

PRESIDENTS REPORT NOVEMBER 2024.

Thank you for the forty plus people who turned up for the PAC working Bee. Numerous jobs were completed which has made the club a nicer and safer place, and helped to keep our fees low. I think that a record was set. That being, there were some prawns left over after lunch. Thanks Phil and Ross for the presentation of lunch. Thanks also to Lindsay for the organisation of the work done. THANK YOU for those that attended. A great time was had by all.

Prepare yourselves for the Xmas party coming up on the 8TH DECEMBER. Seating will be limited. To book put \$20.00 PER PERSON IN THE PAC ACCOUNT. With name and Xmas party as reference. Limited to first 110.

We have had our audited finances returned from the accountant and auditors. Being too close to Xmas to allow the statutory days notice being given, the board have decided to have both the SGM and AGM combined, in February. Two board members and the Presidents position will be up for reelection. If interested, please obtain the relevant forms from the PAC secretary. A copy of the clubs finances are on the PAC website and a hard copy for reading are on the notice board upstairs. (DO NOT REMOVE)

As mentioned before, we pay rental to the Lands Department for the use of the waterways. We have had a visit from them, (he came down from Tamworth). Measurements of berths have taken place, one spot was found to be incorrect. They are not coming down for nothing. Expect an increase for marina use fees. There is a link to stage 1 foreshore alterations on the PAC website. As mentioned, the board seven years ago said that this work and alterations would be done. It is no ifs or nots, IT MUST BE DONE. In the meantime we received a letter from the Lands Department asking what the PAC has done re the alterations. We were able to tell them of the PAC advances and produce the plans.

Stanford has not paid the \$80,995.00 compensation for the lifetime use of our land, into a trust account held by our solicitor. Our solicitor has been instructed not to release our signed papers until this amount has been paid into the trust account.

Due to a suggestion from the PAC insurer. All vessel owners must sign a slip agreement prior to use of our slipways. This is so that owners know the conditions that apply prior to slipping. No signature, no slipping.

Please advise the club if you have changed any of your particulars recently. We need your present details to communicate with you.

Frans now keeps the PAC website up to date. It is now 2024. You should know how to get to the website. There is a lot of current club information there.

Don't forget our new email address...info@paclub.com.au

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PAC Christmas Party.

As mentioned above, the PAC Christmas party will be held on Sunday the 8th of December from 12pm onwards, \$20 per person, deposit the money in the PAC account with your surname and Xmas as a reference, we have limited spots (110) so get in quick.

AGM/SGM

The board is planning to hold a combined AGM and SGM on the 21st of February 2025 from 7pm, further info to come closer to the time.

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New dredge and sand transfer project announced.

Lake Macquarie will benefit from an additional \$16 million investment in dredging infrastructure through a joint initiative by the Australian, NSW and Local Governments.

Lake Macquarie City Council has now been awarded \$10 million Federal funding which will be used to design and construct a dredge and sand transfer system.

Transport for NSW has also secured \$6 million in funding from the State Government to assist with providing five years of operation for the dredge and sand transfer system which we will manage on behalf of Council.

This first of its kind joint dredging project between Federal, State and Local Governments will address the long standing challenges that has faced Lake Macquarie with continual need to remove sand accumulation in Swansea Channel.

Council will soon invite contractors to tender for the design, supply and delivery of a dredge vessel and associated equipment, plus a sand transfer system to pump the sand to a nearby beach.

Council plans to award the contact early next year, which will allow the project to be completed and operational by mid-2027. Once ready for service, the dredge and sand transfer system will be handed to Transport for NSW to operate and manage for five years.

While work on the dredge and sand transfer project progresses, we will continue to monitor Swansea Channel and maintenance dredging will take place as needed. Planning has begun for a third maintenance dredging campaign in 2025. We will update the community on the timing of this in the new year.

For more information on this new joint initiative project please see the latest [community update](#). For any further inquiries you can contact us by phone or email and speak with one of our team members.

Sincerely,

Swansea Channel Dredging Team

Maritime Infrastructure Delivery Office (MIDO)

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For the latest information visit our [website](#)

Working days Monday to Friday, 9.00am – 5.00pm