

House and Social Committee

David Rawnsley

As sung in the musical *Oliver*, *Food Glorious Food*, *There's nothing quite like it!* quite aptly describes the great menus, high quality service and affordability of the meals provided by Tom & Jenny (our Squadron caterers) to all our Members over the busy festive period.

The Christmas luncheon function was a real treat, with a superb traditional Xmas menu on offer, including succulent turkey and tasty roast pork with apple sauce, plus proper crispy crackling. Mmm, what taste sensations! Our guest speaker, Mr Jack Tromp and family were thoroughly entertaining and informative throughout their talk. It was also great to see Michael and his father, Jack sailing *Epsilon* safely back to the Squadron after competing in the Sydney-Hobart Race. It was a tremendous effort, to say the least.

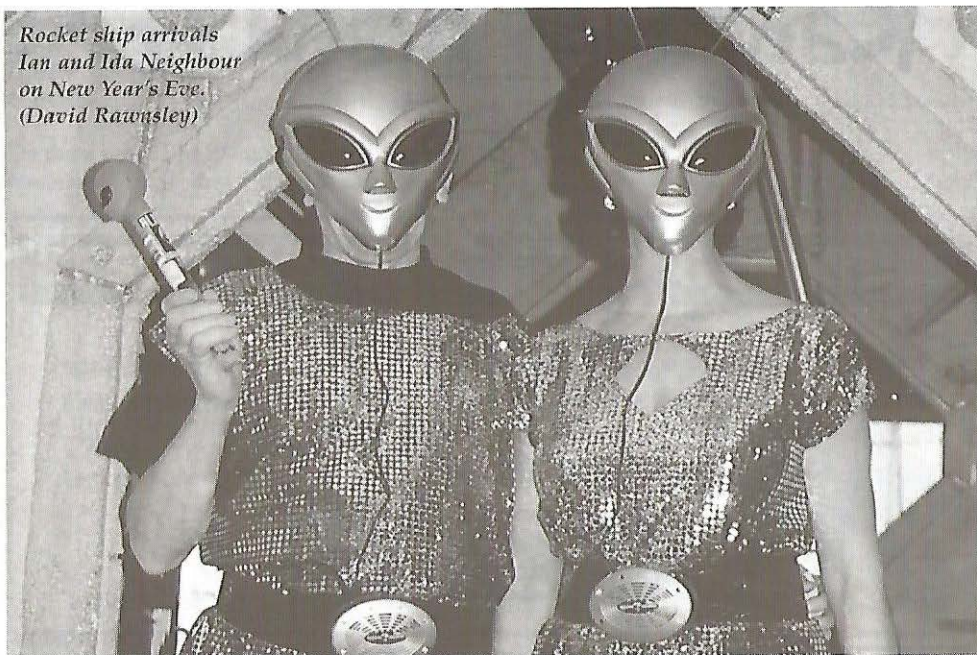
This year's Sydney-Hobart Race telecast was viewed by nearly a full house and was another

excuse to spend a very enjoyable day at the Squadron. Many Thanks to Peter Satterley and the Commodore, John Butterfield, for fixing the club's broken video coaxial cabling with only minutes to spare prior to the start. Thanks also to our sponsors, **B&H Australia** for the loan of their big-screen projector.

Next year should be an even bigger event, with the inclusion of the New Super Yacht division officially competing.

New Year's Eve Celebrations were an outstanding success, and for many continued into a fun-filled two-day event. The dining room was decorated superbly, and many thanks must go to the volunteers who contributed not only their time and effort, but also decorations, prizes — and even our own life size rocket capsule, complete with flashing lights and manned by the wonderful silver-clad silver-spoken outer space aliens — 'Ian & Ida Neighbours'.

*Rocket ship arrivals
Ian and Ida Neighbour
on New Year's Eve.
(David Rawnsley)*



Other noted special guests included, Queen Nefertiti, King TutonKarmen, The Jetsons, Princess Leia, Dr Who, The Gold & Silver 2000 Nymphs, plus a full supporting cast of hundreds. There was even a futuristic silver car found hovering in the slipway.

Spot and costume prizes plus hundreds of free raffle tickets were given away throughout the evening. Thanks to our sponsors; **Orlando Wines**, **Air Command Australia** and **Helen Forsyth** for the donation of many prizes.

By midnight, the dance floor was jam packed with fun-filled party animals. DJ Brad Marshall finally put an end to the music at around 0200, and the party went towards the water. The basin started to come alive with party boat people seeing in the New Year's sunrise and the return of serious revelers to their homeports.

A scrumptious morning breakfast, consisting of champagne, orange, bacon, eggs and toast to start the day was enjoyed by all who could make it. A great contribution by the John Phillips and Annie Rogers team, setting the tone for the rest of the day.

The 50th Quin's Simrad Adelaide-Port Lincoln race will have its official party celebration at the Squadron on **Wednesday 21 March 2000**. We hope to see everyone there to celebrate a twilight race and a party afterwards with fellow Port Lincoln race entrants.

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Pharaohs Dee and David Henshall on New Year's Eve. (David Rawnsley)

New Vessels on the Squadron Register

<i>Beachcomber</i>	Phil Tassicker	<i>Ventura Highway</i>	John & Flavia Caporn
<i>Carpe Diem</i>	Chris Riggs		
<i>Sinabada</i>	Graham Moritz	CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP	
<i>Southern Myth</i>	Peter Riddell	<i>Crosswind</i>	Mike & Marilyn Roberts

We welcome -

New Members

Lyndon Bartlett	Ronald Gates	Amy Jordan	Janette Simons
Andre Beaulieu	Peter Grieve	Richie Low	John Simons
Allan Ferguson	Vicki Griffin	Nick Martin	Ian Small
Flavia Fernandes	Brian Hannam	Sir Eric & Lady Neal	John Taylor
Mark Forbes	David Hargreaves	Angus Porter	Martin Walsh