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The Boat Owners Association of NSW Inc

Consumer Action in Boating

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Good morning

Welcome to Spring 2020! To all of you who have renewed your membership - and to our new members - many thanks for your support and we hope to have the benefit of your involvement and energy over the coming year.

To anyone who has overlooked their renewal invoice – it's not too late. Call Joann on 9960 1859 and you can renew immediately – or renew via our website. We need you all!



Trailer Boat Owners - Great News on Membership!

In response to representations from members, the Association has agreed to reduce membership fees for owners of trailer boats to just \$25/year! If you know a trailer boat owner, please pass on the good news - and invite them to join! Just go to www.boatowners.org.au or call Joann on 9960 1859

Members - what can you do for your Association?



Introduce a new member - *they can join and pay online!*

An organisation like the BOA thrives on its diversity of membership. The more members we have, the more effective we are when addressing issues with our affiliate organisations, government and the bureaucracy. ***If you have a friend who is also a boatie, why not introduce him/her to the BOA?*** The more members we have, the stronger our voice! Just go to www.boatowners.org.au to find out more or call 9960 1859.

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making on your behalf:

- **Review of the Regional Boating Advisory Groups (RBAGs)** - Roads & Maritime are revising the way RBAGs function. the BOA is involved in discussions to ensure that local boating communities continue to have an effective voice in government decision making
- **Moorings & end-of-life vessels** - RMS is about to release a discussion paper on how end-of-life vessels should be dealt with. The BOA has been involved in the preliminary discussions and will have a significant contribution to make once the paper is released. Afloat has also carried a letter from the BOA on this topic.
- **Boat trailer parking bans** - the previously mentioned North Sydney Council has instituted a formal review of its trailer parking policy & the BOA has made a comprehensive submission. The Association is also in contact with the Minister's office with a view to having changes made to the trailer parking regulations
- The Association has applied to become a member of the **Maritime Advisory Commission** - we should know the outcome of that application in October.
- **The Association has also made submissions on:**
 - Yarra Bay passenger terminal
 - Upgrade of the Manly Boatshed
 - Batemans Bay boat ramp

Is there more that you would like the Association to be addressing? Contact us through our Secretary, Joann McKay on 02 9960 1859 or admin@boatowners.org.au

Trailer Parking Update

There is a fair bit happening in this space at present - a quick update from our rep Stephen Coates

- The BOA has lodged a submission with the Minister for Local Government calling for the repeal of the Impounding Act. While we support the removal of abandoned and hazardous boats from the streets, the Act as it currently stands only creates problems where none exist by forcing responsible boat owners to park their trailer boats away from their homes in front of other people's residences. The obvious solution is the issuance of resident parking permits for boat owners, and for tougher restrictions on box trailers to ease congestion where necessary.
- The BOA has supported members' efforts to preserve the Clyde River boat ramp at the southern end of the bridge at Batemans Bay. We lodged

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facility with a playground and a public toilet.

- The BOA has lodged a submission with North Sydney Council opposing a draft policy on trailer parking complaints which could result in whole streets being made off limits to boat trailers on the basis of a handful of complaints, while box trailers would be free to park almost anywhere.

Committee Contacts

The following list shows members appointed to the BOA Committee at its AGM in November 2019, plus members added to the Committee since then. Also included are members who represent BOA in various regions.

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