



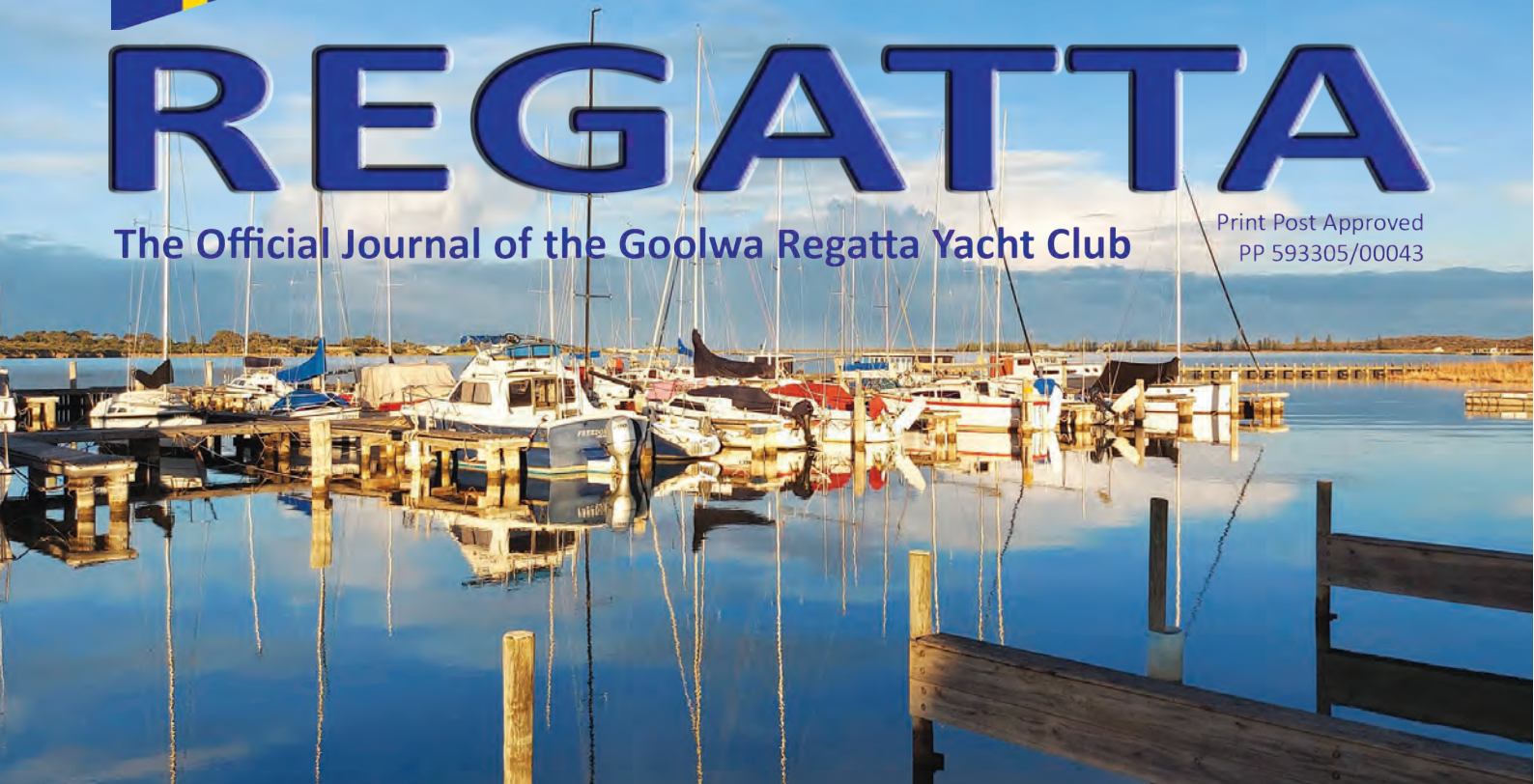
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## Commodore's Comments ...

Welcome members, to the first Regatta for the 21/22 season. With good flows predicted on the Murray River and hopefully more easing of the restrictions we can look forward to a full season of events.

We live in strange times, with social distancing still a requirement and sometimes a need to be seated when eating and enjoying a drink. We have 6 members who have qualified as COVID Marshalls, please follow their instructions and directions if spoken to. This will be for your own well-being and also supporting the club by avoiding a fine for our gathering on the day.

We as a club will go on with more distance between us when required, which will be challenging to those of us who have some hearing loss and other members who like to touch, punch and grab you during the telling of their best joke or description of the day's sailing. Young people call this Bar Karate, which is a pod cast with quite a bit of SA content.



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### Commodore's Comments (cont) ...

The Sailing Committee has produced a program with a full season of events, and all the usual fixtures are planned. Of course this is all reliant on our state remaining COVID free, and the committee will make announcements during the season when necessary. Please read the informative club emails from Jade and the Club's Facebook page.

We are fortunate to have a dedicated Social Co-ordinator on the committee, with events already being conducted and more planned. Please support these if you can, some are to share the love of sponsors.

Please use your boats and get out on the water. It is amazing how few boats are used during the week. The weather is great so get out on the water; motor/sail down to the mouth and catch some fish, have a coffee at Sails in Clayton or venture to Milang for a pub dinner and a sleep on the reedy island. When you get back, drop in and have a meal at the Islander's Tavern or afternoon tea at Bombora.

Visitors to our area think we live in a paradise - all this flat water and so many great places to visit, eat and drink.

We look forward to seeing you at the Club soon; please stay safe and all the best from the Flag Officers and the General Committee for the new season.

**Randal Cooper**  
Commodore of the oldest yacht club in Australia

## 2021 - 2022 Season Program

The program for the 2021-22 summer and winter seasons has now been finalised and released. All your usual favourite events are there including the Summer Twilight Series, Christmas Twilights, Summer and Winter Series and of course Goolwa Regatta Week. Opening Day is Saturday 9th October with formalities commencing at 1430hrs.

A reminder that members may access the program in multiple ways:

- \*\* a hard copy is mailed to each member on renewal of their membership, and copies are also available at the clubhouse.
  - \*\* A pdf version of the program, found on the GRYC website, can be printed or saved locally at members' homes.
  - \*\* adding the GRYC program to the Calendar app of your Android or Apple device (phone or tablet). Step by step instructions are detailed on the GRYC website.
- I believe we have this year resolved the past inability of Apple users to access the GRYC program from their Calendar app.** I ask members who are Apple users and attempt to access the GRYC program via the steps listed on the website to please let me know of your success or failure via email to [secretary@gryc.com.au](mailto:secretary@gryc.com.au) or speak to me at the clubhouse.
- \*\* The GRYC website also has a calendar widget that displays all upcoming events.

So, use any of the above methods to access the new season's program, clear all that unimportant stuff out of the way, and join your fellow members down at the club to share in another excellent season of events.

**Clive Boyce**  
Secretary



Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club  
**Opening Day**  
Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2021

All members and friends welcome  
to the opening of the  
2021-2022 Sailing Season

Ceremony to begin at 2:30 pm  
Sail past to commence at 3:30pm

BYO Picnic Lunch  
Bar open from midday until 6pm.

To comply with our COVID safe plan  
Table bookings are essential.  
Please contact  
[gryc@gryc.com.au](mailto:gryc@gryc.com.au) or 0447 710 489



## 2021 Annual General Meeting Report

The club's annual general meeting (AGM) is an important element of the club's governance. It provides members with the opportunity to review the last season's operations, the club's financial position, and to query the General Committee on its activities, and discuss future plans.

It is also the occasion for members to appoint the Flag Officers and other General Committee members for the coming season.

At this year's meeting, which was held on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> of June, the Commodore, Vice Commodore and the Treasurer each presented their reports to members.

The Commodore, Randal Cooper, observed in his report that it had been a challenge to conduct the past season of events. COVID check-ins, updating our procedures each time the regulations change, and assessing and re-assessing the scale of each event had certainly made the General Committee think carefully about how we manage operations at the GRYC.

The Vice Commodore, Trevor Baldock, provided a comprehensive report on the Summer Season recently concluded. Trevor noted that the Club had been able to deliver the vast majority of the Summer Season notwithstanding the ever-present threat of shutdowns and restrictions.

The Treasurer, Alex Woods, delivered his Financial Report for the year ended 31 March 2021. Government relief grants successfully covered the loss of trading though the closedowns and restrictions of autumn and winter 2020. In light of the uncertainty hanging over the entire year, the General Committee kept a tight rein on expenditures. Overall, the club achieved a strong profit result, ensuring the Club remains in a sound financial position.

All General Committee positions are vacated at the AGM.

Three members of the general committee stepped down at the AGM – Trevor Baldock, Ben Sanders and Jeff Secomb. They were thanked for their contributions to the club.

Nominations for the incoming General Committee matched the available positions and no voting process was therefore required.

All nominated persons were appointed to the General Committee.

### Your general committee for the 2021-22 season is:

**Commodore:** Randal Cooper

**Vice Commodore:** Chris Reiffel

**Rear Commodore:** Mike Ludlow

**Treasurer:** Alex Woods

**Secretary:** Clive Boyce

#### **Committee Members:**

Ian Barker

David Brumpton

Chris Hocking

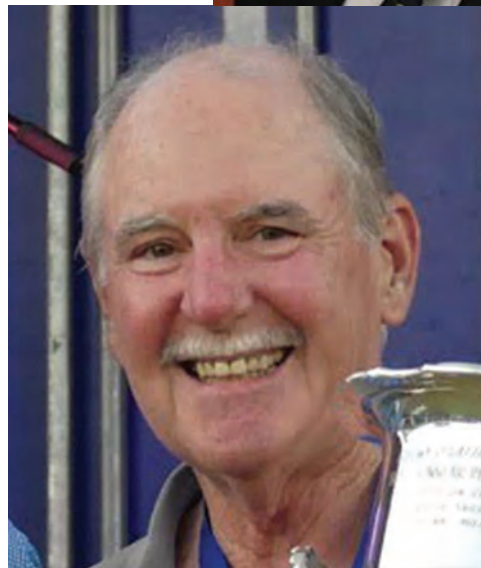
Jacek Holgar

Ali Law

The club also uses the occasion of the AGM to recognise members who have reached outstanding membership milestones.

This year, the AGM attendees applauded the 25 years of continuous membership achieved by David Howard, Ron Kelton, and Mike O'Reilly.....

*David Howard*



*Mike O'Reilly*

..... and the 40 years of continuous membership achieved by Anne Arnold, Antony Craven, Arch Hill and Geoff Hill.

*Geoff Hill*



At the conclusion of formalities, members were invited by the Commodore to the traditional ploughman's lunch.

**Clive Boyce**  
**Secretary**

## GRYC SheSails

The Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club's commitment to encouraging and supporting women into sailing continues to grow as it launches its first ever annual Women's Sailing Program for the 2021/22 Season.

While there is a long history of women sailors at the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club, including an all-women's team who entered the Milang-Goolwa Freshwater Classic back in the 1980s, the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club recognises the need to provide a renewed focus and opportunities for women to become involved in the sport of sailing.

In 2018 it set aside a race in the Winter Series as a dedicated Women's Helm race and created coaching and practice sessions to ensure participants would have the experience to participate. From a single race for the next 3 seasons, the Women's Sailing Program has continued to grow, including a Women's Twilight Series which was introduced in 2020.



In 2021/22 the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club formalised its support of the initiative and created the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club's SheSails Committee to oversee and progress the Women's Sailing Program. SheSails is a national scheme established under the umbrella of the National Sailing body: Australian Sailing.

Building on the success of the Women's Helm Races, on water practice and coaching, informal training sessions and Women's Twilight Series, the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club's SheSails Committee has established a comprehensive program for the 2021/22 season which encompasses over 20 events including:

- a dedicated twilight series where the helm and 50% of the crew must be women
- formal and informal training courses
- midweek cruises
- a coaching clinic
- dinghy practice sessions
- overnight Coorong cruise
- networking and interclub visits

The program has been designed to provide variety with a view that people will register for the events in which they are interested. Most are free of charge and suitable to all skill and interest levels. The program is primarily focussed on women, along with their supporters. All women members, their friends and family with an interest in getting out on the water are encouraged to join in.

It would not be possible to run this program without the fabulous support from all our volunteers, members and advocates and we welcome their active participation in the program.

To find out more, contact the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club SheSails Convenor, Louise Edwards on [louandbri@hotmail.com](mailto:louandbri@hotmail.com) or 0431 053 104 or Club Manager Jade Irvine on [gryc@gryc.com.au](mailto:gryc@gryc.com.au) or 8555 2617.

**Louise Edwards**  
**GRYC SheSails Convenor**



**Just for the day or overnight**

**Main group leaving 9.30am on Saturday**

**Sleep on your boat, BYO food, drinks**

**Anyone welcome**

**For booking a boat at Coorong National Park go to**

**<https://www.parks.sa.gov.au/find-a-park>**

**Please contact Louise ([louandbri@hotmail.com](mailto:louandbri@hotmail.com)) to register your interest please**

Goolwa Barrage  
opening hours  
8am – 12.30am  
1.30pm – 4.30pm



## How to Travel Through a Lock

There are five simple rules for travelling through a lock.

1. Contact the lock attendant before you approach. Once your vessel is positioned around 400-600 metres from the lock, you can use any of these methods to let the attendant know you want to travel through:
  - three prolonged blasts (four seconds each) on a whistle, air or electric horn or other suitable device
  - via a mobile phone.
2. Wait until you see a red flashing light on top of the control boxes. This means the lock attendant has acknowledged your request and they are preparing the lock for you.
3. Do not approach until you are told to. Keep more than 150 metres back from the lock until you see a green flashing light. This is the signal for you to proceed into the lock chamber in a safe and controlled manner.
4. Stop in the lock chamber where the lock attendant tells you to stop. They will pass down ropes so you can secure your vessel. Wrap - not tie - the rope around an appropriate fixing point, ensuring it remains secure.
5. Navigating the lock with a vessel tied to the side of a houseboat is not recommended. For your safety, you also need to remain onboard during the lockage process.



## Upcoming Events

A promotional image for a wine tasting event. In the foreground, two glasses of red wine sit on a wooden surface next to a platter of cheese and crackers. Behind them are four bottles of wine with black labels featuring white text and a circular logo. The background is a blurred outdoor setting.

**SHAW FAMILY VINTNERS**

### Wine Tasting - Friday 8th October

Come down to watch the first race of the Twilight Series, stay after to enjoy some of the wines on offer from our long time club sponsors Shaw Family Vintners.

**The Back-up Plan**  
Single Vineyard  
2010 Petit Verdot  
Curry Creek

**Lazy T**  
Single Vineyard  
2010 Cabernet Sauvignon  
McLaren Vale

**Rusty Plough**  
Single Vineyard  
2011 Grenache  
McLaren Vale

**The gN**  
Single Vineyard  
2010 Shiraz  
McLaren Vale

A menu for Islanders' Tavern. The background features a black and white photo of a horse race. The menu is presented in a white box with black text.

**ISLANDERS' TAVERN**

### Melbourne Cup Lunch

Menu  
\$50 per head

**Vol-au-vent**  
Salmon mousse – Creamy Mushroom and Spinach – Crab & Chive Mayo – Cream Cheese Pimiento

**Mains**  
**Duck à l'Orange**  
Roasted duck leg and breast in Bigarade sauce w/ grilled oranges, shallots and zest. Served on potato dauphinoise.

**Steak Parisienne**  
Grilled Flank steak served on a cold vegetable salad of mixed greens, artichokes, green beans, onions, roasted cherry tomatoes and cucumbers in balsamic / pomegranate vinaigrette.

**Seared Tuna Niçoise**  
Served on baby cos lettuce, boiled eggs, green beans, cherry tomatoes, cocktail onions, olives, capers, chat potatoes and cucumbers in dill lemon vinaigrette.

**Petit Fours**  
Small bite size cakes of lemon, orange, banana, vanilla, and chocolate

Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 12:00.  
Sweepstakes, best dressed  
and drinks specials  
Strictly limited numbers - Book Now  
Contact GRYC on 0447 710 489  
or [gryc@gryc.com.au](mailto:gryc@gryc.com.au)

A promotional poster for a Christmas dinner. The background is red with white floral and star patterns. The text is in white and gold.

BOMBORA ON THE RIVER CATERS THE GRYC

## Christmas Dinner

3 COURSE SET MENU DINNER  
WITH MAGICAL LIVE ENTERTAINMENT  
AND A GLASS OF BUBBLES ON  
ARRIVAL. \$65.00PP

NOVEMBER 27th, 2021 6:30pm for 7:00pm  
Kinnear Room at GRYC.  
Contact [gryc@gryc.com.au](mailto:gryc@gryc.com.au) or 0447 710 489



## Sailability



**Sailability Sailing Dates 2021-2022 Season**

Saturday 16th October

Saturday 6th November

**Saturday 4th December Christmas Lunch**

Saturday 8th January

**Regatta Week Sailability Challenge—Sun 16th Jan**

Saturday 5th February

Saturday 26th February

**Saturday 26th March—Sunday 27th March**

**Sailability SA Championship**

Saturday 7th May

Saturday 4th June

Saturday 6th August

Saturday 3rd September

Ian Barker - Committee Chairman - 0411207446

**'Freedom on the Water'**

**GOOLWA REGATTA YACHT CLUB inc.**

## GRYG: Goolwa Radio Yachting Group

Our racing on Mondays and Fridays is broken into series based on the 4 seasons. So, we have just finished the 2021 Winter series for both the Monday and Friday groups. While there is significant overlap of sailors in these two groups there is sufficient difference to warrant them being considered separately. Our group continues to flourish with more current and past GRYC sailors adding to our numbers.

### Friday Winners for the 2021 Winter series:

Winner: Don James  
Runner up: Richard Gregg  
Third: Grahame Evett

### Monday Winners for the 2021 Winter series:

Winner: Roger Stephens  
Runner up: Don James  
Third: Richard Gregg

### Events in SA and Australia.

One Metre events have continued in SA with the state championship being run earlier this year. We had a couple of entrants, Randy Elksen and Peter Mitchell, who did not disgrace themselves!

There is still planned to be an Australian championship held in Adelaide later in November – COVID willing.

Quite a few spectators have asked where do you get a One Metre? There are manufacturers worldwide who specialise in this with one of the top designs made in NZ. These are not cheap (you can probably pick up an old Trailerable for less).

There is a second-hand market and that's where our members have mostly obtained their vessels. A quick search for a 'For Sale' on the web should find them. Alternatively, our web site at [www.scoastmac.org.au](http://www.scoastmac.org.au) has a 'For Sale' page though I'm not sure if there are any listed currently.

Some sailors have built their own One Metre. There are plenty of designs available which can be moulded in balsa, timber or fiberglass if you have the skills. Some clubs have a mould that can be used.

Bear in mind that to be competitive, a yacht must be at minimum weight (4 Kg) and not much more. As the max fin weight is fixed (2.5Kg) and a rig (mast and sails) weighs about 330g, that leaves ~1170g for the hull and all its works. A well-built yacht will achieve this easily and still have 250g or more of ballast to achieve the 4 Kg minimum.



*The hull and deck are almost ready for joining after a bit more work on a keel box.*

There are a couple of outlets in Australia specialising in the supply of all things radio yachts, fittings electrics etc.

**Ben Morris**  
**Goolwa Radio Yachting Group**

## Club Manager of the Year Nomination

Our club manager, Jade Irvine, has been nominated in the Manager of the Year category in the Clubs SA 2021 Awards for Excellence which acknowledge and promote the outstanding work undertaken by clubs and individuals within the South Australian licensed club industry.



This is a wonderful recognition of the contribution that Jade makes to the operations of the GRYC.

While many members interact with Jade when she is working behind the bar or helping with meal service, Jade's role is, in fact, much broader.

Jade works full time for the GRYC and when the club is not serving drinks and meals, Jade spends most of her time upstairs in the bridge, which doubles as her office.

Here she attends to a multitude of administrative and financial functions that keep the club running. Some of the tasks that Jade performs to ensure smooth sailing for the business are: responding to enquiries from members and potential members, financial record keeping and paying our bills, coordination for third party hire of our facilities, marina berth licence transfers, maintaining a watchful eye on the marina and most importantly, keeping the General Committee focussed on things that need to be done.

Jade was appointed Club Manager in 2018 and in her words 'working as Manager at GRYC has given me the rare opportunity to combine my love of sailing with my 10+ years' experience in the hotel and hospitality industry'.

These last few years have not always been easy as substantial changes have been made to how the club operates. For example; introduction of a new accounting software and Jade absorbing the duties of a previous part-time bookkeeper, a vast change to food service for various events and the ever-challenging restrictions and requirements.

As the Club's only permanent employee, Jade works with and relies upon the Volunteers that contribute at all levels to the Club's success – from the highly visible role of Commodore through to the mostly unseen helpers such as the Tuesday Working Group.

She observed in a recent interview with Southern Argus newspaper that working at GRYC has been her first role in a volunteer-based organisation. She has been blown away by the generosity and motivation the Volunteers have toward making the Club successful. Many of the Volunteers not only give their time to GRYC but to other organisations like Rotary or Wildlife Rescue. Jade has found it such a pleasure to be around people who, without hesitation, give so much.

Now in my second term as GRYC Secretary, I work closely with Jade on many matters and quickly came to appreciate how valuable Jade is to the club's overall operations.

Her customer focussed hospitality experience combined with excellent administrative skills and a 'can do' attitude are wonderful assets for the club.



The Awards winners will be announced on Saturday 16th October at the Clubs SA Annual Dinner and we all wish Jade success in the Awards.

**Clive Boyce**  
Secretary





## She Sails





## Dauntlus Cup



## Winter Wine Tour





## Thank you to Masonic Charities Trust

Thank you once again to Masonic Charities Trust who donated 30 CPR training courses to GRYC volunteers and employees. The CRP course was a great chance for our team to have a refresher on how to provide CPR and apply the defibrillator to adults and infants in an emergency.

Masonic Charities Trust have been a great supporter of the Sailability program at GRYC with the recent donation of "Regatta 3" which you will see out on the water on Sailability days, providing assistance and support to the sailors.

Feedback from attendees was that the course was highly informative, and should an incident arise, then our volunteers have the knowledge and confidence to act accordingly.

On behalf of our group and the Yacht Club, we thank your organisation sincerely for the opportunity to be part of this now necessary educational program.

The St.John Ambulance group are to be congratulated for organising and execution of the course.



## Generous Donation

Thank you to Gary Hancock who recently donated a Navigator Marine First Aid Kit to the GRYC. Gary recently held a CPR course in the Kinnear Room and was very appreciative of the use of the facilities. As you may have guessed by the surname, Gary is the son of Mal Hancock long term member of the club.



These first aid kits are developed specifically for marine environments and are UV resistant, making them perfect for use out on the water. Thank you Gary. We look forward to welcoming you back to GRYC again.

**Jade Irvine**  
Club Manager

## Bremerton Wines Dauntlus Cup 2021

The 2021 Dauntless Cup was held on Saturday 27th August. The course started just upstream of the Hindmarsh Island bridge and required boats to sail upstream past Clayton and around Rat Island before returning to finish in front of the Club.

Once again, this race served up a variety of conditions, and what we all thought was going to be a nice easy day with sunshine, beer and a reach both ways instead became a hard slog near Clayton when the wind went to the west and hit 25 knots.

Crews found themselves working far too hard on the return leg downstream towards Goolwa.

The 92 year-old vintage river boat *Wylo* (Randal Cooper) led the non-spinnaker fleet from the start, cutting every corner through the shallows to win line honours and on corrected time. The old tub loved the big breeze and powered along the course.

It wasn't until after the race that we found out Farr 6000 *Mackie* (Justin Stanbridge) had broken their keel cable and sailed the whole race with it swinging at full depth.

RL28 *Girlfriend* (Peter Briton-Jones) was looking like a winner until the wind increased and the hard tacking started.

The spinnaker fleet all had their pretty sails out of their bags and colourful spinnakers were everywhere, some sideways and some under the water.

The VX1 *7 Meals* (Chris McPhee), the 18ft skiff *Magic Box* (Alex Blacker) and the Sharpie *Tripper Snipper* (Ben Kesley) all had a ball with them fairly close to the rounding mark upstream of Rat Island.

On the way downstream the VX1 pulled away to be first over the line in Division 3 in a little over three hours elapsed time, and also took out the division on corrected time.

*Tripper Snipper*, the sole Sharpie in the fleet, was 4 minutes faster than the VX1, alas with no-one else in its division.

Behind the front runners, the two Noelex 25s *Destiny* (Trevor Baldock) and *Foxy* (Derek Morrison) had a great tussle with two minutes between them at the finish.

And it was good to see the Restricted 21 *Bright'un* out on the water again after Mike Schirmer's epic Cape York adventures.

The catamarans had the closest finish of the day with just four seconds between two Nacra 5.8s, *Animal Scanny* (J Southall) and *Makani* (K McCallum).

These two boats finished less than a minute behind the very quick F16 *Element Sails* (S Hallsworth) and were able to take out first and second on corrected time.

Great racing from these big off the beach cats, and so good to see the young guns giving the old geezers a bit of a push around the course.

Overall, a wonderful day on the water and the hot food back at the club was greatly appreciated by the sailors.

Our event sponsor, Bremerton Wines, are fantastic and we thank them for their continued support of Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club.

**Randal Cooper**  
Commodore



## Dauntlus Cup Race Results

### Division 2 Mixed Class YS

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Corrected
1	Wylo	R Cooper	02:59:22
2	Mackie	J Stanbridge	03:01:39
3	Girlfriend	P Briton-Jones	03:04:32
4	Wind in the Willows	R Rees	03:12:17
5	Bucaneer 2	I Scobie	03:24:07

### Division 2 Mixed Class HC

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Corrected
1	Mackie	J Stanbridge	03:22:11
2	Girlfriend	P Briton-Jones	03:29:49
3	Wind in the Willows	R Rees	03:36:54
4	Wylo	R Cooper	03:38:07
5	Bucaneer 2	I Scobie	03:44:32

### Division 3 Mixed Class YS

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Corrected
1	7 Meals	C McPhee	02:42:25
2	Destiny	T Baldock	02:50:12
3	Foxy	D Morrison	02:51:47
4	Bright'un	M Schirmer	02:55:26
5	Seabomb	M Cooper	02:56:07
6	Elanora	L Edwards	02:58:36
7	Magicbox	A Blacker	02:59:20
8	Nimue	R Brown	03:00:42
9	World of Payne	B Davis	03:03:35
10	Annecy	D Brumpton	03:05:14
11	Oh Really	M O'Reilly	03:28:02

### Division 3 Mixed Class HC

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Corrected
1	Annecy	D Brumpton	02:52:27
2	7 Meals	C McPhee	02:58:40
3	Destiny	T Baldock	03:07:23
4	Bright'un	M Schirmer	03:12:59
5	Foxy	D Morrison	03:13:26
6	Seabomb	M Cooper	03:13:44
7	Nimue	R Brown	03:15:31
8	Elanora	L Edwards	03:16:28
9	Magicbox	A Blacker	03:17:16
10	World of Payne	B Davis	03:21:56
11	Oh Really	M O'Reilly	03:48:50

### Division 4 Mixed Class YS

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Corrected
1	Tripper Snipper	B Kelsey	02:41:50

### Division 4 Mixed Class HC

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Corrected
1	Tripper Snipper	B Kelsey	02:58:01

### Division 5 Mixed Class YS

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Corrected
1	Animal Scanny	J Southall	02:36:32
2	Makani	K McCallum	02:36:37
3	Element Sails	S Hallsworth	02:39:54
4	Sunset Strip	P Short	02:54:12
5	Chongololo	M McGuire	03:20:20
6	Willy Flipit	P Yates	03:33:15

### Division 5 Mixed Class HC

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Corrected
1	Animal Scanny	J Southall	02:41:14
2	Makani	K McCallum	02:43:21
3	Sunset Strip	P Short	02:52:28
4	Element Sails	S Hallsworth	02:55:53
5	Willy Flipit	P Yates	03:33:15
6	Chongololo	M McGuire	03:43:22

### Division 6 Mixed Class YS

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Corrected
DNF	Soul Pattinson Chemi	B Lindsay	

### Division 6 Mixed Class HC

Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Corrected
DNF	Soul Pattinson Chemi	B Lindsay	



## Winter Wine Tour

It's been a cold and quiet winter down here at GRYC and what better reason could you have for heading across to Langhorne Creek than to visit our long-time club sponsor Bremerton Wines.



After a pick-me-up coffee at the club, we set off on a ginormous coach driven by Peter Britton-Jones, one of GRYC's most dedicated volunteers.

After a quick trip through the canola filled countryside we arrived at Bremerton, welcomed by their lovely staff and a meticulously renovated cellar door. We were promptly served a broad tasting of wines, across their range, with tasting notes which helped reveal the nuances in flavour.

Just as we were all starting to feel a little pickled a lovely range of platters and pizzas were served for lunch.

Members received discounts on their purchases on the day which was a nice touch to an already impressive experience.



The next stop on our trip was Bleasdale Wines, just a two-minute drive down the road.

Bleasdale provided some lovely tastings of their range and a historical tour of the 'Old Press' which was built in 1892. The lever arm of the press weighs a whopping 3.5 tonnes and was used for pressing grapes until 1962.

Thank you to our driver, Peter Briton-Jones, for getting us there and back again safely and to Ali Law for her planning and coordination of the event.

For those of you who missed out on this great event, I am taking expressions of interest for the next wine tour. So please shout out if you are interested in visiting some of the great wine regions we have so close to home and supporting our sponsors who provide a financial lifeblood to our Club.

**Jade Irvine**  
Club Manager

## From the Archives

Victor Harbour Times (SA : 1932 - 1986), Wednesday 24 September 1980, page 12

# Clubhouse opening planned

**Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club's new clubhouse will be opened this season following the completion of landscaping.**

This was indicated at the club's annual meeting, when Mr. Bryce Kinnear was appointed Commodore and Mr. Dennis Crowhurst vice-commadore.

The club's next major project will be the construction of a launching ramp, a marina-jetty and a swinging mooring basin.

These facilities would provide the best facilities for trailer sailers in South Australia.

The club's membership list is closed, with 300 members, and a keen waiting list has been established.

The club membership predominantly consists of trailer-sailer families and is the largest trailer-sailer sailing club in the State.

The club welcomes membership applications from trailer-sailer owners wishing to participate in the club's races and cruises.

Trailer-sailer events planned for next season will include the Milang to Goolwa Classic, which attracted more than 200 entries last year, overnight cruise and races to Rat Island, Point Sturt and other destinations within the Goolwa-Coorong lake system.

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## Just Cruising

*Following are a few popular cruising destinations in our local boating area. If you are unfamiliar with them please ask our staff to point you in the right direction. All distances are from The Marina Goolwa.*

• Finniss ( Reeds )	22 km
• Duck's Hospital (Grass bank)	15 km
• Milang (Reeds / Jetty)	39 km
• Boundary Creek (Reeds)	18 km
• Narrung (Reeds / Jetty)	39 km
• Pottaloch (Marina berths, showers & toilets, meals, horse riding, historic building tour, Ph: (085) 74 0043 for berth or meal)	45 km
• The Marina Wellington (Marina berths, showers & toilets, fuel, ice & deli)	64 km
• Meningie (Not suitable for overnight stay)	61 km
• Waterhole Point (Sandhills)	12 km
• Lousy Jacks (Beach)	27 km

*We hope this list will provide you with new cruising destinations. If you would like further details on navigation or local conditions for any of the above destinations, please ask at The Marina Office.*



## Committee Member - Jack Holgar

Jacek (Jack) Holgar has been a member of the club for nearly 17 years, and although initially from Melbourne, where he sailed as a teenager from the Port Melbourne Yacht Club on a variety of boats, but especially Jolly Boats and Fireballs, he's been smitten with Goolwa and what it offers.

As a Builder and Construction Manager running his own business, (Vortrak Construction) he was responsible for constructing the most recent substantial club additions – the shade sail area where people often congregate, and is now on the General Committee with portfolios of Building and Marina.

He looks forward to hearing your input on how the club facilities might be improved and any person who would like to volunteer their services, in any capacity, to assist.

In his mid-forties, as a father of 3 boys, he remembered how much fun he had had sailing and thought it would be a great idea to introduce them to it. So, he started looking for a small boat like a 16' Hobie Cat or Mosquito before stumbling across a Binks B25 trailer sailer on one of his projects as a builder.

Some negotiations later he was the proud owner of *Super Pup*, a Binks B25 (previously David Bink's own boat) which he renamed *Scoot* and campaigned at the GRYC, with Rob Makin on the helm and himself as crew, over several years.

Keen on being more at the pointy end of the fleet, he started looking for a quicker boat and was impressed with the lines of the Sonata 26 finding one on the Gippsland Lakes, and bringing that home.



Jacek has been campaigning *After Midnight* and had success in the Milang Goolwa in 2016 with Rob Makin and Matt Jordan on board. Enjoying sailing he usually competes in the cruising division, winter and summer series races, with Peter Lomman as crew.

The waters around Goolwa, the Lakes, Coorong and Murray River offer a great deal to enjoy and he's found a 32' cabin cruiser *Silver Fern*, to further explore the surrounding area.

## Committee Member - Ali Law

I'd like to introduce myself as a new member of the GRYC General Committee. I'm Ali Law and I've been a member of the Club for only about 7 years and a very novice member of the sailing group.

My role on the Committee is as a representative of the GRYC SheSails Committee. We have a small group of very keen women sailors, but it is only a very small proportion of the club membership. The Club has been proactive in getting more women sailing and I would like to help continue this in the future by giving more women the chance and confidence to try sailing. I also have roles of promotion and planning some social activities.



My partner, Adrian, and I bought a house down here to retire to. I love Goolwa and the life down here, but I was looking for something for me to do that would help me stay active and also to meet new people. My sister Fiona, who lived down here, suggested GRYC as she was a member and loved sailing and the friendly people at the club. We had sailed a little with my Dad, in a Heron, when we were kids. We always came last by at least an hour but I had fond memories of the time, so I agreed.

Adrian and I did a dinghy sailing course and decided that maybe we were too unfit to haul ourselves into the boat after it capsized so I looked for something else. The club then offered courses for sailing and helming at a special price for women. I did two courses and loved it.

After a summer crewing and then a year away teaching in Japan, I decided to retire. I had done my sailing courses with Brendan Murray so he knew how much I enjoyed sailing and offered to let me crew on *Bacchus*. Thank you, Brendan. That meant so much to me. Brendan also thought that I should buy a boat and eventually I bought *It's a Rule*, a Farr 6, from David Brumpton. I am trying to improve my sailing but...

Last year, Trish Skewes and I decided to sail together and alternate between boats.

We had a fun season and I'm looking forward to this Summer season and hope to improve my skills and confidence on the water.



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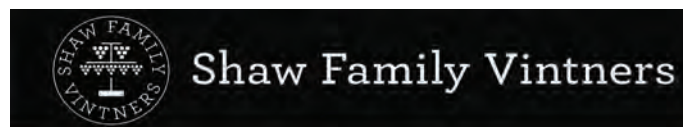
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Mariners are advised that the unlit navigation beacons in the River Murray between Wellington and Pomanda Point are currently being removed and replaced with new unlit navigation beacons in different locations.

A Notice to Mariners will be issued once the works are completed in October advising the position of the new beacons.

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## Endeavour



A photo was recently sent through to GRYC of Restricted 21 "Endeavour" currently owned and skippered by Lyndon Bartlett. The photo was received from Geoff Cook of Queenscliff Lonsdale Yacht Club who was introduced to sailing on the vessel 56 years ago.

*Endeavour* along with *Altair* were the later Restricted 21s being designed and constructed by J. J. Savage & Sons in Williamstown, Victoria, was launched in 1947.

*Endeavour* was built for the Royal St Kilda Yacht Club through a syndicate scheme.

An article and picture were placed in the January *Seacraft* magazine stating:

*'Finance was raised by means of 1 Pound shares sold to club members, 170 of whom bought their means and enthusiasm.'*



I bought *Endeavour* from Jock Veenstra in 1987. It was, at this stage, still in her original condition as she was in 1947, with Beech laid deck and combing and a Kauri centre case. The rig however was not.

*Endeavour* was converted to a Bermuda rig in the late 1960s with no bow sprit and a roller reefed main with a very heavy 12m keel stepped mast.

Although still original she needed a lot of work.

The deck was collapsing, the centre case was not salvageable, being constructed with steel bolts and all the ribs aft of the centre case needed replacing.

The restoration was set to take up to two years. This turned out to be 18 months after receiving an invitation, along with *Dolphin*, from the Albert Park Yacht Club to take part in a Bicentenary Sailing Regatta on Albert Park Lake, in November 1988.

With all restoration projects the planning comes first. I decided to spline glue and encapsulate the hull and deck with epoxy, to not only strengthen the boat but to reduce future maintenance.

First job was the deck's centre case and to remove the broken ribs. After the ribs had been replaced in the traditional method, a new centre case with deck beams and deck was completed.



*Endeavour* was rolled over to be spline glued, then rolled back upright. She was then ready to sand, fair and epoxy inside and out.

Having a dead line of November 1988 to have *Endeavour* sailing in Melbourne, there was no time for a prelaunch and first sail in Goolwa. It was straight off to Melbourne, along with *Dolphin*, loaded on the back of a semi-trailer. The mast was a hand-me-down timber Dragon mast from *Dolphin*. My first sail was an hour before the first race, after still bolting fittings on that morning.



Over the years that I have been lucky enough to own *Endeavour*, she has had three different rigs and many more sails. I have sailed many races at the GRYC and GVBC on the Goolwa waters, as well as returning to Albert Park Lake for the Melbourne Grand Prix, along with numerous trips to Ballarat for the season opening of the Ballarat Yacht Club on Lake Wendouree.

With the coming season upon us, it's time for a clean, anti-foul and polish to be ready for another exciting summer of racing.

See you on the water.

Lyndon Bartlett





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