



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

DATE: Monday, 4 July 2011

Welcome to those joining our committee for the first time this year and thank you to those returning to the committee for another season.

Thank you to Alan and Grant for retrieving the newest addition to the Humpybong fleet. Just before the AGM I received an email from a family wanting to get rid of an old Laser that was taking up space in their yard. Alan negotiated the deal and we now have a very used, lime green Laser in our fleet. The boat will be a welcome addition to the learn to sail fleet for our adult students who won't fit in an Optimist.

Thank you also to Russ and Mark for starting the ball rolling on our Race Management Team Volunteer drive. They organised exposure for the concept in the Redcliffe Herald and even had photos at the club this morning. For those of you new to the committee from last year, the idea behind the programme is to develop a volunteer base for our Race Management Team so that the sailing members of the club can spend more time racing and less time managing the racing. I look forward to seeing how much interest the campaign generates as we approach our meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> July.

I have contacted Yachting Queensland again to voice our support for the Tackers programme they discussed at the last general meeting as a way of involving more people in sailing. I hope to hear back from them soon with how we can help Yachting Queensland to help our club and our sport.

I have also asked for the contact details for those inside Maritime Safety Queensland who are re-working the Aquatic Event Authorities so that we can work with them to come up with a workable programme for users of the water as well as those who try to police it. We need to be prepared to work with those who control our waterways to ensure outcomes that suit us all.

It promises to be an exciting year and I look forward to the support of the new committee to make the best of it. Tonight we must set the ball rolling on the season and get our calendar in order, pre-season preparations on our equipment, and offers to support various titles.

Matthew Johnson  
President – Humpybong Yacht Club