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PROGRAMME.

Sun.	Dec.	26	Kingscote Cup	
Sat.	"	28	Charles Davies Memorial Trophy - Dragons.	
Sun.	"	29	Prince Philip Cup	1st Heat.
Sat.	Jan.	4	Prince Philip Cup, Presentation of Trophies by His Excellency the Governor.	
"	"	11	Olympic Trials	5th Heat.
"	"	12	" "	6th Heat.
Sun.	"	18	Yachts	Dragons & all divisions.
Sat.	"	24	Neptune Island Race (R.O.R.C.)	
"	"	"	Picnic Race	All
Sat.	"	25	Yachts	All others
Sun.	"	26	Holdfast Bay Regatta	
Sat.	Feb.	1	Yachts	Dragons & all divisions
Sun.	"	7	Port Lincoln Races	All
Sat.	"	8	Yachts	Dragons & all others.
"	"	15	Yachts	Dragons & all divisions
"	"	22	Ladies Race	All
Sun.	"	23	Plympton Cup Regatta	Handicap
Sat.	"	29	Kintore Cup Race	All
"	"	"	Yachts	Dragons & all others.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

New Year's Eve Dance at Outer Harbor. Prince Philip Cup. Tickets obtainable from the Secretary.

Prince Philip CupLadies Auxiliary 1st time

ALTERATIONS TO RACING PROGRAMME.

No. 2 Course, Page 5. Delete the word "light" in second line to read, "Semaphore Mark".

It is also pointed out that the distances printed in the programme are approximate only.

Cancellation. The St. Vincent Gulf Race set down for 11th January will not be sailed.

INTERSTATE LONG DISTANCE RACES.

Squadron yachts will be taking part in the following races:-

Queenscliffe, (Vic.) to Sydney. Gip.
 Sydney to Hobart. Gip, Southern Myth.
 Queenscliffe to Davenport. Wylo.

Tahuna will be radio relay vessel in the Sydney to Hobart Race.

Our very best wishes to all skippers and crews.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The ice plant at Outer Harbor Kiosk has been removed and will not function until the rebuilding programme has been completed. The nearest ice supply to Outer Harbor is on the "down" side of the Old Outer Harbor Road between Largs and Osborne.

SPECIAL NOTES.

Prospective new members should be introduced to Flag Officers and Committee members and it is the duty of the proposer and seconder to see this courtesy is done.

Spinnaker designs and colors. Would members please hand to the Secretary the distinguishing pattern and colors of spinnakers. A register made from this information would greatly assist recognition of the yacht and so help the Officer of the Day.

Bottles at Outer Harbor. Would all members take empty bottles ashore. Special receptacles will be provided. The time honored method of smashing bottles (empty) on mooring drums is unsatisfactory as broken glass washes on to the beaches around the pool. Dinkum.

Men's toilet at Outer Harbor. All male persons including children are asked to use the rear stairway when going to and from these quarters.

Limiting of cheques at bar. No cheque of more than £2 will be changed at the bar in our Adelaide clubrooms.

Cradles. No new cradles will be permitted at Outer Harbor.

Speeding at Outer Harbor. Too many members, members' children and friends are driving through the Outer Harbor premises at damn fool speeds. There is a speed limit of 5 m.p.h. which means slow in second gear or low range for automatics. This by-law must be obeyed as it is strictly common sense and good manners.

Yacht Racing. It is the pleasure of this Squadron to have as many yachts as possible and the Sailing Committee and officials will co-operate to assist competitors. Skippers can co-operate with the Sailing Committee to save some of their worries by:-

Entering for races in good time - particularly the long distance races. Entries here close on the Tuesday before the race, to enable the handicapper to prepare race sheets. It has been suggested that where late starters are accepted a double entry fee will be charged. Owners must also consider the state of the handicapper's ulcer when agitated by the need of late and hurried decisions. Handicap starts - no late entries.

For the Saturday afternoon racing the handicaps of between 50 and 60 boats are taken into consideration and actual starters number about half this figure.

Yachts retiring from afternoon races are expected to report to the Officer of the Day.

Off Shore Races. It is recommended that skippers nominate for all races they intend to start in at the commencement of the season. This should make the work easier for the handicappers. Those who do not do this must nominate by the time stipulated on the programme otherwise their nomination will not be accepted.

Special Starting Line. Should a ship be moored at the oil berth, Outer Harbor, when a race is scheduled to start, the race will be started whenever possible from a boat anchored near the northern end of the wharf.

PRINCE PHILIP CUP REGATTA - LARGS BAY.

A large fleet of interstate and local Dragons and Flying Dutchmen are expected. Work is proceeding apace by the organizers for the regatta which will be the largest ever to be held in South Australian waters.

The Committee consists of members of both the host clubs, the Royal S.A. Yacht Squadron and the Largs Bay Sailing Club, under the Chairmanship of Alan Jordan, Commodore of the R.S.A.Y.S. and Roy Temple, Commodore of the Largs Club, is Honorary Secretary.

Scoreboards will be erected at both clubs so that progress may be observed by those interested.

The five heats for the Prince Philip Cup for Dragons, and the Berriman Trophy for the Dutchmen will commence on Saturday, 28th December, 1963 and finish on Friday, 3rd January, 1964.

These will be followed by seven heats, being the Olympic Selection Trials for representatives at the Tokyo Games in 1964. They will commence on Monday, 6th January, 1964 and finish on Monday, 13th January, 1964.

A marker boat carrying a red painted motor tube at the masthead will be stationed at each rounding mark. Craft to carry out this function are Keith Flint's "Ariel", Colin Haselgrove's "Cooroyba", Roy Hambour's "Serene", Phil Buring's "Shenandoah" and Colin White's "Fiona".

Sir Arthur Barrett's "Flight" and Henry Rymill's "Nyroca" have been offered to act as Committee boats.

King South's "Pegria" will be official communications boat carrying special radio equipment, walkie-talkie units, etc., and will follow the race each day.

Peter King's "Audrimae" will also be available for any requirement

Major sponsors are W.D. & H.O. Wills (Aust) Ltd., B.P. (Aust) Ltd.

and the S.A. Brewing Company. A number of other donations have been received from well-wishers.

A spectator fleet is expected and any members in the area are asked to keep clear of competing yachts and rounding marks. Please co-operate with Course Stewards in this regard.

PLEASE NOTE. Subject to Harbors Board confirmation the Course is closed to other than competitors and official craft.

Social functions arranged are:-

Friday, 27th December.	8 p.m. Welcoming Night, L.B.S.C.
Tuesday, 31st December.	New Year's Eve Dance, R.S.A.Y.S., Outer Harbor.
Saturday, 4th January.	5.30 p.m. Barbecue and Presentation of Trophies by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Edric Bastyan.
Sunday, 5th January.	Open House at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Combe, Lady Cowrie Drive, Largs Nth.
Monday, 13th January.	Farewell Social. L.B.S.C.

These functions are not only for competitors but all interested in yachting. Entry will be by tickets which may be obtained from the Secretaries of either Club. The social organizers are going to a lot of trouble to make all the functions enjoyable yachting gatherings.

Entries to date are 29 Dragons and 43 Flying Dutchmen and include all the best skippers in Australia. During the racing the area being used for the races will be kept clear but spectator craft are welcome outside the boundaries which will be patrolled by the official launches. Any boatowners who will not be using their moorings during this time are asked to make them available and to inform Alec. Burnside or the Secretary.

FLYING DUTCHMENT TRIALS.

A fleet of over 40 boats should face the starter in the Flying Dutchman Championships. Entries are in from all States and include all State Champions and such stars as 1960 Olympic representatives Rolly Tasker of W.A. and reserve skipper Noel Brooke of Victoria.

The winner could come from this group, which appears to be going well at present:-

Queensland
N.S.W.

Ken Jeryns
Jim Hardy

N.S.W. (contd.)	Craig Whitworth.
	Rick Coxon
Victoria	Noel Brooke
	John Dawe
	Ron Young
W.A.	Rolly Tasker
S.A.	John Bagshaw

Brooke beat Tasker in New Zealand last Easter. Tasker is Australian Champion. Jim Hardy beat both in odd races. Bagshaw beat Brooke in Victoria last week and was 3rd in the Australian Championships.

Weather will play a big part. If it blows hard Tasker and Brooke could be almost unbeatable, while light weather could suit the Sydney boats, who are unused to big seas. The whole series is wide open. Crew fitness will also play a big part. 13 races in 17 days will sort out the men from the boys!

CHRISTMAS RACE - KINGSCOTE CUP.

Kangaroo Island Christmas Race and festivities are again well in hand. Last year's visit was a great success for those who participated in the race and much enjoyment was had by those also who cruised down and were able to join in the K.I. Yacht Club's hospitality.

The coming Christmas will see a ketch load of enthusiastic small boat yachtsmen and their craft "sail" down to Kingscote and make the spectacle at Kingscote so much the better. Any others interested in this venture should contact Ian Gray.

A dinner and presentation of prizes is again organised following the completion of the A.Class race from Outer Harbor to Kingscote. This is open to yachtsmen whether they have raced or cruised down. Last year's function attended by nearly 80 persons, including many wives and friends, proved a terrific success. Arrangements for transport from Bay of Shoals has been arranged and baby-sitters have also been organised for vessels wishing to leave small children or dogs whilst attending the function.

Official boat for piloting will also be on hand for those who do not have sufficient local knowledge. Motor cruisers are especially welcome and everyone is assured of the best hospitality and cruising possible.

Water, stores, fuel, ice, etc. are all available conveniently and arrangements can be made to meet crew-members who fly down to join vessels at Kingscote.

Make your plans now for a happy Island Race or/and cruise.

OPENING DAY.

Plenty of wind for such an event put all skippers on their toes, and in some cases on someone else's gun's, but there is no doubt about it the day was, as usual, a tremendous success.

The plan of having power boats reviewed at anchor made it possible to complete the saluting in the time available. Watchers from the wharf have stated what a tremendous spectacle the whole area provided during the afternoon. Perhaps it may be possible to encourage a large craft to take unofficial guests afloat on this special day. One more large craft steaming or sailing up and down would not make any more confusion. Actually we need strong Opening Day breezes to let some skippers know there are still "rules of the road".

The evening festivities were exceptionally gay and more and more dancers seem to be going to the late session than ever before. A prominent yachtman was noticed still happily banging away at the piano at 3 a.m. whilst quite a few couples were still on their feet. Some are reported to have seen the dawn come up out of a tranquil sea of empty cigarette packets and empty soft drink bottles.

The ferry service most ably provided by Mr. Cyril Cook to and from the pontoon was over-taxed, indicating the necessity for this service, which it is hoped will soon be a regular weekend facility provided by the Club. Many thanks Mr. Cook and to Messrs. C.M.H. Morton Ltd. for providing the outboard.

REPORT ON THE ISLAND CUP RACE.

A smallist fleet of only eleven yachts crossed the starting line at 7 p.m. on Friday, 22nd November. It had been expected that the fleet would be close to the 20 mark, but even admitting a few genuine excuses the muster was disappointing.

However, the starters all received their money's worth in the various conditions and any yacht that did not have at least a dozen sail changes was not trying. The sixpence we spent on a phone call to the Bureau of Met. was unwisely invested. At no time did the weather do as forecast.

The fleet made a ragged start into a light moderate S. - S.Westerly and on clearing the Harbor mouth it became quite apparent that no unanimity existed as to the best course to be sailed. Those that chose to sail close inshore were modestly rewarded for the attempt, though it was a case of regular changing from genoa to spinnaker and back again as the wind went from S.E. to E. to N.E.

Midnight brought another change from the S.W. but this did not hold for long, alternately the course could be laid on a south easterly or a south westerly. The only thing that remained seemingly constant through the early hours of the morning was the "torch light" at Star. It seemed for a long time, that we would never sail it out of sight.

9 a.m. Saturday morning brought a definite change to the scene with fresh force 6 S.Easterly catching the leaders with spinnakers up running before a light northerly. After the usual cursing, hoisting the jib, lowering the spinnaker and reefing the main they were off again a little chastened by their tardiness, into a good hard beat across the Passage. Southern Myth really showed her paces here and was first around the mark (in the form of Harry Radcliffe waving his arms about like a traffic cop in Times Square).

Taeeping unfortunately was forced to retire at American River, which was a blow to Maxie, as he had worked for several days to have her ready for his first race this season. Wylo, making her debut with the new rig, wrapped her spinnaker around the forestay and lost an hour and a half trying to unravel the tangle.

The southerly held well for the run up to the Orontes and the Black Soos gave their crews the exhilarating ride for which they are noted. They also displayed another characteristic for which they are well known and we wonder who holds the thistle for taking the longest

pull out of a slide!

The leaders (for a change) found the going very slow up to the finishing line, while the remaining 5 or 6 boats carried some breeze most of the way across.

Endurance (John Muirhead) beat Jedda (David Judell) over the line by only 83 secs. and Ariel and Cooroyba had a similar tussle at the finish.

Placings on Corrected Elapsed Time were: 1. Ariel. 2. Jedda. 3. Spindrift.

MOORINGS.

It is directed by the Sailing Committee that all enquiries on moorings, or matters relating thereto, be directed to the Secretary of the Club in writing. The undesirable position has arisen where the Mooring Officer is being subjected to a constant barrage of telephone calls and interviews at home, office, club rooms and throughout the weekend at Outer Harbor.

This is not a fair thing and a little goes a very long way. The few precious hours that any Committeeman can devote to yachting should not be needlessly consumed by these approaches and a little more thought by those concerned would make the most unenvied post in the Club a little more tenable.

Your co-operation is requested.

LADIES AUXILIARY.

For the first time in the history of our Club we now have a Ladies Auxiliary which consists of the following Associate members:-

Mrs. A.H. Jordan	Mrs. R. Woodhead
" K.W. Flint	" W.C.S. Martin
" A.L. Smith	" K. South
" R.H. Fidock	" L.P. Turner
" A. Burnside	

This Committee has already contributed valuable help in arranging

the flowers and providing other facilities for Opening Day. We would like to welcome many more ladies to become Associate Members. The subscription is £1/1/-. Application forms are available from the Secretary. At the present moment there are 25 Associate Members.

LIBRARY.

George Millar's "Oyster River" is by a master word craftsman. Those who read "Horned Pigeon" will know immediately what I mean.

Oyster River is in the Gulf of Morbihan. George takes Amokura, 50'3" 12' beam, 7' draft, 1020 sq. ft. of sail, with his wife for crew, and spends the summer in the Gulf of Morbihan, off the Bay of Biscay. He is a purist - he hates winches and echo sounders, engines and "Power yachts". This is a tale of leisure, spiced with the adventure of aving some Algerian pirates - and a damned close thing it was.

L. McL.W.

MEMBERS COMFORT STATION AT OUTER HARBOR.

For those who do not know, for those who are entitled the serving of refreshments at the Clubhouse Outer Harbor has now been in operation for several weeks. All who have participated vote a tremendous success - especially those pot-hunters who seem to delight in such serious post-mortems. However, it is much nicer to do the recapitulating in comfort with a good supply of 'the necessary'.

Mrs. Hansen, who is looking after these activities, is doing a mighty job and we hope that all people concerned will assist in making her extra duties as pleasant as possible.

Non-boating members are especially invited to take a run down to the Outer Harbor premises during any week-end and partake of these new activities.

JUNIOR NOTES.

As at the 29th November we have 19 Y.W. registered for racing at the Yacht Squadron.

Elimination heats for the National Titles were held at the Henley Sailing Club on the 23rd and 24th November, and 26 boats in all six of these were from the Yacht Squadron. Vixen sailed by Vivien

Cocks anno 4th in the race series and was selected as one of the six boats to go to Tasmania.

Entries from the Yacht Squadron were -

Vixen	-	Vivien Cocks
Sangari	-	Noel Wheeler
Urchin	-	Richard Tipping
Preshapak	-	Helen Lindon
Clyte	-	Michael McMichael
Mouette	-	Iachlan Gosse

We congratulate Vivien Cocks on her success and wish her all the best for the races in Tasmania.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS are extended to all members by the Commodore, Flag Officers and Committee. May the Festive Season be a happy one with much sailing, cruising, snoozing and b.....g.

R.S.A.Y.S. NEWSLETTER.

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