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# CITY BOATIES OUR STORY



# CITY OF PERTH SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB BOATIES

This story sets the future vision for the City Boaties. The story is aspirational and achievable, and the details are provided as context to our culture. A strong and inclusive culture is paramount to the City Boaties as custodians of the club's mantra of "One Club One Community".



The club owns four surf boats that are all less than four years old with most crews having access to their own set of oars and rowlocks.

The next new boat is planned for purchasing in two years and the boaties run an annual business event that draws a crowd of 100+ people from within the membership and the wider Cambridge community.

During the season our regular Sunday Race Round sees crews getting race practice, sharing ideas and having fun in three boat races over a two hour session, while the winter program consists of crews mixing to race in the winter endurance series in Perth and at Albany.

The growth in the boat area has seen the club develop relationships with a local yacht club to host some of our surf boats for river use over the winter and summer.

A dynamic and active boat committee runs regular social events, that brings the section together as well as 'have a go' days and programs that provides sweeps, coaches and rowers access to expert coaching and rowing advice from within WA and across Australia.

All group training and events are communicated to the City Boaties community through our social media chat groups so everyone has the opportunity to be involved.

The positive boat section culture starts as soon as new rowers are introduced to the club with senior leaders and mentors participating in Sunday 'have a go' days for new/younger rowers, and through coaching support.

Rowers have been joining the club via a school-based pathway. The pathway and 'have a go' days has seen two male and two female u/19 crews forming each year.

The culture is further instilled through concurrently running morning and afternoon training programs based out of the club gym and through fitness activities, while new sweeps are developed in partnership with WA ASRL and through a club supported exchange program with a sweep/rower coming from the east coast each winter for a week and a like-wise for two City boaties travelling east.

The season has just finished and the City Boaties have finished off with a crew making the final at the Aussies and two other crews making it to the top ten. This backs up similar results from the ASRL National Championships with three crews being picked to represent WA at the interstate championships. The club was represented in all

finals at the State Titles and took out four state titles including three silvers and three bronze medallions, and a medal in the surf boat relay. The masters crews continue to bring home medals at all levels and support younger/newer crews with advice and support at training.

Two of our junior rowers have been recognised for their commitment to the club by being named finalist for youth member of the year, and senior boaties have been named as finalist for best Club Member, Instructor and Coach of the Year awards at the club annual dinner.

**City is now the club of choice for many WA boaties due to the supportive, committed and great team culture.**

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