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SQUADRON NEWS



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## **SQUADRON NEWS**

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## COMMODORE STEVE CHAU

Welcome to the autumn edition of the DSS Newsletter. We have been extremely busy around the Squadron the past few months. Prior to Christmas the focus was ensuring this year's National Pies Launceston to Hobart race will be the best ever. I can certainly say the planning behind this year's race started very early culminating in weekly meetings, months before Christmas. We were fortunate to have planned almost all aspects of the race however we could do little to mitigate the unusual easterly weather system that plagued the fleet for three continuous days. Regardless of the weather I must say, this year's L2H race was a resounding success despite the weather conditions. We achieved record entries from around Tasmania and Interstate, a true indication of the popularity and support for the race over the last ten years. At the race village we introduced a variety of new activities throughout the

race period and these were well received by the general public. The smooth running of the race and the race village would not have been possible without the diligent support from a whole cast of volunteers. The Squadron is indebted to the wonderful assistance of our volunteers prior to the race, during and post-race at the after party and bump-out of the race village. A special thanks must be acknowledged to Lizzie Rountree, our event co-ordinator and Shaun Tiedemann, our secretary/manager who worked around the clock for five days to ensure a successful event.

It's pleasing to see our cruising members make the most of the beautiful weather over the January/February period. I note with interest the uptake of the Club's popular mooring system, the "String of Pearls". We do have many cruisers make use of this excellent facility but there is still an opportunity for many more of you to utilise this fantastic club asset. We have moorings strategically located in a number of bays from the Tasman peninsular to the far South West. If you are interested in joining the Club's mooring system please inquire at the office.

The floating marina continues to draw interest locally and abroad. In the past two weeks the whole of the floating marina has been totally filled particularly with casual berthing's from Interstate and individuals associated with the Australian Wooden Boat Festival. Recently, we have also hosted a cruising rally of

yachts from the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club in Sydney whom we share reciprocal member rights with. If you are interested in cruising North, it is worth noting associated clubs with reciprocal rights. Often a letter of introduction is all that is needed to ensure reciprocal rights are acknowledged.

The House and Social division has been extremely busy with the L2H and King of the Derwent social activities in December and January. Recently, we hosted a few corporate events and I would like to thank all those boat owners who gave up their time and yachts to assist with the running of these events. The annual Day on the lawn was a huge day with large numbers of visitors attending the Club.

Volunteers are the backbone of the club. We have been fortunate we have a small dedicated team assisting our social and yacht racing activities however we are always looking for other people, members or non-members to assist. You don't need to be skilled but just enthusiastic and available. If you know of anybody that is interested please let the office or our manager know. We have several social signature events throughout the year and run about 250 yacht races a year so if you can provide a few hours it does help immensely. Please let us know if you are willing and able to assist.

There is still several weeks of summer left and I'm sure the weather will become more settled in weeks

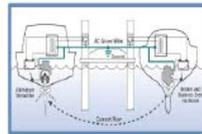
to come. Enjoy the last few interclub races and start the preparations for the next round of two handed autumn races as well as our new two handed long race series.

I do look forward to seeing you around the club and on the water.

## **ELECTRICAL POLICY INFORMATION NIGHT**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March  
@ 7.30pm**

**Grab a Taco and come  
along to the meeting**



## **ELECTRICAL SAFETY FOR PEOPLE & BOATS**



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Boating Services Report**



# VICE COMMODORE SAILING PETER HAROS

The summer of sailing is in full swing, providing many opportunities for everybody to enjoy our wonderful waterways of the Derwent River and the magnificent coastline around Tasmania.

With the new marina finished and berths filling rapidly, particularly over the February to March period with cruising boats from around Australia. There are a sprinkling of new and older race boats occupying and enjoying our state of the art marina and we are welcoming new members every week. This assures a positive future for the Squadron which is now a very busy, pleasant place to be.

Around 250 races are held at the Derwent Sailing Squadron each year, with the majority held during the summer months. Some of the Series held are: -

Summer sunset on Friday nights,  
Wednesday warriors, Thursday

twilights, Saturday Harbour and Long Racing in the combined clubs competition and SB20 one design racing on Thursday nights. Along with the new seasons Pipe Opener in September, the new Zuidpool Rock race and of course our signature races, the King of the Derwent in early January and the Launceston to Hobart held between Christmas and New Year. The DSS certainly offers many avenues for those interested in sailing.

## *LAUNCESTON TO HOBART*

This leads me to the National Pies L2H, arguably the club's premier race. This year was the 10th anniversary of Tasmania's longest coastal race, some 297 nautical miles. We had 47 boats entered with 44 starting and 8 retirements occurring during the race in 2016. It was certainly a difficult and long race this year mostly sailed with very little wind and plenty of sea mist and fog, just to make it a little bit more challenging.



The club, along with our major sponsor, National Pies congratulate all the skippers and crews for participating this year and for me it was a great pleasure to share the AMS honours with Michael Hutchinson (Emotional Rescue).

Results for the L2H were - PHS Kaiulani (M. Cooper), IRC Absoulout (R. Gates), Line Honours Tilt (P. Cretan) and Overall Winner/AMS Mr Burger (P. Haros) & Emotional Rescue (M. Hutchinson).

### ***KING OF THE DERWENT***

Vastly different conditions greeted the fleet of 38 starters on the 2nd of January. There was sunshine and breeze, which certainly helped make a great race. With Alive belting around the harbour in 1 hour and 29 minutes, allowed most of us to only dream. But the day belonged to the Teidemann's (Philosopher) being crowned King of the Derwent by being placed 1st in the IRC Division.

1st PHS Kaiulani (M. Cooper) and 1st AMS Philosopher (S. Tiedemann)

### ***ZUIDPOOL ROCK***

Our new Zuidpool race held on the 25th January is the third race in our newly formed Coastal series along with the L2H and Pipe Opener. The race attracted 16 boats in various sizes from Alive 66ft down to Peter Bugg's Don't Bug Me.

The forecast for the evening, night and early morning was light and variable mainly from the west. Not a mention of any northerly in any forecast. It was as they predicted for a while, with many boats finding a

light and variable, mainly from the north. As the early morning light arrived so did the building 30 knots from the north so much for a gentle ride to the rock and back.

Line Honours Alive (P. Turner), PHS Moonshadow (A. Ellis), AMS and IRC B&G Advantage (J. Cordell).

### ***COMBINED CLUBS LONG RACE***

The Long race series has had 4 races to date. With 48 entrants in 3 divisions racing has been super competitive in all three divisions with only a few points separating the leaders in all 3 categories, when the drop comes into play the results even get closer.

### ***COMBINED CLUBS HARBOUR***

It's disappointing to see this series not well patronised but never the less, its close racing all the way with not much separating the leaders. Like the long race series we are half way through the program.

Group 1 - IRC and AMS Philosopher (S. Tiedemann) leads B&G Advantage (J. Cordell). These two boats are fighting it out at this stage, PHS - Group 1 X&Y (T. Richardson), Group 2 Saga (C. Sheen) leads Young Lion (S. Chau), Group 4 PHS Hornet (N. Georgeson) & Group 6 PHS Innovator (I. Smith)

### ***DSS & RYCT TWILIGHT SERIES***

54 boats entered the post Christmas series in 4 divisions continuing on from the 50 boats in the pre Christmas series.

Racing is extremely close with only a few points separating the top

five in most divisions but it is Illusion (D. Brett) with a lead of 5 points over Liberte Express (P. Williams) in Division 1, Ingenue (N. Johnston) leads Moonshadow (A. Ellis) in Div 2 with Rotary (N. Brundle) leading Div 3 and Alcheringa II (J. Nuttall) Div 4.

### ***COMBINED CLUBS MIDWEEK***

Racing on Wednesday afternoon has proved popular for our work retired sailing members with representation from the three Hobart clubs and a total of 24 boats entered.

Kiaha (G. Breeze) is equal first with Liberte Express (C. Williams)

### ***SB20'S***

Just recently the SB20's held the Grand Slam for one-design sports boats. Unfortunately gale force winds on the Saturday reduced the competition to five races on the Sunday. Sunday racing was held in a fresh nor'-wester leading to several retirements on the day.

Karabos (N. Rogers) won the day with Brainwave (S. Brain) runner up and Pinch (F. Read) third.

The summer pennants are up to race 6 for the season. Fleets of around 33 each week do make a fine sight on the water, week in week out.

PHS division - Team Musto (G. Peacock) leading from The Monkey Boat (E. Fader) and Karabos (N. Rogers). One Design Class - Karabos (N. Rogers) leading from 2unlimited (G. Prescott) and The Honey Badger (P. Burnell)

The Crown Series, conducted by BYC in mid February had more than 33

SB20's entered. The racing was very competitive with the following 3 boats taking home the chocolates. 1st Difficult Woman (R. Gough) from Karabos (N. Rogers) and Porco Rosso (E. Noye)

Along with many others I thank you all for just being members of our great club. As mentioned earlier the DSS conducts 250 odd races throughout the year and of course this would not happen without the great office staff, Sailing Manager, PRO's, patrol boat drivers and mark layers, the sailing sub-committee and our kitchen and front of house who have made our club house a great place to be at any time, but particularly after a race. Thank you for your efforts.

We are always on the lookout for volunteers at the club. Particularly in my brief of racing, we are in need of patrol boat skippers, mark layers, and of course PRO's. So if you have the time and would like to make some great friends with similar interests give us a call at the club. An old Greek bloke told me once "you may meet your best friend yet" so who knows, come and give it a shot.

Thanks to our many racing club Sponsors, National Pies, Cascade, Quantum, Ronald Young & Co. Builders, Fred Barrett Yacht Design and Iwest Insurance Brokers. Without you there would not be racing as we know it.

# HOBART 2018 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SB20



The world's best SB20 sailors will be in Hobart in early 2018 for the world championships, a spectacle not to be missed. Hosted jointly by the Derwent Sailing Squadron and the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania preparations are well underway.

The expectation of some 80 plus boats, racing for sheep stations on our patch of water, is certainly mouth watering.

If you are interested in being involved, please follow our Facebook event page @SB20AUS and keep an eye on the event website, SB20worlds2018.com.



## REGISTRATION SCHEDULE

- 7 Mar 2017 CLOSE – Expression of Interest to participate
- 9 Mar 2017 ANNOUNCEMENT – Exact amount of the International Freight Subsidy
- 9 Mar 2017 OPEN – Official Registration for all who have expressed an interest in participating
- 30 Apr 2017 CLOSE – Official Registration of international entries applying for International Freight Subsidy
- Sept 2017 DEPARTURE – Shipping containers of boats from European ports
- Oct 2017 DEPARTURE – Shipping containers of boats from Asian ports
- 15 Nov 2017 CLOSE – Official Registration of all other entrants
- 2-11 Jan 2018 SB20 World Championship in Hobart



# REAR COMMODORE COLLEEN MCCULLOCH

Since my last update in the December issue of Squadron News the Club has continued to host a number of social events. These include the At Home and New Members Night in early December, the National Pies L2H Crew Party on New Year's Eve, The Stalwarts Luncheon in December, Art Wall Openings and the annual DSS Day on the Lawn featuring the Kravats.

I would like to thank the House and Social sub-committee for their commitment and tireless effort, ensuring that all events are successful and that they continue to improve on previous years. We are fortunate enough to have on many occasions, members and friends who have volunteered their time to assist the House and Social committee in their endeavours. Thank you to all our dedicated volunteers who contribute in so many ways both at events and around the Club.

The aim of the House and Social sub-committee is to provide enjoyable and inclusive functions and events where all members and friends from the community feel welcome. We welcome ideas and suggestions about events you would like us to conduct, so please feel free to contact me to offer ideas.

Remember, Friday night at the DSS is our Members Draw Night. This is a great way to end the week,

winding down with a social drink with friends or reserving a table to enjoy the excellent choice of delicious meals offered by our Chef, Scott Butler. Besides our raffle prizes which include a \$30 Club voucher and bottles of wine you also have the chance to win a Helly Hansen jacket sponsored by Peter Johnston Ship Chandlers or one of our cash jackpot's which are currently worth \$1000 each. However, you must be in attendance at the Club to take home the prizes.

Those who have enjoyed the Club facilities over the last couple of months will have noticed that the outdoor furniture has had a makeover and we have added some greenery to improve the atmosphere of the area. The garden which is looking spectacular will soon be expanded on with the addition of planter boxes to further improve the area.

I would like to announce a couple of exciting initiatives we are planning for the future. Firstly, a Working Party has been formed to discuss, plan and implement a "Boat Shed". This will be along the lines of the already established 'Men's Shed' but the DSS "Boat Shed" will welcome both genders.

Secondly, a couple of our new members who we have welcomed from South Australia, Craig and Margie Westlake, are holding discussions with the House and Social sub-committee to develop a new and exciting social function at the Club. It is anticipated this event will occur in the autumn,

and I will keep you posted of this event and more information on the "Boat Shed" via our weekly Social Snippetz.

"Cheers from the Rear"

## SINCE YOUR LAST SQUADRON NEWS WE HAVE HOSTED.....

### NATIONAL PIES L2H CREW PARTY

The 2016 National Pies Launceston to Hobart Crew Party held on New Year's Eve celebrated the 10th Race and our 3<sup>rd</sup> crew party at the Race Village.



As with the number of boats participating in the race we saw a record number

of crew, families, volunteers and friends celebrate the completion of the most successful race thus far. Fortunately for us (and unlike the actual race) the wet weather finally cleared and we enjoyed fine conditions and lots of merriment!

A special thanks to our Major Sponsor National Pies for their assistance on the night and for providing the bread and to James and his team at Huon Valley Meats, not only for the delicious slow cooked beef and scrumptious homemade sausages but also for cooking the BBQ on the night. We would also like to thank Best Fresh for providing the salad ingredients and to our Chef Scott for turning those



ingredients into tasty salads.

Finally, we want to thank every single volunteer who gave up their time during the day in preparation, serving the food and cleaning up afterwards. They did an amazing job feeding



and refreshing everyone who attended. New Years Eve is a night for everyone to celebrate and it was great that we have so many fantastic people involved in the club that were prepared to put in some hard work on the night. A big thanks from the H&S sub-committee.

Andrea Watson - H&S Sub-Committee Member

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

Well, another year has passed us by, and again, one thing that cannot be said is that members and friends of the DSS don't know how to celebrate an occasion — and perhaps more importantly — how to welcome-in the opportunity to sail away their free time! The 2016 Christmas Party was the perfect place to wind-down, and to gear-up for the summer sailing season.

The night was a fabulously fun, Squadron-packed, prize-packed, delicious evening and, to add to the celebration, the Club welcomed 20 new members. The Christmas raffle was drawn; Richard Goodfellow was the lucky winner of the first prize "Voyager Resort" accommodation

package generously donated by your Rear Commodore Colleen and partner Peter. May your 2017 be merry and bright.

Cathryn Kerr and Diana Reale - H&S Sub-Committee Members

## EXHIBITIONS TO THE ARTWALL

We hope members are enjoying the works of art which have continued to adorn the walls of the dining room. Recently this year we had "Messing about in Boats" by Pam Mann and Fiona Dowler which concluded on the 15<sup>th</sup> of February. The exhibition included some striking pieces of work by the two Tasmanian Artists that did as they promised and lingered in the mind.



Fiona Dowler (left) and Pam Mann (right) exhibition - opening by Lara Giddings, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Guests enjoying opening night celebrations



## UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS TO THE ARTWALL

Commencing on the 7<sup>th</sup> of March

Art@thebay

An exhibition of paintings by Grant Allford, Tina Curtis, Bernice Archer, Gordon Dowl, John Karafyllis, Vi Lipscombe, Deb St Leger. This

promises to be another colourful exhibition from this talented group of painters, most of whom have won awards at various venues for their quality work in various mediums. With both realistic and abstract renditions of the sea and its surrounds, there will be plenty to interest club members on our Artwall. The Exhibition will commence on March 7<sup>th</sup>, until April 17<sup>th</sup>.



## NOW ITS YOUR TURN...

Now it's your chance to adorn the club walls! Start preparing for the inaugural - Members' Own Artwall Photographic Exhibition - Mid June through July of 2017. We will be placing your photos on the Artwall to celebrate what it means to be a DSS club member. Whether you cruise, race or watch the landscape go by, we're sure you have a photo that captures a moment. If not, start shooting! We'll keep you posted.

Cathryn Kerr - H&S Sub-Committee Member

## 2017 CALANDAR OF EVENTS

Check out the House and Social tab of the DSS website for more information on our annual events, times, costs and how to book tickets. You will also be able to see more information and updates from the House and Social committee, what's happening in the restaurant and any other specials that have been scheduled in for your enjoyment.

### **STALWART LUNCHEON**

Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Mar

### **NEW MEMBERS NIGHT**

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Mar

### **CANCER COUNCIL**

#### **TRIVIA NIGHT**

Sat 15<sup>th</sup> July

### **ANNUAL AT HOME**

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Aug

### **PIPE OPENER SOCIAL**

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Sept

### **WORKING BEE & AFL**

#### **FINALS**

Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Sept

### **L2H LAUNCH**

Oct - tbc

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Dec

### **L2H CREW PARTY**

Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Dec

## SAVE THE DATES!

## STALWARTS FUNCTION

On Tuesday 6 December, 30 plus long time members of the Squadron enjoyed a luncheon at the Club and a chance to catch up with friends and talk about old times. Commodore Steve Chau welcomed the group and spoke about the current marina occupancy, future strategies planned for the DSS and

emphasised the very pleasing high occupancy rate of the new Roy Barkas Marina Extension.

Rear Commodore, Colleen McCulloch asked the group for their valuable input on the latest Squadron News. The staff from the office and bar/dining area provided a parade of the new uniforms the Club has provided for staff.

The next Stalwart's Luncheon will take place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 12 noon in the Clubrooms. Please rsvp to the office on 6223 1977 by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

# CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The annual Christmas Raffle draw held on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December at our annual Christmas Party raised a net amount of \$3121. We thank all Club members who generously supported this fundraiser.

We also wish to thank the following businesses for generously donating the fabulous prizes for the raffle and acknowledge the successful winners.

- 1 weeks accommodation at Voyager Resort – Broadbeach  
*Winner: Richard Goodfellow*
- Pennicott Wilderness Cruise  
*Winner: Richard Johnson*
- Dining Voucher @ Wrest Point Hotel Casino  
*Winner: Peter Williams*
- Dining voucher @ Frank Restaurant & Bar  
*Winner: Kay Conyard*
- Maria Island Ferry – 2 return tickets  
*Winner: Noel Barrett*
- Red Kelly's Hamper  
*Winner: Steve Harvey*
- Casa Monde gift voucher  
*Winner: Phil Patton*
- Hairport Hairdressing voucher  
*Winner: Kim Elliott*
- Hobart Bookshop voucher  
*Winner: Don Calvert*

On a more general note regarding raffles we are very happy to announce that a net amount of \$10,000 has been raised since April

2016. A number of projects or items have been identified to enhance the club. The projects or items for consideration (not in priority order) are:

- Continue the outdoor paving to the hedge and have a concrete slab poured underneath to take another umbrella
- Purchase a grill for the kitchen
- Instal heating to the underside of the current outside umbrellas
- Instal a wind break along the outer edge of the paving
- Purchase an upright freezer for the kitchen
- Purchase more outdoor furniture and inside dining tables

Without stating the obvious, the above projects/items far exceed the takings from both the weekly and Christmas raffle. Therefore we need to be creative in thinking of ways to fund these projects.

Perhaps you are in a position to or you know of a business who might like to sponsor one of these items. Due recognition will be given to all sponsors. We are very pleased to announce that Chandler's Nursery has become a new club sponsor and will be the major contributor to the beautiful garden bed to be created on the RYCT side of the current pavers.

Please contact myself, Colleen McCulloch or the Secretary Manager, Shaun Tiedemann if you would like to hold discussions about supporting one of our projects listed above.

Colleen McCulloch  
Rear Commodore

# DAY ON THE LAWN FEATURING THE KRAVATS

What a day to remember. Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February was a perfect day in many ways. The weather was ideal with sunny blue skies and a very light breeze. The crowd started to arrive at 12.00 noon to ensure they secured the best spots and the waterfront lawn was adorned with shade tents and seating. A backdrop of colourful flags, carefully woven together from our stalwart member, Barry Hine added to the carnival atmosphere.



The crowd continued to flow most of the day and all present enjoyed an

afternoon of great music provided by the Kravats. The band has certainly not lost their ability to move the crowd from their seats to the dance floor where there was a mass of jiving, joyous dancers.

A light lunch was provided and enjoyed by guests present and I am very grateful to the volunteers who stood at their BBQ and serving posts till late afternoon. This day would certainly not be possible without the enthusiastic support provided by a team of volunteers and all members of the House and Social Committee.

Our bar and dining staff worked tirelessly all day to ensure our guests remained quenched on the warm



afternoon. I thank them all sincerely.

Recognition of our very generous

sponsors also needs to be made. We are extremely grateful to our major sponsor HARCOURTS HOBART and our supporting sponsors Aussie Waste, Best Fresh, Bob and Tom's Service Station, Chandler's Nursery, Da Angelo Ristorante, Fibreglass Shop, Innovative Electrical, Mobile Marine Services, Peter Johnstons Ship Chandlers, Ronald Young & Co Builders, Saunders and Ward Engineering, Two Way Taxi Trucks, T42, and Waynes Car Sales. Members please, when you are considering any purchases please support our sponsors first, as they are very important to us in providing the services we do.

This annual event, which has increased in popularity over the years with numbers close to 500 gathering on Sunday, is now firmly entrenched in the DSS social calendar and will be held again in 2018.





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# BOATING SERVICES

## DAVID BRETT

The Boating Services Sub-Committee kicked off the year with a meeting on 5th February and finalised the Electrical Connection Policy as well as reviewed the Action Sheet from last year.

The Electrical Connection Policy has been developed to provide members and casual visitors to the DSS with appropriate standards to protect marina users from electric shock and minimize the risk of galvanic corrosion to owners' boats and other boats in the marina. The policy will now go to General Committee for ratification followed by staged implementation over the next few months. This has some important consequences for marina users as summarised below:

1. The club has upgraded our procedures to meet our requirements of Australian Standards including annual testing of Residual Current

Devices and maintenance of a log book of inspections;

2. All boats connecting to the shore power system or generating their own power should comply with Australian Standards with specific requirements as follows:

a. An appropriate galvanic isolator must be fitted on board to isolate the vessels electrical system from the marina electrical supply;

b. There must be an earth connection from the 'boat side' of the galvanic isolator to the boat earth (HF earthing plate, boat in water metal via battery negative/motor etc);

c. There must be segregation between DC and AC switchboard sections that requires use of a tool to access the live AC sections;

d. Earth impedance must be a maximum 0.5 Ohm (this is a very standard test for electrical installations);

e. Insulation resistance must be a minimum 1.0M Ohm (this is a very standard test for electrical installations);

3. The requirements of Item 2 must be certified by a licensed electrician using a standard form provided by the club;

4. Supply leads shall be heavy duty flexible cables, complying with AS/NZS 3191 or AS/NZS 5000.1 with pugs and socket fittings to IP56 rating, have a minimum current rating of 15 amps and a maximum length of 15 metres unless otherwise approved and shall not be joined together unless by using IP56 rated means;

5. Leads must be tested and tagged

every year with the tag clearly visible and the shore end of the lead;

6. There is also a range of practical, common sense requirements for use and attachment of leads.

We are running a second Electrical Connection Policy information night on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30 pm so come along and find out what it's all about. No need to panic, we will be phasing in the requirements over a period and have made arrangements to help keep costs down for members. Some initiatives are:

1. DSS have an arrangement with two suppliers of galvanic isolators at discount prices as follows:

a. Logics Group will supply their 67A rated MPS electrolysis blocker, the only Australian galvanic isolator device for a special price of \$315 per unit compared to the RRP of \$460 (30% off). For this price we need to order a minimum of 10 units. Please see office staff to put your name on the order list;

b. We can get DEI units (US) online from Outback Marine at 10% discount using a discount code. This brings 30A unit to \$296.10 and 50/60A unit to \$396. Get your code from the office if you are interested in this offer;

2. Supply leads can be made to order by Innovative Electrical at a competitive price including the required IP56 rating plugs and sockets. Put in your order at the office;

3. Innovative Electrical have undertaken inspection of club boats and assisted in development of the

policy. They can offer a competitive price for boat inspection and certification;

4. In-line galvanic isolators are available for hire for short-term connection.

So please get on board with this initiative to make the marina a safer place and also reduce the risk of boat corrosion.

What else is going on you ask? Well lots, including:

1. Ongoing improvements to carpark with sealing of the northern end of the slipway to accommodate trailer boats and remove them from parking bays;

2. Ongoing planning for new amenities for the marina/clubroom

3. Planning and design for slip-yard stormwater collection and treatment to comply with legislative requirements

4. Development of a management plan for the aging Cheverton's Jetty infrastructure

5. Planning for additional storage sheds/lockers to cater for increased demand

6. Review of risks around the slip and marina and development of a risk management protocol.

That's a lot of work and any help would be welcome on our small committee.

A final point raised at our meeting was to pass on our sincere thanks to Colleen McCulloch for her amazing work in the club gardens. Thanks Colleen.

# SAILTRAIN

## DAVID SHORT

Sail train has been busy running many valuable courses for the boating community, and the courses have been well supported by members. The program includes MAST Power Boat, RYA Marine Diesel, RYA Competent Crew, RYA Day Skipper, Yacht master, Marine radio Inshore and Coastal Navigation.

The safety and Sea Course run by Jeremy Parker and Jeff Cordell is recommended for anyone undertaking coastal racing and cruising. All RYA Courses are certified, being recognised worldwide.

To keep our training course in tune with our members needs we welcome input on any subject you may be interested in, by contacting the DSS office. Our courses fill up very quickly so if you see a course you are interested in please book in early to avoid disappointment. All booking forms are on the DSS Website under Sail train

## UPCOMING COURSES

### MARCH - MAY 2017

#### **MAST POWERBOAT X 4 HOURS**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March  
Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April  
Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June

#### **RYA COMPETENT CREW X 5 DAYS**

4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> March  
Dates for April – June to be confirmed but happy to take expression of interest

#### **RYA DAYSKIPPER**

Please contact the office to place your expression of interest.

#### **RYA MARINE DIESEL X 3 EVENINGS**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May

#### **MARINE RADIO 9SROCP X 2 EVENING**

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May

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# SQUADRON MEMBER PROFILE

## MALCOLM COOPER



You will know Kaiulani – she’s the orange Snook 30 which is always out there. If there’s a race on, it’s likely you will see the heavy glass yacht manoeuvring at the start – whether it’s around the cans, limited offshore contests like the Maria race, or the longer and harder slog of the Launceston to Hobart.

Tasmanian man Mike Snook designed her. There are other Snook designs around the Derwent too. Mike died in the recent past in Canada, which he made his home in the latter part of his life.

Malcolm and Linda Cooper own Kaiulani. She was bright orange when they bought her in northern Tasmania. Legend has it that the previous owner worked at Comalco, the aluminium smelter at Bell Bay. Comalco are said to have used this particular colour on things around the site because it is “safety orange” and the previous owner is said to have gotten a deal on the paint.

So when she was repainted recently at Kettering, Linda maintained the “safety orange” had to stay because everybody could tell at first glance it was Kaiulani out there doing battle on the Derwent.

Kaiulani is heavy by today standards. She has a solid glass hull, built by Steve Lovell. That means she is strong upwind and can carry a fair measure of sail when it blows. Malcolm started sailing in a Mirror at Montrose Bay in 1972. There was no instruction course. It was a matter of getting out there and working out how to sail it.

Malcolm is a busy skipper. He likes his boats to be “out there”. He says it’s no use owning a “mussel farm”. Because Malcolm does not like Kaiulani idling in her pen, she has a proud record in one particular race – the club’s Launceston to Hobart. Kaiulani has been in every L2H since it started and two of his crew have also done every one – his step-daughter Amanda Spinks-Cooper from Melbourne and Peter Taylor from Hobart. Amanda learnt to sail in the L2H competitions.

Over the years, Malcolm has collected quite a few trophies, including first in the overall three-race series – the Beauty Point to Low head race, the L2H and then the King of the Derwent in her division.

The love affair might be ending though. Kaiulani is on the market. Like most of us, Malcolm is wanting to move onwards and upwards.

*Written by Terry Long*

# SQUADRON MEMBER PROFILE

## MICHELLE DENNEY



Michelle Denney has a sound relationship with the DSS – she’s married to the sailing manager, races regularly and volunteers. Michelle met her husband Michael at the club and married on the club lawns three years ago. And it goes on – she’s crew on their racer/cruiser Wild West, and appropriately, she’s from WA. In the part of her life left over, she’s a nurse at intensive care at the Royal Hobart Hospital.

Michelle grew up in Bunbury WA and had been working for five years at Broome when she decided to move to Hobart for sailing. She’d had an offer from the Royal Hobart so the two things went together.

Michelle grew up sailing and among other things sailed an S80 with her father. They are a Swarbrick design and there was a fleet of them at the Koombanna Bay Yacht Club at Bunbury.

When she arrived at the DSS she found it to be friendly and she

started racing with Anthony Ellis and did two L2Hs on Moonshadow. She also sailed on Helsal V and with Sally Rattle and Todd Sproule on Archie. And to demonstrate the depth of women’s sailing skill in Hobart, Michelle was part of an all-female crew which won all three divisions – PHS, AMS and IRC – at the annual women’s keelboat regatta at St Kilda in a borrowed Archambault 31.

But all of that faded into history when she met Michael Denney. From then on, it was all about Wild West. She arrived for the wedding on the previous Wild West and now races on the current Wild West, which is a Bakewell White design – it has hot water, although the three metre draft may be a bit tricky in some of the shallower bays.

They do the twilights and the longer races and had an outstanding performance in the last L2H. Wild West finished on the heels of the bigger Fork in the Road and Tilt. While the Denneys didn’t figure on handicap, they were delighted to be right up there with the bigger competitors. In the twilights Michelle is on the foredeck, but on the longer races she leaves that to the younger crew and settles for the ‘pit’ working the halyards and sheets.

She volunteers around the racing side of the club – helping on the start boat when needed and laying the marks.

“Sailing is a big part of our life”, she said. And there’s no arguing with that.

*Written by Terry Long*

# SQUADRON MEMBER PROFILE DAVID GRANNEY



Around the bay and around the world – David Granney has been there, done that. At present, he has one leg in the fiercely competitive SB20 competition in Hobart and the other tentatively in the world of cruising, as a half-share owner of the Jeanneau 44 “Objective Lune”.

The Graney name is synonymous with the Kingston Beach Sailing Club. From there, David and his wife Jenny have bagged numerous State and National titles in the Mirror class. David was second in the Open UK National championships in Mirrors and also second in the Open Worlds in 1987.

So he oozes experience and tactical know-how. He put both to good use by sailing around the world as watch-leader in the Clipper Round-the-World Yacht Race on Da Nang Vietnam. The Sydney-to-Hobart was one of the legs winning their division. It took eleven months to complete the circumnavigation. They finished seventh of twelve.

David prizes his divisional win in the Sydney-to-Hobart. He believes it would have been a hard call if he had been offered the choice of taking the divisional win in the Sydney-to-Hobart, or a win in the round-the-world race. He thinks both would have been nice.

David is a long-term member of both the DSS & RYCT. He first came to the DSS because his need for speed had made him the proud owner of a trimaran called Rocket Alice, and the DSS had better facilities for multihulls.

Among other things, David has also sailed competitively in Rainbows, Dragons and now the SB20s. David raced Dragons in Hobart for fifteen years with his brother Martin, who died in 2003 and Murray Jones. David, Martin and Wayne Wagg won the prestigious Prince Philip Cup for Dragons in Melbourne in 1998. In the world of Dragon sailing, it's the one to have on your mantlepiece. David, Martin and Murray finished third in the 2003 World championships in Hobart.

David is a life member of the Kingston Beach Sailing Club, a member of the Tasmanian Yachting Hall of Fame and a National sailing Judge and Umpire.

He likes the SB20s because they are competitive, terrific sailing and they race mostly during the week, leaving weekends free for family matters.

In the main, racing has been his sailing life. “But I’m trying to learn to cruise,” he said.

*Written by Terry Long*

# STRING OF PEARLS

The String of Pearls is a series of strategically placed moorings in sheltered waters around the southern region. These moorings are available to members on an annual subscription basis, providing members with secure, well maintained moorings for unlimited use.

Our booking system allows members to book moorings days ahead, giving certainty of availability regardless of what time of day or night you arrive. The booking system also highlights the activities that are available on shore at each of the mooring locations. These include a chocolate factory, oyster farm, whisky house, cheese makers, tour operators, restaurants, wineries and nature walks.

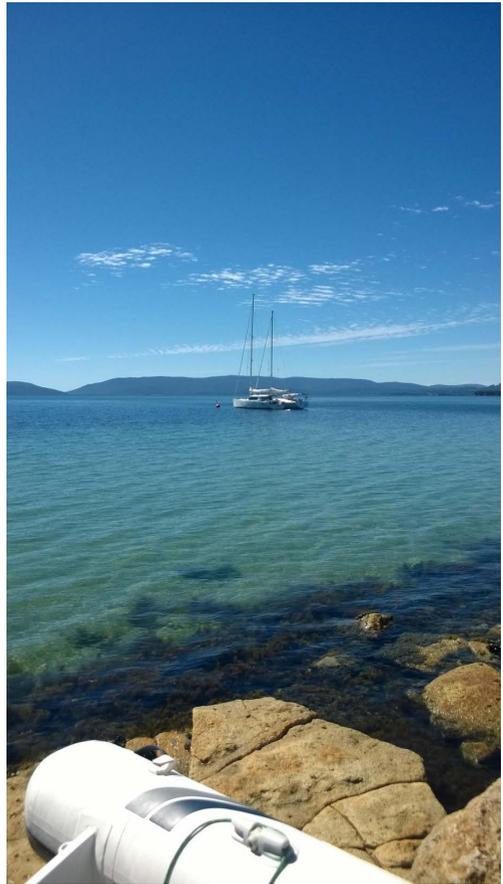
How can I use this facility?

1. You must be a Derwent Sailing Squadron member to make a booking.
2. You must pay the Annual Subscription of \$75 and agree to the Terms and Conditions.
3. You must make a booking via our Online Reservation system for the mooring you wish to use.

Where are the moorings located?

Adventure Bay, Cygnet, Dodges Ferry, Dover, Great Bay, Isthmus Bay, Nubeena, Recherche, Saltwater River, Southport, Sykes Cove and Taranna.

Picture of a couple of our members enjoying the mooring at Great Bay.



# CLUB NOTICES

## FRIENDLY REMINDER OF MARINA RULES @ DSS

Over the last couple of months, beside our member base increasing with new boats taking up occupancy in our fabulous marina, the marina has reached full capacity with many interstate and locals using our facilities for extended periods to enjoy our magnificent cruising grounds we have around the south of the state.

This has meant there has been an increase in foot traffic on our marina and we are conscious of the health and safety aspect for all members. To ensure that all members can enjoy our marina, the rules have been listed here (and located on our marina entrance) and we ask that you observe these for the benefit of all.

*PLEASE NOTE: If your dog should have an accident on the marina walkways please clean up your dogs droppings.*



**NO BIKES, SKATEBOARDS  
OR SCOOTERS**



**NO SWIMMING  
OR FISHING**



**NO DOGS  
UNLESS ON A LEAD**



**NO SPRAY PAINTING  
OR GRINDING**

**MAXIMUM SPEED 4 KNOTS  
IN MARINA AREA**

## RECYCLE HERE!!!!

We have noticed a lot of rubbish in our RECYCLING bins located near the marina entrance. As such we have listed opposite a reminder of what can be placed in these bins.

We also have a BIG blue bin located next to the recycling bins for RUBBISH.



# CLUB NOTICES

## MARINA GATE OPENING TIMES

Opening times until 1<sup>st</sup> April ~ 7am - 7pm, 7 days a week

Opening times from 2<sup>nd</sup> April ~ 7am - 5pm, 7 days a week

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## WHEELBARROWS

Thanks to Blythe & Watchorn for sponsoring and supplying 6 new wheelbarrows - which is much appreciated by our members.

Please, once you have taken your supplies to your boat, return the barrow to the storage bay. This will ensure they are available for all members.



## GIVE AWAY - DINING CHAIRS

With the purchase of new chairs for the dining room, the Club has 30 plus chairs to give away. Whether you need 3 or 30 we would be happy to see our old dining chairs go to a good home. They would be very good for use at a shack or perhaps you know of a youth club looking for such items. They may need steam cleaning or recovering and the chairs are stackable.



Please contact the office  
on 62231977.



## LUNCH WITH MARK MACLURE @ DSS

DATE: Thursday 16 March 2017 @ 12.00pm

COST: \$80 per person - 3 course meal and welcome drink on arrival

BOOKING VIA EMAIL: to KAREN at [kcaporelli@bigpond.com](mailto:kcaporelli@bigpond.com)

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This event will give Squadron members the opportunity to hear the three-time Carlton premiership player, now ABC commentator give his insight into the upcoming 2017 AFL season. Entertainment by Tim Hibbert and the MC for the event will be Matt Hawkins. A raffle will be held to raise funds for Colony 47.

# FROM THE KITCHEN SCOTT BUTLER

## WEDNESDAY TACO NIGHT @ DSS

6223 1977 - Marieville Esplanade Sandy Bay

• Choose from Beef, Chicken or Veg  
Hard or Soft Shell  
Gourmet options available from \$6  
10oz Draught Beer only \$4  
Open to Members and Non Members  
Children Welcome

\$2\*



FROM  
5.30PM

# UPDATE DINING & BAR

The club is constantly looking at ways where benefits and services can be provided to Squadron members. We are please to announce new pricing for take away beer cans of *cascade lager, draught, pale ale, light and pure blonde* are as follows:



6 PACK FOR ONLY \$20



BEER BY THE CASE \$50

## PRESENT YOUR CARD

With our NEW integration of Mirco-power within the Squadron presenting your member card when visiting has a range of great benefits:

- 10% off all Drinks and Meals
- \$20 Meal Voucher in the month of your B'Day
- \$20 Bar Voucher - for each \$500 you spend



# NEW MEMBERS TO THE CLUB

The expansion of our new marina has meant we have welcomed many new members to the Club. We extend a warm welcome to all our new members and hope you take the opportunity to enjoy and become involved in the many aspects of the club.

Members joining since November are:

## **CORPORATE**

Craig Ferguson, Rhys Menadue, Nigel Palfreyman and Richard Parker

## **COUNTRY**

Kenneth Batt

## **CREW**

Stewart Bennett, Richard Boulton, Phil Collidge, Keith Deverell, Melissa Ford, Darren Harpur, Steve Johnson, Calista Kerns-Stokes, Richard Lewis, David Morris, Georgina O'Donnell, James Sharman, Nicholas Smith, Richard Van Neutegem, Louisa Vanderkruk, Luke Watkins and Jason Whitehead

## **FAMILY**

Bruce McIntosh, Ralph Alexander (Sara II), Andrew Crisp (Drumreagh), Doug Heller, Paul Jackson (Fantasy), William Luders and Michael Shegog (Kelpie).

## **FAMILY ASSOCIATED**

Marie Jackson, Julia Alexander, Sue Chambers, Andrea Luders, Ian Norris, Ruth Shegog and Linda Stenning.

## **FAMILY INTERMEDIATE**

Brodie Alexander, Finlay Crisp, Lily McIntosh and Rose McIntosh.

## **FAMILY JUNIOR**

Brendan Crisp, Claudia Luders, Henry Luders, Oliver Luders and Nicholas Stenning.

## **FULL**

Joseph Blake (Thalia), Richard Bryant (Quintrex), Gregory Davoren (Islander 11), Stewart Gordon (SB20), Andrew Huntington (Alkira), Mark Links (Doinky's Revenge), Paul McCartney (SB20), Enzo Quartararo (Wild Imagination), Cleve Smith (Springer), Ian Snape (Front Line) and Nova Thani (The Game).

## **NON RESIDENT**

Sally Dent (Patriot X), Christopher Breen, Nicholas Brett (Sea Scape II), Brett Campbell, Wan Il Choi (Number One), Peter Jamar (Seeker), Simon Milroy, Miran Tepes (Skokica) and Melanie Van Twest.

## **SOCIAL**

Darryl Massie and Graham O'Meagher.



Like any Club, we are greatly indebted to our sponsors who contribute in so many ways to the Club. Many racing and social events would not be possible without your generous support.

We would like to recognise you all as great supporters and friends of the Derwent Sailing Squadron.

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