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Morgan Living River Festival Report – May 2015

MORGAN RIVERFRONT CAME ALIVE TO WOODEN BOATS, ENTERTAINMENT & FUN

The second Morgan Living River Festival was successfully held last weekend over the 16th and 17th May on the Morgan Riverfront Lawns in perfect weather conditions.

The PS Oscar W held centre stage on the riverfront surrounded by approx. 20 classic putt putt boats. Many people took the opportunity to take a cruise on the PS Oscar W where they were able to view from the river the PS Canally in her new mooring. The putt putts entered into the spirit of the event with on- water challenges.

Saturday afternoon saw the running of the inaugural PS Canally Tug of War where crews from the PS Industry, PS Marion, PS Oscar W and PS Canally vied for the coveted trophy. After a tough few rounds, the crews of the PS Marion and PS Canally met in the final, with the PS Marion crew that little bit stronger, becoming the winners of the inaugural trophy. Next year should see the return of all these crews to again contest the challenge.

About 20 stallholders displayed their wares, including Waikerie and Districts Machinery Preservation Society Inc; the Southern Carriage Driving Club Inc; and the Vintage Cars and Caravans from the Mallee Auto Club.

Throughout both days an open mike was set up and various performers entertained the crowd.

On Saturday evening the historic Landseer Building hosted a capacity crowd who enjoyed an excellent 3 course dinner catered for by Ulonga's Gourmet Galley, and were entertained by The Backwater Band.

Sunday dawned with another beautiful sunny morning and many people took advantage of the excellent breakfast cooked by the crew of the Canally Café. The PS Oscar W again offered regular short cruises and the putt putts took to the water for some more entertaining challenges.

The Morgan Living River Festival/PS Canally Restoration Committee wish to thank everyone involved in making the weekend successful, with all funds raised to be used in the ongoing restoration of the PS Canally.

Plans are already underway for next year's event.

