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# WELCOME

Welcome to this guided tour of our much-loved Claremont Yacht Club.

At Claremont Yacht Club we boast that Members have many things in common, but two of the most important are a love of boating and a casual love of life.

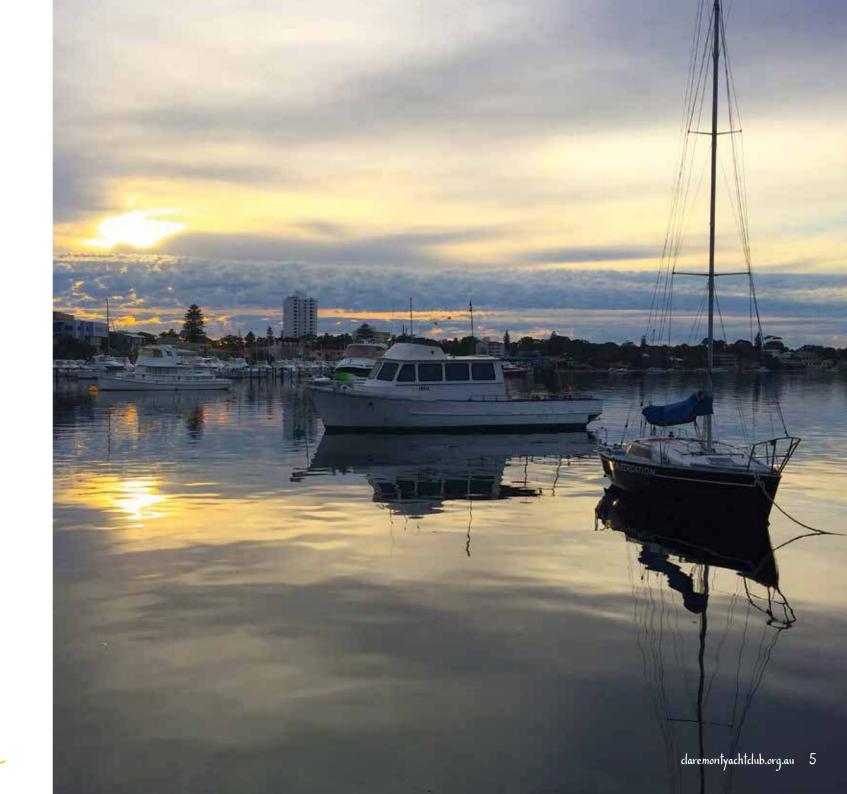
This book is not just a snapshot of the Club for its existing members to share with friends and family. It is also an opportunity for the Club to reach out to its extended neighbourhood and its business hinterland; to illustrate our great facilities and camaraderie and welcome you to join us to experience the Club first hand.

For anyone in the community who is seeking a social environment, we are sure you will find our Club is not the hardcore boating enclave which the name suggests. We endeavour to be a reflection of the social interests of our eclectic membership who, by a coincidence, also enjoy boating. Typically, our members are on dry land enjoying our Club facilities as much as they are on the water enjoying boating and we welcome new members to both aspects of the Club's life.

For the boating community, Claremont Yacht Club offers the opportunity to join and enjoy a diverse range of water-based activities as well as the privacy to get on with your own thing.

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Claremont Yacht Club Members enjoy an active year-round boating program for sailing yachts and power boats.

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Great camaraderie with a host of likeminded Members, family and friends

- ► Access to the Club's onshore facilities, the Members' Bar and function facilities
- ► Excellent catering services by our in-house chef and hospitality staff, including our everpopular Wednesday buffet and Friday to Sunday "Club menu" and specials.
- ► The Club conducts many social functions including Chase the Ace on Fridays and regular Sunday sessions, bingo and movie nights, as well as annual events such as Club Opening Days, Christmas Dinner plus dinners and functions for each of the Club's boating divisions
- ► Invitations to join willing skippers during summer for Wednesday Twilight sailing
- ► Invitations to competitions and social events at other clubs
- ► Guests accompanying Members are always welcome
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# ABOUT THE CLUB

At Claremont Yacht Club we pride ourselves on our Club's location and our capacity to welcome and entertain Members and visitors.

As part of this capacity, our Members enjoy their own in-house chef to deliver meals for all occasions. The public and local businesses are also welcome to join as Social Members and use club facilities or host private functions such as weddings and birthday parties.

Upstairs our clubhouse features an atmospheric Members' Bar and the Bayview Ballroom, both of which reflect the Club's long, rich history. Downstairs is the more contemporary Deepdene waterfront bar and function area named after the original building, Deepdene House. All with spectacular river views.

For boat owners, our jetty system offers gate and CCTV security, a refuelling berth for diesel and premium unleaded petrol and individual power and water services throughout our pen system.

Located in the northern reach of Freshwater Bay, our Club enjoys breath-taking views across the river to Point Walter, as well as views of the cliffs on both sides of the bay. This natural vista is complemented by the jetty system and the Members' boats in the foreground. Freshwater Bay and hence the Claremont Yacht Club are located midway between the Port of Fremantle and the City of Perth. Members therefore have many choices for boating on the idyllic Swan River and its marine hinterland:

- up-river to Perth Water
- beyond Perth to the Swan Valley vineyards
- ▶ south along the Canning River
- down-river to the historic Port of Fremantle, and
- beyond the river mouth at Fremantle to Rottnest and Garden Islands.

Closer to home, the shape of Freshwater Bay, named by the crew of the famous H.M.S. Beagle, sets Claremont Yacht Club well back from the main thoroughfare of river traffic, making it the only yacht club to enjoy this serenity.

Back on dry land, the clubhouse is located in the heart of one of Perth's most desirable regions and complements other great lifestyle facilities that Claremont and its neighbouring suburbs have to offer: sports reserves, shopping, galleries, restaurants, schools, the University of Western Australia and of course Perth's wonderful weather.

Our Club is also surrounded by several entertainment strips in Claremont, Cottesloe and Nedlands, most of which retain the area's engaging village appeal.

Furthermore, Claremont Yacht Club is within walking distance of the heart of the Claremont Quarter shopping precinct and rapid rail transport to the cities of Perth and Fremantle.

New Members are always welcome at our Club, especially those who wish to participate in water activities, whether as competitors on the water or as volunteers in support roles. We also have a range of crewing opportunities and training programs to assist newcomers to fast-track their confidence in boating.

Alternatively, you may wish to join as a Social Member just to enjoy our Club and its many social, dining and function opportunities.

In short, Claremont Yacht Club can meet the broadest range of needs and wishes in a homely, casual manner. We have many options and flexible packages to meet every budget, no matter what you are looking for. So, come down soon and introduce yourself, to take in the pleasures of one of Perth's best kept social secrets.

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As boys enter Years 3 and 4, they transition from play-based learning into a learning phase characterised by increased structure and choices. This requires the development of different skills, knowledge and behaviours as the boys start to think logically, make connections, consider more abstract ideas, and engage in activities for longer periods of time.

The program was adapted from the School's very successful On Queenslea Drive program. LQD is the first overnight learning experience for boys in the Preparatory School and as such, there is a strong emphasis on the boys having a positive experience away from home, focused on building relationships and skills.

#### On Board (Year 6)

The transition from home to boarding school has been a part of the cycle of life for many remote, regional, and international families for generations.

On Board is an initiative designed to assist Year 6 students transition into the boarding school at Christ Church. The program provides academic and pastoral support six months prior to the boys commencing their residential experience. Relationships between the boys, their families and the Christ Church On Board team are central to the program's success.

The boys become very familiar with our Year 7 Year Group Co-ordinator, who together with the Director of Boarding, delivers the program. A significant part of the experience is forming relationships with future house mates and teachers and learning the technologies used by the School on a daily basis.

#### On Queenslea Drive (Year 9)

The Making of Men is a year-long program for all Year 9 students that brings boys together at a time when they are experiencing significant adolescent development. The core part of this program is the live-in experience, known as On Queenslea Drive (OQD).

On Queenslea Drive is conducted on campus, ensuring there is no interruption to the boys' academic program during the school day. Before and after school, the boys participate in sessions and activities where life skills are developed, spirituality and values are investigated, and leadership and character begin to surface.

The program involves the whole community (including parents and significant role models) ensuring the young men develop a strong sense of identity and belonging. Led by a talented team of educators, OQD complements the existing holistic framework of Christ Church and its focus on building the inner man.





### A BRIEF HISTORY

Claremont Yacht Club was formed at an inaugural meeting held at the nearby Hotel Continental on February 17, 1905.

Commodore Sydney Stubbs, then Mayor of Claremont, negotiated with the owner Mr Alpin Thomson to purchase a home known as 'Deepdene' on the present site of the Club for the price of £1,000. It is said that Stubbs earned a discount on the sale price by successfully negotiating the toss of a coin!

The Club proved popular and membership reached 150 during the 1905/06 season. A licence was secured in 1905, and the Club became incorporated.

On March 25th that year, CYC held its first race - a Club event - for a handsome cup presented by Commodore Stubbs. Twenty-six boats entered and eighteen started. This original Commodore's Cup trophy has recently returned and is now on display at the Club.

Our first Club opening day followed on November 6th 1905, with a string band, a large marquee and a fashionably dressed crowd of 500 guests, including the contemporary A-list of Perth's best known identities.

It is said that great legacies are born of hardship and this is certainly true at Claremont Yacht Club. As with many sporting clubs of the time, membership fell badly during the First World War and finances became critical.

In 1923 an almost clean sweep of Officers and the Committee saw Commodore Fred Thomas begin the Club's resurgence. Opening Day in 1924 saw a record fleet of 68 yachts from all the yacht clubs on the river.



The threat to the Club of yet another world war was never more evident than in the tragic story of a trophy recently donated to the Club by Melinda Fisher, granddaughter of 1930's Club member Norman Morrison.

The entire crew of Norman's yacht Hopalong saw active service and all but Norman were killed in action. The sombre reality was too much for Norman who, upon returning from the war, sold his boat and never returned to the Club. Nonetheless, the die was cast for a Club united by hardship as much as good times - such is the intricate fabric only available in such a long standing institution.

The Club's present clubhouse building was opened by Governor Sir Charles Gairdner in June 1956, and adjoining land has since been purchased to give increased water frontage and usable space.

Today the Members pride themselves on being the only river club in Perth to own the land on which the Club facilities are sited. The Club continues to enjoy the warm cooperation with our significant neighbours, the Town of Claremont, Bethesda Hospital, Christ Church Grammar School and Methodist Ladies College.

The Club urges Members and Friends to read its official history book 'Claremont Yacht Club, 100 Years of History 1905-2004', available at the office. The book was compiled by the Club's History Working Group, largely from written contributions by Members with the generous support of a grant from Lotterywest.



# THE **CLUBHOUSE**

#### THE MEMBERS' BAR

The Members' Bar at Claremont Yacht Club exudes all the character of a Club tastefully evolved over 100 years. Features include the timeless bar, historic memorabilia, an open fireplace and a sweeping outlook over Freshwater Bay from an elevated position.

#### THE BAYVIEW BALLROOM

The spacious Bayview Room offers a classical atmosphere, formal entrance, large dance floor and the same exquisite view over Freshwater Bay. With immediate access to the Members' Bar and the professional kitchen, the Bayview can cater for up to 175 seated guests or 200 in a cocktail configuration.

#### THE DEEPDENE ROOM

The contemporary Deepdene Room on the lower level of the clubhouse has floor-toceiling windows overlooking the bay and flows seamlessly onto the licensed lawn area. The Deepdene room also features a full bar and the capacity to accommodate up to 100 guests for a seated event or more for cocktails. With the river just a few steps down and 40 metres away across a manicured lawn, this room is well connected with our marine playground.

The Deepdene includes a dedicated dance floor, audio/visual capabilities and kitchen facilities, making it ideal for private parties, corporate seminars, professional development days or special dining experiences. Immediate access to the lawn outside makes the Deepdene ideal for family activities.











# MEMBERS' DINING & EVENTS

The Members at CYC consistently demand one thing in particular: great food. For that reason we maintain a fulltime chef to ensure a consistent quality.

The Club makes its magnificent facilities available for Members' day-to-day use along with celebrations and Club events. That said, the Club also strives to ensure that the Members' experience is not compromised by the presence of private events and this is helped by discerning use of the available rooms.

For Members, our Social Calendar is thoughtfully composed of events for all the family to enjoy; food, entertainment and good company are paramount.

For local residents and businesses, we welcome you to come down and experience the Club first hand; feel free to come and "try before you buy". Between regular bar and restaurant offerings and a range of special Club events and dining experiences, Members can always look forward to the "next big event" regularly throughout the year. The Weekly Buffet, themed monthly buffets, Christmas Party and Distinguished Members' Nights are all great occasions to celebrate with friends and fellow members. those who have excelled out on the water and all our hard-working committees and volunteers.

Throughout the year the boating divisions each have their open days, prize nights and special events, but the whole Club is welcome to all.

The Club has excellent indoor facilities that are enhanced by the wonderful deck and lawn area seamlessly accessed from the Deepdene Room, a glorious spot for al fresco dining and socialising or for kids of all sizes to play on the lawn.



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# BOATING ACCOMMODATION

#### JETTIES AND PENS

The Claremont Yacht Club marina accommodates 229 vessels up to 25m in length. All berths have access to power and water as well as fuel and courtesy trolleys and barrows. The jetty system is serviced by a fulltime bosun who maintains the facility. Access to the jetty system entry bridge is via a controlled gate house with CCTV security which covers the access to the jetties plus the car park, clubhouse and grounds.

### MOORINGS AND TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION

In addition to its pen structure, the Club can also accommodate vessels on moorings at competitive monthly rates. We also offer visitors short term accommodation in pens within our marina – usually pens which are empty while the usual occupant is away on long cruises or for maintenance.

#### REFUELLING

The Club provides premium unleaded petrol and diesel at competitive prices through the recently updated bowsers on our fuel jetty. The member simply pays using credit card, and has 24-hour access to the bowsers.

#### MAINTENANCE

Boat maintenance contractors, who comply with our requirements, may register with the administration office to arrange access to the Members' car park and the Club's jetty system during week days.



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## SAILING

Cruises each Wednesday night through the sailing season. The more hardy sailors compete through the winter in the Sunday afternoon Frostbite series.

#### **KFFLBOATS**

#### **Keelboat Racing**

Saturday Racing commences at 1400hrs each week during the sailing season (October to April) and races generally last for two to three hours. After racing, members return to the Clubhouse for presentations. Please note that if you wish to come down and find a place as crew on a boat on a Saturday afternoon, you will need to contact the office during the week to make arrangements to be allocated to a boat for the weekend race.

Racing continues into the off-season in a very competitive but sociable winter Frost Bite racing program from May to September, so you can enjoy sailing at our Club every month of the year. We encourage family and junior involvement and have membership options to cater for anyone interested in our Keelboat or Dinghy fleets.

#### **Twilights**

Our sociable Twilight Cruises start at 1830hrs each Wednesday evening from October to April. Anyone wishing to try Twilight Sailing should contact the Office at least a week in advance so we can arrange for allocation to a boat. Please ensure you arrive by 1745hrs to give us time for this allocation.

Whether you have been twilight sailing or not, you are welcome to join us for our very popular Wednesday night buffet in the Bayview Room.





#### Crewing

Keelboat owners and skippers are always on the lookout for new yacht crew for weekend or twilight events. Any prospective Member seeking the fun and rewards that being part of a team can bring is welcome to register their interest as a crewperson by contacting the office or just coming down to the Club a couple of hours early and they will be allocated to a skipper. From there on they can start to make longer term arrangements. Once hooked, Crew Membership is available for a very affordable annual subscription.

#### DINGHIES

Claremont Yacht Club enjoys a strong fleet of Lasers, an Olympic-class boat sailed by a single person.

The Laser's simplicity and elegance have made it one of the world's most popular sailing dinghies, all the more popular since Australian Tom Slingsby won gold in that class at the 2012 London Olympics.

#### **Ideal Conditions**

Because of the Club's location at the top of Freshwater Bay, the Club enjoys a uniquely sheltered part of the Swan River away from the River channel used by the ferries and motor launches. This allows the Dinghy Section to set full courses in any breeze direction, making sailing safer and devoid of bad wash. No other club in Perth enjoys these ideal conditions and the location means ours is the only fleet using this area during our regular Sunday morning events.





#### **Dinghy Racing**

Dinghy racing is run from a start boat, with one rescue/training boat also on the water throughout. The main racing season is conducted on Sunday mornings from October to April.

The dinghies also sail a fortnightly frostbite series in the winter.

Presentations are made in the Clubhouse after each event. This is conducted in the ground floor "Deepdene Room" close to the rigging area and change room facilities. The bar is available for drinks and snacks or meals from the Club menu. Parents can supervise their children in comfort from this relaxed, contemporary bar, where they can sit in comfort inside or outside on the waterfront lawn area.

#### Storage

The storage of sailing dinghies is in a locked shed, and the rack system allows individuals to access their boats on their own without needing any assistance. Rigging is done on the lawn abutting the storage shed, and is close to the river's edge, allowing the boats to be launched by one person.

#### **Getting Started**

Claremont Yacht Club is a very welcoming and friendly club, with people of all ages participating in racing and coaching. Prospective newcomers already owning a boat are very welcome to come and sail with us on a trial basis prior to joining. For those who don't have a boat, the Dinghy Section has a number of ways to help you try out before acquiring your own, once you get the 'bug' so widely enjoyed here.

Please feel free to contact the Club by phone or email, or come down on a Sunday morning at 9:00am, and you will be made most welcome.







# POWER BOATING

The Power division of the Claremont Yacht Club caters for both the competitive and recreational interests associated with power boating.

Time-trialling is the competitive aspect of the division's activities while the social side includes events such as cruising in company to other yacht clubs and various island destinations.

These are just some of the ways powerboat members come together and enjoy ourselves and the fellowship often extends to other clubs, including participation in the casually competitive Time Trial State Championship.

#### COMPETITION

Most people don't realise that the power boating section has an official season which commences in May. An official opening day takes place with a 'sail past' prior to the first round of the time-trialling season; afterwards a relaxed evening meal and entertainment finishes the day off perfectly.

The objective of the time trial competition is to navigate a pre-determined course on the river at an

allotted speed and to arrive at manned checkpoints by predetermined times: "every second counts!"

Our Rear Commodore of Power warns: don't, whatever you do, be put off by the word "competition", as we are all there to have a great day out. The emphasis is on fun and enjoyment, and to provide an excuse for Members to use their boats through the winter months when they might otherwise sit unused if not unloved!

#### **SOCIAL**

Within the Club, power boat owners take fellow members, family and friends along with them to get away and socialise. We also encourage neighbouring clubs to cruise over and compete in our boating events, tie up at our jetty and enjoy a drink and/or meal at the Club. Events are run year-round mainly on Saturday afternoons, Sunday mornings and Wednesday summer evenings.

Members are always looking for new ways to enjoy spending time on the water and the Power Boat section regularly organises special events like fishing competitions and overnight stay-over cruises.

There is a strong contingent of Members who enjoy regular trips to Rottnest, Rockingham, Hillarys, Fremantle Fishing Boat Harbour, or as far away as the Abrolhos Islands and Exmouth. New members can join voyages for the camaraderie and also tap into the knowledge of members familiar with these and other destinations.



# SPECIAL OCCASION EVENTS & PARTIES

Claremont Yacht Club is proud to offer its facilities for your function. We can cater for up to 200 members' guests.

The Club regularly hosts functions including weddings, birthdays, social gatherings, corporate events, Christmas parties, reunions, school balls, breakfast meetings, wakes, and end of year or end of financial year parties. You may also like us to create a personalised event like a wine dinner or a live performance to fulfil whatever dream our team can help you realise.

The success of your function is crucial to us, from a small casual gathering of family and friends to a formal top-of-the-range gala ball. Both of our function rooms are available, with each one offering sweeping views of Freshwater Bay, our marina, the surrounding cliffs and beaches.

Our functions staff enjoy an extraordinary record for successful delivery of events. As owners and hosts of the occasion, the Club takes a keen interest to ensure the finest service and attention to detail for all our guests and Members, no matter what the occasion.

Our menu options are extensive, with hot and cold dishes available to delight your taste buds and a full range of excellent wines from local and international wineries.











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The clubhouse and surrounds provide very versatile accommodation for business events such as seminars, conferences and marketing events, with indoor and outdoor facilities perfect for any occasion. Our dedicated, conscientious and experienced staff will deliver the level of service you expect and their professionalism will ensure you create the right impression.

The Deepdene Room offers a private bar available for you and your delegates to enjoy a Sundowner at the conclusion of the event: to relax and reflect on your productive day.

Whether you and your business colleagues have a passion for sailing or just need an out-of-office environment to retreat to, why not ask us about an ongoing corporate association, or sponsorship agreement, with the Club. We are willing to develop a bespoke package incorporating membership and regular use of the facilities.

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If you do not have a boat, you can take advantage of the discounted Crew Membership, enabling you to take part in the Club's active racing calendar and social scene.

Family Membership represents excellent value. It incorporates one Senior Member, one Spouse or Partner Member and their children under 18 (Junior Members). Full details of membership criteria and current subscription rates can be found on our website at

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We think we have something really special here: great sporting and social opportunities, a great ambience and an immediate welcome to newcomers; all of this over great food and beverages and a wonderful river backdrop.

But we would say that, wouldn't we? The only way to know for sure is to come and have a look for vourself.



