



## Giving Back—Thanks to You!

### \$40,500 Raised for Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia

At SICYC, giving back isn't just something we do—it's who we are.

We're proud to announce that, thanks to the extraordinary generosity of our members, sponsors, and volunteers, the Shag Islet Cruising Yacht Club has donated a remarkable \$40,500 to the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia.

and auditing equipment to pitching tents and setting up for the Islet party, their fingerprints are on every detail.

Kay, alongside Judy Arundle, also crafted and decorated the traditional Shaggers cake, helped with merchandise sales, and lent a hand wherever needed.

date on announcements.

Of course, these are just a few of the many who make the Rendezvous—and our fundraising a resounding success.

There are far too many to name, but we thank each and every one of you for your time, talent, and unwavering support.



**Kay and Brian, the powerhouses behind the scenes.**



Tiana just fitting in that last Heart Chest shave for PCFA

This achievement reflects months of planning, tireless effort, and a community that rallies with heart. From securing generous sponsors to coordinating logistics, our 10 working committee members have gone above and beyond, but they couldn't have done it without the vibrant family of Shaggers who show up, pitch in, and make magic happen. Among the many standouts, Tiana Fry deserves a special mention. From Wednesday morning to late Sunday afternoon, she's a whirlwind of energy—cutting hair, painting hearts, and raising funds with flair. With her sponsor Trevor Penny, Tiana raised an incredible \$5,048. Brian and Kay Bond, based in Hideaway Bay, are the quiet powerhouses behind the scenes. From sorting storage containers



Steve Hartley another quiet achiever was music to our ears keeping Coconut Radio flowing daily from morning till late and keeping all members up to

### Lake Macquarie Christmas Gathering 4 December

Join us for a festive afternoon by the water at Valentine Bowling Club! From 12 noon, enjoy relaxed dining, cheerful company, and a splash of Christmas spirit—festive outfits encouraged. Whether you're arriving by land or courtesy mooring, all are welcome.

**For Bookings:**

**Tony Austin – 0416 266 947**

**Full Details on page 7**





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### Townsville Shaggers on the Rise: Owen & Jill Scown Lead the Way

In true SICYC spirit, Committee member Owen Scown has been steadily growing the Shaggers community in Townsville, bringing cruisers together with warmth, purpose, and a touch of monthly magic.

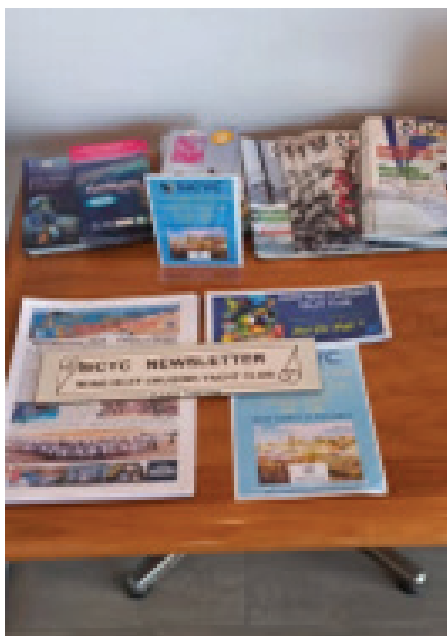
The Townsville Shaggers Meet-Up is now a regular fixture—held on the last Friday of each month from 3–6pm at the Townsville Yacht Club (1 Plume Street, South Townsville 07 4772 1192). It's a relaxed, welcoming gathering where members and newcomers alike can share stories, enjoy a drink, and connect over a shared love of life afloat.

Walk into the club and you'll spot something special: a fresh copy of the official SICYC newsletter, printed and displayed by Owen for all to enjoy. It's a simple gesture that keeps our community informed, inspired, and connected. Owen and his wife Jill recently extended their outreach to The Breakwater Marina, where they gave a heartfelt presentation on behalf of the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia. Their talk highlighted the importance of regular screening and early detection—an empowering message that was warmly received by fellow mariners.

We're incredibly grateful to Owen and Jill for their dedication, and we'd love to see more members follow their lead. If you're keen to start a

monthly Meet-Up in your own region, it's as easy as choosing a time, date, and venue. Let us know via Salty@sicyc.com.au, and we'll help promote your event on our website, Facebook page, and in the monthly newsletter.

**Thank you, Owen and Jill, for your tireless efforts and for embodying the heart of SICYC—community, compassion, and connection.**



Shaggers Newsletter on display  
at the Townsville Yacht Club



Owen Scown building membership and playing the part at shaggers Rendezvous

### Letters to Salty



**Q:**

Hi "Salty", I heard there is going to be a Christmas party at Lake Macquarie can you tell me more about it please.

**A:**

Yes, you are correct. The SICYC National Christmas party this year will be hosted by SICYC Shaggers at Lake Macquarie, Date is December 4, Time is 12 noon, Venue is Valentine Bowling Club 17A Valentine Crescent, Valentine NSW. Pay as you go. Wear something Chrissmassy!.

**Q:**

Hi "Salty", can you tell me how much money will be donated to Prostate Cancer foundation after the Rendezvous.

**A:**

The committee have now met and the amount decided on for donation was \$40,500. We are extremely happy being able to make this announcement and thank all our sponsors and members for all their generosity, member volunteers and all those that bought raffle tickets, wrist bands, merchandise and auction items. You will find more information in this newsletter.

**Q:**

"Hi Salty", can I submit articles for the Salty Newsletter?

**A:**

That would be fantastic, we encourage all members to participate in our newsletter by sending us a few words telling us a little about yourself a photo of a place or person on your travels on the water or road, just email to salty@sicyc.com.au.

**Q:**

Hi: "Av a Chat with Salty", are you looking for committee members for SICYC?

**A:**

We are indeed, we have our Annual General meeting coming up in mid-November and will be looking for active, keen members to put their hand up to take a place on the Committee and help with the planning of next year's Rendezvous.

**SEND YOUR QUESTIONS TO SALTY  
EMAIL [Salty@sicyc.com.au](mailto:Salty@sicyc.com.au)**

## Big Woody Island

Warwick Suttor VC Big Woody 2 "SV Bamboozle

Located 2 Nm off the east coast of Queensland at the northern end of The Great Sandy Straits between Urangan and K'Gari (Fraser Island) lies Big Woody Island. It's land mass 303 hectares, length of 5.5 Nm and a width of 1 Nm at its widest point. Big Woody Island was named by Lieutenant Matthew Flinders in 1799 due to its thick woody growth.



Jeffries Beach, Big Woody Island



Middle Bluff Lighthouse, State Heritage Listed March 2001



A 25 min boat trip from Urangan Boat Harbour in Hervey Bay. Beaches can be accessed via landing at Jefferies Beach on the South-Eastern coast and One Tree on the southern side

It is sedimentary rock part of the Maryborough formation.

Two good anchorage's I would recommend on Big Woody in northerly winds on the southern side South End deep water close to shore line. Going ashore a bit rocky not good walking. The anchorage is very good holding Approx Lat Lon 25 deg 19s / 152deg 55e. Good fishing.

The other is Jefferies Beach on the northern side of the island, I like the anchorage it

shallows the closer you get to the beach and has a good sandy beach, good fishing in the area, one could tramp to the lighthouse on Middle Bluff about 66mt above sea level, anchorage Lat / Lon 25deg 19s / 152deg 59e good holding anchorage.

### SICYC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### YOU'RE INVITED!

We warmly invite all members to attend the SICYC Annual General Meeting on Friday, **November 21 at 4:30pm, held at Dublin Docks, Harbour Town.** Harbour Town Drive, Biggera Waters Qld 4216

**This is your opportunity to help shape the year ahead!**  
**A new Committee will be elected.**

*Positions open for:*

- |                 |                           |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| • Chairman      | • Sponsorship             |
| • Vice Chairman | • Communications          |
| • Secretary     | • Membership              |
| • Treasurer     | • Additional member roles |

We'll also be discussing the formation of a sub-Committee for Regional Coordinators, supporting our growing network across the cruising community.

\* Nominations are welcome and can be sent to Juliana Harvison at [admin@sicyc.com.au](mailto:admin@sicyc.com.au) or via phone to Ken Thackeray on 0428 716 243. Let's come together to celebrate, collaborate, and chart a vibrant course for the year ahead!

# Shaggers Ahoy from Sweden!

A warm hello from the stunning Swedish archipelago, where I've been lucky enough to sail aboard my stepdaughter's beautiful yacht.

And guess what's flying proudly from the stern? The unmistakable burgee of the Shag Islet Cruising Yacht Club! Yes, Shaggers are alive and well in Scandinavia!

It's heartening to see our beloved club spirit reaching far-flung corners of the globe. The camaraderie, cheeky charm, and love of cruising that define SICYC are truly international.

Wishing Ken and Rhonda all the best for another fantastic Rendezvous—may it be filled with laughter, sunshine, and plenty of barefoot dancing. Much love to all our fellow Shaggers wherever you may be.

Fair winds and happy days,  
Gabby xxx



## URGENT CALL FOR REGIONAL CO-ORDINATORS

**SICYC is actively seeking enthusiastic members to become Regional Co-ordinators in their local area.**

If you enjoy connecting with fellow Shaggers and love organising casual monthly meet-ups—whether it's drinks, lunch, or dinner—this is your chance to make a real difference!

These gatherings are a fantastic way to:

- Welcome new members
- Strengthen community spirit
- Share a few laughs over good food and company

If you're keen to help build connections in your region, we'd love to hear from you!

**Join us at the SICYC Annual General Meeting  
Friday November 21st at 4:30 PM**

Dublin Docks, Harbour Town, Harbour Town Drive,  
Biggera Waters Qld 4216

Stay for a few drinks, a chat, and a meal after the meeting—we'd love to see you there!

Juliana – [admin@sicyc.com.au](mailto:admin@sicyc.com.au)

Ken – [sicyc.com.au](http://sicyc.com.au)

**Let's keep the SICYC spirit thriving  
— one meet-up at a time!**

## Toilet Seat Shenanigans for a Good Cause!



**Paul Dwyer VC: Airlie Beach proving that leadership sometimes means sticking your head where others won't!**

With custom-designed toilet seats by our very own Ian Anderson VC: Surfers Paradise, this pirate-themed pose is pure SICYC gold—raising funds, raising eyebrows, and raising spirits.

**Just another day in paradise!**



# Sundowners CLUB NEWS



**IDENTIFY YOUR LOCATION - ANNOUNCE EVENTS & GOSSIP IN YOUR AREA**

Join Jannette and the gang first  
friday of every month at Dublin Docks

Harbourtown  
Shopping Centre,  
Harbourtown Dve.,  
Biggera Waters

jannetteirons@hotmail.com



**GOLD COAST**

JOIN OWEN AND MEMBERS ON  
THE LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH  
AT TOWNSVILLE YACHT CLUB  
BLUE SHIRTS IF POSSIBLE



1 PLUME ST  
SOUTH TOWNSVILLE  
07 4772 1192

**TOWNSVILLE YACHT CLUB**



Meet with other fellow shaggers,  
first Friday of the month @ 6PM  
Wear your Polo shirt.



Contact Warwick Suttor 0418 426 303  
Hervey Bay Boat Club  
6 Buccanner Dr. Urangan Qld  
**HERVEY BAY**

**VICE COMMODORES MEETING**  
Shingley Beach on the last SATURDAY 15:30.  
BYO BBQ, drinks and folding chair.

After last week's gathering at WSC, Shaggers  
is making the LAST Saturday of the month as  
a SICYC event at the beach, so Peter Utber  
(SV Leah) & I are (intending to) meet to play  
music on the other Saturdays.  
All welcome to chat, sing, or play along...



**AIRLIE BEACH  
Shingley Beach**

**Townsville Shaggers Raffle  
Raises \$200**

A big congratulations to Tim Lowy V/C  
Brandy Hole, winner of the Townsville  
Shaggers Raffle! Thanks to the generosity of  
our local community, we raised another \$200  
towards our annual donation to the Prostate  
Cancer Research  
Foundation.

Tim's prize haul included:

- A \$150 voucher from  
Rosshaven Marine
- An \$84 Sealink  
Ferry voucher

We're incredibly grateful to our sponsors,  
Sealink Townsville and Rosshaven Marine.



Join Vice Commodores  
at Hogs Breath Cafe  
every Wednesday from 5.50pm

If your in our area  
drop in and say Hi.



**CLEVELAND** (Since 2009)

All shaggers welcome,  
Townsville Yacht Club  
last Friday of the month  
3pm to 6pm



**TOWNSVILLE**

**SUNDOWNERS REMINDER**  
Airlie Beach: Every Saturday 3:30 pm  
Shingley Beach, Everybody Welcome!

Contact:  
Mahesha Goleby  
VC Chatham Islands

Bring your  
musical  
inclinations &  
instruments.



**AIRLIE BEACH**



**CALLING FOR LAKE  
MACQUARIE MEMBERS**  
to organise a regular monthly get  
together for shaggers in the area.

**LAKE MACQUARIE**

**PROUDLY SPONSORING**  
**The Prostate Cancer  
Foundation of Australia**





*OH!  
...what fun we had!*

# CHRISTMAS FUNCTION - LAKE MACQUARIE

Join us for a joyful afternoon of festive cheer, great company, and waterfront views!

**Date:**

**Thursday, 4 December 2025 Time: 12 Noon**

**Venue:**

**Valentine Bowling Club 17A Valentine Crescent,  
Valentine NSW**

(Eastern shore of Lake Macquarie, beside a large public jetty. Courtesy moorings available.)

**Dress Code:** Something Christmassy!

**Food & Drinks:** Order and pay as you go.

**Accommodation Nearby:** Belmont Lakeside

Caravan Park

24 Paisley Cres. Belmont South (approx. 7km from venue) 02 4945 4750

**RSVP / Book Your Spot:**

Tony Austin – 0416 266 947 | ausquack@gmail.com



Let's celebrate the season with laughter, friendship, and a splash of Christmas sparkle!

## Explore the Range of New Exciting Merchandise in our Online Shop

### Check out our new "Salty SICYC 5L Dry Bag

500D PVC coated tarpaulin, 5 Litre capacity. Water resistant dry bags keep your items safe and dry.

Each bag features roll-down closure which creates a watertight seal. Great for outdoor activities, like camping and wet-weather trips. Size (mm): 340 mm H x 440 mm W x 320 mm D Colours Available: Blue, or White

Keep your drinks icy cold with the all new Salty SICYC Stubbie Cooler. "Salty" SICYC Stubbie Cooler

**\$10** each

### SICYC Embroidered Cap

Heavy Brushed Cotton, with Hook and Loop closure.

Colour: Aqua

**\$25**

## OUR SPONSORS

### The Power of Our Sponsorships

Our amazing sponsors play a crucial role in supporting our mission. They provide generous discounts and exclusive deals that are rarely found in other yacht clubs. These valuable partnerships are designed to meet the unique needs and lifestyles of our members—active and passionate cruisers who love life on the water. Through our extensive network, we also offer our sponsors exceptional visibility within the vibrant nautical community. It's a win-win for everyone involved!

Whether you're a seasoned cruiser or an occasional sailor, SICYC is more than just a yacht club—it's a welcoming home for those who cherish exploring, sharing experiences, and embracing life on the open seas.

Come join us as we grow this dynamic, global community and celebrate the spirit of adventure together!



**6 day Charter on SV Lawless** Sailing Catamaran, Lagoon 42, 4 cabins, 4 Ensuites, Generator, SMEG appliances, Ice maker and water maker. Normally Priced at \$13,620. The recipient will be responsible to pay for fuel and Great Barrier Reef Parks Fee.



**10% off for "Vice Commodores" up to 5 days**



\* SICYC Members enjoy a 10% discount off marina berth fees for first 7 days. OR... 10% Discount on the daily hardstand rate when staying 7 days or more in our hardstand facility. **Please note:** Only one offer is available per vessel per stay, and guests must notify the marina of their chosen offer at the time of booking. Additionally, all marina berth guests receive a \$0.11 per litre fuel discount as a thank you for choosing to stay with us.



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Receive a 16% discount on their marina berth... just show your membership card when booking.



### SUPPORTING SPONSORS:

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