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Commodore's Welcome

Townsville Yacht Club is a stable, friendly, outgoing club and a long standing important part of the Townsville Community and its history.

It has a growing membership and offers support to all sailing, boating and on water activities in Townsville and North Queensland. We welcome all those who have an interest in these activities.

The Club's Board of Directors are enthusiastic and innovative. We have facilities that are modern, engaging and well run. We have an excellent marina, great staff, enjoyable social activities and active yacht racing, cruising and motor boat members.

We actively support all our membership and look always to the future by encouraging youth and educational on-water activities. The club has a great ambience that makes socialising, dining and entertaining for friends and family really enjoyable and affordable.

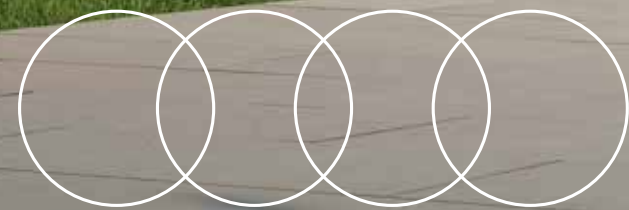
On behalf of our members and our Board, I invite you to consider membership of our Club and besides enjoying our great facilities, you will then also be able to take advantage of the benefits that membership entitles you to.



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Welcome

Townsville Yacht Club is one of North Queensland's best-loved yacht clubs, catering for a thriving membership with a diverse range of boating interests.

Located in Plume Street, just off the Palmer Street eating precinct, the club's location is both spectacular and convenient. It is a gem waiting to be discovered.

The club has its own 165-berth modern marina, with opportunities for short and long-term rentals and berth ownership. It offers many state-of-the-art amenities including CCTV security.

Members enjoy a full calendar of sailing events throughout the season, which features regular club racing competing for the Commodore's Cup, and the very popular Wednesday Twilight sailing.

The highlight of the club calendar is SeaLink Magnetic Island Race Week, a week's yacht racing from beautiful Magnetic Island. Held in September, it attracts competitors from around Australia eager to enjoy keen competition in a number of classes and the equally appealing social scene after racing.

The clubhouse and popular deck area offer wonderful views overlooking our marina and out over the tranquil waters of Ross Creek. We are open for lunch and dinner and drinks all day.



We offer a very reasonable membership with valuable benefits, and also welcome visitors to enjoy a meal, glass of wine, the boats bobbing on the water and the bright lights of Flinders Street East.

The clubhouse is an excellent choice as the venue for functions, offering a range of function areas, perfect for anything from a wedding reception or birthday party to a conference or board meeting.

The club's staff and members are friendly and welcoming and we look forward to seeing you soon.

About the Club

Townsville Yacht Club can trace its history right back to the 1950s, when the Townsville Motor Boat Club leased land in Plume Street from the Townsville Harbour Board.

That Club initially built a clubhouse (a shed might be a more accurate term!) on that land. Then in 1969, the present clubhouse was built.

In recent years, though, the club has grown and developed to cater for people with an interest in recreational boating activities of all kinds. Whether your preference is sail or power (or both) you will be made equally welcome.

The Townsville Game Fishing Club (TGFC), hold their monthly meetings at the club and the majority of their weigh-ins. The TGFC run a number of events throughout the year, such as Ladies Day and a junior competition as well as their premier event, the Annual Bill Fish Challenge, which is held in August and hosted by the club. For more info, visit tgfc.org or search for "Townsville Game Fishing Club" on Facebook.

In 1984 the Townsville Cruising Yacht Club joined with the Townsville Motor Boat Club to form the Townsville Motor Boat and Yacht Club Limited (TMBYC).



That same year, the new club took the ambitious step of leasing the seabed adjoining the Plume Street site from the Department of Harbours and Marine and began work on a 65-berth floating marina.

The club was able to secure a freehold title for the Plume Street site in 1998, thereby guaranteeing our long-term future.

The magnificent 165-berth pontoon marina that you see today was completed in July 2009 at a cost of \$8million. In June of that same year, TMBYC changed its trading name to Townsville Yacht Club (TYC).

The club has come a long way since those early days and we hope those early pioneers would be pleased by the present-day facilities. Our aim, always, is to maximise the benefits to our members by becoming the premium marina for recreational boating activities within the North Queensland region and an integral partner in the Palmer Street dining and entertainment precinct.

In September 2017 the club underwent renovations with the aim to keep the club fresh and modern. We wanted to bring the outside in and open up our indoor dining areas, so bifold doors were added, making it a flexible function/dining space.

We have improved our entry and bar area for a free flowing and welcoming club. The members and Board love the new feel to the club.

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Marina Services

Townsville Yacht Club has been serving the boating community in North Queensland for the best part of 70 years.

In 2009, the club completed a multi-million dollar redevelopment of its marina facilities, further strengthening its position as one of the leading yacht clubs in Northern Queensland and ensuring it continues to be the destination of choice for discerning boaties travelling up the East Coast.

Our marina has redefined the meaning of top-of-the-line amenities. The marina has 165 berths (including regatta berths) and is able to accommodate vessels up to 20 metres.

All the berths are available for short and long term rentals and prices are regularly reviewed to remain competitive.

Best news of all? There is a depreciating rate the longer you stay. And who wouldn't want to linger longer with the club situated within walking distance to Palmer Street restaurants and their alfresco dining as well as the Museum of Tropical Queensland, Perc Tucker Gallery, the city centre and of course the popular Strand!



The club is situated at possibly the safest bolt hole on the Eastern Coast, well up the Ross Creek and protected on all sides. The yacht club has a manned office in normal office hours. There is a dedicated arrival berth with easy access.

The marina has top-of-the-line CCTV security for the fingers and there is a swipe key for ins and outs. Some berths have 3-phase and metered 240v electricity. The toilet block has 4 unisex ensuites and laundry facilities.

Booking ahead can be done over the phone by calling (07) 4772 1192 or via the club website, www.townsvillyachtclub.com.au. The website also carries a list of current berthing rates.



Sailing Program

To many sailors, there is nothing to beat the buzz and the thrill of competition. If you fall into this category, then Townsville Yacht Club is the club for you as we are able to offer year-round competitive sailing in a variety of categories.

There are four quarterly series named the Tropical Series, Autumn Series, Winter Series and Spring Series. Each features a combination of Buoy Races, Fixed Mark Races, and Round Magnetic Island Races.

As well as vying to win individual races and series, the best and most consistent performers are aiming to land the big one: the Commodore's Cup, which goes to the yacht with the lowest aggregate point score. In effect, this piece of silverware is awarded to the club's yacht of the year.

Townsville Yacht Club has always been proud to be an all-inclusive club offering equal opportunities for all and we champion female sailors. In 2017 we hosted our inaugural TYC GaLS Regatta (GaLS being "Girls and Ladies Sailing"). Designed to promote and develop women's sailing in North Queensland, this event supports our region's female sailors as they develop and hone racing skills, challenge themselves and compete with likeminded women.

The event has attracted crews from Cairns, Port Douglas, Newcastle, Mooloolaba, Melbourne, Tasmania and Darwin. The regatta aims to create friendships and camaraderie to ensure all competitors' sailing experiences at the Townsville Yacht Club are fun and rewarding. Our female members have also taken part in the Australian Women's Keelboat Regatta and Mooloolaba Women's Keelboat Regatta.

The club also supports events held by other clubs, such as Port Douglas Race Week, Airlie Beach Race Week and Hamilton Island Race Weeks, and we even have competitors in such prestigious events as the Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race.



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It's not all about trying to emulate your Olympic heroes, however. Sailing for leisure, pleasure and relaxation can be equally rewarding and there is plenty of opportunity to enjoy this too.

Each Wednesday evening the club holds a social Twilight Sail in the tranquil waters of Cleveland Bay. A short pursuit-style sail is followed by prize giving, a members' draw and, of course, socialising at the TYC.

Anyone interested in becoming involved in sailing or who just want to try it out is welcome to come down to the Townsville Yacht Club on a Wednesday evening.

Visitors or guests who are not club members will need to register for a SailPass by 5pm on the day. This provides participants with temporary Sailing Membership and is available from the club on the day.

Visitors will be assigned to one of the club members' boats as long as there are sufficient spaces available. If you can't get on a boat that night, keep trying!

In addition to Twilight Sailing, owning a boat (or knowing someone who does!) gives the opportunity to take off and explore some of the delightful bays, beaches, inlets and islands either close to home or further afield.

Members go off on impromptu cruises together and a large flotilla takes part in the larger social cruises of the year, the Australia Day Cruise and the always-popular Herald Island weekend which signals the end of the racing season.

The destination for the Australia Day Cruise varies from year to year and can be dependent on the weather forecast, but the day will generally feature lunch on the beach at one of Magnetic Island's stunning bays and a few drinks. A not-so-serious game of beach cricket is also encouraged!

Whether planning your first short trip or that initial long-distance journey, fellow members are there for advice, support and friendship. This group environment is hugely enjoyable and if travelling with fellow members offers the reassurance to the inexperienced boatie that someone will be able to help out should things not go as smoothly as planned.



Magnetic Island Race Week

Townsville Yacht Club has a number of prestigious sailing events in our calendar, the biggest being SeaLink Magnetic Island Race Week. Event HQ is located at Peppers Resort, Magnetic Island.



First run in 1997 and having celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2016, the event follows on from the Airlie Beach and Hamilton Island Race Weeks and is the finale of the Queensland Season of Sailing.

The courses feature a combination of shorter round-the-buoys races on Cleveland Bay and passage races on the magnificent sailing waters around stunning Magnetic Island, enabling the winners to prove their superiority in all types of course configurations. For some divisions the race committee even has the option of setting more than one race on some of the regatta days.

The mid-morning race start times allow for a pleasantly gentle start to the day for the sailors who will be drawn to the island from around Australia and from Northern Queensland. There is also always a contingent of overseas sailors that arrive to join the fun.

Generally, competitive racing is scheduled for Friday, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with presentations taking place after the final race. Sunday is set aside for the popular Magnetic Island fun day which attracts competitors, locals and visitors to the island to enjoy a festival-type atmosphere on Maggie.

The classes for the event are typically IRC Racing, Cruising with Spinnaker/Performance Handicap, Non Spinnaker and Multihull Racing.



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SeaLink Magnetic Island Race Week has continued to develop and grow year on year. As organisers, the club is continually exploring ways to refine and improve it to reflect the ever-changing trends in our sport and ensure the sailing continues to meet the needs of competitors.

The aim has been to create an event that is all encompassing and appeals to as many classes of boat as possible – so there really is no excuse not to take part!

While the racing is serious, there is a great social feel to the event, with live music as well as good food and drink available on the deck at Peppers. Once the day's competition is finalised, competitors unwind at the popular "Yachties Hour", talk about the day's sailing and enjoy the special atmosphere.

Legend has it that Magnetic Island got its name because of the strange effect it had on the compass of Captain Cook's ship as he sailed up the East Coast back in 1770. But perhaps there's another explanation: it's also plausible he felt the unique pull exerted by "Maggie".

It really is as if there's a Magnetic attraction because you're drawn to this place and once you've discovered its charms, it is very difficult to leave. That's why so many of the competitors who race in SeaLink Magnetic Island Race Week return to take part year after year.



SeaLink Magnetic Island Race Week takes place annually in early September.

For more details, take a look at the event's dedicated website, www.magneticislandraceweek.com.au. Here you can read more about the event, catch up with the all the latest news, view great photo galleries of past events, read the Notice of Race details and even enter online.

Become a Member

Interested in joining one of the friendliest and most well-respected clubs in Australia? We would be happy to welcome you aboard!



Townsville Yacht Club is a dynamic club offering a wide range of off and on-water activities for our members.

Whether your interest lies with yacht racing, powerboating, fishing, cruising or simply making friends in a social atmosphere, then Townsville Yacht Club is the club for you.

Ordinary memberships open up many benefits and are available for the annual equivalent of a little more than three dollars a week. Ordinary membership is compulsory for all long-term marina users.

A family club, we offer substantial discounts to junior members and we also offer our most popular Social Membership which provides discounts and gives access to the club's excellent facilities. TYC really is a great place to bring friends and family, to relax and enjoy Townsville's best waterfront location.

Any person who sails regularly during the sailing season must either become a TYC Sailing Member or purchase a SailPass for each race they participate in. This ensures all participants in the TYC Sailing Season have an Australian

Sailing number, are affiliated with Yachting Queensland (YQ) and Australian Sailing (AS) have the benefit of personal accident insurance for racing.

Membership applications are available at the Townsville Yacht Club office or bar and can be entered on-line on the club's website. For further details about the membership categories and current subscription rates, please call the club on (07) 4772 1192. If you're in the area, please introduce yourself and we would be delighted to show you everything we have to offer. Joining Townsville Yacht Club could be one of the best decisions you make this, or any other, year.



Member Benefits

Some of the compelling sailing and social reasons to become a member at Townsville Yacht Club include:

- Spectacular location, with expansive marina and waterfront views
- Full use of the dining and bar facilities offered by the club
- Discounts on meals and beverages at the bar or bistro on presentation of your membership card (non-transferable)
- Use of the club's car park when enjoying the club's facilities. (Ordinary Members only when boom gate is in use)
- Cash prizes in the weekly members' draw held on Wednesday and Friday nights (must be present to win)
- A networking opportunity that is second to none with like-minded people in a relaxed and social atmosphere
- A first-class social calendar that offers a huge variety of activities from BBQs to black tie events

Reciprocal membership with most yacht clubs throughout Australia (excludes discounts)



Additionally, sailing members enjoy:

- Australian Sailing membership which provides personal accident insurance and discounts
- Use of modern, well-maintained facilities, including changing rooms
- Secure location for boat storage with CCTV and swipe card security
- Participation in club racing events
- Discounts for cruising and social events
- Members' Draw entry following races and at cruising/social events
- TYC Sailing Membership includes Australian Sailing membership \$300 annually**
- TYC membership starts at \$55 annually for a Social Member and \$200 for Ordinary Members**

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Clubhouse & Restaurant

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But it is also a social hub for the local community, who are equally welcome to enjoy a delicious meal on our main deck overlooking the marina, or pop in and catch up with friends while enjoying drinks in a relaxed atmosphere.

The club is fully licensed with a selection of draught and bottled beers, a choice of fine wines, spirits, delicious cocktails and an extensive range of soft drinks.

There is also a fabulous decking area outside, offering magnificent marina and waterfront views. It's a great spot to spend a warm summer evening or coming off your boat after a day on the water.

The menu features fresh produce sourced locally and with the emphasis on quality and value it's little wonder that so many members frequent their restaurant.





If you're looking for a relaxed setting by the water, great value and friendly service, then the Townsville Yacht Club is the place for you. We're open for lunch and dinner, offering sumptuous meals for all to enjoy.

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Functions & Special Occasions

Townsville Yacht Club is delighted to be able to offer top class dining, events and function facilities all year round to members and visitors.

Our magnificent venue is right in the heart of Townsville and offers a stunning setting for all occasions.

The club has developed an enviable reputation for its function hosting and makes an excellent choice for that wedding reception, cocktail party, business seminar, end-of-year celebration, birthday party, reunion or any other event you choose to enjoy. We make an excellent choice for that special dining experience.

Townsville Yacht Club has two function areas available for private use. Choose from the air-conditioned Mariner's Room for 100 people cocktail-style or seating up to 70 people, with bifold doors opening up and great views

over the marina. Or enjoy the outdoors on our Foredeck for more relaxed drinks and platters or a dinner for up to 40 people.

We understand that every function is a truly unique event and we are more than happy to tailor a package specifically for you. We supply catering with a variety of options available from platters to set menus or buffets to suit your budget.

Our dedicated team appreciate the preparation required to conduct a successful event and strive to exceed the expectations of our clients and their guests. With our friendly and professional staff readily available to help you in any way they can to make your special occasion an event you will always remember.



Right in the city with stunning indoor and outdoor facilities, our venue is convenient for any function.

If you have guests coming from afar, Townsville Airport is a ten-minute taxi ride away and offers superb links to most major Australian cities. There is excellent accommodation located across the road and along Palmer Street.

Our indoor and outdoor function areas are complete with panoramic marina views to guarantee you and your guests a truly memorable experience.

If you would like to view our facilities and discuss your plans in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact us to arrange an appointment. Call our Function Coordinator on (07) 4772 1192 or visit our website www.townsvilleyachtclub.com.au.

Conferences & Meetings

Townsville Yacht Club has outstanding facilities available for hire that are very popular with the corporate community.

Our versatile clubhouse space with its choice of well-appointed rooms and outdoor areas makes it the perfect venue for all kinds of business events including but not limited to:

- Conferences
- Seminars
- Product promotions
- Development of leadership and team building skills
- Staff Christmas parties

The facilities are magnificent, but arguably the most compelling reason to bring your corporate event to Townsville Yacht Club is our refreshingly flexible approach.

With us, you don't need to settle for second best and feel constricted by having to choose an imperfect package. Instead, come to us with your requirements and we will provide a competitive quote and take care of the rest.

Our recently renovated air-conditioned Mariner's Room is perfect for corporate functions. The room can accommodate up to 80 delegates depending on your desired seating plan from Theatre Style, U-Shape, or Cabaret Style layouts.

The Mariner's Room is dividable and can be split into two rooms. The smaller Commodore's Room can accommodate up to 16 people and is perfect for that private board meeting, staff training session or small conference.

Townsville Yacht Club offers a change of pace that is sure to impress delegates and can invigorate staff and provide inspiration and breathe creative life into business meetings.

The location is simply breath-taking, even for those who do not have a love for getting out on the water. We are right in the heart of Townsville, but a world away from the hustle and bustle of office and city life. Magnificent waterfront views from the clubhouse and its surrounds will have your clients talking long after the event.



Anything from a sit-down meal, to a working lunch can be provided, with refreshments as required. Our highly-regarded Executive Chef is supported by our team of friendly and professional staff who are dedicated to making your event a success.

The following equipment can be supplied to assist you get that presentation point across:

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- Projector Screen
- Complete audio visual capabilities
- Lectern & Microphone
- Whiteboards with pens

Simply talk to us beforehand about anything else you require. Our in-house events team will assist with organising all elements of your conference, ensuring a special and successful experience. We offer flexible solutions and our dedicated team of professionals are available to discuss your requirements.

For more details, please call our Function Coordinator on (07) 4772 1192 or visit our website, www.townsvillyahctclub.com.au



Contact Us

Townsville Yacht Club is conveniently situated in the heart of town and is one of the most popular venues in the Palmer Street eating precinct. Turn left at the Wharton Reef Light located at the roundabout in Palmer Street along Plume Street and you will find us about 100 metres down on the right-hand side.

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