



THE DOGHOUSE

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Season reprise

Well here we are at the end of another season and what a successful season it has been. Record numbers have pounded this year with the highest turnout just before Christmas when 23 Pounders took to the water. Regularly numbers were between 15 and 20

The change in dates for the various events have meant less competitive paddles but that hasn't seemed to affect anyone. We still had teams and individuals in the following events: the Bridge to Bridge, Men's Health Fremantle to Sorrento and Rottnest to Hillary's, the Mainpeak Summer Challenge, Rottnest Classic, the Rod Fry and shortly we will have teams in the XXXX Challenge. Congratulations to D1 and D2 for successfully defending their Rottnest classic double ski title.

One special thank you goes to John Davies for his help this year. John not only did an outstanding job on the trailer, bringing it back to almost pristine condition, but also regularly helping with our new Pounders as well as the under 15's on Sunday morning.

Old Friends

I have recently had very nice notes from two Pounders who you may not have seen for a while. Jayme Wellington has taken a Physiotherapy job down in Esperence and seems to have settled in extremely well. Work is going well and she has already joined Esperence SLSC (the best view from any surf club in Australia) and has already "borrowed" the President's ski and is paddling regularly. She sends warm wishes to all Pounders and an invite to have a drink with her if you are in Esperence.

I also received a note from Beverley Templeton who informs me that the waves at the beach were too much for her and she has now joined Swan Canoe Club which has smoother waters. She sends special thanks to Paul and Kev for the encouragement and help they gave her. Sounds like we may have to have a paddle at the Swan Canoe Club with Bev and her new kayak buddies.



Whats a large group of Pounders called?

The best answer to this question could (really very unlikely) win a prize.

Gold Gold Gold for the Pounders

Rosie Langdale has won the first gold medal ever by a Pounder at the AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS. This is a good thing, a very good thing. In a star studded field Rosie paddled the ski leg of the under 19 Taplin and in tough conditions completed the course (and that wasn't easy) only slightly behind several Kellogs Iron Women paddlers. She then handed over to Alica Marriot (board) and Emma Wynne (swim) who converted the great start into a magnificent win.

After the race Mike Langdale, extremely proud father was on the phone from Perth full of praise for his daughter's great effort. Mum Eve, who was at the carnival officiating, was beaming with a grin from ear to ear.

Rosie, however, following her great success at the states, took it calmly in her stride as more events awaited her, but that gold medal meant a lot to Rosie and she should be very proud of her efforts.



Rosie and proud Dad Mike

Bachelor of the Year

Most Pounder's are on the wrong side of 40 and probably have their best years behind them (I can hear the dissent to that comment already) so it came as quite a shock to hear that we had a Pounder nominated as bachelor of the year. While many successes have fallen the Pounders way over the years the closest we have come to this type of accolade was Geoff Mullins being voted sexiest man over 60 at the hospital. So here in full is the nomination for our very own Isaac Dury, who will be chatted to for not mentioning the Pounders in the text of the story.



NAME: Isaak Dury
AGE: 23
OCCUPATION: IT professional
INTERESTS: Good times, keeping fit through a variety of sports, reading, technology.
CELEBRITY WHO MOST EMBODIES WHAT YOU LOOK FOR IN A WOMAN: Natalie Portman because from what I can see she is a woman who is intelligent, has a sense of humour and respects herself. She fits the bill because she has her own ideas, can hold a conversation on almost any topic and can take the good with the bad.
I'M LOOKING FOR A WOMAN WHO... can laugh at herself and enjoys my company. Actually, anyone who can put up with me!
IDEA OF A GREAT FIRST DATE: Somewhere casual like the beach at sunset, good bottle of red, great food, fantastic views. The perfect setting to get to know more about a person.

Avon Training

Avon training will be starting soon and details will be emailed.

Don't forget about the team of 4 (each team member paddles one leg each day around 15 klm per paddle) it's a great way to get the Avon experience without the pain

WINDUP

The annual windup will be held at the City of Perth SLSC at 12.30 pm on the 9th April 2005 directly after the XXXX challenge and before the Eagles whip Fremantle at Subiaco oval that night. Barbecues will be present so bring your own everything (including drinks).

The annual Pounder awards will be made, but please don't ask what the categories are because I make them up on the day. See you all there.



Publisher

The Doghouse is published by the New Zealand Cricket Association (inc in the Cook Islands) in an effort to avert interest from their performances in the recent one day and test series. The next issue may well be published by the Poms when the same thing happens to them. Mind you there are some great paddles in NZ (and probably the Cook islands as well) Look up Huka Falls on the web because that where Steven Fleming and the boys are currently heading to drown their sorrows.