



Newsletter March 2016

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90% Turnout on Key Change Day

The Board thanks you all for your support on Key Change Day. The 90% turnout made it easy for all of us to check and change ropes if necessary, collect the levies, swap keys, issue new 2016 stickers, and of course listen to your ideas.

Many members told us how much they appreciated what we do for the Coop. We value your feedback.

Over the last year, we have improved the facility in major ways: we installed mains power, put in a new CCTV system that gives us improved security, and refitted the North South pontoon. In addition, new tumblers should make the locks work better on the gates.

Please do not use WD40 if things get stuck. Just let us know by email.

The hardware systems are well looked after by the maintenance team of Les Oehm and Quentin Strauli, who spend many hours volunteering, rain or shine.

12 mm Ropes

The major discussion at the 2015 AGM was the need to improve stability for all boats using the facility.

And for that reason, we aimed to enforce the 2002 rule of the BMC, that a boat must be fitted with 12mm mooring lines ... that ... prevent (in all weather) the boat moving forward to touch the pontoon; and the stern of the boat moving laterally to touch adjacent boats.

We purchased 300 metres of 12 mm diameter rope. All rope was snapped up on the day at \$2 per metre. We've ordered more for those who missed out.

Missed KCD?

Contact Les Oehm to arrange an inspection, then get in touch with Jenny Rowe to swap your keys and get the 2016 sticker. We'll try as best we can to accommodate your time and date.

Inspections: Les Oehm 0401 659 501

Keys and Stickers: Jenny Rowe 02 9985 7316

Next Board Meeting

We plan to meet in April. We don't have a firm date yet, but sometime toward the end of April the Board will meet to deal with issues that came up at KCD.

Directors

President & Treasurer: Steve Bruggeman
Secretary: Phillip Sargeant
Maintenance: Les Oehm and Quentin Strauli

Compliance: Anne Conway
Memberships: Jenny Rowe
Newsletter & Website: Pat Woolley
Administration Support: Rhonda Purvis

Assignments

For a number of years, the BMC assignment policy limited the number of assignees to 20. This policy was introduced to provide sufficient berthing space for members, and since its introduction, it appears to work well.

Assignment requests are dealt with at Board meetings, and requests must be made in writing.

The assignment policy was modified last year to be more equitable to those on the waiting list. The modification means that an assignment can only be made to a person who has been on the waiting list a minimum of two years.

Overstays

There are two circumstances when overstays arise: emergencies and non-emergencies. Emergencies may relate to health issues or accidents or they may relate to problems with the member's boat. Non-emergencies may arise when members need approval for overstaying, perhaps due to bad weather or personal circumstances.

In general, approval will only be granted for a maximum of 3 days (an additional 72 hours), with a limit of two non-emergency overstays per year.

Members must direct their request to the compliance officer Anne Conway either by email: anniebags12@gmail.com; or phone 0467 375 315. Do not ask another board member for permission.

Lock Your Boat to the Pontoon

Please remember to lock your boat to the pontoon, make sure the gate is locked when you leave, and notify us if you see a rogue boat using the facility.

When you unlock your boat, please don't hang the wire in the water. Keep it dry, on the pontoon.

Thank you for your help.
