



Name: Tony Hennessey

Year first nominated for Membership of RBYC: 2010

Membership Term: 13 Years

Membership Status: Senior Member

Professional Background:

A software coder by background, I have held positions as Company Director, General Manager, Project Director and Enterprise Technology Architect in the Healthcare Information Technology sector. I am currently the Technology Director for the Victorian Health Building Authority which has carriage for delivering Health Infrastructure projects to our state.

Sailing experience:

I have been an active sailor at RBYC in both dinghies and keel boats over a 50-year period that has included competitive racing and cruising. I started in Sabots at RBYC in 1972 and then moved into 12 Ft Cadets where I represented the club and state in multiple national regattas. Post cadets, I sailed Lightweight Sharpies, Tasers, OK Dinghy's, 420's and J24's competing at both national and international levels.

From 2012 to 2018, I was actively involved as a coaching volunteer in the youth program.

Along with my brother Jack, I am currently a part owner in our family cruiser Joan Ellen (54ft Hanse) which is berthed at the RBYC Marina which is predominantly sailed in a cruising capacity. I also regularly helm the Etchells (Etchellente) at club, state and national racing levels.

RBYC Committee Experience:

Youth Sailing (2012-2018)

Personal Objectives:

My objective is to forge a stronger more vibrant yacht club community by fostering an environment of respect and understanding. As a member of the General Committee, I will serve as a steadfast advocate for the entire membership body. I believe in the power of inclusivity, recognising that every member brings a unique perspective and passion to the club. Through open dialogue and attentive listening, I intend to ensure that the voices of all members, whether they're seasoned sailors or newcomers, are heard and valued.