

## Welcome to the September issue of Paddle News

## MESSAGE FROM Tony Hystek

The PaddleNSW AGM has come and gone, accompanied by weather that would drive all but the most hardy off the water. What better way, then, than to sit around and talk about our sport instead!

Our Annual Report is soon to be available on the PaddleNSW website, though which website remains to be seen. One of the announcements at the AGM was the imminent commissioning of the new PaddleNSW website. Soon every member will have the opportunity to contribute to areas of the website, such as: updating their personal details, posting comments in the blog area, and the National Waterways Guide, a resource that lists features of every paddleable stretch of water in the country.

... and this is the last 'save' I did. There was another 3 times as much again ready to publish, but for some reason I pressed the 'don't save' button. I'm blaming it on daylight saving, plus the long weekend, plus the dog distracted me. Come on, admit it ... you've done it too!

Lets see what I can remember:

Our new Board has been elected, with the full compliment of 7 positions. These positions have been filled by myself, Tim Hookins, Lynn Parker, Andrew Mathers, Chris Thompson, Peter Debnam and Steve Newsome. We welcome Peter and Steve to the fold, where their expertise in promotion and marketing

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will be well utilised.

David Lunn has relinquished his position after a very busy year keeping the PaddleNSW accounts up to scratch. Without his hard work, we'd be in quite a mess. He managed the transition to BAS reporting and the introduction of GST.

There was a bit about the fact that this isn't a President's Report, as there is no President now ... at its next meeting, the new Board will "choose a chair" and that individual will deliver a monthly message to all PaddleNSW Members.

And then time ran out. Sorry, but that means more next time!

Now, press 'SAVE'

# Coming Up in October

**Click here** for the PaddleNSW calendar:

01-Oct Northern Marathon Series Race 7

03-Oct Rec Paddle - Discover the Cascades

22-Oct Hawkesburry Canoe Classic

29-Oct Rec Paddle - Georges River Downstream

29-Oct Charity Event - Girls Day Out



Female Paddler of the Year	Joanne Brigden- Jones	Sydney Northern Beaches Kayak Club	Sprint
Male Paddler of the Year	Murray Stewart	Manly Warringah Kayak Club	Sprint
Junior Paddler of the Year	Arnold Graf	Southside Paddlers	Marathon and sprint
Master Paddler of the Year	Stephen Shelley	Windsor Canoe Club	Marathon. Assists club coaches and commenced a mentor program to help junior and young paddlers.
Volunteer of the Year	Neil Crabb	Windsor Canoe Club	Extensive fundraising activities and an undeniable ability to assist club members (and generally in club activities) without reservation.



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