

February 2024

# River Ramblings

Port Adelaide Sailing Club

The Port Adelaide Sailing Club has had a bustling start to the New Year, marked by the successful hosting of the Queen of the River joint presentation dinner alongside the Port River Sailing Club, and the significant Australia Day weekend featuring the Patrick Robbins Memorial Race to Port Vincent. The PASC also had several members join the Port Lincoln Race.

A special expression of gratitude goes to Travis and Lauren Robbins for their gracious hosting and generous sponsorship of the event. Their exceptional efforts, including organizing a BBQ and providing refreshments, were truly commendable. Their efforts weren't just on the weekend, but also extended to the Queen of the River presentation dinner with beautifully presented raffle prizes and a heartfelt speech from Travis. A big shoutout also goes to the Robbins children for selling the raffle tickets!

The Patrick Robbins Memorial Race was won by Craig Henderson & Boundry Rider, Bolistik in 2nd, Sahara in 3rd, Settle Down in 4th, Peers Gynt DNS. The weekend overall winner was also Craig Henderson on Boundry Rider, Settle Down in 2nd, Sahara in 3rd, Bolistik in 4th, and Peers Gynt in 5th.

By Nicole Farnham.



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## FNATC

The wonderful women in the kitchen have been keeping busy this year, starting with catering the Queen of the Gulf joint presentation dinner, which was attended by guests from both our club and the Port River Sailing Club. They successfully served dinner and dessert to over 80 diners.

The club extends its gratitude to Barbara, Jill, Maddy, Sue B, and the volunteers for consistently providing exceptional meals.

Upcoming FNATC's include:

- Friday, February 23rd: Curry Night, Butter Chicken, Thai Green Chicken Curry, vegetarian option available, all served with rice, lemon tart with cream & berries, \$10.
- Friday, March 8th: Roast Pork & Vegetables - A vegetarian option will be available, apple crumble with cream & ice cream.
- Friday, March 22nd: Lasagna (Menu subject to change) - Served with a garden salad, a vegetarian option, and dessert TBA, \$10.



**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL VIA BARBARA OR [FNATC@PASC.COM.AU](mailto:FNATC@PASC.COM.AU). BAR OPEN EVERY FRIDAY FROM 5:30, MEALS FORTNIGHTLY FROM 6:00**

# Cruising Update

By *Nathan Bennett*

## **Patrick Robbins Memorial 3 Day Gulf Event**

18 PASC boats ventured over to Pt Vincent for the weekend to take part in the Patrick Robbins 3 Day Gulf Event. The racing fleet had three days of good sailing, although frustrating at times. The cruisers enjoyed some fun games on the beach, which definitely got the competitive spirit flowing! Everyone got together to celebrate at the club BBQ Saturday night with around 50 meals being served. Thanks to all the members that got involved & helped where needed to make the event one to be remembered. Once again, a big thankyou to Robbins Lawyers & Conveyancers for coming on board to sponsor the event.

## **ARMADA 2024**

Just a brief history for the newer members of the club who might not be aware. The Armada has been an annual cruise in company, mainly of PASC members which was started around 20 years ago by Tony & Julie Peak along with a group of like-minded cruisers. The cruise's normal destination is Kangaroo Island, around Eastern & Western coves & back home via the Yorke Peninsula.

The Armada is not an official PASC club cruise or event. Its main purpose is to give people who want to, the opportunity to sail in company with other cruisers. You can start & finish, come & go as you please & hopefully have some fun & good sailing along the way. The sole responsibility & liability of each boat that participates in the Armada falls back on the individual skipper.

A meeting was held on Friday 9th February to gauge if members were interested in the Armada for this year & if so, to select a starting date. The meeting was well attended & after much deliberation a start date of the 18th March was chosen, weather dependant of course, with a fleet of around 8 to 10 boats expressing their interest at this stage.

## **Quarantine Station Cruise & Tour**

On Sunday 14th April we will be having a cruise to the Quarantine Station. The Friends of Torrens Island group (FoTI) have very kindly offered to give our members a tour of the Quarantine Station. The plan at this stage is to anchor & dinghy in at 1100hrs, have a tour around the facility, a bit of lunch (BYO) & head back to club at around 1400hrs. As it will be low tide, the short walk from the dinghy to the facility will be in soft mud & with razor fish about, so appropriate footwear will be needed. Unfortunately, the jetty is no longer able to be used. A small donation by each boat on the day to the Friends of Torrens Island group would be greatly appreciated.

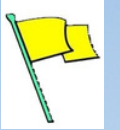
Please let me know if you would like to participate in the cruise & tour, so that we can submit numbers to the (FoTI) group.

**Nathan Bennett - PASC Cruising Coordinator**  
**0427 702 181**





# QUARANTINE STATION CRUISE & TOUR



SUNDAY 14TH APRIL

**Anchor at the Quarantine Station & dinghy ashore (low tide 1151 Hrs - 0.42m)**

**WARNING**

The landing will be in soft mud with razorfish about, so appropriate footwear is required for the short walk to the facility.

**No razorfish cuts please!**

**Tour starts around 1100 Hrs**



**Depart Anchorage around 1400 Hrs**

**BYO Packed Lunch**



A small donation per boat on the day for **The Friends of The Torrens Island Group** would be appreciated.

If you intend to join the cruise & tour or would like more information,

**please contact Nathan 0427 702 181**



# Queen of the River Presentation Dinner



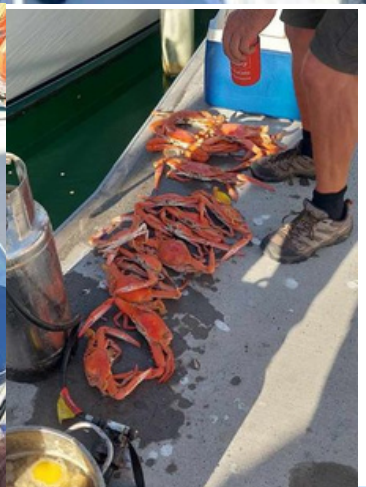


# Tall Tales and Fishing Stories

Let me spin you a fishy yarn of high-seas shenanigans! Picture this: aboard the trusty vessel Oatsea, back in the wild days of April 2023, a fierce fishing showdown was unfurling off the shores of Port Vincent. Captain Martin Oates and his jolly crew of kin and cronies battled it out for fishing fame in a weekend tournament.

From crabs to squid to a whole schools of fish, we reeled in all sorts of sea critters, but luck eventually slipped through our fingers! Each crab pot we cast into the deep returned empty, leaving us scratching our heads in confusion. That is until First Mate Russell spotted a sneaky dog shark sneaking around our pots, gobbling up our precious bait! Captain Oatsea swiftly dealt with the troublemaker, but alas, our fishing fortune had dried up, and no more delicacies were to be caught.

With heavy hearts, we weighed anchor and sailed back to the harbor, ready to swap tales and share a laugh or two over a well-deserved drink or three. And that, my friends, was the fishy end of our salty saga!



**Anything you would like to contribute to the next issue?  
Email the editor at  
[nicolefarnham@outlook.com.au](mailto:nicolefarnham@outlook.com.au)**



# Bookkeeping/Housekeeping

**Club Burgees & History books** \$20.00 each – Both items are available for sale at the club – contact Sue Kitto to arrange collection.

**PASC Lanyards** – are now available from the bar for \$5.00

**Attention all boat owners -**

## **Insurance Certificate of Currency & Proof of Registration**

It is a yearly requirement of our lease DockYard Adelaide to hold a record of current Insurance Certificates of Currency and Registration for all boats moored/stored in our club. Please provide a copy of these documents to the Secretary each time they are renewed. Copies can be placed in the locked Secretary's box at the club or emailed to [insurances@pasc.com.au](mailto:insurances@pasc.com.au)

**Don't like big bills at the start of each quarter?** Set up a weekly/fortnightly/monthly payment plan by contacting [treasurer@pasc.com.au](mailto:treasurer@pasc.com.au) or our Bookkeeper Sue Kitto 0417884007

**Club Apparel** – There has been a price increase from the supplier so updated order forms will be available outside the office at the club in the near future. Some sizes are available for trying on. There is a wait period of approx. 3-4 weeks for delivery depending on availability from the supplier.



## Welcoming New Members and Saying Goodbye to Old Ones

### **New Members since July 2023**

Senior – Peter Copeland, Julie Barry

Associates – Graeme Hill, David Jordaan,

### **Farewell to members who have resigned**

Senior – Paul Richards, Kevin Close & Darrell Staight (from 30th June 2024)

**Committee resignations** – Sue Kitto, Secretary

**New Committee Members-** Adrian Clayton, Dan Larson



# Upcoming Events-the who what when's

Saturday 2nd March - Presidents Trophy - Championship Race 8 - first warning 1325 Hrs  
Sunday 3rd March - Sailability Social Come & Try and racing - 1030 with racing from 1325 Hrs  
Tuesday 5th March - General Meeting - 1930 Hrs  
Wednesday 6th March - Twilight Race 7 - first warning 1755 Hrs  
Thursday 7th March - SheSails Club Representative & Network Event at PASC  
Wednesday 13th March - Twilight Race 8 - first warning 1755 Hrs  
Saturday 16th March - Stern Chaser 3 - First warning 1325 Hrs  
Sunday 17th March - William Russell Shield - first warning 1155 Hrs  
Wednesday 20th March - Ladies Twilight Race 4 - first warning 1755 Hrs  
Saturday 23rd March - Tarnette Cup - first warning 1325 Hrs  
Sunday 24th March - Sailability State Regatta Goolwa  
Wednesday 27th March - Twilight Race 9 - first warning 1755  
Friday 29th March - Good Friday  
Wednesday 3rd April - Twilight Race 10 - first warning 1755  
Saturday 6th April - Stern Chaser 4 - end daylight saving 1325  
Sunday 7th April - Sailability Social Come & Try and racing - 1030 with racing from 1325 Hrs  
Saturday 13th April - resail  
Sunday 14th April - resail  
Saturday 20th April - resail  
Sunday 21st April - resail  
Sunday 28th April - Sailability End of season long race - regular sailors 10.00 Hrs  
Saturday 18th May - Presentation Night - 1830Hrs  
Tuesday 4th June - General Meeting - 1930 Hrs  
Tuesday 3rd September - General Meeting & AGM - 1930 Hrs