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# Commodores Comment

Hi and welcome to this month's Shoreline.

They say good things are "worth the wait". We have been waiting on summer for a long time and it seems it might have arrived about two months late. The shorts have come out and now the legs are starting to brown up a bit..... well that might be an exaggeration..... the ultra intense white glow has disappeared a little.

We had a rat infestation in the boat in early January, I guess the weather drove them into sheds looking for shelter. The boat was in a open shed with the road cover on and another plastic cover on that but still they managed to find a way in. Luckily there was no real damage to the boat itself but not so lucky for a bag of towels and hats which were destroyed. Tissues and toilet paper were also extremely popular for nest building and the fishing net had a few large holes neatly cut in it and the fishing rods also had the lines cut. Thankfully all our life jackets, wet suits, biscuit and skis were all in the garage from Decembers Xmas party. After a top to bottom wet vacuum and deodorise we have had the boat out a couple of times since.

A big thanks to the Heaps family for running the Ski school at Bannockburn. Saturday was a perfect day for learners, calm and not to many other boats making waves. Seven kids had a go for the first time with most having a successful lap of the bay. Yours truly also had a go at dropping a ski and eventually after quite a few spectacular crashes, I did manage a lap on one.

Anyway better make the most of the fine days while we have some so get out amongst it!

Until next time  
Dave McFadzien



# Secretary Notes:

The first Executive meeting for 2017 was held at John Thayers home and there were 12 members present. There was not a lot of contentious business and we largely discussed events since November with reports on the Christmas BBQ, Christmas Parade and the Ski School at Banockburn last weekend.

Jamie Chittock and the Smith family had attended the Hawea Fishing Competition and both families did well in the prize lists.

The Volvo Have a Go sailing day was a great day with 8 kids cutting their teeth in less than ideal conditions, but Henry Message the tutor did, an excellent job and all the kids were competent Americas Cup team members by the end of the day. Henry was impressed with the venue and said it was ideal for learning to sail. I thank Graham Hall from the Otago Yacht Club for pressing Yachting NZ to have a session in Gore. Perhaps the only controversial item on the agenda is the reliability of the water supply at the Lodge. Largely provided from roof water, the supply is challenged when large groups use the lodge and also because it is constantly booked throughout the year. Previously, when the tank level got low we would call on the Fire Brigade but that avenue is now unavailable and we now have to make our own arrangements. So where are we going to find a body of fresh water when you need it. Across the road of course. Tony had investigated what appeared to be the logical answer and had got prices for a pump and piping to run across the road QED ! But wait there's more ! Apparently the club has a bore near the deck and somewhere there is a rumlpy old electric pump , so the first option is to reinstate that. Questions were raised about possible septic contamination so water samples will be tested before we are sure this is the best option. The Executive acknowledges the generous donation of a trophy provided by Ivan Van de Water for the Firebug yachts to be awarded when we have a Firebug Challenge. Thanks for that Ivan. And while we are on about yachts (yawn), I had mentioned that we needed a dedicated pick-up / safety / tutoring boat for when the kids are on the water. It just so happened that there was a little waif hidden away in Inders display room that would be ideal. Fibreglass, wide stable beam with good floatation and on a registered road legal trailer. This week I filled in the details on the forms and put in an application for funding from the RSA and bless their hearts they gave us the money. The Boat Club now owns four boats and it hasn't cost it a cent. The name of the boat will have to be Poppy and we will need to acknowledge the funding with signage.

Finally, congratulations to Len and Shona Ross on their Diamond wedding recently. Good effort you two.

Keep taking the pills, Pete Salmond Secretary



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MARCH

4th Ski Champs

26th 4WD Trip

APRIL

1st Kingston Katch

15th Poker Run on Manapouri

MAY

20th Marathon on Te Anau

JUNE

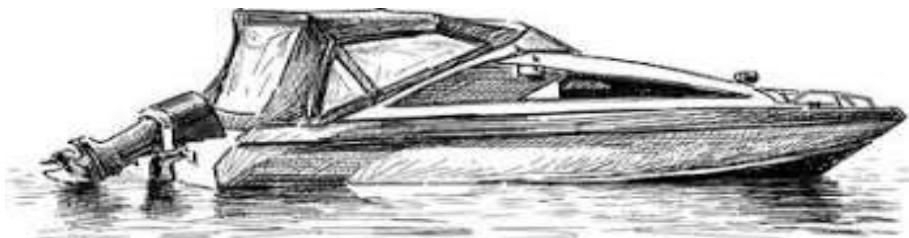
Brass Monkey weekend at Te Anau

JULY

Skippers Dinner

AUGUST

Annual General Meeting



# Gore Boat Club Water Ski Champs

**WHEN:** 4th March 2017

**WHERE:** Bannockburn Arm in Cromwell

Come along and have a go at this years Ski Champs. Remember this is a social event for all ages.

Practice runs begin at **10am** on Saturday.

Please call Paul Clarkson or Brad Inder with numbers by the 1st March.

If we do not get enough interest the event will be cancelled.

Hope to see better numbers this year and the weather plays the game.

**For further inquiries please contact:**

Paul Clarkson  
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The Heslips run a business called Farm Gate Meats, where they grow, process, market, sell and deliver their own products throughout Otago and Southland. Paul will give a quick overview of the operation.

Then travelling through the Heslip's property to the top boundary where we will cross over onto Cameron and Robert Grants new block that's in the Otapiri Gorge.

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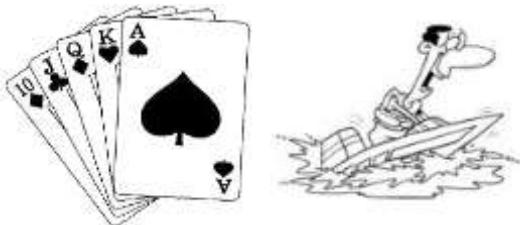
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A really full on day resulted in most progressing to another level.

After drinking a fair amount of the water in the Cairnmuir arm of Lake Dunstan Commodore Dave mastered the single ski.

Thanks to all who made the weekend a success especially Mark Heaps who spent many hours in the water coaching.

We are certainly keen to have another coaching weekend next year.

Trevor Heaps



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4) Right-handed people, on average, live 9 years longer than left-handed people.

5) Every day, you are breathing in about 1/4 of other people's farts.

6) Valentine's day is one of the days with the highest suicide rates.

7) 1 out of 8 couples married in the U.S. last year met online.

8) No word in the English language rhymes with month.

9) The most common name in the world is MOHAMMED.

## 10) Giraffes are unable to cough.

11) You share your birthday with at least 9 million other people in the world.

12) A cow can climb stairs but they can't come down.

13) An average person will laugh 15 times a day.

14) A duck's quack doesn't echo and nobody knows why.

15) Having blue eyes is actually a mutation. before the mutation occurred all humans had brown eyes.

16) There is a city called Rome in every continent.

17) Owls are the only birds that can see the colour blue.

18) Babies are born without kneecaps

# *Recipes*



## Crayfish Burger

### Lemon Mayonnaise:

1 Egg  
1 tsp Dijon mustard  
1 Lemon  
1 cup Olive oil, lighter-style

4 Bread rolls  
250g Crayfish tails  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  Iceberg lettuce  
2 Tbsp fresh parsley  
Salt & freshly ground pepper  
Lemon juice

To make the mayonnaise, place the egg, juice of  $\frac{1}{2}$  lemon, and mustard in a food processor. Blend well then drizzle in the oil with the machine running. Once the oil is incorporated the mayonnaise should be thick and unctuous. Season to taste and keep refrigerated.

Keeps 2-3 days, well covered.

Spread mayonnaise over the split bread rolls.

Slice the crayfish tail and divide it into four portions.

Toss the chopped parsley through the lettuce, place a portion in each roll and top with the crayfish slices and a sprinkling of salt, pepper and a squeeze of lemon juice.



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