

SOME REGULATIONS THAT NEED OBSERVING

FINANCIAL

- 3.2. An invoice issued to member by the Honorary Treasurer is due for payment on the date of issue.
- 3.3. Any member with an invoice for membership subscriptions, berth rental, service fees or otherwise three (3) months overdue forthwith ceases to be a member

MAINTENANCE OF VESSELS

- 7.1. (L) (M) (ET) The Club's vessel maintenance facilities are available only for vessels berthed at the premises or if berthed elsewhere are owned by persons who were members of the Club at 31 December 2006.
- 7.2. (L) (M) (ET) Maintenance of a vessel must be undertaken so as to not cause any adverse environmental impact and in a manner approved by the Environment Protection Authority.
- 7.3. (L) (M) (ET) Vessel maintenance may be undertaken only in one of the two concrete-paved maintenance bays.

River Ramblings

June 2013



The

Sailability on the Torrens Lake

Photo by D Jenkins

Newsletter of: **Port Adelaide Sailing Club Inc.**

PASC Committee 2012-2013

June 2013

Tue 2 General Meeting	1930
Sat 8 Cruise/Race to Pt.Vincent	TBA
Sun 9 Cruise/Race to Pt.Vincent	TBA
Mon 10 Cruise/Race to PASC	TBA
Sun 9 Nereid Cup- Winter Series	1300 River
Sat 15 PASC Presentation Dinner	TBA
Tue 18 Committee Meeting	1930
Sat 22 Cartwright Cup	1200 0/side

July 2013

Tues 2 General Meeting	1930
Sun 7 R Fisher Cup- Winter series	1300
Sat 13 Commodores Dinner	TBA
Tue 1 Committee Meeting	1930
Sat 20 Tea and Scones Trophy	1300 River

August 2013

Sat 3 Port Line Cup Regatta	
Ice Breaker Series T	TBA River
Sun 4 Port Line Cup Regatta	
Port Line Cup	TBA River
Tues 6 General Meeting and A.G.M.	1930
Sat 10 Port Line Cup Presentation Night	TBA
Tues 20 Committee Meeting	1930
Fri 31 Skippers Meeting	1930

Office Bearers, etc.

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Rear Commodore	Bob Smedley	0407 619 178
Hon Secretary	Liz Knolder	0414 509 905
Hon Treasurer	Ian McDonald	0415 227 008

Committee

Ken Allen	0422 029 844
Steve Edwards	0409 677 243
Doug Gladman	0439 002 044
Craig Henderson	0431 420 509

List of Duties

Events Officer	Ian McDonald	0415 227 008
Cruising Officer	Craig Henderson	0431 420 509
House Officer	Craig Henderson	0431 420 509
Slipping	Allan Beswick	0411 427 184
Sailability	John Johnston	0417 813 188

Safety Officer	Margaret Ashton	0409 678 737
Sailing Officers	Bob Smedley	0407 619 178
	Allan Beswick	0411 427 184

	Ken Allen	0422 029 844
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	Kevin Stewart	0407 292 591

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Web Master	Des Strudwick	0419 808 3 77
Librarian	Keira Bennett	0427 702 181
LMC Delegate	Denis Walter	8242 1248
River Ramblings	John Longbottom	0407 858 050

Appointed

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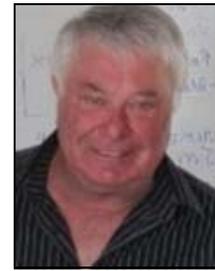
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Commodore's Report

June 2013

Security

We have had three breakins reported and three (3) outboards stolen in the last month

A cleaver hole was discovered in the northern fence :

The fence was cut along the base so the fence could be lifted up and it would fall back to the normal shape avoiding detection This has been

repaired

We are currently investigating a perimeter laser beam alarm system similar to RASYS

Ian Mc Donald has spoken with Pt Adelaide Police Station to attempt to get more surveillance around this area including the PRSC car park area. (Hoon Drivers)

So please keep a keen eye on the premises when your about the club and report anything suspicious

Slip Area

Our tug vehicle for the slip is playing up and is difficult to start to say the least

We are having the distributor and wiring attended to in an attempt to identify any further problems that make exist

The engine is of a vintage era and it will be difficult to attain parts and conduct major works on it

We will keep you posted on this problem.

Sailing

Winter Series Sailing has commenced and we have had a good turn out for the first race .

We would urge all skippers to participate in these races

Nominations

The nomination Box is out and we are looking for nominations for the following:

Flag Officers

Secretary

Treasurer

Management Committee Members

Nominations Close on the 2nd July 2013 at 1600hrs.

Your club needs your help

Des Strudwick and Terry Lyons are rebuilding the PASC Club Web Site it is a huge job and it is taking quite a bit of time.

It will be up and running soon so thanks to these guys from all of us

Martin

Nominations for Office Bearers and Committee Members.

These need to be in the Nominations box in the clubrooms by 4pm on July 2nd.

Nominations need to be signed by a Proposer and Sec-
onder as well as the Nominee.

If you are nominating for a position, a CV stating your reasons why you would be suitable for that position and little about yourself and your involvement in the club is required to accompany the nomination form. These will be placed on the Notice Board and printed in RR.



Max at Woy Woy
looking towards the rip bridge – he had just lost his two front teeth.
P.S. Have left Pittwater now and sailed down to Sydney again to explore Middle Arm and a few other areas. Great trip down, about 12-15 knot wind, 1.5-2m sea (with a bit of leftover chop from the other day), we did 6-7 knots from Barrenjoey Lighthouse to the Sydney Heads. Only took 4 hours, and we got here before the wind strengthened in the afternoon – arriving about 20mins before the Spit Bridge was to open which was really lucky, as the next opening was about 4 hours later.

To be continued next River Ramblings

Makes you want to up anchor and away!!!

anticipate was garbage disposal – in the NP it is limited, and there is little to no recycling opportunities.

We are having mixed success with the school work – Sonia is very happy to do her work books, reading, spelling lists, simple maths etc. But Max..... well I thought his teachers the last few years were pretty special, now I think they are saints! How do you get a 7 year old boy to sit still and concentrate, let alone do something he really doesn't want to do, particularly when there are none of his peers around all doing the same thing. We have now got a reward system, are trying to mix it up with educational games and science experiments and have also had to resort to time out, loss of privileges, and horror of horrors, the threat of boarding school. Franz and I have also had to learn to back off a bit, and remember that this is a family holiday and that he is learning heaps of things about boats, diesel engines, the weather, and possibly other intangibles that we haven't yet identified. Most of all he is proud of being a member of the crew, and loves helping his Dad with various tasks. Sonia is keen on having "girl-time" (usually crafts) with her Mum so it works out well.

Even though sometimes it gets a bit full on and Mummy needs some "time out" of her own, I am absolutely loving being with my family and exploring new places together. The kids too are thriving on lots of parental attention 24/7 and are enjoying the joy of no two days being the same, although they have also had to learn patience and that no, Mummy doesn't want to play barbies all the time. We are also finding out about each other, and I have found that quite a few times Franz and I are both saying or thinking the same things, which is reassuring. He and I are working together well as a team, and take it in turns to give each other a break. On the day of the storm while the kids and I "played" at the club he went for a walk across the peninsula to check out the awesome power of the waves during the storm, and said he was very happy we were tucked up in Pittwater when he returned.

So that's about it for now. Hope you are all well and enjoying the hot dry weather of Adelaide – it sure ain't hot here but there is plenty of humidity and rain. Have attached a picture of me and the kids at Manly after the storm the other day, and the other of Max at Woy woy, who has lost both front teeth.

Nominations for Flag Officers and Committee Members are now due.

Nomination Box is available in the Club rooms. Nominations need to be in by July 2nd at 4pm to be announced at General Meeting at 7.30pm for Election at AGM on August 6th 2013.

Liz Knolder
Secretary

NOMINATION FORM

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For the Position
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.....(Signature of Seconder)
.....(Signature of Nominee)
All signatories must be Senior Members

EARLY HISTORY OF SAILABILITY

Sadly Judy has since passed away

JUDY Harris is wheelchair-bound on land, but she can walk on water - with the help of a Port Adelaide sailing program.

The Port Adelaide Sailing Club's Sailability program has given back Judy the legs she lost through a brain clot 20-odd years ago.

The club has also given Judy the chance to become the first State Sailability champion.

It will host the State's inaugural Championship Regatta, this Sun-day, March 19.

There will be two classes of boats competing - the 2.3m single-hand and the 3.03m two-seater.

Judy will be vying for the two- seater State Championship title against her own disabled peers and abled-bodied competitors.

Not only could she make history as the first Sailability State champion, she "could become the first competitor to come last too".

She says the Sailability program introduced her, and hundreds of others with disabilities, to sailing.

"I love (sailing) because it's ex-citing to be in the wind, in the spray and speeding along the water," she says.

Unlike other sports, sailing gives people with disabilities the same competitive edge as able-bodied people. Boats can be altered to equip the most severely handi-capped person. The regular Port- based Sailability program was launched in November 1998.

It has 12 Salability members. Most are wheel-chair bound and suffering disabilities like cerebral palsy and multiple sclerosis.

Sailability co-ordinator and club vice-commodore **Richard Pratt** says it suits people regardless of their age and background.



On Sundays the Sydney transport network has cheap all day, travel anywhere tickets for families so last week we caught the train into the city from Brooklyn and went to the National Maritime Museum. Yesterday we caught the bus to Manly and went "ferry hopping". This was a lot of fun, especially going through the heads as there was still huge swell from the storm the day before – Max and Franz insisted on being out on the front of the ferry on the return leg and got quite wet. We took a fast cat ferry all the way up the Parramatta River and also had a poke around "The Rocks", where the Queen Victoria cruise ship was docked. Max liked watching the ferries come and go at the ferry terminal the best, at present he is obsessed with propellers and bow thrusters and how fast different boats can go.



Jackie, Max and Sonia at Manly Beach after the storm which had impressive surf

So we are still having some sightseeing opportunities even though we are still near Sydney. Otherwise, life on board is pretty similar to life at home – there are three meals a day to prepare (plus snacks), washing to be done (hand washing unless near a Laundromat/marina), living space to be tidied up and kept clean (Max loves to help with the hand held car vacuum cleaner) and school work to help the kids with. I did think I would have more time to sit and write email updates but it turns out it's a little bit like maternity leave – you think "what on earth am I going to do with all that time" before the baby arrives and then when they do, just about every moment is occupied by them. The kids are learning to adjust to a "low-power" (low carbon?) lifestyle, and often the TV can't be watched because there is no reception or not enough power. We all compete for use of the one computer, but the computer is competing for power with mobile phones, e-readers and the TV, as well as the boat instruments and GPS when underway. Water is limited too unless we are on a marina berth, so that lovely hot water system has sat idle while we have kept clean by having a swim off the back (or nearest beach) and then a hose down off the back of the boat. Another adjustment I didn't

An account of the yacht 'Conrad' voyage north

5th February 2013 – FEBRUARY CATCHUP

Well we survived the bad weather which hit the NSW coast last weekend and caused so much havoc further north – got some nasty wind in the middle of the night, and heaps of rain over a couple of days, but we were snuggled up to a marina berth at the Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club (RPAYC) so we just closed all the hatches and let it rock us to sleep. The worst thing was listening to the wind in the rigging of all the boats surrounding us – it sure was a lot quieter in Ku-rin-gai Chase National Park (KRG CNP) on a mooring with very few boats nearby (this is where we stayed when the remnants of Cyclone Oswald passed through).

We are still here in Pittwater (Northern Sydney beaches area), getting some rigging fixed that was damaged on the delivery voyage. Measurements were made and parts ordered a few weeks ago on a previous visit to the RPAYC and the other day they were fitted and the spinnaker pole can again be carried on the mast instead of the deck so no more toe stubbing on that. We looked at the weather report and decided to stay here until the bad weather had passed, which was great as the clubhouse provided a bigger "lounge room" than the boat, which reduced the "snappies" that we all felt last time we were cabin bound for a few days.

We have found that the best way to break a boat is to use it! When we first got here we replaced the TV (aka babysitter) which had stopped working on the delivery trip only to discover that it was actually a corroded wire that was the problem, the TV worked fine (anyone want a 12V TV?) this should have warned us that things aren't always straightforward. After a few weeks in KRG CNP we hit a number of problems, first the old outboard wouldn't work properly even after the sparkplug was replaced – we now have a brand new "Bill" Mk 2 for our dinghy Blinky. Then we broke Connie's throttle cable in Jerusalem Bay which needed to be replaced before we could go anywhere (Franz had to hike through the NP for a few hours and catch the train into Sydney to get a replacement). Then the fridge stopped working, so we called into RPAYC 2 weeks ago and got a fridge mechanic to look at it and again, after a few hours of poking about in the innards of the boat, it turned out to be corrosion on its power cable. And then there are a multitude of little odd jobs we have been doing along the way. Life is never boring on a boat. Thus far we have explored just about all of the lower Hawkesbury River and its many inlets and creeks, most of which are within Ku-rin-gai National Park. The only area remaining is Brisbane Waters, which we did attempt once however the tide was too low for our keel, perhaps if we can time it with a high tide we may still get in to have a look at Ettalong / Woy Woy & Gosford (NB we have been to Woy Woy on the train tho, does that count??).

Is this the Paddle for being up the Creek without



Margaret Ashton saved this trophy from the old club when they were clearing out a load of stuff. She thought was a bit of Club history and shouldn't be thrown away. She gave it to me on Sunday and I am going to hang it up amongst the trophies. We don't know the full story of it, but as you can see it was awarded to Chris Gaffney 1987, John Portlock 1988, Johnno 1989, and on the back, Terry Barnard 1990 and Mark McCutcheon 1991.

If any long time Members have any knowledge of the origin of the above **Trophy** please contact the Editor.



Dear Member

Welcome to our new mail out service. We will be forwarding regular updates on club events and happenings at the club to keep you abreast. You will also be receiving your River Ramblings this way in the future. This will not only allow us to get it to you faster, but it will also save the club considerable expense, not to mention the work involved in getting it to the posting stage. We hope that for those of you involved in racing, we will be able to notify you of upcoming events and race results. Don't forget to book now for Presentation Night. Only a few days till bookings close and the Caterers are notified of numbers. We feel this is an exciting new stage for us and hope you will embrace it.

Management Committee

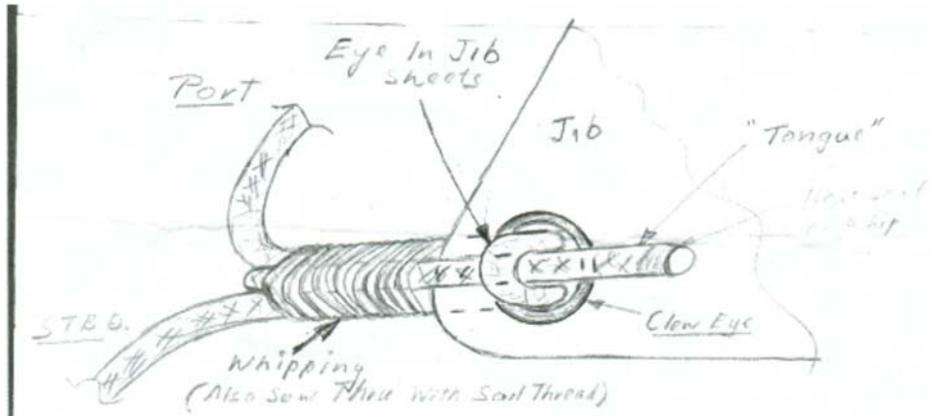
BOSUN'S LOCKER 1

By R.H.P.

One of the many good things about being in a club like ours is the opportunity we have to share and enjoy the benefit of each others (sometimes painful/expensive) experience . It is hoped that , with your support , this column will be regular feature from now on to help all those in the club who are addicted to 'Simply messing about in boats'. Please submit any good ideas you may have, original or not, for publication in future River Ramblings. Full credit will be given, with a small token of appreciation for the best entry each issue.

To start things off, here is what I have found to be the best way of attaching Jib Sheets to the Clew of the Jib. It has never let me down, it's no danger when the sail flogs, it's easy to fix and undo, and the cost is only half an hour or so of your time to make. For the Racing boys, it's lighter than anything you can buy! I have sometimes seen it called a Dutch Clew, but the Dutch get blamed for lot's of things!

1. Make an eye 125mm opening, plus 50mm whipped, in the centre of



a double Jib Sheet.

2. Lay a 200mm piece of the same dia. Rope (the Tongue) alongside the eye, and whip the last 50mm of it to the eye whipping.
3. To connect the Jib, just push the eye through the Clew. Then push the Tongue through the protruding eye. The tighter the strain, the better it holds.

Thank you Richard Pratt hopefully more tips are forthcoming.
Editor

PASC Patron & Life Member Mr. Colin Adams



Photo-

Couper—Smartt

to by John

Congratulations to Colin on his 97th. Birthday celebrated on the 8th.May 2013 at the Lighthouse Hotel.