

OUTRIGGER CALOUNDRA

2022 President's Report Presented at the AGM 25 September 2022





Outrigger Caloundra's goals are focused around: administration; finance; marketing; paddler development; membership; facilities; and assets. We can be proud of a number of achievements across all of these goalsfrom our last AGM in September 2021 to today.

Administration

* The Committee approved an updated Code of Conduct on 17 January 2022. The Committee has introduced a three strike rule to manage patterns of behaviours that are detrimental to the club. The new code also makes explicit reference to the promotion of personal agendas on the club's social media platforms and respecting the decisions of the coaching team.

Finance

- * We received \$2000 from the Active Clubs Round 2 thanks to Tracey D.
- * We raised \$4936 from our Easter Raffle. Many thanks to Priscilla, Alex, Ken, Sharon and Matt for all their work on this and to all our members for selling tickets.
- * We re-introduced our weekly meat tray raffle at the Power Boat Club on 6 March as COVID-related restrictions softened. We are consistently raising close to or over \$200 per week from this fundraiser. This is a vital income stream to cover ongoing maintenance of our canoes. Thank you once again to Priscilla for coordinating the raffle roster and ensuring we completed our COVID training!

Marketing

- * We have 1170 followers on Instagram, 819 followers on Facebook and 162 subscribers to our newsletter.
- *We contributed content to AOCRA's new website which is due to launch in late 2022.

Paddler Development

- * Lulu steered her first race at the Gold Coast and nailed every line and turn. We have also seen members like Jill and Ken show potential as up and coming club steerers.
- * 9 men competed in the Whale Run beach changes race. This was a great team effort and gave the boys much needed experience in the ocean!
- * We ran a Come and Try program in October 2021 and May 2022. We introduced the following new members through these programs: Kath; Adrienne; Gary; Alex; Emma; Mark; Lisa; Mandy; JoJo; Angela; Tracey C; Tracy O; Dean; Nicole; Freya; and Grace. Great to see so many of these new paddlers still with us and competing!
- * Club members have been coached under the leadership of Adam Joyce, Gavin Douglas and Sharon Burland. Adam, Gav and Shazz were supported by Mike D and Bec as coaches and Glen, Steve, David K and Marcia as steerers. Coaches and steerers have been working well as a team this year and have shared the load. Thank to to our steerers and coaches for enabling us to race at the following events: Bribie (Oct); Noosa River (Nov); Hervey Bay (April); Gold Coast (June); Redcliffe (Aug); and the Mooloolaba Whale Run (Sept).



Membership

- * We have welcomed back previous members and attracted the following new members outside the Come and Try programs since the last AGM: Fiona; Jamie; Suzy; Ian; and Marianne.
- * We currently have 55 AOCRA-affiliated members including 33 women (60%) and 22 men (40%). Senior Masters represent 29% of our membership, Golden Masters and Platinums represent 47% of our members and Opens and Masters represent 14.5%. We also have Kurt and Jemma who are currently affiliated with our club in our junior U12 division.
- * While membership is down on previous years, this hasn't had much impact on training numbers. We have faced environmental challenges (including a crazy La Nina season and the Bribie breakthrough) on top of usual paddltics that divides and splits clubs from time to time. I think we have done well to keep our spirits high and maintain a strong and unified club culture throughout the year.

Facilities

- * After a few steps forward and a few steps back, our new roof was installed in March 2022 and certified in August. Many thanks to our Vice President David for taking the lead on this project!
- * Our V3 now lives inside the club thanks to multiple working bees that have stripped the club of clutter!!

Assets

- * No major purchases were made this year. While the club is well placed with three OC6 race canoes, the coaches are keen to explore opportunities for purchasing a light weight OC6.
- * Our training canoes got a make-over this year. Thank you for Gav taking the lead on this work and building a relationship with the River Buoys.
- * The club still needs a detailed asset and maintenance register.



Reflections

Every year an AGM approaches and I look back over the year, I am gobsmacked by the volunteer hours that go into this club and so grateful to the people who make our club tick over every day.

- Sending out a very special thank you to Lisa Watzek who joined the OCCC Committee as Secretary in November 2021. Lisa joined us at a time we needed strong, resilient and sensible leadership and she delivered! I will always be thankful that Lisa stepped up when the position become vacant.
- Thank you to Glen Poulton and Row Coghill who stepped up as Club Captains. The Captains
 helped the club through some challenging times and hosted several meetings under the tree to
 keep conversations transparent and open. These meetings provided a safe place for everyone to
 have their say on matters ranging from bar crossings to COVID. We thank you for being so
 professional and brave during these times.
- Thank you Sharon Burland in her role as assistant Coach, Adam Joyce as our Head Coach from November to April and to Gavin Douglas as our returning Head Coach since April. Shazz, Adam and Gav embody the spirit of outrigging; they keep it both fun and challenging; they are always fair and reasonable; they have a fire in their bellies; and they give their time and experience freely. Thank you for being your awesome selves.
- Thank you Tracy Piwari for being our tireless Treasurer and at times Secretary! Lulu just keeps on keeping on and our club would be a mess behind the scenes if it wasn't for her efforts.
- And finally, I will reiterate what I said last year thank you to all our members who keep choosing Caloundra as their home. Our core values are respect, transparency, fun, courage and commitment. These values guide us through challenges and are our compass for moving forward. These values keep us true to ourselves and differentiate us from other clubs on the coast. We hope this is why members are attracted to Outrigger Caloundra and why members stay. We have a small club but a great club and I'm so proud of you all!

Signing off for the 7th term as your President Rebecca Prasad







FAST FACTS

Outrigger Caloundra 2022



\$22,069 in the bank 30% up since 2021 AGM (roof grant not inlouded)



55 current members 11% down since 2021 AGM



Representation at local races

incl. Whale Run Beach
Changeover Relay



New clubhouse roof funded by grant money



Growing cohort of van lifers and campers making a weekend of it at regattas



Established relationship with local MP



Peaceful club vibe thanks to club efforts and Committee leadership



Raised \$8,710 through the Easter Raffle and weekly meat tray



Two "Come & Try"
Programs



Amazing newbies who smashed it in their first races at Noosa and Redcliffe!!!



Celebrated
Captain Glen's 60th
and President Bec's 40th



We are back to racing with minimal COVID set backs