



VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT ... 2004-05

It has been good to be involved with the Committee decision making even if from afar. I have always thought that all the members should be from an area that enables everyone to get together at short notice for meetings etc. Modern technology, email in particular, has overcome distance and I have been involved in one way or another in most of the management meetings and decisions that needed resolving.

The most important aspect of my involvement is that it has given North Queensland a voice at State level and information of interest at Club level has been relayed on quickly and in full. It has kept the region up to date and also has enabled regional thoughts to be fed back to the state body without delaying the process.

I feel that in 2004-05, with the new regime, QRYA has turned the corner. With the introduction of regular meetings, "job descriptions" and the allocation of responsibilities for committee members, the state now has more direction. There is no doubt that our Secretary has been overloaded with work in the past and hopefully his job is getting easier. Graeme has done an outstanding job in his first year of leadership and it is hoped he will remain in the role and continue to guide Queensland through the next years and cement our position at the top of Australian Model Yachting. I must also give full marks to Eddie for his work setting up the new QRYA website making us more accessible to our members.

Greg, sorry to see you leaving the Committee. You have always been for me and I'm sure many others, a source of information and help when help was needed. But busy people have lots to do and one's time sometimes has to be reallocated. Good luck and good sailing.

I wish the incoming Committee a successful year in 2005-2006.

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