



The Boat Owners Association of NSW Inc

Consumer Action in Boating

BOA Alert

September 2017

Good afternoon,

Firstly, apologies for the slightly longer gap between news alerts. With several Committee members away at one time it became difficult to keep up with Association activities.

Several matters for your attention as we head into Spring!

- From our colleagues at the BIA - The recent **Marine17 conference** saw a great deal of data from the Australian census, boating incident reports, financial and economic data, boating participation in the US and more. The boating industry in Australia now reports a turnover of \$8.28bn with over 25,000 people directly employed by boating industry businesses. The relevant infographic can be downloaded [here](#)
 - The **Regional Boating Advisory Group for Botany Bay/Port Hacking** met recently to discuss a number of issues. A report of the meeting can be found [here](#)
 - The **Regional Boating Advisory Group for Shoalhaven/Illawarra** also met recently to discuss a number of issues. A report of the meeting can be found [here](#)
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- The **Birchgrove Wharf** upgrade is in the advanced stages of planning. Submissions on the environmental aspects are open until 11 September - for more information click [here](#)
- Is there anything that you would **like the BOA to be following up on your behalf?** If so please contact Joann McKay on boansw@iprimus.com.au or call 9960 1859 - we're here to help!
- And as we head into boating season, a reminder to **ensure that your safety gear is up to date** - especially note the need to service inflatable life jackets on an annual basis (or as recommended by the manufacturer).

Good boating to you all!

Andrew McKinnon

President
