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## Commodore Comments

**B**e very careful when you are handling winch cables. If my comments seem a little short in this Regatta, it is because left-hand only typing is not my thing.

At this time of the year, I look forward to some special functions on our club calendar. The Annual Presentation Dinner is on Saturday 13 June, and the Annual General Meeting follows the next morning at 11am. Who will be Club Champion this year? Who will be elected to the General Committee?

Nominations are now open for every position on the General Committee. Brian Southcott has been a great contributor on the General Committee for many years, and had decided not to nominate for another term. Brian has been particularly active with Sailability and the Tuesday Working Group, and his efforts have ensured that the Club has become renowned for these aspects of its operations. Brian, on behalf of all Club members, thank you for your influence and your well-considered steady hand on the General Committee.

The plans for additions and improvements to the Clubhouse have received Development Plan approval and are being progressed towards building approval, thanks to valuable contributions by Keith

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Teagle and Peter Nielson. We are actively applying for grants wherever appropriate and our fundraising efforts will continue, with the aim of building without loan financing.

Of course, you know the sailing program continues at GRYC during winter, officially and unofficially. We certainly are fortunate.

I must say I am looking forward to the Black Tie Ball on Saturday 16 May. This has become a real highlight on our social calendar. There should be lots of GRYC bonding this year.

Enjoy it all.

*Locky McLaren, Commodore*

**Moored at Wally's landing at the end of the  
Goolwa-Finiss Race, March 2015  
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## Vice Commodore's Report

In my last report I mentioned that we were heading into a quiet time at GRYC but where has that time gone? It certainly seems to have been busy with always something to get involved in around the club. Cosy Friday nights with a warm fire have proved a popular place to be in our 'off season'. Numbers have been excellent and Lachy (our chef) has continued to provide delicious food and service. If you are keen to have an early selection from the menu it is a good idea to ring Ben (8555 2617) in the afternoon to book.

Organised social events are starting to ramp up with the Black Tie Ball just around the corner and the Annual Dinner and AGM lunch in June. These are great events and we hope to see many of our members and friends attending. More details are listed in this edition.

Another fun night is the Informal Twilight Nights which are held on the last Friday of each month during winter (check your club programs). The racing begins at 16.00hrs, so you can be a competitor or spectator, and this is followed by a presentation that elicits lots of laughs with the descriptions and results of the event. Sometimes there is even mulled wine to fight off the cold after being on the water.

Again I am indebted to our volunteers. The Tuesday working group who ensure all those jobs are done around the Club; those who help behind the bar in our busy times and on Friday nights; the many volunteers that are dedicated to running a smooth Sailability program; and to those who step up willingly whenever catering is needed. The many hours put in behind the scenes from members of the General Committee and other Club Committees certainly provide us all with an active and vibrant club where many of our members love to be. Thank you all.

*Lyn Roberts, Vice Commodore*

## Thank you to members of the Corinthian Lodge and Freemason Foundation – Goolwa

On Saturday 2nd May, 2015, members of the Corinthian Lodge and Freemason Foundation, Goolwa, and their partners, attended the GRYC Sailability day to dedicate the tent that they provided funds for GRYC Sailability to purchase.

Our visitors enjoyed witnessing first-hand the work of our Sailability volunteers and the pleasure given to the sailors. The dedication included ribbon cutting and a champagne toast followed by lunch together in the Kinnear room.

The tent has already proved to be an asset to activities held at GRYC and its bright colour alerts others to an event in progress.

GRYC Sailability volunteers and sailors are very grateful for this wonderful donation and thank the Corinthian Lodge and Freemason Foundation, Goolwa, for this and ongoing support.



## General Committee Nominations

Have you thought of being on the General Committee?

Committee roles are not everyone's cup of tea, but a position on the General Committee is another form of voluntary contribution available to voting members of the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club.

All General Committee members are elected at each Annual General Meeting, and each member needs to be nominated by two voting members, using the nomination form provided by the Club.

There are 10 General Committee positions – Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Secretary, Treasurer, and five other members. Our practice in recent years has been to allocate portfolios, so all committee members have aspects of the club that they oversee. This provides a direct opportunity to influence and enhance the club, over and above the important role as a voting member on the General Committee.

All members of the General Committee carry responsibilities similar to Board members, so it is important that all committee members consider all aspects of the Club, and actively listen, question, express views constructively and act in the best interests of all members and the Club itself. It is valuable to have a diversity of views, abilities and personalities in the Committee.

So if that seems appealing to you, I urge you to seek a nomination. If there are other people you think would be good on the General Committee, I also encourage you to talk with them and offer to nominate them.

**Did you know the club also has the following committees that do lots of hard work for the members?**

Race Committee, Social Committee (and Friends of the Social Committee), Marina Berth Licence Holders Committee, Sailability Committee, The Marina Hindmarsh Island Milang to Goolwa Committee, Milang Goolwa Regatta Week Committee

So if the General Committee is not your cup of tea maybe one of the other committees might be.

*Locky McLaren, Commodore*



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## DSM Summer Series - Race 7- Goolwa to Finniss

On Saturday afternoon, 28th March, 18 yachts in two divisions came to the start line in an apparently freshening breeze. Unfortunately there were many holes in the breeze and there were numerous races within the race as some yachts found the breeze while others were left languishing. All were relieved when they rounded the buoy in Clayton and could hoist spinnakers and crack sheets as they headed up the Finniss River. Once across the finish line, most continued up the Finniss River to Wally's Landing where a Club BBQ was held.

### Race Results

#### Spinnaker Division

**Handicap:** 1. *Elanora* (L Edwards) 2. *Voodoo Child* (C Reiffel)  
3. *Vintage Red* (D Howard)

**Corrected:** 1 *The Kraken* (M Irvine)

#### Non Spinnaker Division

**Handicap:** 1. *Slingshot* (B Pattullo) 2. *Condor* (B James)  
3. *It's a Rule* (D Brumpton)

**Corrected:** 1. *Misty Dawn* (M South)



Join us at the Annual Presentation Dinner on 13th June for DSM Summer Series Results and Presentations

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## Kennett Sailability State Championship

**14th - 15th March, 2015**

The Kennett Sailability State Championships were held on the 14th - 15th March at the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club. The event was open to all Sailability members across South Australia and Interstate, and saw 19 competitors racing across three Divisions.

Weather conditions were good on Saturday with winds between 8 to 12 knots. The racing was very close and enjoyed by all. Wind conditions enabled the racing to be staged in part out from the club's marina jetty system providing the public and supporters a fantastic position to watch the event from. On Sunday however weather conditions changed, winds rose to over 20 knots from the south, resulting in short high wave peaks which were not suitable for racing. The event was initially delayed for several hours and eventually abandoned as conditions continued throughout the day.

Many thanks go to Kennett Builders who were the main sponsor and also Yachting South Australia for their ongoing support.

### Divisions

Division 1 Hansa Class 2.3 (Single)

Division 2 Hansa Class 303 (Double)

Division 3 Liberty (Single)

### Participating Clubs

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GRYC Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club, SA

### Trophy Winners

Hansa Class 2.3 Paraplegic and Quadriplegic Association of South Australia Trophy -

**Marty Waller SSC**

Hansa Class 303 Yachting South Australia President's Trophy -

**Jocelyn Neumueller & Bodhi Porteous GRYC**

Liberty SPARC Disability Foundation Trophy -

**Simon Thiele GRYC**

Club Trophy Deirdre Schahinger Interclub Trophy -

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## The 2015 Hansa National Championships

The Hansa Nationals which were held in Tasmania at Easter have just finished. Sailors from all over Australia participated across four Hansa/Access Class Divisions. The weather conditions were favourable throughout and the competition strong. Our sailors performed very well.

A big thank you to the many sponsors and supporters including the Fleurieu Philanthropy Foundation, Mitre 10 Victor Harbor, the GRYC Tuesday Working Group and the club in getting boats and equipment prepared and transported to and from the event.

### Australian Hansa Class Association 2015 National Championship GRYC Report

#### The trip to Tasmania

Brian and Janet Southcott and David and Jenny Smallacombe set out for an overnight stop in Beaufort on Sunday 29th March towing the club trailer, which was modified by Trevor Kennewell and the club's Tuesday Working Group to now carry six boats instead of previous four. We passed through Nhill, Victoria and were sitting on 90km when a local police car travelling in the opposite direction turned about and followed us for about 10 minutes, worrying the heck out of us. He eventually passed, to our relief, and we proceeded on the otherwise uneventful trip to Melbourne.

We arrived at the wharf early (5pm) as planned, to board the overnight ferry "Spirit of Tasmania". It was here that we caught up with John and Bob who were towing the trailer for Paul Sweetman. We noted that the "Spirit of Tasmania" was not yet in dock as it was doing a day trip, so we cooled our heels for a few hours eventually getting aboard and underway at about 10 pm.

On board we again met up with John and Bob and also Ron, Pam and Anthony Fraser. The overnight trip was smooth and uneventful. We disembarked at 7.30am Tuesday morning and then set out for our caravan park cabin at Risdon Hobart.

#### Wednesday 1st April

We toured the wharf area and then the yacht clubs at Sandy Bay. At the Royal Hobart Yacht Club we talked to a chap who was about to sail a 2.4m Paralympic class yacht and admired the vessel. We then found our way to the Derwent Yacht Club where the Nationals were to take place. Bob Schahinger (Adelaide Sailing Club) and others were emptying a transportable container of Hansa 303s which were carefully and well packed in bubble wrap.

We considered transporting our boats by container but the cost at \$450 each boat (\$2900) was not economical and we decided to transport them ourselves on the club trailer for a cost of \$1400. The last part of the day we went off to the Wrest Point Casino for coffee then back to our cabin.

#### Thursday 2nd April

We towed the trailer to the Derwent Yacht Club and with the help of John, Bob, Cyril, Ron, David, Mandy, Trish, Paul, Jocelyn, Anthony and Andrew we unloaded and set up all the boats.

Yvonne was commandeered by her family for this day. All boats, before they go racing, go through a technical check, this is carried out by two very qualified Hansa officers. The sail numbers on 2093 were found to be undersized (150 mm high instead of 175 mm minimum) and were rejected.

Cyril and I found a Ship Chandler who had the right sized numbers but only in odd colours. We purchased black material and with the help of the Chandler using 300 mm high numbers we traced the outlines so these could be cut and affixed to the sail for the event. In the afternoon a trial race was conducted.

#### Good Friday 3rd April

Afternoon practice races were conducted on a windward/leeward course; this course has no reaching leg and was used for the whole event. At the conclusion of this at about 6pm a barbecue and briefing was held. The briefing included instructions for everyone to insert the keel lock rods to prevent the keel (centre board) coming out.

#### Saturday 4th April

On return from the first set of competitive races for the Liberty's and Hansa 303 singles, three crews failed to lock their keels and were disqualified (DNF); this decision however was later reversed, much to the relief of Jocelyn who was racing in a Liberty. Weather conditions on the day were light winds of about 6 knots and sunny; racing closely fought amongst the competitors.

#### Sunday 5th April

Racing again conducted in light conditions and fine weather.

#### Easter Monday 6th April

It was a cold day with winds 20 knots plus, resulting in some wet and cold sailors.

We attended the Prize giving and the closing ceremony and then the Goolwa contingent finished the event by having dinner at the Wrest Point Casino.

#### Finishing results for club members

Our sailors put in a great effort finishing up as follows:

Hansa 2.3 Single - Not contested by GRYC

Hansa 303 Single - David Smallacombe - 9th

Hansa 303 Double - Patricia Faulkner & David Smallacombe - 4th  
Jocelyn Neumueller & Stewart Cathie - 5th  
Yvonne Schramm & Bob Schahinger - 8th  
Anthony Fraser & Andrew Cartwright - 13th  
Paul Sweetman & Cyril Tooze - 14th

Liberty- Jocelyn Neumueller - 2nd place

Hansa Interstate Trophy- South Australia - 1st

Thanks go to the organisers, support teams and the competitors.

*Brian Southcott, GRYC Sailability*



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*Pig In A Poke*



*Hitch Hiker*

## New Boats to GRYC

We would like to welcome the following 'new' boats to the GRYC.

*Hitch Hiker* a Timpenny 770 SK recently bought by Anthea Broad and entered in her first race in the recently run first race of the Bremerton Winter Series. Many will remember *Hitch Hiker* which was skippered by club member Dave Hudson.

*Lena*, a vintage river boat, recently bought by Alex and Tanya Woods. Alex and Joe Woods have spent many an hour recently renovating Lena. Many will know Lena who was brought to Goolwa by Noelene Hudson.

*Pig In A Poke*, a Ross 780 MKIII, recently bought by Andrew Seedsman and Pip Moore. *Pig In A Poke* also make her debut in the same race as *Hitch Hiker*.

*Mother of Ducks*, a river boat, recently bought by Jane and Peter Mitchell. She is a Mundoo II built by Duck Flat Wooden Boats and launched in 2002. The Mitchells plan to cruise the River Murray.



*Mother of Ducks*



*Lena*

**Editor's note: if you have a boat that you've recently bought, please email us a photo and some information on it and we'll happily include it in our upcoming editions.**

## Members' Corner

On behalf of the GRYC General Committee, we warmly welcome the following new members to the GRYC:

### Senior

**Peter Watts** owner of a motor boat called *Queenie B*

**Richard Sykes** owner of a motor boat called *Caprice*.

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## Social Events

After a few quiet months at GRYC we are heading in to another round of social events for your calendar.

The Social Committee is busily planning each event and would welcome your ideas as well. We do have a group of 'Friends of the Social Committee' and invite anyone who is interested to join us.

Special thanks go to Philipa, Bruce, Randal and Liz for their planning and organising of the Black Tie Ball, as well as to all their helpers who ensure these nights are very successful.



### Frost Bite Regatta 6th & 7th June

If you have some time to spare and would like to help with the catering for the upcoming Frostbite Regatta, particularly on the Saturday, could you please let Lyn Roberts (glroberts@picknowl.com.au or 0438 275 576) know as soon as possible?

### Working Bee

Following the success of the last working bee that was held on a week day, we have decided to do the same again in preparation for the AGM.

Thursday 11th June 2015

10.00am - 1.00pm

*Morning Tea provided*



### Looking ahead

July 25th	Club barbecue with a dessert auction
August 29th	Curry night
September 19th	New Members' Night Wine & Cheese tasting (no BBQ) Brown paper bag wine auction
October 10th	Opening Day
November	Pizza Oven Night, possibly with live music

## Upcoming

### Black Tie Ball

*Saturday 16th May, 2015*

There will be a Swing Band called 'Jazz Mayhem' and the evening will have a **James Bond Theme** so you are invited to 'Dress to Impress'

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### Annual Dinner

Saturday 13th June, 2015

**Venue: Fleurieu Function Centre**

**Time: 7.00pm for 7.30pm start**

*Music by Luke Dunkerly*

Cost: \$58 per head

*Book with Ben - 8555 2617*

### AGM Lunch

Sunday 14th June, 2015

**Complimentary Ploughman's Lunch at  
1.00pm following the AGM  
All Welcome**

*Many thanks for your unending support.*



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