

The President
Walkerville Boat Club
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Dear Lindsay,

Re: 'Boat Clubs' Future Intentions.

I was sorry to read your last newsletter discussing disbanding as one of your future options. We are writing to you commending your members to continue representing the voice of the majority of fishing enthusiasts at Walkerville.

There is no doubt your organization has been badly treated / ignored / shafted / treated with contempt / lied to / misled and misrepresented by almost every government and semi government department and their associated operations in the Walkerville area , as well as the State Government. We all recognize now that the local conservative and green movements have the ability to manipulate the democratic process on issues such as the boat ramp and that advancements in recreational facilities are not going to come without a fight. If your group disbands then there will be no representation at all of the Fishing interests at Walkerville, apart from what our Progress Association tries to achieve through the ongoing process of unmasking unfair practices and the people who practice them on our public website.

We wonder whether there is a possibility that you could continue on and use your resources and energy to work with the Foreshore Committee on projects other than "options 5" that would benefit your members. Projects such as rock removal and fish cleaning facilities could be put to the foreshore committee in the hope that common sense prevails. (We can only try)

We support and congratulate your group on the good and fair fight they put up to get something that they thought was reasonable and in the best interest of the community. Let us both see what the future brings.

Steve Graham
President