2022-23 Better Boating Fund Financial Report

1. Revenue generated in marine licence and vessel registration fees 2021-22: **$33,291,438**
2. Amount of money that was deposited into the Better Boating Fund for 2022-23: **$32,865,743**
3. Amount of money that was paid from the fund in 2022-23: **$30,340,922**
4. High level description of the projects and programs that have been funded (see **Table 2**)
5. Inclusion of the previous comparative year for revenue, amount of money into the fund and amount that was spent (see **Table 1**)

Table 1: Comparative Summary of movements to Better Boating Fund (BBF)

This summary is for the purpose of Section 271H of the Marine Safety Act 2010 (Part 1A, B, D, E and Part 2A, B)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Year | **Total Fees Received [[1]](#footnote-1)** | Funds paid into the BBF | Funds paid from the BBF Action Plan | Funds carried forward to the next financial year |
| 2021-2022 | $33,291,438 | $33,291,438 | $19,284,252 | $14,007,186 |
| 2022-2023 | $32,865,743 | $32,865,743 | $30,340,922 | $2,524,821 |
| Changes between previous FY | -$425,695 | -$425,695 | $11,056,670 |  |

Table 2: 2022-23 Recreational Boating Action Plan – funded projects and programs

| Project | High level description | Amount funded (ex GST) |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Management and maintenance of boating facilities** |  |
| Fee Removal / Maintenance | Provide funding for removal of fees at public boat ramps that previously charged launching and parking fees | $2,391,180 |
| Recreational Boating Structural Maintenance Program | * Rhyll Boat Ramp Safety Upgrades ($69,200)
* Indented Heads Ramp - replace decking, capping and walers – Bellarine Bayside ($55,690)
* Refurbish jetty ladders – Bellarine bayside ($18,375)
* Victoria Park Boat Ramp (VPBR) Upgrade Project - Stage 5 - Upstream Retaining Wall ($173,800)
* Stony Point Parking Improvement ($75,000)
* Lakes Entrance Gangway ($118,000)
* Bastion Point Geotactile Groin Wall ($167,000)
* Inverloch Jetty public lighting upgrade ($42,740)
* Karbeethong Jetty low landing upgrade ($97,000)
* Fitzroy River Estuary Boat Launch ($103,000)
* Sandy Waterholes Boat Launch Upgrade ($106,000)
* Cairn Curran Picnic Point Boat Ramp Upgrade ($112,715)
* Lake Eildon Boat Ramp Maintenance Works ($11,310)
* Maintaining Taylors Lake boat launching facilities ($40,200)
 | $1,903,228 |
| *Continued* | * Dimboola Ski Club Pontoon Jetty ($75,400)
* Structural Improvement to Lake Cartcarrong Jetty Pylons ($3,270)
* Lake Purrumbete east ramp ($120,000)
* Hastings Boat Ramp Northern Pontoon Renewal ($271,055)
* Design for Jetty Replacement Curdievale boat ramp ($50,000)
* Port Fairy Jetty Upgrades ($50,000)
* Install wheel stops at end of boat ramps ($6,350)
* Walkerville North Boat Ramp Maintenance ($36,625)
* Seagull Drive Boat Ramp Repair and Protection ($17,800)
* The Boulevard Boat Ramp Repair and Protection ($17,800)
* West Wimmera Shire Council - Lake Wallace Boat Ramp Extension ($24,999)
* Camerons Bight Jetty Repair Works (15,000)
* Werribee South Boat Ramp maintenance, safety and access enhancement project ($24,000)
 | *Continued* |
| **More boating destinations**  |  |  |
| Planning and design for a future upgrade to the Gabo Island jetty | Funding provided to Parks Victoria to deliver the planning and design for a future upgrade of Gabo Island Jetty.  | $400,000 |
| Upgrade to the Raymond Island jetty | Funding provided to Gippsland Ports to deliver additional public seven public berths at the existing Raymond Island jetty in Cunninghame Arm at Lakes Entrance. | $300,000 |
| Installation of a new jetty at Cunninghame Arm at Lakes Entrance | Funding provided to Gippsland Ports to deliver additional public berths in Cunninghame Arm at Lakes Entrance. | $680,000 |
| **Improving access and navigation** |  |  |
| Recreational Boating Access and Dredging Program (Grants) | * Dredging of boat ramps and harbours managed by Bellarine Bayside ($50,000)
* Tooradin Foreshore Boat Ramp Dredging Project ($42,000)
* Annual Dredging of Tootgarook boat ramp channel ($71,800)
* Port of Port Fairy Moyne River Dredging Program ($100,000)
* Mornington Peninsula Shire Boat Ramps Dredging (Multiple Sites) ($250,000)
* Scoping study to dredge Mordialloc Creek ($62,000)
* LRE Maintenance Dredging at Kananook Creek Mouth, Frankston Foreshore ($120,000)
* Dredging of Collins Landing and Yarra's Edge Marina ($150,000)
 | $845,800 |
| All Abilities access planning | Planning, design and fabrication for an all-abilities access pontoon at Victoria Park boat ramp in Echuca  | $400,000 |
| Waterway access – Aids to Navigation  | * Barwon River ($140,000)
* Bridgewater lakes ($10,600)
* Curdies River ($29,800)
* Gippsland Lakes and Lake Tyres ($172,703)
* Goulburn River and Lake Nagambie ($40,000)
* Green Lake ($30,000)
* Lake Eildon ($100,000)
* Lake Lascelles ($11,532)
* Lake Merran ($8,299)
* Lake Watcham ($8,673)
* Port Phillip and Western Port ($350,000)
* Tchum Lake ($3,195)
* Yarra River ($33,000)
* Gippsland Boating Safety Signs ($62,198)
 | $1,000,000 |
| **Safer Waterways** |  |  |
| Emergency Management Victoria Safety initiatives  | Marine search and rescue safety training initiatives –Appoint casual trainers to deliver MSAR specific training across the state and small support vessel to assist with the Statewide training program. | $280,000 |
| Marine Radio Victoria | Ensure that Marine Radio Victoria continues to operate and review effectiveness of the current contract. | $1,200,000 |
| Boating Vic camera expansion | Install new Boating Vic cameras at the following locations:* Waranga
* Warneet
* Manns beach
* Shaving point (Metung)
 | $80,000 |
| Electronic variable messaging signs | Planning for installation of fixed signs at key Port Philip Boat ramps - Patterson River. | $70,182 |
| Personal Watercraft (PWC) education campaign | Improved Personal Watercraft (PWC) operator behaviour through the delivery of PWC clinics.  | $6,420 |
| State-wide safety initiatives(Safe Transport Victoria) | Administration of recreational marine licensing and vessel registration (VicRoads / Joint Venture). | $4,387,000 |
|  | Safe Transport Victoria Boating Safety regulation and administration:* High risk vessel inspections and recreational vessel compliance.
* Recreational Boating safety education program.
* Summer safety campaigns: “Know the 3” and behavioural science research to plan for Personal Watercraft campaign.
* Waterway management, approval of waterway rules, audits, and boating activity exemptions.
 | $5,381,000 |
|  | Upgrades and maintenance of navigational aids and state significant navigational aids | $178,000 |
|  | Waterway Safety Monitoring System – installation of two cameras, using software analytics to identify specific vessel characteristics and waterway rule breaches. | $497,000 |
| State-wide safety initiatives(Emergency Management Victoria for Marine Search and Rescue Office) | Grants direct to Marine Search and Rescue (MSAR) units. | $1,000,000  |
| (Emergency Management Victoria) | Insurance for Volunteer MSAR. | $300,000 |
|  | State initiatives include volunteer training courses, workshops, exercises, vessel maintenance and resourcing.  | $668,000 |
| **Boating Promotion** |  |  |
| Boating Promotion campaign | Continue the delivery of a boating promotion program that highlights boating experience across regional Victoria. | $77,599 |
| Boating trails | Expand the boating trails to:* Lake Eildon
* Gippsland Lakes
 | $51,455 |
| Trailer reversing clinics | Deliver boat reversing clinics. | $8,800 |
| **Improved data and other reforms** |  |  |
| Improved data sharing | Feasibility assessment into options to improve data sharing for on water compliance.  | $65,535 |
| **Project Deliveries**  | **New or upgraded facilities** |  |
| ***Upgraded Projects*** |  |  |
| Limeburners boat ramp | Upgrade to the car park at the Limeburners boat ramp. | $2,000,000 |
| Cowes boat ramp | Upgrade to the Cowes boat ramp including stage 2 election commitment ($0.8m for Jetty extension).  | $2,779,798  |
| Kirk Point boat ramp | Upgrade to the Kirk Point boat ramp. | $3,698,449 |
| Avalon boat ramp | Upgrade to the Avalon boat ramp including stage 2 election commitment ($0.8m for Jetty extension). | $1,515,000 |
| Mahers Landing boat ramp | Upgrade to the Mahers Landing boat ramp.  | $4,275,376 |
| Clifton Springs boat ramp | Upgrade to the car park at the Clifton Springs boat ramp.  | $256,247 |
| Lake Burrumbeet boat ramp | Upgrade to the Lake Burrumbeet boat ramp | $300,000 |
| Construction project contingencies  | Allocation of funding for construction project contingencies at Cowes, Limeburners, Kirk Point, Avalon and Mahers Landing and project management. | $2,241,897 |
| ***Boat ramp upgrade planning*** *projects* |  |  |
| Planning and design upgrades/new facilities across Port Phillip and Western Port(Port Phillip and Western Port) | Provide funding for planning, design and investigations for approvals for new ramps and future upgrades of boating facilities at:* French Island – Tankerton
* Anthony’s Nose (Dromana)
* Rye – wave protection
* Newhaven
* Corinella
* Melton Reservoir
 | $932,202 |
| Planning and design upgrades across the Southwest(South West) | Provide funding for planning, design and investigations for approvals for new ramps and future upgrades of boating facilities at:* Lake Tooliorook jetties replacement
* Port Fairy
 | $126,634 |
| Planning and design upgrades across South and Central Gippsland(South and Central Gippsland) | Provide funding for planning, design and investigations for approvals for new ramps and future upgrades of boating facilities at:* Blue Rock Lake
* Lake Glenmaggie
 | $191,790 |
| Planning and design upgrades across the North Central(North Central) | Provide funding for planning, design and investigations for approvals for new ramps and future upgrades of boating facilities at:* Tullaroop Reservoir
* Murray River – Gunbower
 | $134,836 |
| Planning and design upgrades across the Goulburn Broken(Goulburn Broken) | Provide funding for planning, design and investigations for approvals for new ramps and future upgrades of boating facilities at:* Seymour – Goulburn River
* Shepparton – Goulburn River
* Howqua Inlet
 | $121,092 |
| Planning and design upgrades across the North East | Provide funding for design and construction for a new carpark at Kookaburra Point Lake Hume. | $95,000 |
| Planning and design upgradesacross the Wimmera and Mallee(Wimmera and Mallee) | Provide funding for planning, design and investigations for approvals for new ramps and future upgrades of boating facilities at:* Murray River – Mildura Karadoc
* Murray River – Mildura -Red Cliffs
 | $130,781 |
|  | **Total:** | **$40,982,301[[2]](#footnote-2)** |

1. Total Fees includes (i) the registration, renewal and transfer of registration of recreational vessels; and (ii) the grant, renewal and endorsement of marine licences. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. The 2022-2023 Recreational Boating Action Plan was funded from:

$32.8M from revenue generated in marine licence and vessel registration fees 2021-22

Unallocated project funding was carried over from Better Boating Fund 2021-2022 into 2022-2023

Unallocated project funding was allocated from other Better Boating Initiative Funding [↑](#footnote-ref-2)