

# Hurricane

# Members Club Update

MARCH 2026



## UPDATE

Hello to all our amazing Hurricane members — our club wouldn't be what it is today without the ongoing teamwork, dedication, and spirit each of you brings. Thank you for everything you do.

Time is flying by, and we have some major focal races approaching quickly, starting with the Geo Classic. Please make sure you get your names down early. This year, we'll be targeting just two crews: one heavyweight division crew and one light-weight crew. With the strong membership numbers we have, we won't be entering under-prepared teams simply to make up numbers in other canoes. Quality first.

Looking ahead to State Championships, we are on the verge of becoming the most winning club in the history of outrigger paddling in [Western Australia](#) — an incredible milestone that reflects years of commitment. This achievement is well within our reach, so please ensure you register your interest and keep the momentum strong.

Many of you have already seen our new team bus in action — a fantastic asset for the club. It's already proving its value, helping with training runs, one-way paddle sessions, and logistical support for coaches. A huge thank-you to Marco and Pete for all the behind-the-scenes work to bring this project to life. The bus will soon be sign-written with our sponsors and proudly displaying our club name.

The biggest event of the outrigger season is also fast approaching — the world-class competition at [Hamilton Island](#). Teams from across the globe will be attending. It's both exciting and expensive, and we are incredibly grateful to our sponsors for easing the financial pressure. Our major sponsor has generously directed the bulk of their support toward team expenses and the significant travel logistics involved, including the five-day drive across the country.

As we move closer to this event, please understand that selected teams will begin training together more consistently. Club training will continue as normal, but your regular crews may not always include the strongest paddlers, depending on preparation needs for Hamilton Island.

Finally, the club website is running beautifully. A huge thank-you to Maegan for the countless hours she has invested behind the scenes — your hard work is truly appreciated.

Thank you all once again for your commitment, teamwork, and passion. We have a massive season ahead, and together, we're achieving extraordinary things.

## MEMBERSHIP

Hurricane membership numbers are constantly growing.

We are excited to welcome Hurricane's newest members -

Sam Ennals, Huon Clark

Judy Eicke, Kane Cresswell

Ferial Hakami

### Committee

Gordan Stimson—President

Justin Bloomfield—Vic President

Sharon Corsbie—Secretary

Gail Bricknell —Treasurer

Leigh Bricknell— Senior's Head Coach

Geoff Bryant—Senior's Team Manager

Rhys Robinson— Junior Coaching Director

Peta Long—Junior's Team Manager

Arlina Sulaiman—Committee Member

Beate Ruuck—Committee Member

Vivienne Wigg— Committee Member  
(uniforms)

Jack Weatherby-Fell—Committee Member

Simone Wheeler— Committee Member

Sheryl Kelly - Committee Member

Peter Towndrow—Committee Member

# 2025 Christmas Paddle

The 2025 annual Hurricane Christmas paddle was nothing short of amazing. So much joy, laughter, celebration and Christmas cheer.

We came together as a club with 45 members on the water ( a record turnout for our Christmas paddle ) to celebrate the incredible year Team hurricane has had.

We were proud to honour Stewart Tempest with his induction as a Hurricane Life Member, and to recognize the many people who continue to shape and strengthen this amazing club and community.





## Introducing two new Major Sponsors to the club



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With convenient depots in Karratha, Port Hedland, Newman, Perth and the South West—they have worked with nearly all of Australia's large mining companies, as well as smaller operators. Working on a large scale has given them the ability to continually streamline and improve their services.

All their vehicles are regularly serviced by in house industry professionals and are fitted with GPS tracking devices to create greater control and efficiency in their work.



# PARA-CANOE



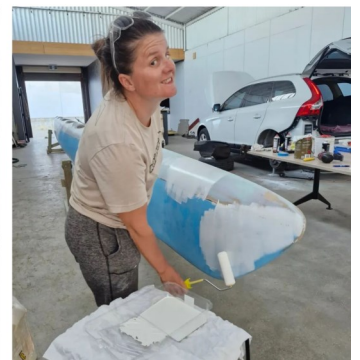
Hurricane Para-Canoe turned 1 year old in February, and we celebrated by returning the programs Kamanu back to the water with a new look and more importantly a new name after a few months of refurbishing.

We had the pleasure of being joined by the one and only John Herbert to bless her under her new name. Mea Ola (Ola for short) meaning survivor, was picked and voted on by our para paddlers for what they felt represented them best.

None of this would happen without our programs volunteers and supporters. Thank you.

We have lofty racing goals a head of us so Ola has some work to do.





Months of work refurbishing the Kamanu.

Many hands on deck.

## Hurricane Club Bus

The club had the opportunity to purchase a very reasonably priced bus. After a bit of tidy up, mainly cosmetic, thanks to Marco and Peter, the bus is now on the road and already getting plenty of use.

To cover ongoing costs associated with the bus, including fuel, the club has decided that a bus fare will be introduced for those wanting a seat - maybe your travelling to a club regatta or doing a down winder.

Of course seats will be limited, so it will be on a first in basis.



What a fantastic result.

The OC6 crew achieved **GOLD** in all of their events.

So proud.



OC6 Mixed Hurricane crew



**MARCH**

Saturday 7th - Sunday 8th - Hurricane Weekend Camp

Ocean fundamentals (Training)

Jervoise Bay

Saturday 14th - Sandgroppers (Jnr Adventure Race)

Rockingham

Saturday 21st - Mandurah Match Racing

Mandurah

Saturday 28th - Wavies Geographe Classic

Busselton

**APRIL**

Friday 10th - Sunday 12th - WAZA State Titles

Jervoise Bay

Sunday 19th - Junior State Titles

Rockingham

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# HURRICANE

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