

# AKUNA DRAGON BOAT CLUB INC.

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Akuna recent Rock & Roll night



In April 2009 a dream of developing a dragon boat club to cater to the community as a whole was founded by Allan Lena & Cathy Chapple. Akuna Dragon Boat Club Inc. was incorporated on the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2009 with the vision to pass the love of the sport on to as many people as possible & the result being a happier and healthier community.

Allan & Cathy have a strong belief that dragon boating should be available to everyone, regardless of ability and given the opportunity individuals are able to form teams, get fit and meet socially in a fun, friendly environment.

The name *Akuna* is an Aboriginal word meaning flowing water and moving forward. Our club colours (black, yellow, red & blue) represent Indigenous Australia and water.

Our emblem is a Leafy or Weedy Sea Dragon and was designed by Indigenous artist Christine Slabb. The Leafy or Weedy Sea Dragon is uniquely Australian and live in kelp beds and rocky reefs in southern waters. Closely related to the seahorse they are spectacular and mysterious creatures of the ocean and protected under Australian law. Cathy & Allan designed the race singlet to represent our cultural heritage and love of water and dragon boating.



Akuna Dragon Boat Club Inc. is affiliated with The Palm Beach Currumbin Sports Club and we train on the beautiful Currumbin Creek. We are proud to be a sister club to Dragons Abreast Gold Coast.

Akuna members come from all walks of life, cultures and age groups. Members meet to train and socialise by way of dinner nights, coffee mornings & social events, such as our recent Rock & Roll night.

Recently Akuna received a grant from the Jupiters Community Benefit Fund and are now proud owners of our own boat.

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## Training

Monday & Wednesday evenings - Saturday Mornings.

## Website

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