

## **BROULEE BATS WIN BRONZE IN GEORGE BASS MARATHON**

The Broulee Surfers SLSC Masters Women's crew the "BATS" are very proud to win a bronze medal in the recent George Bass Marathon. The crew, a mix of new and experienced rowers, overcame several days of team members going down with hypothermia and sea sickness, making it very tough going in an already tough event. However, sweep, Justin Zutt, made some crucial positional changes which allowed us to handle the conditions and effectively we had some great days of racing with Torquay and Darwin.

The BATS crew, Michelle Zutt, Donna Clarke, Narelle Pollock, Gab Smith, Belinda O'Keeffe, Ruth Nelson, Kirstie Luff-Dunkley, Pip Butt, Kerryl Davie and sweep Justin "JayZee" Zutt were happy to complete this great race and come out with a medal. An event of this kind requires a fantastic and tireless support team who often seem to do more than the rowers and big thanks goes to Gerard O'Keeffe, Jen Taylor, Cherise Walker, Bede Webster, Tony Xuereb, Jake Zutt, Tom Hilyear, Pete Halkett, Sue Lindsay, Tracey Hogg, Judy Robertson, Richard Nelson, Tony Dale, Rob Pollock and Gus McDonald.

The BATS would also like to thank "Cliff" from Eden who kindly lent us his power boat when ours broke down on the second last leg.

Last but not least, the BATS would sincerely like to thank Eurobodalla Toyota, who kindly sponsored the BATS and the Bluebottles, making participating in this great event so much easier.

Kerryl Davie