

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE ...

well as Mrs. Joyce Baker (formerly Mrs. Correll) spoke and recalled the early days of these races and the associations of their families with the Squadron. Mr. Jim Taylor, who was in the first of each of these races also spoke of some of the interesting early days of these races.

Thank you to Ion Ullett and Jim Howell for making their ships available for the presentation of prizes on Easter Day and Les Sampson for his help on the catering side.

The Inkster Memorial Race was held on 21st April and won by FIONA (P.G. White) with WINDSONG (A.W. Cocks) second and SEAJoy V (A.P. Gibson) third, and the dinner dance held in the Clubhouse in the evening.

We have three members and their ships who are either at, going to, or about to go to the Barrier Reef - Hugh and Val Bower in Valhusa, Ion and Margaret Ullett in Achernar, Brian and Helen Price in Ruthean and Don McIntyre in Skye. We wish them all bon voyage and a most enjoyable cruise.

The Annual General Meeting is slightly later this year than is shown in the Year Book and will be on Wednesday, 27th June at 8.15 p.m. Please note the altered date. Nominations for all Officers and Committeemen close on 27th May.

BILL HARNIMAN

COMMITTEE NOTES

OUTER HARBOR COMMITTEE

Repairs to the hydroplane wharf have been completed, except for the fendering, which will be replaced within the next few weeks.

Boat owners are again requested to ensure that their dinghies and rack space are both clearly marked with the boat's name.

In view of many requests for locker facilities in the associates' change room, the Committee requests any lady who does not really need the locker she may have at present to advise the Acting Secretary or Mrs. Cousins. This unselfish act would reduce the number of those urgently requiring lockers and avoid the necessity of installing more lockers with a consequent loss of floor space in this important precinct of the Club premises.

BUNNY PRESTON

SAILING COMMITTEE

Winterracing begins this month and, due to the number of yachts involved last year, two divisions have been instituted for the first time. Skippers should note that the divisional breakup will not necessarily be the same as for the summer season. Handicaps and divisions will be posted on the notice board before the first race.

It has been suggested that a list of members prepared to crew on a casual basis would be of benefit to skippers looking for fill-in crews. If any members would like to be included on such a list, please contact the Secretary.