

## Cronulla Sutherland Kayak Club Inc.

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Thank you to all members who helped and to those who took part in round 5 of the PNSW Marathon 10 series held at swallow rock on July 11. We again conducted a successful event and were complimented by Tony Hystek – President of PNSW as well many visiting paddlers from other clubs. Special thanks to the ladies and Nick who managed to provide delicious cooked food and drinks and to Warren Trick who with Kevin Nettle and Bert Laurendet produced the start/finish line and turning cans. Warren used his own boat to place and retrieve the cans and acted as safety boat at the eastern end of the course. Thanks also to Eloura SLSC who loaned us the official's tent and radios. Grays Point Scouts lent us their hall for the day which allowed us to provide hot showers and to locate our cooking area under the verandah. In all there were 96 boats entered and 115 paddlers registered.

Thanks to Craig Findlay, Max Walker and Laurie Ward for managing the event, organizing the starts and contributing to a well run regatta.

We have formally notified PNSW that we are willing to run the marathon again next year and would feel that by the support we have received in 2009 and 2010 we should qualify in 2011. We have been advised by PNSW that there will only be 8 events next year so there will be a number of clubs that will miss out in 2011.

Our presentation night has been set for Friday November 19 at the same venue as 2009. The Woollooware Golf Club has been booked earlier this year to secure a weekend vacancy. Meal cost is the same - \$38.00 for two courses. A juniors menu is also available. We need numbers before the end of the season so please indicate your intention to Margaret Ryall Egan, Peter Sigal or Craig Findlay. Invitations will follow as a reminder during September but numbers before then will help us plan another great evening.

Our AGM is to follow on the following Friday November 26 after our daylight saving paddle – this will be held at the Grays Point Guide hall (next to the Grays Point shops) at around 7.00 to 7.30PM. As with all Annual General Meetings - all positions are declared vacant and nominations are accepted for the new committee for 2011. For this we will need nominations for positions on the committee – any person who has a preferred interest is invited to nominate and take part in maintaining our strong position as one of the best traditional clubs in the country.

Our club is only 5 years away from celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary – we recommend a reading of our early history now posted on our website – Kevin nettle is busy preparing a history chronology of Lilli Pilli / Cronulla Sutherland KC which is a timely project after 50 years of Canoe/ Kayak activity on the Hacking. It makes great reading and will be a permanent record for future generations of Kayakers in Sutherland Shire. Any member who has access to past events should talk to Kevin. To view the above article click on the history link at our website. [www.cronullasutherlandkayakclub.com](http://www.cronullasutherlandkayakclub.com) .

Don't forget the Hacking (the rock) marathon... This race is on September 25 more details to follow. That's about it for July / August. More next month.