

MEET THE MEMBERS Q & A

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How long have you been at PDSC?
50 years

What does being a member of PDSC mean to you?

Familynot everyone gets the chance to grow up with 100 aunties and uncles, brothers and sisters.

What are three words you would use to describe PDSC?

Place of belonging.

Do you have any other hobbies apart from being at PDSC?

I love design and spend a lot of time at the beach.

What might someone be surprised to know about you?

Dave Creed and I actually take rescue very seriously. Until there is no breeze. Then it's all about fun...No surprise there.

What do you wish other people knew about PDSC?

It's a completely unique family based community.

First memory at PDSC?

Like most it's sleeping under the tables.

Favourite memory at PDSC?

So many come to mind but probably the 14 Australian Championships when friends from all over Australia come together. they are now family. I'm so lucky to have been the hostess with the mostest on Brian Kerman's beautiful big boat through the past carnivals and show off our amazing city.

Funniest memory at PDSC?

I once thought it was a good idea to go to the club after I had been at the footy all day. (I may or may not have had a little to drink) and Billy's band was set up and I was convinced to get up and sing Sweet Caroline. Oooooohhhh dear.

What is your sailing history?

Being born into the club of course my first boat was a Mudlark before moving to JDs. At that stage I started my apprenticeship in hairdressing so had to work Saturday morning, so the awesome David Dye would rig up for us and Kim Devine and I would run down, jump on and "sail" (very loose term) the laughter was loud and we had so much fun. We also had "people" to un-rig for us so we could warm up in the shower ☺. Our boat was called - Mint mate surfs up catch a junior dinghy to Rotto.-..... yep.

What do you do when you aren't at PDSC?

I work full time for 3M, design a Jewellery brand, I'm a hairdresser and run a charity for kids with cancer. And I grant wishes for Make a Wish.

Editors Note: Carolyn was awarded an Order of Australia Medal (OAM) in 2018 for her charity work

What do you think the future of PDSC is?

I have no doubt that we are in a good place seeing the next generation moving up.

Which four individuals in the world, living or dead, would you like to have dinner with the most?

To have our whole family together for dinner would be amazing. Tom (Dad) ,Bev (Ma), Buzz, Brad and myself. Yep that would be AMAZING.