

Captains Update November 09

Dear Club Member,

This month's edition includes a report from Coach Rocky on the World Master Games and a report from 'Mad Hatter' Jones regarding the successful MRC Social Regatta.

This edition also provides some details about the Mad Hatter Christmas Regatta and the MRC AGM

I would also like to start this month's update with a special thank you to Phil Titterton for all of his hard work in organizing the WMG – what a superstar!



WORLD MASTERS GAMES (WMG)

A special report from Coach Rocky....

Over 5 days between the 10th and 15th of October, 2,505 competitors from all over the world raced 850 events at the International Regatta Centre (Penrith) during the WMG.

This was the biggest rowing regatta ever held in Australia and involved races being conducted every 3 minutes starting at 7.30am and finishing at times after 7.00pm.

Mosman's representatives raced in every category from A right through to G age and won many gold, silver and bronze medals.

The Club's strength in Masters events enabled us to field at least one mens' VIII in all grades.

Unfortunately we lost racing on both Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons due to the weather where it is certain that more gold, silver and bronze medals would have been coming our way.

Many of the masters also worked as Volunteers during the Games and in particular Phil Titterton who as Venue and Infrastructure Coordinator for the Organising Committee made a Herculean contribution.

Well done and congratulations to all our competitors and especially to our men and women who came away with lots of "bling". Rob Drury rowing in "G" grade won 4 gold medals as well as a number of silver and bronze medals and was our most successful competitor.



MRC "MAD HATTER SOCIAL REGATTA"

A special report from Jones Matos...

On the 25th of October we had up a new event included in our MRC Annual Calendar: The Mad Hatter Regatta!

The social regatta was open to young and old, experienced and less experienced. It was held in front of our shed where crews raced 500m towards the bluff. People were wearing their fancy hats and keen to win the prize for the best hat of the day...apart from trying to beat their club mate! !

How did it all work? Racers who had registered their interest had their names put into a "hat" for the crew draw. For those who did not get the email it was ok as they could make their entries on the day.

We had 4 hats for the draw: one for female full member, other for a male full member, other for a recreation female member and one for male recreational member. Each crew was composed by one name from each hat , so, we had in all races a crews composed by full-members, recreational members, females and males! It was such great fun.

It was great to see people getting together introducing themselves and RACING each other in a "competitive-social" spirit!

If you missed it PLEASE don't miss the next event happening before Christmas on December 6th from 8am. You will love it and you will be surprised at how recreational and full members can bond together in a great event!

See you then!

FOR NEXT MONTHS DIARY

- MRC Mad Hatter Christmas Social Regatta – Dec 6th from 8am to 10am
- MRC AGM – Dec 6th details to be emailed