

BUNBURY SEA RESCUE

NEWSLETTER

Last year we returned 33 people safely to their families and loved ones

Progress Continues

The new jetty is now complete and the group has adopted the capital works projects for the following 12 months. A copy of this ambitious program is shown on page 2 of the newsletter.

Further delays with the boat are frustrating and we now expect to see it launched on 22nd February which is the new target date set by the builders.

Noel, Wende and Alex have visited the builders and advised that the vessel is presently being painted and the engines are on site awaiting installation.

Preparations continue for the fitting out of equipment and meetings have been held with the electrical contractor and the electronics supplier to ensure that the necessary interfaces are properly organised.

Equipment for the vessel has been assembled by Geoff and we are ready to transport it to Henderson as the vessel nears completion.

The structural design required by the Bunbury Port Authority has been procured for the new communications tower and this has been accepted by BPA. Alex is currently working on this project.

The new whiteboard, overhead projector PA system and portable sound system have arrived and been installed.

The new chairs for the training room and the disposal of the existing chairs is yet to be completed mainly due to the delays by the supplier who is sourcing the chairs ex Sydney.

Hopefully we will see these shortly.



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2012 Projects

<u>Extend # 2 Boatshed</u>	<u>Cost estimate</u>	<u>\$22,000</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2x 3.6 bays to enable VMR2 and VMR 4 to be driven into the shed from the west side • Lighting and power extension • Concrete floor • Earthworks • Adjust security system • Workshop wall and mezzanine 		
<u>Retain Sea wall from new jetty to end of new sheds</u>	<u>Cost estimate</u>	<u>\$6,500</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gabian baskets • Geotech mesh • Machine hire • Ballast 		
<u>Patio & Breezeway</u>	<u>Cost estimate</u>	<u>\$10,500</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concrete floor • safety rails • Earthworks • Construct roofing 		
<u>Alterations to VMR 2</u>	<u>Cost estimate</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install pods to stern • Replace windscreen • New rigid cabintop 		
<u>Extend and reclad Boatshed # 1</u>	<u>Cost estimate</u>	<u>\$13,000</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-roof • Extend by 3 m • new doors • Brick facade 		
<u>New Radio Room/Ops centre and store</u>	<u>Cost estimate</u>	<u>\$40,000</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steel frame brick veneer construction • Fit out • Air conditioning • Electrical 		
<u>Radio Tower</u>	<u>Cost estimate</u>	<u>\$6,000</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design (Structural Engineer) • Construction • Antenna installation 		

To achieve the list of projects we will need support from the community and government. These projects will change the nature of our base from a "construction site" to a reasonably comfortable and efficient facility that we hope will provide an attraction to volunteers and trainees and contribute to the retention of members and the long term sustainability of our operations.

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Lookouts

Rule 5 of the international Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea states:

Every vessel shall at all times maintain a proper lookout by sight and hearing as well as by all available means appropriate in the prevailing circumstances and conditions so as to make a full appraisal of the situation and of the risk of collision.

As a lookout at night you will have been designated a sector of observation and briefed by the skipper on what you are required to report.

When you see a light at night you should ask yourself the following questions.

- Is that a vessel?
- How big is it?
- What direction is it travelling?
- How fast is it moving?
- How far away is it?
- Does it have priority?
- What is our relative position?

MARINE SEARCH AND RESCUE - INITIAL RESPONSE COURSE

Location: Augusta// Busselton Bunbury
 Dates: 3 days, Friday to Sunday 27-29 April
 Nomination: Forms available from Eliot
 Only 8 VMR members per course with balance being Police
 Registrations of interest next meeting please

Chef's Long Table Lunch

Members,

Last year we received \$51,000 from this event and although it was hard work on the day it was a mighty good grant towards our boat.

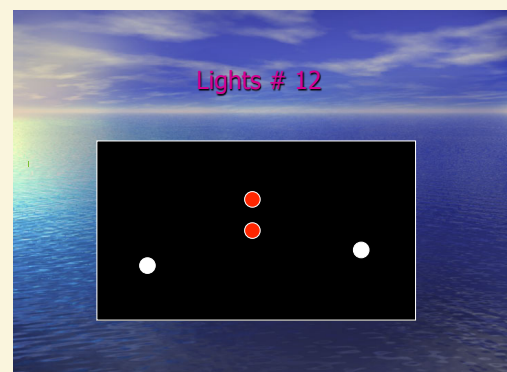
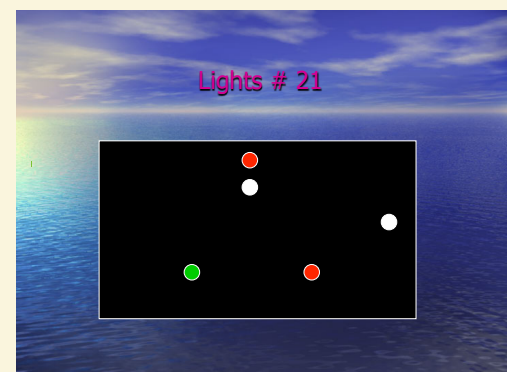
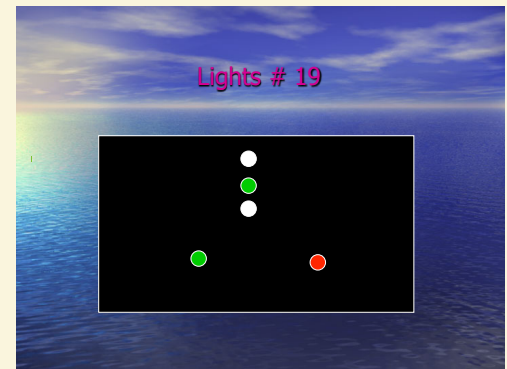
I would like to appeal to all our members to register to assist at this years event to show our appreciation for the efforts of these great bunch of fundraisers.

Registration forms are available at the base and can be handed to Dorothy for forwarding to the CLTL Committee.

Eliot

Light Recognition for Skippers

(Answers back page)



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Forethought

During WW2 the Royal Navy recruited yachtsmen into its ranks as Royal Navy Volunteer Reserve Officers and provided them with 3 months training before they went to war. Many distinguished themselves in command positions. To assist them they were given a small pocketbook as a reference. The following is a quote from that book which applies to rescue skippers and mates.

Life at sea differs essentially from life ashore. We are far more dependant at sea on the whims of the elements. These have an uncomfortable habit of upsetting our plans and routines unexpectedly unless we have forethought.

Look ahead; do not wait until something goes wrong. If you anticipate you may run into bad weather, have that rope , that jigger, that heaving line, that strop or that hand pike handy in the place where you may want it.

Look above the level of your head, and train the men to do the same. Most of us are born with a tendency to look only along the level of our noses. Trouble usually comes from overhead, and in these days, in more ways than one.

Napoleon's reply to a "yes man" is well worthy of remembrance it is: If I always appear prepared, it is because before entering into any undertaking I have meditated long and have foreseen what may occur. It is not genius that reveals to me what I must do; it is thought and meditation.

Napoleon's secret was little more than careful concentration of his thoughts, the carrying out of a mental "dummy run" whenever possible

The New Jetty

Thanks to the efforts of Kerry Trantham, Geoff Brindle, Albert Fullarton and many others our new jetty is now a reality.

With the piledriving complete the jetty now stands ready to receive the new boat. It will in addition provide an excellent training facility for our RST courses. Well done to all concerned. Funding for this jetty came from the Royalties for Regions Fund and we appreciate the support of Gayle Gray at the SW Development Commission.

Calendar of Events

February Ordinary Meeting BSR **13th February**
 Chef's Long Table Lunch **26th February**
 March Ordinary meeting **13th March**
 Commisioning Day VMR 1 and official opening of Trantham Wharf
TBA
 Port Open Day **22nd**
April

Slipway Project



Answers to Quiz

Sailing Vessel - mast lights viewed from head-on

Fishing Vessel - Trawling, under way viewed from head-on

Fishing vessel - Under way with gear out on the port side

Vessel Aground > 50 m in length