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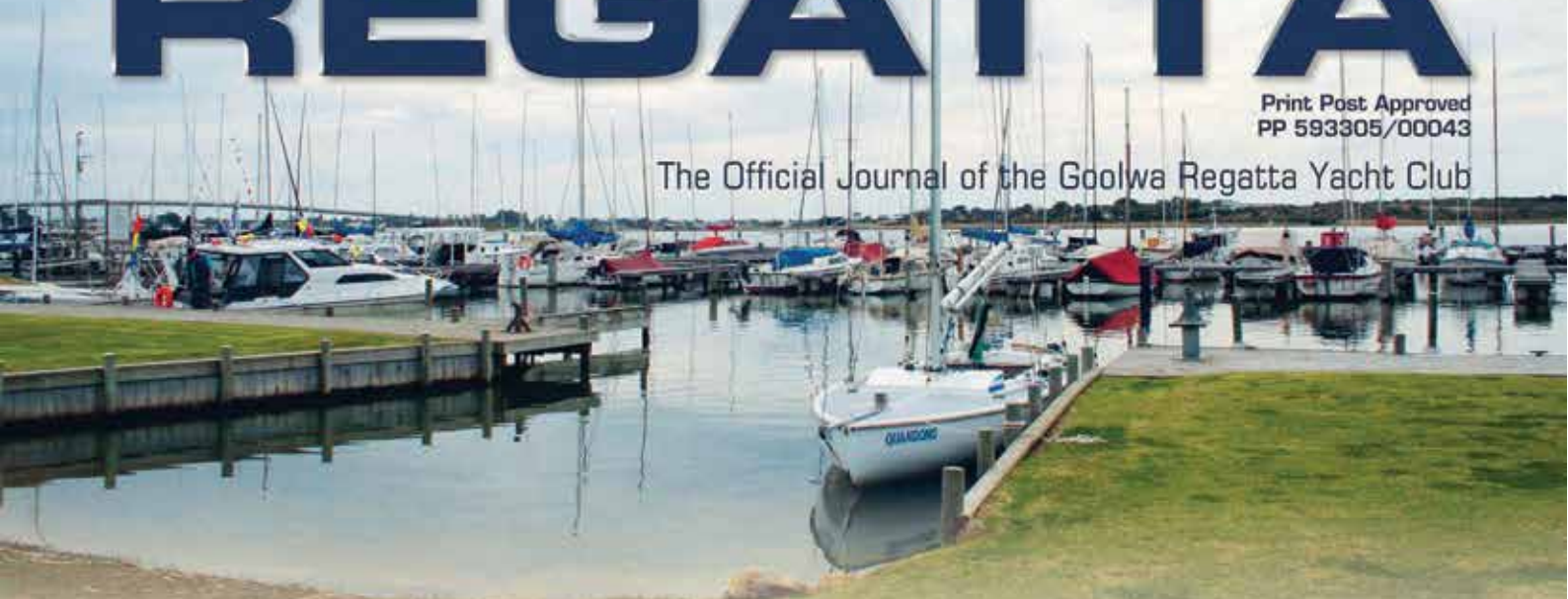


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From the Commodore ...

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Past Commodore Lyn Roberts on her stewardship over the previous two years. It is a great honour to be appointed Commodore of the GRYC, the oldest continually running yacht club in Australia with all its history, and one I was humbled to accept at the June AGM.

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Flag Officers (pictured left to right)
Vice Commodore - Randal Cooper
Commodore - Louise Edwards Rear
Commodore - Trevor Baldock



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From the Commodore (cont)...

With the retirement of David Howard, Craig Blacker and Drew Stevens from your General Committee we now have several new members: Trevor Baldock, Kate Andre, Helen Reiffel and David Brumpton. Following is information on the full General Committee including their portfolios. We have a great team that I'm looking forward to working with over the next year.

The program for 2018/19 prepared by our Race, Social and Sailability Committees, COBWEB group and Sail Trainers, is as ever packed! There are well over 40 races programmed, a great range of social events and opportunities to go cruising.

Since our last Regatta, we have had the Frostbite Regatta and our Annual Presentation Dinner where we had fun celebrating sailing achievements over the 2017/18 summer season. The Club Champion was a tight contest and congratulations go to our latest Club Champion Andrew Stevens.

Our Discover Sailing Centre again passed its reaccreditation inspection with flying colours, allowing us to continue to offer these courses for friends and family would like to learn to sail. We are offering a keel boat course in early 2019. These courses have been instrumental in bringing new members to our club and building the confidence of those already out on the water.

Our New Members' Night was held on Saturday the 22nd of September with the General Committee welcoming those who have joined the club over the past 12 months.

Our Opening of the 2018/19 season on Saturday the 6th of October was another impressive day with the time-honoured picnic lunches, Oscar W, Goolwa Concert Band and sail past. Members, crew, family and friends came together for a fun afternoon. There was a prize for the best dressed boat in the sail past which was won by Nicole and Darcy. This year our Life Member John Blunden officially opened the sailing season for us.

As we head towards January, I hope everyone is getting ready for the Coorong Quays Goolwa Regatta Week. The week kicks off on Saturday the 19th of January with the Marina Challenge and concludes with the iconic race the Milang-Goolwa Freshwater Classic. Stay tuned for more information coming soon.

This leads me to acknowledge our generous event sponsors – a full list of which can be found later in this edition. It would be significantly more difficult to offer the program we do without them. I encourage all club members to consider these businesses when making your purchasing decisions.

Louise Edwards

Introducing the 2018/19 General Committee and their portfolios:

Commodore: Louise Edwards

- Fundraising
- Strategic and development planning
- GRW Steering Committee
- Community liaison
- Policies & procedures

Vice Commodore: Randal Cooper

- Publicity including Regatta
- Social Committee
- Fundraising
- Wooden Boat Festival

Rear Commodore: Trevor Baldock

- Racing, incl Race Committee, Club Program and YSA delegates
- Milang-Goolwa Freshwater Classic and GRW on water events
- Legals
- Wooden Boat Festival

Treasurer: Rick Eylward

- Principal Race Officer
- Insurance
- GRW Steering Committee
- Building development
- Wooden Boat Festival

Secretary: Helen Reiffel

- Secretary
- Policies & procedures
- Volunteers

Ben Morris

- Assistant Secretary
- Database development and management
- Radio controlled yacht group

Ian Barker

- Sailability
- Tuesday Working Group
- House and Grounds

Andrew Robertson

- Marina Committee
- GRW Steering Committee

Kate Andre

- Training
- Club and Event Grants
- Cruising

David Brumpton

- Club and Event Sponsorship
- Publicity



Pictured (left to right):
Rick Eylward, Ben Morris, Kate Andre, Helen Reiffel,
Randal Cooper, Louise Edwards, Trevor Baldock, David
Brumpton, Andrew Robertson, Ian Barker.

Vice Commodore's Report

Well members, I, Randal Cooper have become the Vice Commodore of the oldest yacht club in Australia and it has been a very steep learning curve so far. The general committee has seen fit to place me in charge of social events and promotions.

My experience in social events has mainly been in the enjoyment and participation of such occasions not in behind the scenes organisation. So far I have had wonderful support and help from the club's Social Committee. This group just gets in and sorts these events out with a minimum of fuss and the club gets to enjoy some great social gatherings.

So far this winter we have enjoyed a Mediterranean evening, Graham and Cheri's Cafe, Lizzy's Hot and Spicy Nite, Big Jim Roast House and Joe & Kate's Seafood Extravaganza. That these members and their friends put on these evenings is a credit to them and the club, which has booked out each evening and has been a lot of fun for the members and great nights out.

We also held a Parma for a Farmer to raise money for drought relief in the eastern states. This was an event proposed by Chef Angie and was a huge success; well attended and the auction, raffle and meals made a substantial amount of money for Buy a Bale .com

It is with great pleasure that we welcome Angie as Chef for the coming season for Friday nights and our special functions but please book early for these events as places seem to fill fast.

On the 20th of October we hosted the Variety Club at the GRYC for a stop over lunch. We held a "Lapsed Sailors Day" with Restricted 21's, Sailability, Vintage Yachts, Team Sailing and Trailer Sailer's ready to take visitors for a sail in an effort to draw some back to our sport.

So members, please start looking at the club's facebook page and website as we are about to start using them a lot more, with who's been sailing where and who's been travelling and who has just stayed home and used our fantastic water ways with pictures in full colour.

Randal Cooper

2018 Frostbite Regatta

For approximately 35 years, the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club has been hosting the annual Frostbite Regatta. The origin of the Frostbite Regatta lies with the Laser class association who wanted an opportunity to race during winter on inland waters.

From there it has continued to grow and evolve, and in 2018 the GRYC hosted approximately 60 dinghies in the following classes: Laser Masthead Rig, Laser Radial Rig, Laser 4.7 Rig, Mirrors, 420s, International Cadets and Finns.

PRO Rick Eylward and his band of dedicated volunteers (Juris Abois, Peter Briton-Jones, Murray Symonds and David Brumpton) laid a long course (faster classes) and a short or inside course (not so fast classes) and conducted 13 races over the 2 days of racing.

On the Saturday, catering was provided by the GRYC's Social Committee and Friends of the Social Committee while on Sunday, Investigator College cooked up a BBQ breakfast to support sending their team to the Team Sailing National Championships.

With the weather ensuring it really was a Frostbite Regatta, the fire and hospitality of the Club made sure everyone was kept warm and comfortable.



Join the Volunteers Workforce

The club needs you!!!



- Best career going. Excellent salary with no income tax - \$0. Superb hours - work whatever hours you like, maximum leave entitlements; and great boss? You are your boss; as the Club is owned by you!
- Necessary training provided and personal accident insurance coverage
- Enjoy using your skills to keep GRYC the great club it is. Or seek a challenge; try something new
- Good company, plenty of laughs and pride
- Jobs needed to keep the Club running successfully with minimal costs are: racing support, bar, BBQ, catering, bistro, social, sailability, special events, fundraising and many more
- For those who have not offered to assist as yet; please contact the Club indicating where you could help
- Ask your family, friends or neighbours if they would like to help us. No requirement to be a member
- As little or as much as you can give is truly appreciated. If each member could give 5 hours per year that equates to 1 full-time employer.

Wow!

Rear Commodore's Report

I have had a lot of thoughts since the AGM and am honoured to have the opportunity to contribute to the Goolwa Regatta yacht Club as Rear Commodore and Chair of the Race Committee. For those members who may not now me, I have been a member of our club for 25 years and am an avid sailor competing on my Noelex 25 Destiny and my vintage yacht Ellen.

The race committee has another full year of sailing events lined up for you and we look forward to seeing you out on the water in as man of them as you can. The Bremerton Wines Winter Series has wrapped up with the final race also being the inaugural Women's Helm Race which was a great success. Thanks to all who supported this initiative - it will be a fixture on our program in years to come. To keep up to date on Sailing Instructions, notices to sailors, results and more visit www.gryc.com.au/racing on a regular basis.

We are thrilled to have Finnis River Vineyard come on board as joint naming rights sponsor of Goolwa Regatta Week and the Milang-Goolwa Freshwater Classic with Coorong Quays Hindmarsh Island. I hope everyone is planning for the 2019 Finnis River Vineyard / Coorong Quays Goolwa Regatta Week between the 19th and 27th of January. Whilst there are only weeks before January, there is still considerable work to be done to be ready for the week and of course the iconic FRV/CQ Milang-Goolwa Freshwater Classic. If you are available to help, please don't hesitate to contact the club on gryc@gryc.com.au or 8555 2617 or any member of the Race, Social or General Committees.

Good luck for the season ahead.

Trevor Baldock

Women's Helm Race

On Sunday 16th of September the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club ran the inaugural Women's Helm Race as part of the Bremerton Wines Winter Series. This was the culmination of 4 training days held to assist some of the women gain confidence in boat handling and start line manoeuvres.

All the women did very well with no problems encountered. It was the perfect day for this event and all competitors have some stories to tell of close buoy rounding's and right of way calls being issued and responded to.



In the Non Spinnaker Division 1st was Caroline Butcher on Sea Eagle, 2nd Liz Cooper - Wylo and 3rd Narelle Kusabs onboard Mackie

In the Spinnaker Division it was Alana Bracken skippering Sea Bomb in 1st with Sharon Tonkes on Destiny coming 2nd and Mandy Cannon (driving the Commodore's boat) Elanora was 3rd.

Bremerton Wines donated two vouchers for lunch at the winery for first place and bottles of bubbles for the 4 placegetters and all the women thanked the winery for their support and the prizes and were keen to have a go at more racing with the tiller in their hands.

Burgee Exchange

Recently whilst on holiday in Hawaii, General Committee member David Brumpton and his wife Natalie called into the Waikiki Yacht Club and exchanged Burgees with their Commodore, Todd Rasmussen.



Hosted by club treasurer and Burgee coordinators, Gordon and Penny Riddick they enjoyed a tour of the club and facilities followed by an excellent meal and a couple of quiet drinks.....

Waikiki Yacht Club was founded in 1944 by a group of dedicated sailors and the venerable Duke Kahanamoku (those of you who have been to Waikiki may recall his statue on the beach).

The club offers a variety of boating activities including yacht racing, cruisers, power boaters, fishers and outrigger canoe paddlers as well as social events for members. Club facilities include dining, bar facilities, a fantastic deck overlooking the marina, a swimming pool, 150 berths for club members for boats up to 140 feet in length.

The club also caters for visiting yachts with the docks end ties, known as the 'Aloha Slips'.

On the water sailing activities include Friday night sailing, Series races, Regatta's, Youth sailing and many other cruising events.



On display throughout the club is an impressive 1200 burgees from Yacht clubs around the world. They now have a fresh new GRYC burgee on display also.

David & Natalie Brumpton

Airlie Beach Race Week - Team Poco Loco

On the 10th - 16th of August, the 30th anniversary of the Airlie Beach Race Week at the Whitsunday Sailing Club was held in the beautiful Whitsundays, where a large crew (mainly consisting of members of the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club) drove and flew up to race their Thompson 920, Poco Loco (English meaning: a little crazy!). This crew was made up of Dan Haynes (Owner and mainsail), Sandra McKay (owner and jib), Harry Cooper (Skipper), Jesse Mitton (bowman and tactician), Jo Mitton (jib), Anthony Mitton (spinnaker), Evan Higgins (ballast) and Marcus Halloran (mastman) along with friends and family who came along to cheer the team on.

In the lead up to the race week, the whole team was buzzing with excitement in anticipation of the event. In preparation, the boat was in need of a DSM-style upgrade, with a new coat of paint, new logo, works on the rigging and trailer safety checks, courtesy of Harry and Randal Cooper at Goolwa Masts and Welding, Lee Spencer at South Coast Marine Upholstery, Tony at South Coast Signs and Amos Zadow at South Coast Caravan Repairs.



In total, there were six days of racing, each day having a different race to complete, depending on the weather conditions and the locations of the races.

Day one, Friday 10th, was the Double Cone Island race where the fleet was taken north around Double Cone Island. The wind conditions started at 15 knots but increased to 20-30 knots, making the first day very exciting. The Poco team had a couple of mishaps, first one being that they hoisted the wrong spinnaker and the second was that they discovered that they were slightly off course and had to backtrack slightly to get to the mark. After correcting their position, the team then made the decision to switch the spinnaker to a BRO (Blast Reaching Zero) sail for a reach. The team then continued to sail at 15-16 knots. Eventually they hoisted the spinnaker back up to do 16-17 knots around the islands. In order to reach the finish line, the fleet had to sail into winds against the tide for 12 miles, putting Poco Loco at 3rd over the line and 10th on corrected time. However this was listed as their dropped race, where one race out of all completed is chosen as their lowest result and is not counted in the final result. This first race forced the Poco team to learn the hard way that they needed to learn to read the courses better and make wiser sail selections.

On the second day they were given course 12 which sent them to Whitsundays Passage. This day had beautiful light winds, where Poco Loco hit the lead, being in front of the fleet for most of the race until Harry and Jesse realised they misread the course and had to reround a mark. These both lead to them going from 1st to 2nd over the line but came 2nd on corrected time.

On day three, the team woke up to see that the ocean was the glassiest it had been since arriving in Airlie Beach (0 knots), meaning that the race had to be postponed until further notice. This forced the team to wait on shore for a few hours, constantly being updated until finally they were given the notice that the race was to start at 12:15.

The course they were given was course 36, 'around the bay' race, which was a little race because of the postponement and the light winds, which were blowing at 5-8 knots. This race put them at 2nd over the line. At this point though, the team started to ignore their corrected times because they didn't want that result to knock down their morale, instead they wanted to keep pushing forward and working hard to do better each time. For this race there were only six crew on board because the winds were too light and they would have been made slower with the extra crew. This gave Sandra and Jo a day off to relax and enjoy the beautiful Airlie Beach, as well as to prepare for the upcoming celebration that had been planned for Sandra's 40th birthday!

Although her birthday was on the 17th (the day after the race week finished), the team decided there should be a celebration held the night before the layday (to allow for a recovery day, of course). For the celebration, Sandra had decided on a Mexican Fiesta theme for the party, fabulously continuing with the theme of the boat's name and logo. And because the team and family like to go overboard (nothing in moderation), the house was completely decked out with decorations, streamers, balloons, mexican hats for the team, mexican food and of course, pinatas!

Following this fiesta, was the layday where the entire crew got to relax and sleep in and recover from the festivities of the night before. Most of the team eventually made their way into town to grab lunch and continue the festivities into the night where we all

enjoyed some drinks at one of the bars in Airlie Beach.

Day four launched the team back into racing with two windward/leeward races with winds at 20-25 knots. The team endured a massive broach which slowed them down considerably but the team still managed to score two 2nds across the lines. The team really enjoyed the high speeds that they had reached with the heavier winds, aside from the broach.

Day five's race was course 20, which was the Gumbrell Island race. This was a 24 mile race with a long 12 mile downwind run to the island with an upwind beat to the finish. This race was done in 15-20 knots of wind, and was completed without a hiccup. Once again the team managed 2nd place over the line.

The last day of racing was the 'little bay' race, which was 24 miles with many laps around the bay. This day was the Poco Loco team's best day of racing, and they managed to only make one mistake as they were going over the finish line, where they dropped the spinnaker in the water. The Poco team managed to fight for 1st place from start to finish, despite the spinnaker drop. During the event, Poco Loco had one main rival, a Melges 32 named 'Towtruck', who consistently kept finishing in front of Poco over the line, but in this last race, possibly as a last hurrah, Poco Loco managed to get in front of Towtruck and stay in front.

For the last night of the event, only a few of the crew went out to the Whitsunday Sailing Club to watch the presentations and have one last night of festivities in Airlie Beach before heading home to Adelaide. The final overall result had Poco Loco sitting in 10th place, with Towtruck ahead by one place.

Every afternoon, once the racing had concluded and the team were back on land, everyone made their way back to the Whitsunday Sailing Club. The yacht club had created a great event setting for all the sailors to relax and unwind and to hear the results at the end of each day. In addition to this, they had a band playing every night, lots of food and lots more beers to be enjoyed!

Monique Haynes, GRYC Member



Pictured (left to right):
Monique Haynes, Hannah Dutch, Marcus Halloran, Jesse Mitton,
Evan Higgins, Anthony Mitton, Dan Haynes, Sandra McKay and
Harry Cooper (missing: Jo Mitton)

COBWEBS

Who are the TUESDAY BOYS?

The Tuesday Boys are basically the older members of the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club who do all sorts of work around the club. The Tuesday Boys consist of approximately 15 club members whom have been mates for many years, many being ex-sailors & most coming from commercial backgrounds varying from engineering, farming, banking, accounting, & trades. It's sort of a men's shed, ages vary from 65 years to 90 years old & all are now retired.

The Tuesday Boys meet at 9 am each Tuesday (strange- ha) for morning tea, home-made cake and a discussion about the latest yacht club activities. Many good commercial ideas are put forward, which occasionally they get to the committee for consideration. Lunch is served at 12 noon with a gourmet menu including pie floaters, bangers and mash and fish and chips.

Who are the COBWEBS?

What does the name COBWEBS stand for?

The COBWEBS started about 8 or 9 years as a carryover from the Tuesday Boys volunteer working group. It depends on the activity, if it is associated with cruising- COBWEBS stands for Crazy Old Blokes with Expensive Boats. If it is associated with morning bike rides, BOATS are replaced with BIKES. If it refers to a group of friends who just like to get together to talk about old times and have fun, COBWEBS doesn't stand for anything.

The COBWEBS cruising division meets on the last Wednesday of each month, and starts the day 8:30 am with a breakfast of bacon, eggs, grilled tomato, baked beans, toast and coffee. This is followed by a boat cruise to a designated location for a BYO BBQ picnic lunch. Most times we are home before 5 pm. Destinations we have cruised to include the Coorong, Holmes Creek, Ducks' Hospital, also 2 overnight cruises to Riverside and Wally's Landing. Most times we get we get around 25-30 attendees and approximately 5-9 boats.

The COBWEB bike riders range from 2-5 riders each day, ages of the riders range from 60-84 years. Most of the group also meets at 7.30 AM each morning at the club for a one hour local bike ride, followed by a coffee.

What do these groups do?

Both the Tuesday Boys and the COBWEBS help with the maintenance of the GRYC club rooms, grounds & marina, they also organise and participate in monthly club cruises. Many of the members of these groups are also heavily involved with the Sailability program run at the GRYC. These members also help to finance little projects around the club, as well as organising and funding a great Christmas party.

Socially, they organise and participate in a once a year caravan trip, lasting a week or so mainly up the river and often head to Victor Harbor for a movie meal deal. Most of the group also meets at 7.30 AM each morning at the club for a one hour local bike ride, followed by a coffee. Some members also participate in the remote controlled model yacht sailing at the club on Monday and Friday afternoons.

Well that about sums it all up, if anyone reading this wishes to participate, you will be made most welcome.

Just contact **David Smallacombe** on 0408 816 232.



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22 Yachts Race to The Finnis

It was a full house up the Finnis River at Wally's Landing for the annual DSM Landscaping and Building Supplies Summer Series. This being the 1st destination race for the season, the fleet was keen to get going with the 3 starts hotly contested.

The spinnaker Division had Sea Bomb out in front early with a close pack following behind, Destiny, Quandong, Elanora and The Calm vying for the next positions. All had a go at The Calm which held them off to the finish with Destiny beating Quandong by 2 seconds for 3rd in line honours.

In the spinnaker free zone it was Hughie out in front with the big Ross 780 Sea Breeze close behind and a minute to 3rd place Champagne, behind this lead group was a tight finish for the handicap results, with seconds determining the final results

It was good to see the big multihulls back racing on the lower Murray with three yachts lining up for this event and it was the crowd favourite P Town that took out line and handicap honours, the first success for current owner John Atkinson after a very close race with Wilparina 3.



The BBQ was stoked up at the landing and the social aspect of the event got underway, Rear Commodore, Trevor Baldock conducted the presentation with Monique Haynes representing long time sponsor DSM handling the awards side of the proceedings. Breakfast was a low key affair with some sailors still feeling a bit puffed out after a big day on the water.

As usual these events are only made possible by the generous support of our sponsors and the huge amount of time our volunteers put in.

Div 2	1st Bacchus 2nd Farr'n'Fast 3rd Wind in the Willows	Brendan Murray Lockie McLaren Roger Rees
Div 3	1st Elanora 2nd Destiny 3rd Equinox	Louise Edwards Trevor Baldock Murray Symonds
Div 6	1st P Town 2nd Evolution 3rd Wilparina 3	John Atkinson Bruce Richardson Robert Remilton



Annual Dinner

This year, the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club held its Annual Dinner and Awards Night at The Fleurieu Function Centre.

The members were welcomed by Commodore Ms. Lyn Roberts and she thanked her fellow Flag Officers and the club's many volunteers. Retiring Rear Commodore David Howard was thanked for his efforts in the last 2 years along with Craig Blacker and Andrew Stevens who both stepped down from the General Committee.

After the main course the trophy presentation commenced with Vice Commodore Louise Edwards officiating.

In the DSM series

1st place in non spinnaker -- Anoqua -- Geoff Perry

1st in spinnaker div. -- Elanora -- Louise Edwards

The summer series

1st place in non spinnaker -- Farr n Fast -- Locky McLaren

1st in the spin. Div -- Destiny -- Trevor Baldock

The Ballast Stone Cup for Restricted 21's

won by Nerana -- skippered by Randal Cooper.

The club champion was announced and awarded to Andrew Stevens who with his crew on Envy won an impressive number of races, just pipping last year's winner Don Richardson on Encore by 1 1/2 points.



After the formal part of the evening the band played boogie and the members danced on. The prize winning crews celebrated in the usual fashion well into the night.



Club Rules Update

The General Committee recently reviewed and updated the Club Rules which can be found here:

http://www.gryc.com.au/files/7715/3276/0132/GRYC_Club_Rules.pdf

2018 Investigator Team Sailing

Nationals Wrap-up

The Investigator sailing team qualified for this year's Nationals with a strong performance in the State titles held in Goolwa in April 2018.

This qualification in turn, put the team in line for a position at the Australian Secondary Schools Championship held in Blairgowrie, Victoria.

This was the first time that Investigator College had qualified and only the second time the team had attended these titles after being awarded a wildcard entry for the 2016 Titles.

Our team was joined by 23 of the best Teams from across the country with the standard of sailing rated as high as has ever been seen at National and International level.



The Investigator College team sailed strongly throughout the regatta and raced many of the top teams in a Swiss league system, designed to have the top teams sail against each other more often than not throughout the qualifying rounds. Toward the end of this qualifying series, our team of all female skippers were poised to take a position in the open finals but fell agonisingly short in their final race with some of their best tactics and skills not quite enough in the hotbed of team sailing qualifiers.

They eventually achieved a tie for the top 8th position between 3 schools, but missed qualifying for finals on countback, making the team hungry for another shot at the title in Hobart in 2019. Eventually, weather permitting, the finals were run in awesome sailing conditions in the afternoon on the final day with our team cheering on our fellow South Australian team Westminster, who eventually took out the title and were deservedly crowned National Champions 2018.

Our Team consisted of Alyssa Kelsey (Capt./skipper year 12), Ella Konings (skipper year 11), India Kelsey (skipper Year 10) and crews Abbie Nott, Tayla Kelsey, Isaac Lush, Isaac Konings and Nathan Lush. The Team did Investigator College and South Australia proud to finish in the top ten in in one of the College's first interstate outings. They were ably supported by coach Ben Kelsey, team manager Bruce Konings and parents Kerry Nott and Nardine Habner.

Also, the team would like to acknowledge support from the Investigator College, Principal Don Grimmer, Alexandrina Council, Coorong Quays Marina, Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club and all the supporters who made the venture possible. The Investigator College Sailing Team will start training again in Fourth Term of the year with new sailors encouraged to join.

Ben Kelsey , Coach , Proud Parent and Team Chauffeur

2018

Annual
Dinner



Women's Helm Race Winners



2018 Dauntlus Cup

AROUND



40 Year Members



The HAT Handover



25 Year Member

2018 GRYC AGM



Team Poco Loco



Flares Demonstration



Chris Caffin 70th Birthday

THE CLUB

Club Program and Coming Events

Sat Dec 15, 2018	9.30am	Gen committee Mtg
	2.00pm	Summer Series, Race 3
Fri Dec 21, 2018	6.00pm	Twilight Series 2, Race 4
Thu Dec 27, 2018	6.0pm	Christmas Twilight Race 1
Fri Dec 28, 2018	6.00pm	Christmas Twilight Race 2
Sat Dec 29, 2018	6.00pm	Christmas Twilight Race 3
Sun Dec 30, 2018	6.00pm	Christmas Twilight Race 4
Fri Jan 4, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Series 2, Race 5
Fri Jan 11, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Series 2, Race 6
Sat Jan 12, 2019	9.00am	Sailability
Fri Jan 18, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Series 2, Race 7 and Presentation
Sat Jan 19, 2019	1.00pm	GRW - Marina Challenge
Sun Jan 20, 2019	10.00am	GRW - Aqua Spectacular Incl Sailability Challenge
Mon Jan 21, 2019	2.00pm	GRW - Radio Yachting Regatta
Wed Jan 23, 2019	4.00pm	GRW - Cook Off
Thu Jan 24, 2019	6.00pm	GRW - Tune Up Race
Fri Jan 25, 2019	6.00pm	GRW - Dash for Cash
Sat Jan 26, 2019	7.00am	GRW - Australia Day Breakfast
Sun Jan 27, 2019	9.30am	GRW - Milang-Goolwa Freshwater Classic
Thu Jan 31, 2019	6.00pm	Keel boat Training Course 2
Fri Feb 1, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Novelty Race
Sat Feb 2, 2019	9.00am	Keel Boat Training Course 2
	9.30am	Gen Committee Mtg
Fri Feb 8, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Series 2, Re-sail
Sat Feb 9, 2019	9.00am	Keel Boat Training Course 2
Fri Feb 15, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Series 3, Race 1
Sat Feb 16, 2019	9.00am	Keel Boat Training Course 2
	9.00am	Sailability
Fri Feb 22, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Series 3, Race 2
Sat Feb 23, 2019	All Day	Club Cruise and Picnic
Fri Mar 1, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Series 3, Race 3
Sat Mar 2, 2019	2.00pm	Summer Series Races 4 & 5
Fri Mar 8, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Series 3, Race 4
Sun Mar 10, 2019	10.0am	Goolwa-Milang Lake Alexandrina Classic (MRC)
Mon Mar 11, 2019	All Day	Milang Regatta Races (MRC)
Fri Mar 15, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Series 3, Race 5
Sat Mar 16, 2019	9.00am	Sailability
	5.00pm	Volunteers' Night
Fri Mar 22, 2019	6.0pm	Twilight Series 3, Race 6
Sat Mar 23, 2019	9.30am	Gen Committee Mtg
	2.00pm	Summer Series Race 6 - Riverside
Fri Mar 29, 2019	6.00pm	Twilight Series 3, Race 7 Final Formal Friday & Presentation
Sat Mar 30, 2019	9.00am	Sailability State Championship (MB)
Sun Mar 31, 2019	9.00am	Sailability State Championship (MB)

Redoubtable Dauntlus

Twenty eight sail boats in five divisions turned up for the prestigious Dauntlus Cup, the fifth race in the Bremerton Wines Winter Series Race at the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club on Saturday.

The history of the Dauntlus Cup dates back to the 1800s and starts with the Baker family who has a long boating history and is renowned within the Goolwa area. Roy Baker, after whom the RS Baker was named, had a grandfather, Henry Woodard who was the Hindmarsh Island Ferryman for 27 years.

In 1894 Henry sailed his yacht "Dauntlus" from Goolwa to Murray Bridge to compete in the inaugural "Regatta" held by the Murray Bridge Boat and Yacht Club. He won the race and received a large trophy along with fifteen pounds prize money.

In 1993, descendants of Henry Woodard presented the GRYC with the trophy, a silver plated mulled wine container, inscribed with the words 'H Woodard's Dauntlus'. The family heirloom takes pride of place at GRYC and is presented as the winning trophy for the annual yacht race aptly named the "Dauntlus Cup".

The traditional course for the Dauntlus Cup is upstream from the Goolwa, past Clayton, around Rat Island and then back to the finish line in front of the Yacht Club. However the forecast did not look promising with light winds predicted for the day and consequently the PRO shortened the course.



Congestion at the boat end between Destiny, Blaze and Seabomb made for a noisy start to the spinnaker division. It was a drifter for the first half of the first leg with sails hanging sadly waiting for the wind to come in. Come in it did to the relief of all sailors and a lovely sail was had to the turning buoys set upstream of Narnu Bay.

Taking out first place on corrected time:

- Vintage river boat division:
the beautiful Iole skippered by Fraser Buchan
- Spinnaker division:
Destiny skippered by Trevor Baldock
- Non spinnaker division:
Anoqua skippered by Geoff Perry
- Large multihull division:
P Town skippered by John Atkinson
- OTB cat division:
Mad Apples skippered by Robbie Andrews



My Experience Learning to Skipper

"I bought you a surprise anniversary gift!"

Those were the words my dear husband Benjamin used to describe the soling Merrijig he just bought....for me. Unexpected as it was, considering we had a total of four boats at the time.

I sat and listened to his manifesto on why we needed this new addition to our ever burgeoning fleet. In summary:

1. Merrijig was a winning Olympic trials yacht at one time in its life.
2. There are three other solings at the GRYC, we would make four.
3. Randal at Goolwa Mast and Welding has already agreed to cut the keel--it's last one he'll do.

Now at this time, I realized I had two options. I could either complain about having too many boats and still have the already gotten gain, or embrace it being my yacht. I chose the latter.

After four years of grinding on head sail, learning to skipper was the next logical step. I first met my new yacht on Hindmarsh Island resembling a sheet of paper on the water. I spent the next 2 hours baling out water on a 40 degree day. Luckily my crew helped me out. Once out of the water and on the trailer, I spent an hour pressure spraying off all the accumulated algae off the hull. My dear husband and friends sat on the lawn and chatted as I worked away on my own. It was a reality check that I had a huge undertaking in wanting to be a skipper of my own yacht. I soldiered on. Once fully restored and the keel cut by Goolwa Mast and Welding, it was time to pick a color. I chose Watty's FF023 "Marvelous", a final declaration that my re-named boat Gidget was mine. The only thing left was to learn to skipper.

I enrolled myself into the Keel Boat Learning to Sail program, thusly beginning my journey into skipper-Dom. I found being on the tiller to be a completely different perspective than being on crew. I was used to hearing the skippers command to prepare for a movement, then carrying it out with the second command. Now I make the decision, no lead in time for a skipper. I was in charge of this vessel and all aboard her. That is what is so poignant about being a skipper, you are in control and people depend on you to make the right decisions. The instructors of the course showed us tacking, gibing, heave-to, and the most complicated and important in my opinion man-overboard. My classmates and I then sailed with our instructor down the Coorong, getting through the locks, navigating the channel and the ever-changing Murray mouth. These are all things that are important that you can only learn through experience.

After taking the course, I then was given an opportunity to take a women's helming course. I was able to re-cap on what I had learned previously in theory followed on by practical. A short course was set-up in the pond, 5 women skippers, most of us new, and someone timing our starts and finishes. We were off, my competitive nature came to the fore front. I finished 4 of the 5 runs in front. Each win felt better than the previous. Fist pumping in the air wouldn't come close to describing the exhilaration I felt.

Winner winner, chicken dinner!

The biggest lesson I learned from being out front is you are only as good as your crew. Having experienced, capable crew is critical to learning to sail properly. The crew I skippered provided me with so much information and feedback giving an inexperienced skipper (me) the opportunity to feel the boat.

I have more confidence in my skippering ability now. I will continue to practice and learn so that I can be a great skipper one day.

By Valeria M. Sanders



Join us in the Galley on Friday nights for a great selection of modern and traditional bistro meals.

Chef Angie also prepares a small range of specials and desserts - so why not come and give it a try?

Don't forget, that with Summer upon us, there is fabulous outdoor dining on the Thornquest Deck where you can soak up the last of the summer rays while taking in a great view across the marina to the river...

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Christmas Dinner/Winter Series Presentation

The annual Winter Series Presentation Night and Christmas Dinner was held recently with the Kinnear Room overflowing with guests out to the Thornquest deck.

Chef Angie and her team put together a fabulous Taste of the Fleurieu, featuring produce from across our wonderful region.

Live music was provided by Matt and the Maniacs.



Bremerton Wines Winter Series Results:

Spinnaker Division

- 1st Destiny - Trevor Baldock
- 2nd Elanora - Louise Edwards
- 3rd Seabomb - Harry Cooper

Non Spinnaker Division

- 1st Encore - Don Richardson
- 2nd Wylo - Randal Cooper
- 3rd Oh Really - Mick O'Reilly

1st on personal handicap: Anoqua - Geoff Perry

Off The Beach Cat Division

- 1st Crinkari - Mick Maguire
- 2nd Sunset Strip - Paul Short
- 3rd Anarky - Chris Reiffel



Introducing the Club Manager



Hi all,

I would like to thank you all for making me feel so welcome at GRYC. My first month in the role of Club Manager has been an exciting one. Kicking things off with Open Day and a trip on the Oscar W was an amazing way to begin my time here, and I am excited about the many events I will share with you all in the future.

For those of you that I have not had the chance to meet, here's a little information about myself. I spent my childhood growing up in Victor Harbor, spending much of my time sailing at the Victor Harbor Yacht Club and team sailing with Victor Harbor High School. As an adult I have travelled extensively through Western Europe, the UK, Canada and South East Asia. Whilst living and working in Rome I discovered my passion for the food industry and since returning I have focused on working in the hotels industry, developing teams of employees in front office, catering and events departments.

Recently I have decided I would like to spend more time on the south coast, which has led me to my new role as club manager of GRYC. I look forward to meeting you all and hearing your ideas for the club.

Jade Irvine

Lifejacket Regulations

Make sure your lifejacket fits!!

It's a good idea to try the lifejacket on in the shop before you buy it.

- * Choose a lifejacket for your weight range and make sure the size/cut of the lifejacket is suitable. It should fit snugly without being confining or riding up on your body.
- * Make sure the neck section does not ride up around your head.
- * A crotch strap will prevent your lifejacket from sliding up around your neck and will prevent you from falling out of the bottom of the lifejacket, which is especially important for children.
- * Choose a lifejacket that is appropriate for the location you will be boating in and for the activity.

Once you have purchased the lifejacket and before you go boating, put the lifejacket on and become familiar with the flotation characteristics in a controlled environment such as a swimming pool.

Get a feel for the lifejacket by moving about, swimming and floating. Try jumping from the side of the pool into the water - you will see the need for a firm, fully fitted and correctly worn lifejacket.



Lifejacket requirements in South Australia

All boaters need to know what to do to make sure that they and their crew comply with the requirements.

Special provisions for children:

When a lifejacket is required to be worn by children less than 12 years of age or 40kg, the lifejacket must not be of the type that inflates.

Motor boats less than 4.8m in length:

Everyone on board the vessel must wear a lifejacket suitable for their area of operation and activity, at all times when underway or at anchor.

Boats 4.8m to 12m in length - with or without an engine:

Children of or under 12 years of age must wear a lifejacket at all times when on the open deck, at all times when underway or at anchor.

In circumstances of heightened risk, each occupant in the open area of a vessel of not less than 4.8m but not more than 12m in length must, at all times while the vessel is underway or at anchor, wear a lifejacket level 100 or above in unprotected waters or a level 50 or 50S in semi-protected or protected waters,,

- * When operating alone
- * When operating after sunset or before sunrise
- * When the boat is disabled
- * When crossing an ocean bar
- * At times of restricted visibility
- * When in an area subject to gale, storm force, hurricane force, thunderstorm or sever weather warning from the Bureau of Meteorology
- * When reasonably directed to do so by the master of the vessel

Tender vessels

If a motor vessel is a tender to another vessel, the occupants must wear a lifejacket in accordance with the requirements set out above, in accordance with the boat length.

The waters in South Australia are divided into 3 categories, which influence the type of lifejacket required - dependant on the activity. For more information, go to www.ondeck.sa.gov.au



Information contained in this page has been extracted from the brochure "Which lifejacket do I need?" published by The Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure of the Government of South Australia. More information is provided in the complete brochure or visit www.sa.gov.au/boatingmarine

Radio Controlled Yachting at GRYC

For 8 or so years radio sailing has been a feature of GRYC on Monday and Friday afternoons. Initially the yachts that were used were a cheap, plastic, fully rigged, ready to go, one metre long vessel called a Phantom. It enabled the initial group to enter the sport quickly and cheaply, to give it a go and see if it was a sport they wished to continue.

For many reasons, the Phantom is an inappropriate yacht to continue using for long as it requires hours of alterations and modifications to make it stronger, more efficient and to sail effectively. Making these modifications has given many of our members an interest in construction and learning what makes a yacht sail well. Our web site outlines the path taken by these sailors. <http://www.rcyachting.scoastmac.org.au/>



Most members now use a yacht called an International One Metre (IOM) and with good reasons. The IOM rule was introduced to radio sailing in the late 1980's to give a strong, easily constructed and efficient yacht small enough to fit readily in a family car. To keep the ability for owners to construct a competitive yacht, materials were limited to timber or fibreglass for the hull and wood or aluminium for the mast. Carbon fibre has been allowed now for the fin construction.

There are over 10,000 registered IOM yachts world wide and the class is controlled by an International body responsible for maintaining the specifications and running International events. See their website <http://www.iomclass.org/>

The IOM rule is very restrictive, allowing only those parts on the yacht specifically mentioned in the rules. While this can be seen to be restrictive in terms of innovation, it does keep the myriad of designs that have been produced very close in performance and winning is more about skipper ability than hull design.

The basic rule includes a length of one metre, a minimum weight of 4 Kg, a maximum fin and bulb weight of 2.5 Kg, a maximum overall draft of 420 mm, a maximum hull draft of 60 mm, three rigs all within +/- 5mm in dimension, and a stayed mast with one set of shrouds and optional spreaders.

The greatest variation is in the width and draft of the hull. We see broad shallow designs and narrower deeper sections in others, all surprisingly very close in performance. With the three rigs, the IOM is able to sail in winds of 30 plus knots and is an exciting yet forgiving vessel.

We encourage GRYC sailors to have a closer look at the radio sailing in the GRYC basin on a Friday afternoon and maybe have a try at this sport.

Ben Morris

The GRYC sends out Smoke Signals !!!

A demonstration on the correct use of flares....



Members let off smoke by discharging flares in an organised "flare off".



Always safety conscious - a designated 'fire-man' was on hand.

Goolwa Sailability

Yacht Club members who reside on the Fleurieu Peninsula will be well aware of the strong winds that have plagued the area over the last few months. It forced the cancellation of our sailing activities in May and August. Fortunately, our day in June could not have been better. The season then went into recess until the 11th of August.

Whilst our sailors were anxious to recommence, the weather gods had other ideas. The day was saved by David Smallacombe providing an invaluable talk/demonstration on rigging an Access dinghy, and sailing one to its potential - albeit on a trailer.

We continue to be indebted to our volunteer ladies who provide our lunch, even on days of cancelled sailing.

Sailability SA has chosen that the State Championships to be conducted at Murray Bridge Sailing Club on the 30th and 31st of March 2019. It is hoped that we can put together crews to challenge the other clubs.

New sailors to our group are: Kym Bley (Strathalbyn), Jesse Hahn and Andy Blight (Goolwa), Joeline Schmerl (Sterling) and Bryn Williams (Goolwa Beach).

Club members who are now assisting as new volunteers are: Rob Makin, Brendan Murray, David Brumpton, Paul Smith and Jan Verwaal.

Goolwa Sailability's 20th Anniversary Celebrations

On Saturday the 10th November 2018, the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club was the scene for the GRYC Sailability 20th anniversary celebrations.

Memorabilia on display came from existing members, GRYC records, together with photocopies of newspaper items held in the History Room of the Goolwa Library. Information gathered from these records shows that Goolwa Sailability commenced on the 7th November 1998 at the GRYC.

The celebratory day was blessed with weather that would be difficult to order – it was perfect. The morning activity consisted of a mixture of relaxed sailing and a couple of short races.

Following the sailing, 104 people with a past or present connection attended the commemorative lunch.

The catering for this special lunch was skillfully handled by our dedicated group of volunteer ladies, under the leadership of the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club's Past Commodore, Lyn Roberts.

Past participants were recognized and a special mention was given to those who had travelled from interstate and overseas for the occasion.

Goolwa Sailability acknowledged its gratitude to the group of volunteers, who gain pleasure and satisfaction from sharing the sailing experience with people with a disability.

May this activity continue on.





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