



The Boat Owners Association of NSW Inc

Consumer Action in Boating

## BOA Alert March/April 2019

Good evening Member,

Welcome to the end of summer - might be a good time to

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A few things for your review:

**Lisa Blair - solo sailor and adventurer - come and share Lisa's story!**



*The BOA is delighted to invite members to an evening with Lisa Blair, honorary BOA member and Australian yachting legend.*

19:00 - Thursday 23 May 2019; Optometrists Association NSW/ACT, 130 Great North Rd, Five Dock. Just \$25 for members or \$30 for non-members

Not content with being the first woman to sail solo around Antarctica, Lisa has just become the first woman to sail solo around Australia, completing the journey in record time. Come join us for a drink or two and hear her amazing story.

For more details and to book click [here](#)

**Members - what can you do for your**

**Association?**

**Introduce a new member!**

**And they can join and pay online!**



All organisations like the BOA thrive on the breadth and scope of our membership. The more members we have, the better job we can do for you when we talk to colleague organisations, government and the bureaucracy. ***If you have a friend who is also a boatie, why not introduce them to the BOA?*** The more members we have, the stronger our voice! Just go to [www.boatowners.org.au](http://www.boatowners.org.au) to find out more or call 9960 1859



### **Inflatable Life Jacket Service Clinics with RMS**

RMS is running a series of servicing clinics for inflatable life jackets. The next series of clinics runs through late March and April - for dates and locations click [here](#)

### **Local Council Trailer Parking Changes - We Need Your Help!**

We are asking members in Sydney to please let us know if they hear of any plans by their local councils to shut off entire residential streets to boat trailer parking. We understand some councils may be tempted to follow the example of Northern Beaches Council, which has imposed [permanent trailer bans in 11 streets and is planning other restrictions](#). We have been informed that North Sydney Council is planning such a move, although it hasn't publicly confirmed this and has not responded to our requests for information. The BOA is strongly opposed to such restrictions.



***If you are aware of any such bans would you please let us know on [admin@boatowners.org.au](mailto:admin@boatowners.org.au)***

### **Regional Area Members - we need your assistance please!**

RMS hosts Regional Boating Advisory Groups up and down the coast of NSW. These groups provide a great opportunity for local boaties to have direct input to the RMS on matters that affect YOU.

The BOA is always invited to send representatives to these meetings and we need local members to participate.

If you are interested, please contact Vice President Chris de Jong - he'll be very happy to give you more information - [c.dejong@bigpond.com](mailto:c.dejong@bigpond.com)

### **Global Positioning System rollover week - 6 April 2019**



The Australian Maritime Safety Authority has issued a new marine notice.

This marine notice advises Global Positioning System (GPS) users of potential issues that may occur with older GPS receiver time and positional accuracy as a result of the scheduled GPS week counter roll over on 06 April 2019.

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NAVAREA X 012/19 has been issued to inform shipping of potential issues. You can also read this marine notice on our website at [www.amsa.gov.au/marine-notice-01-2019](http://www.amsa.gov.au/marine-notice-01-2019).

### **Bateman's Bay Dredging Funding approved**

The state government has announced the provision of \$450,000 for dredging works at Bateman's Bay. The BOA had been one of several groups agitating for the funding to be approved and we are delighted to see that the government responded appropriately.



This is another excellent example of what can be achieved when action by local boaties is supported by a larger Association in the form of the BOA.

### **Manning River mouth dredging still a work in progress**

Whilst some funding has been made available to dredge parts of the Manning River, the river mouth remains an area at issue. The BOA continues to lobby government to make a recurrent commitment to these vital dredging works



### **Station Beach Submission**

Northern Beaches Council has sought comment on a proposal to permit dogs to access Station Beach (Pittwater). BOA has prepared a submission to the Council arguing in favour of the changes, but suggesting a broadening of the access arrangements to accommodate boaties whose boat-bound pooches need a comfort break.

To read the submission click [here](#)

Enjoy the cooler weather!

Regards

Andrew McKinnon  
President

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