



Memo to all Members of SADARC 27th November 2012.

As there will be no Newsletter until mid-January 2013 (as normal during the silly Season) I thought it important that I contact all of you to bring you up to date on a few issues.

Firstly, don't forget that our Christmas Function is being held at the Shepparton RSL on Sunday 2nd December from 12.00 noon onwards. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible as it is an opportunity for us to get to know each other better and for the wives to meet as well. We have currently booked for 25 so if you have not previously indicated your attendance can you please contact Ron VK3COP at pegron@bigpond.net.au or Phone 5762-6288. Karen and I are looking forward to seeing you on the 2nd.

The next issue that need to be addressed is the Murray River QUAD that was to be held on the 15th December starting at Yarrawonga and finishing at Tocumwal. This event has now been postponed until 2013 as there were insufficient registrations. The following is an extract that I received from Tim Roadley, the representative from the QUAD that addressed our meeting:

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It is with disappointment that Canoeing Victoria and the Yarrawonga Mulwala Canoe Club have made the decision to cancel the Murray Quad event in 2012.

Despite the event being ready to run and great support from the local organizations and Council, lack of entries have unfortunately not made the event viable this year. Feedback from potential competitors stated that it is a fantastic event that they will take on next year, but the lead time from promotion to event this year was not sufficient to prepare for such a challenge.

To address these issues, Canoeing Victoria will be confirming the date for 2013 in January in consultation with the World Quadrathlon Federation as well as promoting the event earlier and providing course familiarization sessions in the local Yarrawonga area throughout the year.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support to date and look forward to a partnership with you for the 2013 event.

We will continue to support and promote the local area by holding the first of these familiarization sessions on the 15th December in Yarrawonga. It will include the full 19.5km course run and a paddling equipment expo on the

Saturday afternoon followed by a paddling training session with the Yarrowonga canoe club on the Sunday morning.

Entry fees already paid will be fully refunded and entrants will be notified accordingly in the coming week. Once again it is with disappointment that we have had to cancel the event, but we look forward to it being a successful event in 2013.

Yours sincerely

Sharon Swoboda
Co-Executive Officer
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The upshot of this is that our commitment to Radio Comms on Saturday 15th December is no longer required for this year. When the dates are known for 2103 we will revisit the situation and decide at that time if we are in the position to assist. To me it is disappointing that the event has not occurred this year but this will allow them to have the time to make it a bigger and better event in 2013. Thank you to all those who volunteered for the day and a special thank you to Darren VK3HEN and Bruce VK3FBNG for the effort that they had put into the event on behalf on the Club.

Finally, Karen and I would like to wish you all a very safe and blessed Christmas and New Year. We hope that whatever you do over this festive season is enjoyable.

Regards,

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