtual regatta has been extraordinary. I am in debt to the club management committee who have with the Sailing committee led the clubs' very successful program initiatives. Again THANK YOU Robert Preston I know I would not have been able to do even half of this without your passion, dedication to detail and thought provoking conversations and input both within the meeting structure and in person on many afternoons as I have driven home in the traffic. It all seems so quiet now as we wait for the next season in our homes hoping it will happen and that we will be able to come out and play again.

Post-script: This season the club has moved to a global budgeting model where expenditure such as the Australian Sailing levy is paid as a club expense and is not seen as a cost to be paid only by active sailors. This method allows for the club to see income streams in their entirety as well.

Mary-Ann Pattison
Commodore

Race Management Volunteers' Report

It has been a great year and most sailing days I was able to fill the volunteer positions. Trevor and I were not there a lot this season so it was good to have the extra volunteers.

We also continued using the Roster system on Revsport and by the end of the season I think nearly all volunteers are now able to put their unavailability into the system and find the rosters.

Also tried to get all volunteers to do different jobs so that when we are short it is easier to place a volunteer into a position and have a bit of an understanding of that position. I know a few didn't like this but it certainly made my job easier as I could feel confident the race would run smoothly.

Went back to using the flags on a pole for the starts and this was easier and less complicated if you hadn't done the flags for a while and no flags got put upside down or back to front. If things are kept simple it makes for a much easier time for all.

I think all up most days went smoothly for the volunteers and hopefully this coming season we will continue to have enough volunteers.

Thank you to all volunteers.

Yvonne Nobbs

Race Management Volunteers

Position	Name	Position	Name
Volunteer Coordinator	Yvonne Nobbs	Finishes and Starters	Margot Henry
Race Officers	Yvonne Nobbs		Vanessa Williams
	Trevor Nobbs		Margie Mackay-Lowndes
	Bill Rochaix		Stephanie Duggan
	Robert Graham	Photographer	Kate Matthews
	Dave Sherwood	Dinghy Hire Coordinator	Ryan Nobbs
Flag Monitors	Ben Hamilton		
	Kara Pizzica		

FLEET REPORTS

NS14 and Tasar Fleet Report

The 2019/20 sailing season saw some excellent (sometimes challenging) weather conditions providing some very close racing in the NS fleet with Steve and Bethany (Spirit), Adam and Lucinda (Need for Speed) and Nev and Megan (Bohica) all neck and neck for the top three championship spots in the final two races of the season. Nev and Megan ending up tying with Adam and Lucinda both with an equal 7 points. Robert Preston and his crews (Pure Vida) put in some very impressive performances as did Nick and Lara Hillier (That's Gold) who did the club proud at the Oxley sailing club Tristram Shield event. Most promising of all was the performance of Hannah Witten and Anna (My Mistress) who will be serious competitors for next season. Look out!

In the Tasers, Ross Mathews and Kate showed that they are not just gun Heron sailors but can mix it with the best in the social series.

Adam Humphries

Laser Fleet Report

The Laser fleet once again had its own fleet for the club championship with Andrew Verrall coming first Colin Verrall second and Rob Henry third.

The Laser class has been strong the last couple of seasons and with the introduction of the stackable trolleys it has made it easier to store more boats under the clubhouse. The club boats continue to be upgraded with the introduction of the 4.7 rig and the radial rig being used more often to suit people's intervals needs.

Andrew Verrall

Heron Fleet Report (1)

The 2019 season was all about the Heron National Championships held at Lake Cootharaba over the Christmas and New Year period. We had set ourselves a class goal to maximise local participation in the event and it was a great success that we had 20 SBSC Herons representing our wonderful club. It had been the culmination of two years of activities by the class to encourage new participation in racing and new boats to the class and the results were great to see. Along the way we have regularly seen 8 to 10 Herons on the water each weekend and hopefully this number will grow from the excitement provided at the Nationals.



During the COVID induced long winter the QLD Heron association has upgraded the big Heron trailer to help promote the class and the club into the future (see picture attached) - thanks to John Nobbs for making it all happen and the Heron artistic squad (Lucy, Mollie and Jemima) for the design work.

The club was also very lucky to receive a generous donation of a great new (old) Heron - Dooney's Fiddle is a MK1 Heron and was donated in great condition. She is currently undertaking some restoration work to bring the hull and rig into the current club specs and will be ready for the new

season to help build the club fleet (pictured next to Little Aussie).

Thanks to all in the Heron family who helped with a hugely successful 2019. Thanks also to all the race officials and volunteers at SBSC for facilitating great racing and wonderful club spirit. We will see you all on the water later in 2020.

Regards

Justin Carey

10280 - Little Miss Magic

Heron Fleet Report (2)

The Heron class has gone from strength to strength over the last few years and this past season has been no exception. We have seen an influx of experienced sailors joining the class and a parallel interest from entry level sailors.

The experienced ones have invested a lot of time and energy fostering skills amongst the newbies, resulting in a lot of keen developing talent.

The high point of the season for the club was the running of and participation in the 61st National Championships held at Lake Cootharaba over the Christmas period. SBSC had 18 boats there in what was a quite strong fleet. For many it was their first big regatta, and finding it a steep learning curve, most came away more enthused. They will find the experience inspiring, which bodes well for the club racing over the next few years.

As well Heroners at the club were a major part of the planning and running of the series, not only on the water but managing the social activities as well. Special thanks to Kate Carey whose energy and insight secured a significant grant from the Noosa Shire Council. This made for a decent profit from the event, and has enabled us to refurbish the state trailer, with the new addition of some exciting signage courtesy of Mollie Carey and a few mates.

All things point to a good future for the class at the club.

Yours Faithfully,
John Nobbs, National President, NHSAA

Sailing Sub-Committee

Position	Name	Position	Name
Commodore	Mary-Ann Pattison	Class Representatives	
Vice Commodore	Chris Carey	NS14	Robert Preston
Race Secretary	Brett Buckley	Tasar	John Stannard
Rear Commodore	Andrew Verrall	Laser	Devi Van Eyken
		Heron	Justin Carey

Race Results Team

Position	Name	Position	Name
Race Secretary	Brett Buckley	Race Result Officer	Devi Van Eyken
			Lisa Humphries
			Marlon Van Eyken

RACE POLICY

Club Championship and Awards

NS14, Tasar Division

1st **Bohica** sailed by Nev Murray and Megan Nobbs

Handicap Prizes

1st **Need for Speed** sailed by Adam Humphries and Lucinda Jones

2nd **Spirit** sailed by Steve Fletcher and Bethany Lawson



Laser Division

1st **Jackdaw** sailed by Andrew Verrall

Handicap Prizes

1st **Sevens** sailed by Colin Verrall

2nd **The Tardis** sailed by Rob Henry

Heron / Pacer Division

1st **Bluey** sailed by Mark Smith and Luke Smith

2nd **Ard Ri** sailed by Mary-Ann Pattison and Isabella Winks

3rd **Lake Heron** sailed by Ben Hamilton and Kara Pizzica

Handicap Prizes

1st **Nan** sailed by Brett Buckley and Harriet Buckley

2nd **Little Miss Magic** sailed by Kate Carey and Lara Parker

3rd **Sprite** sailed by Ross Orchard and Alex Orchard

Women's Championship Awards

1st **Little Miss Magic** sailed by Kate Carey and Laura Parker

2nd **Spirit** sailed by Bethany Lawson and Steve Fletcher

3rd **Pedro the Swift** sailed by Alexandra Glauerdt and Bryn Lacey

SBSC eSailing Club Championship

1st **Bluey** sailed by Mark Smith

2nd **1tonneclub** sailed by Ross Matthews

Junior Club Championship Awards

Highest placed junior skipper and crew

Little Aussie sailed by Jemima Carey and Lucy Klose

Epinephrine sailed by Kate Palmer

SAIL TRAINING

Learn to Sail Volunteers' Report

After doing a fantastic job for the last few years, Alex Glauerdt handed over the role of Learn to Sail Coordinator to myself. I certainly have big shoes to fill, and have been very grateful for the assistance of so many people.

We saw many changes occur within the Learn to Sail course this season, including the introduction of Levels 1, 2, 3 and 4 for both adults and juniors. This restructure is designed to assist the participants with progressing from complete beginner, through to having the confidence to participate in Saturday afternoon races. Having the participants compete in our afternoon races is the goal for our Learn to Sail course, so providing them with the stepping stones and tools to get there is incredibly important and we look forward to seeing them out on the course having a go & having fun!



SBSC's incredible instructors, assistant instructors and volunteers have done a fantastic job with creating this transition into the new structure. The team has grown this season, as the addition of the different levels and adult and junior courses required extra helpers. It was fantastic to see so many get involved by sharing their love for sailing each Saturday morning with the Learn to Sail Participants. However, we are always looking for new helpers, so please let me know if you would like to be involved.

Our Learn to Sail Participants have seen the benefit of the course restructure, however due to the disruption and inability to complete the season because of the COVID-19, the full potential of it is yet to be determined. We are looking forward to kicking it off again next season!

Megan Nobbs
Learn to Sail Coordinator

Learn to Sail Team

Position	Name	Position	Name
Vice Commodore	Chris Carey	Assistant Instructors	Serene McCormack
Principal Instructor	Nev Murray		Sharon Jones
Junior Instructor	Connor Williams		Lucinda Jones
Instructors	Robert Preston		Kate Palmer
	Ross Matthews		Kristen Wadley
	John Nobbs		Marlon Van Eyken
LTS Coordinators	Alexandra Glauerdt		Jemima Carey
	Megan Nobbs		Ryan Nobbs
	Kate Matthews	Support Boat	Bryan Clark
Assistant Instructors	Jai Adam		Richard Abraham
	Lucy Klose		Phil Green
	Ben Hamilton		Sue Bailey
	Shannon Pattison		Garrett Russell

SAIL ASSETS

Rear Commodore's Report

We have had a great season before it was cut short, with many upgrades to club boats. The O'pen skiff class has been introduced to the club to get a junior fleet started and also used for sailing school.

The Heron is a class that the club has been focusing on with sailing school and competitive racing on Saturday afternoon. This class is a good option to race with after completing sailing school with plenty of opportunities to sail in competitive regattas throughout the year. With a long history in the club it has proven to be very important to support as it keeps the number of boats on the water every Saturday high.

The NS14 class has been another class that the club is focusing on being a good option for more experienced sailors. This boat has proven to perform well in the river compared to other skiffs providing a good balance between performance and being a good choice for river sailing.

Andrew Verrall
Rear Commodore



Club Pacers

The tried and true Pacers continue to be used most weekends for the Learn to Sail 1, Learn to Sail 2 and afternoon sailing. With the arrival of the new Bic's, 2 of the Pacers were sold to Richmond River Sailing Club where they continue to bring much pleasure to the folk of Ballina. Tweed Valley Sailing Club was also interested in acquiring these boats. The negotiations have strengthened the bond between SBSC and the other river sailing clubs nearby.

The Pacers do what is expected of them every week without complaint and seldom need repairs.

Regards,
Bryan Clark

Club Powerboats – Support Boat Report

The season started off with an active sailing agenda including The Brisbane Riverfire Regatta in late September but also a very full Learn to Sail program for adults and juniors throughout the season.

This learn to Sail program required the acquisition of another support boat to act as a coach boat. A second hand plastic composite boat (Mac Attack) was sourced from the Sunshine Coast and brought back to the club by myself, David Sherwood and Steve Fletcher after a nice lunch at Mooloolaba Bowls Club. The motor was serviced and after some initial problems it was decided to obtain a new electric start 25hp Suzuki motor for it for ease of use.

Support 1 and 2 boats have had problems with the propeller guards restricting the boats getting onto the plane. These were creating too much drag on the motors. It was decided to experiment with changing to a 10inch pitch propeller (instead of the 12inch pitch) which has proven to be the solution to the boats not planing, albeit at a reduced top speed. The motors' trim tabs have also been centralised to reduce drag. All boats have been now fitted with the 10inch propellers and plastic prop guards to enhance the safety of persons in the water.

Unfortunately, Yvonne and I were not available to man/woman the support boats this season as much as we would have liked to due to other commitments and holidays, but we were ably substituted by other club volunteers. I would especially like to thank David Sherwood (Mr Fixit) for stepping up to fill in for me in times of my unavailability.

Trevor Nobbs

Boat Maintenance Captains and Volunteers

Position	Person	Position	Person
Rear Commodore	Andrew Verrall	Class Captains	
Class Captains		Pacers	Bryan Clark
NS14	Steve Fletcher	Open Skiff	Phil Green
Tasar	John Nobbs	Powerboat Captains	Trevor Nobbs
Laser	Andrew Verrall		Dave Sherwood
Heron	John Nobbs	General	Mike Thomas

FACILITY MANAGEMENT

Vice President's Report

I have been lucky enough to work with very forward-thinking members of the management committee for the past 2 seasons and get great satisfaction helping keep the South Brisbane Sailing Club at its best.

With my 60 plus years of being involved in dinghy sailing, I still get a lot of enjoyment from volunteering on Saturdays with the races and will continue to do so. I am sure the incoming management committee will overcome all the recent challenges thrown at us and see that this coming season will be as good if not better than the 100 plus previous seasons.

Regards,
Robert Graham
Vice President



Hall Hire Report

The Club is fortunate to have the assistance of Kelly Fletcher to coordinate the shared usage and hire of the Club hall and we thank Kelly for her great work.

The past members of the Club worked hard to build and maintain the Club House on the land on which it sits, which land (and building) the Club leases from the Council. Part of the expectation in our lease is that the Club will share the usage of the hall with others in the community, which is what we do. That shared usage brings in funds which assist in paying for the many things necessary to run our Club and maintain and insure the building and land.

The Club House, a community hall, is used by other sporting groups including the West End Canoe Club, Brisbane Road Runners as well as other groups including for dancing, church services, wellbeing and education. Others hire the hall for special events such as a wedding.

Covid-19 has seen a major disruption this year to the usage of the hall by everyone. With Covid-safe plans, preparations are underway for hall hire to recommence.

Stephanie Duggan Hameus
Secretary and Community Liaison Officer

Community Liaison Officer Report

It is important for the Club to have and maintain good relationships with our neighbours and the local community. The Club is in a beautiful position on the river, surrounded by parks and residences, including residences across the river. The Council requires that the Club have a Community Liaison Officer.

This is a role which can be built upon as we continue to build and maintain good relationships with our neighbours, particularly through communication and mutual respect. There have been times this year when issues in relation to noise from the use (or associated with use) of the Club facilities in the morning or the evening by some hirers has given concern to some of our neighbours. This is an important issue that is continuing to be worked on.

Stephanie Duggan Hameus

Community Liaison Officer

Building Maintenance Report -SBSC Club Captain's Report

Here is the report for the truncated sailing season, which finished prematurely due to you know what.

Speaking on behalf of the Wednesday and Thursday groups, I can say that both have performed conscientiously over the years, reliably showing up every week to do the small and large hand to hand jobs that keep the club functioning effectively. I can only add that the only difference between the two is that the Thursday catering seems to be of a higher calibre.

I would like to thank Bryan Clark, new club member of the year, as well as Dave Sherwood, Trevor Nobbs, Steve Fletcher, Mike Thomas, John Milne, and Alan and Carol Clark for their input over the year. As well there may be others who've popped in and done their bit from time to time.

I'm sure you will join with me in thanking them for their efforts and hoping they are all able to continue as they have done so well up to now.

Yours Faithfully,
John Nobbs,
SBSC Club Captain

Facility Management Volunteers

Position	Person	Position	Person
Facility Manager	John Nobbs	Grounds maintenance	Dave Sherwood
Hall Hire Bookings	Kelly Fletcher	Community Liaison	Stephanie Duggan

CLUB POLICY REPORT

Secretary's Report

This year has been one of true development and innovation for the Club in terms of governance. The Club has benefitted from a very active President, Robert Preston, who with support of the Management Committee and other members has driven some change with the aim to spread the load. The fruits of that labour will be seen over the coming year, but it is a testament that leading up to the AGM nominations have been received for all positions on the Management Committee. I thank our President for the support

he has given me as Secretary as well as the passion, drive and dedication he has given to the Club this year. I also thank the Management Committee, including our dedicated, active and passionate Commodore Mary-Ann Pattison, and all volunteers for their hard work this year, which work continues even when sailing is on hold.



Some achievements, in terms of policy, this year include the Strategic Plan (formulated over workshops and meetings), the Organisational Structure and Position Descriptions.

Things have changed since being Secretary for the Club 20 years ago – the minutes this year were (for the first time) done through Revolutionise Sport (online) contemporaneously with the meeting whereas the Secretary would (20 years ago) handwrite the minutes in a foolscap book with a red hard cover. We held Management Committee meetings via Skype or Zoom (particularly given Covid-19) rather than sitting together in the hall. The Annual Return for the South Brisbane Sailing Club Inc. (subject to the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*) was submitted this year online, rather than attending at the Office of Fair Trading as one had to 20 years ago, the Notice of AGM and Presentation Lunch was sent by email and link, whereas one used to write addresses and lick stamps and envelopes and put them in the post to all members. All of these things are improvements in terms of efficiency.

In reading this report, and reflecting upon the year, the Club seems to be feeling stronger, even though we have been on pause with our sailing. It will be with some joy when the boats get to hit the water again. I wish the incoming committees and all sailors well for the next Season.

Stephanie Duggan Hameus
Secretary

Members' Representative's Report

From the outset, the start of the 2019-20 season really kicked off with a hive of activity around the club grounds. Some nine months earlier, the committee had agreed to apply for a grant to facilitate the purchase of eight O'pen Skiff class boats, (formerly O'pen Bic), and to use these little boats to re-build a junior fleet. This would be put into effect by way of progressive Learn to Sail lessons spread across the entire season. Furthermore, it was also felt, this would be a great opportunity to get Mums and Dads involved also. With thanks to our Commodore, the grant application was successful and in the blink of an eye we took possession of eight of these great little boats.



Together with the committee accepting a junior Learn to Sail Program, it was also agreed to re-structure the adult Learn to Sail program, also adopting the same progressive structure that would spread across the entire season. To this end, it brings me back to the opening sentence; it was pleasing to see the club grounds awash with, Learn to Sail students of all ages, instructors, members, volunteers, mums, dads, grandparents, and of course not forgetting, plenty of boats on the rigging lawn. Speaking of the rigging lawn, a very special THANK YOU must go out to our non-official green keeper, Dave Sherwood. Dave has, and does, toil over the rigging lawn for hours and whilst we have been experiencing drought conditions of late, the rigging area lawn has not looked and felt that good under foot for decades.

For the past season, I have also been a sitting member of the management committee and as you all know, at the previous AGM there was a changing of the guard, so to speak, with some new blood entering into committee roles. This can be a scary time, for one does not really know how the new committee will function. This season the management committee have made some pretty big decisions, with one of those being the Strategic Plan. It was pleasing and can I say, satisfying, to observe how the committee approached and worked together, most professionally, to develop the plan; from the first draft which was really difficult to understand, to one that is now club focused, concise yet powerful, easy to follow and indeed has caught the eye of Australian Sailing. Well done team 😊

Unfortunately, Covid 19 brought on an abrupt early end to our sailing season. Like most of you, I am really looking forward to once again enjoying the afternoon breeze, out on the water doing what I'm most passionate about – Sailing!!

Until then, yours in sailing,

Nev Murray

Membership Report

Year	Total Members	Adult Members		Junior Members		Sailpass		Volunteers		Life Members	
		Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
2014/2015	79									10	4
2015/2016	80	23	39	2	9					11	5
2016/2017	100	22	41	9	12			2	8	11	5
2017/2018	101	29	41	17	14			3	6	9	5
2018/2019	107	24	44	15	13			4	5	9	5
2019/2020	213	18	40	15	20	30	37	22	20	6	5

As can be seen, there is a substantial increase in the membership. Sixty-seven of these can be attributed to the new Sailpass system introduced by Australian Sailing, but the rest can be attributed to the hard work done by the current Management Committee.

Older members (there are so few of us left) will remember the very active Ladies Committee from the 1970s. In those days, before the .05 alcohol limit, members would regularly have a few beers or rums after the race, grab a hamburger & some hot chips.

The Ladies Committee built the Club's funds substantially to be reflected in our current Sinking Fund. This season saw three of these Lady Life Members pass away – Shirley Beecham, Vivienne Kennedy & Betty Turner. There only remains one of this group (Jessie Fletcher – 99 years old) that financed & kept the Club running. They are honoured by the Club with boats being named after them. They will be remembered.

1974 SBSC Presentation Night Ladies Committee – L - > R Mrs Darlington, Vivienne Kennedy, Pat Fletcher, Oscar Jones (Patron), Betty Turner, Shirley Beecham, Jess Fletcher

Steve Fletcher

Membership Coordinator and Immediate Past President



Club Secretary and Membership Roles

Position	Person	Position	Person
Secretary	Stephanie Duggan	Assistant Secretary	Marc Ruitenberg
Membership Coordinator	Steve Fletcher		

FINANCE REPORT

Treasurer's Report

This financial year (1 May 2019-30 Apr 2020) saw expenditure of funds associated with two major grants with a combined expenditure of \$75,170. These two grants were for:

- repainting and repairs to our Community Hall (Brisbane City Council Grant) and
- eight O'pen Skiffs and lifejackets for junior learn to sail students.

Hall hire for the 2019-20 financial year is down about 10% from the previous financial year (\$33,537 compared to \$37,155), partly due to reduced use of the hall from 23 March 2020 due to COVID-19 restrictions on the use of community facilities.

Revenue from Learn to Sail Classes rose by over 120% from \$9,545 to \$21,002 because of a major increase of participants in three levels of junior and adult training. Expenses rose by about \$1,000 from \$5,352 to \$6,280.

The club made a substantial investment in the acquisition of our third powerboat and new outboard motor to be used for coaching during our learn to sail program, reflected by an increase of \$15,592 in 2018-19 to \$26,245 in 2019-20. This also includes purchase of additional equipment for our club laser fleet including new stackable dollies.

Membership revenue saw a slight increase of about 10% from \$7,481 in 2018-19 to \$8,252 in 2019-20.

Our total income for 2019-20 of \$108,375 is very close to our income for 2018-19 at \$108,620.

SBSC financial records show a loss of \$44,174 primarily due to expenditure of \$75,170 in grant funds received across two financial years

With the large volume of transactions our 2018-19 Treasurer Ross Orchard was enormously helpful in supporting the finance team, also with the assistance of our President Robert Preston.

The club continues to be in a healthy financial position with a long-term fixed deposit account raising from \$105,352 in 2018-19 to \$107,252 in 2019-20. Our hall hire account was stable with 2019-20 balance of \$12,672, comparable to the balance at the end of 2018-19. There are substantial differences in balances in our Web Saver and Working Account between 2019-20 and 2018-19, largely due to expenditure of grant funding.



Club Finance Roles

Position	Name
Treasurer	Peter Robinson
Assistant Treasurer	Steve Fletcher

Peter Robinson
SBSC Treasurer

CLUB SERVICES

Online Systems Project

2019 saw the implementation of the new SBSC Revolutionise Sport website which is a system designed specifically for associations and clubs and is used by many sailing clubs around Australia. A considerable amount of effort went in to transitioning from the old multiple systems to the one-stop-shop system we have today. Whilst there were a few initial teething issues, it appears to be have been well received by the members and club officials as it provides a single place to find everything you need to know about the club e.g. what's on (events etc), a full membership database /communication platform as well as integrated storage for all important club member information and club documents etc. We will know doubt see a number of new enhancements and process improvements during the 20/21 sailing season but please make sure you login regularly so you know everything that is happening around the club



Adam Humphries

Social Events

We held regular wine and cheese sessions once a month which was a great opportunity for new members of the Club to meet with other members to share stories of the day and get to know each other better.

There were also some great celebrations during the year, including the Regatta Riverfire celebrations (with beautiful food served by the Regatta Hotel).

Club Services Roles

Position	Person	Position	Person
Webmaster	Adam Humphries	Presentation Night Coordinators	Megan Nobbs
Newsletter Editor	Robert Graham		Bethany Lawson
Communications Coordinator	Yvonne Nobbs		
Social Media Coordinators	Lucy Klose		
	Mollie Carey		

APPENDIX 1. Balance Sheet

**South Brisbane Sailing Club
Balance Sheet
As at 30 April 2020**

	30 April 2020	30 April 2019
Assets		
Bank		
Web Saver A/C	10,889	30,284
Working A/C	7,709	35,105
Hall Hire A/C	12,672	12,805
Fixed Deposit	107,252	105,352
Total Bank	<u>138,522</u>	<u>183,546</u>
Current Assets		
Petty Cash	100	100
Total Current Assets	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
Total Assets	<u>138,622</u>	<u>183,646</u>
Liabilities		
Non-Current Liabilities		
Hall Hire Bonds	7,800	8,650
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>7,800</u>	<u>8,650</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>7,800</u>	<u>8,650</u>
Net Assets	<u>130,822</u>	<u>174,996</u>
Equity		
Current Year Earnings	(44,175)	19,264
Retained Earnings	174,996	155,732
Total Equity	<u>130,821</u>	<u>174,996</u>

APPENDIX 2. Profit and Loss Statement

**South Brisbane Sailing Club
Profit & Loss Statement
For the 12 months ended 30 April 2020**

	30 April 2020	30 April 2019
Income		
Canteen, BBQ & Special Events	194	847
Donations	0	1,003
Grants Received	30,051	36,571
Hall Hire Revenue	33,537	37,155
Interest Income	2,033	2,509
Membership Fees	8,252	7,481
Presentation Night	1,567	2,452
Riverfire Regatta Sales	1,332	1,939
Sailing School Revenue	21,002	9,545
Sales - Boat Hire, Storage & Race Fees	10,407	9,118
Total Income	108,375	108,620
Gross Profit	108,375	108,620
Less Operating Expenses		
Administration Costs	1,611	569
Advertising	60	-
Audit & Accounting Fees	1,892	1,540
Boat Maintenance & Starting Exp	26,245	15,592
Canteen BBQ & Other Functions	3,178	2,657
Electricity	3,149	3,194
Fuel & Oil	525	233
General Expenses	-	150
Grant money spent	75,170	11,814
Hall Cleaning	8,200	8,288
Hall Hire Commissions	3,762	5,409
Insurance	8,430	7,796
Licence Fees	1,790	1,710
Low Cost Assets	-	250
Postage Printing & Stationery	-	195
Presentation Night Expenses	2,853	5,116
Rates	4,380	3,584
Rent	801	687
Repairs and Maintenance - Hall	3,809	13,097
Riverfire Expenses	597	2,061
Sailing School Expenses	6,280	5,352
Sundries	-	93
Telephone & Internet	1,312	1,171
Total Operating Expenses	154,044	90,556
Profit on Sale of Assets	(1,495)	(1,200)
Net Profit	(44,174)	19,264

APPENDIX 3. Auditor's Report

South Brisbane Sailing Club

Notes to and forming part of the Accounts For the year ended 30 April 2020

1. Statement of Accounting Policies

These financial statements are a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) and the following applicable Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements:

AASB 110 Event Occurring After Reporting Date

AASB 1031 Materiality

No other applicable Accounting Standards or mandatory professional reporting requirements have been applied.

The financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis. They are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following specific accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous year unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements:

a) Contingent Assets/Liabilities

There were no known assets/liabilities of a significant nature as at 30 April 2020.

b) The income of the association is exempt from income tax.

Property, Plant & Equipment

Property, plant and equipment items are not recognised as assets. All property, plant and equipment are expensed on acquisition.

South Brisbane Sailing Club**Statement by Members of Committee
For the year ended 30 April 2020**

The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting association and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in the notes to and forming part of the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report comprising the Income Statement, Balance Sheet and Notes thereto:

1. Presents a true and fair view of South Brisbane Sailing Club as at 30 April 2020 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that South Brisbane Sailing Club will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by:

Signature: 

Name: ROBERT PRESTON

Dated: 8/7/2020

Independent Audit Report to the Members of

South Brisbane Sailing Club

Scope

We have audited the special purpose financial report comprising the Profit and Loss Statement and Balance Sheet and forming part of the accounts of South Brisbane Sailing Club for the year ended 30 April 2020. The Committee is responsible for the financial report and have determined that accounting policies used are appropriate to meet the needs of the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) and the needs of the members. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, are appropriate to the needs of the members.

The special purpose financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of the Association Incorporation Act (Qld). We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates, to any person other than the members, or of any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of significant accounting estimated. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in the Notes so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Association's financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows. These policies do not require the application of all Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements. The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Qualification

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for South Brisbane Sailing Club to maintain an effective system of internal control over fund raising activities until their initial entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, our audit in relation to membership fees and other sources of income was limited to the entries recorded.

We have not conducted a physical verification of fixed assets and we are not able to give any opinion on the fixed assets in the possession of the club as at 30 April 2020.

Qualified Audit Opinion

In our opinion, subject to the effect of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had the limitation discussed in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial report of South Brisbane Sailing Club presents fairly, in all material respects the South Brisbane Sailing Club financial position at 30 April 2020 and the financial performance of South Brisbane Sailing Club for the year then ended in accordance with the basis of accounting described in the Notes to the financial statements

THOMPSON PARTNERS

Hudson Smith

Brisbane – 16 July 2020