

these matters now seem to be substantially resolved. Our survey indicated the vast majority of our competitors wanted to continue sailing with the CYCSA, and, accordingly, we have reached agreement on most points of our new sailing program with the CYCSA.

This new-found co-operation with the CYCSA has seen a successful joint proposal put forward to the AYF, by both Clubs, for the running of the Australian Offshore Championships to be held in Adelaide next February, just prior to the Pt Lincoln race.

This series will be a major event in the Australian sailing calendar and will see many keel boats arriving for both the regatta and the Pt Lincoln race. Joint Committees have already been formed and planning is well under way. This event will need a large number of committed volunteers, so don't be surprised (and, hopefully, be prepared to help) if you are asked for your assistance.

I thank the members of the Sailing Committee for their help throughout the season. Also, I must mention the work put in by John Ellison and his crew on *Miss Robyn* (Peter James and Ken Gifford) for their excellent work on setting

our courses and running our races. Many thanks, also, to Helen Prisk and Rosemary Ferguson for the time they have put in on time keeping and running our computer system. To the many other volunteers whom I have not named, I apologise.

Your Sailing Committee has put forward a recommendation to go to the next Squadron General Meeting that the number of elected members on the Sailing Committee be increased from six to eight. This is designed to help reduce the Committee members' workload and to have a wider representation on the Committee.

The strength of our racing and, for that matter, the future of our Squadron, relies on volunteers. I urge you to consider donating your spare time to help with the numerous tasks required to run our racing program. I am sure you will find the experience as rewarding as I have!

At the meeting of skippers and crews held on 8 May, the following Members were elected to the Sailing Committee: Bill Strangways, Graham Taylor, Colin Todd, John Moffatt, Colin Dowdy, and Roger Oaten. They elect their Chairman at their first meeting. SD

Cruising Committee Annual Report

John Wickham

This is my first report as Chairman of the Cruising Committee; it is my pleasure to complete this season, as Clive Arnold has finally left to go cruising. We would like to thank Clive for the time and effort he has dedicated not only to cruising activities but also in many other areas.

On the morning of Thursday 15 February, *Earrane* left the Squadron bound for Sydney, then up the East Coast. The crew consisted of the Arnold family: Anne, David and Michael and they also enlisted the assistance of well-known Squadron members Alan and Faye Duncan for the leg to Sydney.

Interestingly, as many as five yachts decided to leave the Squadron for an extended cruise this year. *Earrane* was followed by *Exotic Escort* (Andrew Powell) on Saturday 3 March, with plans for Wilson's Promontory, New Zealand, then further Pacific Cruising, Tonga etc. Third to get under way on Wednesday 7 March was *Piping Shrike* (Michael Fowler & Helen McGivern, including their four-legged crew Pita the dog). Fourth to cast off was *Pandemonium* (Bruce and Bonnie Marriotte) on Thursday 8 March. Finally, *Ada* (John Lawlor & Catherine O'Meley) set off on Thursday 5 April.

All have been asked to keep us informed of their travels, so we can trace them on the new world chart in Jimmy's Bar. Please forward any information you would like to see on the chart to the Cruising Committee (via the Office) who will decide how to display it appropriately. It was disconcerting to find pins punched through the laminated surface of the chart, which has been funded by the Cruising Committee and procured and installed courtesy of Bernie Matzat and Malcolm Brinkworth. Please look after it!

After staying approximately ten months with us, the American yacht *Cornucopia* (Rufus and Maxi Home) left the Squadron on 13 January and arrived at Fremantle Sailing Club on 24 February. They stopped at Esperance and Albany on the way. Rufus and Maxi flew back to Adelaide to pick up their car, the 'Maxi Taxi', and

arrived safely back on *Cornucopia* during the first week of April. They plan to head north on 22 May to the Houtman Abrolhos Islands (29°S 114°E), then continue on to Shark Bay, west to the Cocos Keeling, the other islands in the group and finally the Red Sea by the end of December.

We have been busy this year, with a 'Cruise in Company' coordinated by Jamie Cowell, three Sundowner-Overnighters, a Special Cruise the week before Easter and, of course, Easter at Port Vincent and Anzac Day.

Cruise in Company (14-28 Jan): In an event such as this, run under the auspices of the Squadron, all participating vessels are required to comply with Cat 3 (minimum) and must sign on. Six vessels did so (an ideal number to cruise the North Coast of KI) but, disappointingly, only *Beachcomber* (Phil Tassicker) joined Jamie and Anthea on *Morning Hustler*. None the less it turned out to be an enjoyable cruise, which extended as far as Cape Forbin.

Sundowner/Overnighter (Sat 17 Feb): Good weather allowed a late afternoon get-together off North Haven Beach, and we all decided to stay and watch the passenger ship *Oriana* sail into the sunset. She was a wonderful sight with all her decorative lights! We then proceeded to the Quarantine anchorage overnight.

Sundowner/Overnighter (Sat 10 March): The day brought strong winds, and no one turned up at the briefing, but a handful of faithfuls were directed by a message on the notice board to our usual get-together on board *Camelot*.

Sundowner/Overnighter (31 March): As advertised on our posters, the BYO brunch helped all participants to get into the cruising spirit. At noon we left to sail to Glenelg, anchored off Holdfast Shores and watched the yachts participating in the McDonnell Sound Race rounding the Glenelg Breakwater. All on board the five vessels rafted up inside the marina had a great time, assisted by excellent weather and some serious boat hopping. Most visited the local eateries for dinner and, not surprisingly, ended up on *Camelot* for coffee and port until late. On Sunday morning some were



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seen towering above their vessels while consuming huge onshore breakfasts, going for a walk, meeting invited guests or running into old friends. One daring (or desperate?) person was seen using the open-air communal shower on the visitor's pontoon (the hose)! A light sea breeze allowed for an excellent sail back to the Squadron.

Our **Special Extended Easter Cruise** (advertised via posters but not in the *Year Book*) across the Gulf to Stansbury was led by *Camelot*; only two vessels were sufficiently encouraged to join in. *Wylo IV* came over on Tuesday and *Andacious II* arrived at 0200 Thursday. *Andacious II* crew Barry Allison & Barbara Adams were joined by Les & Kate Harper (Coast Guard Oyster Bay) on Thursday for lunch and a lazy afternoon on *Camelot*. The absolute highlight was to watch Les (aged 83!) and Barry having their first wind surfing lesson. On Friday we moved on to join the activities at Port Vincent. We were blessed with fine weather this year, which certainly contributed to the impressive seventy plus vessels (including some non-Squadron vessels) counted on Saturday morning. All events were well attended, and enjoyed by all.

On **Anzac Day (Wed 25 April)** we had a luncheon raft up in the Port River.

New Vessels on the Squadron Register

<i>Blue Water I</i>	David Rawnsley	<i>Mother Goose</i>	Ken Holds
<i>Cheap Thrills</i>	Ken Roberts	<i>Opal Star</i>	David & Deborah Garrad
<i>Dragon Lady II</i>	Peter Davies	<i>Pelarine</i>	Adam & Tomono Wynn
<i>Exocet</i>	David & Alison Briske	<i>Misty</i>	Andrew Rooney

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To ensure you don't miss out on exciting future events, please check your *Year Book*; the notice boards for posters with details closer to the event; and the black board for updates on the day. Do not hesitate to contact your Committee members at any time, who will be only too pleased to assist – come and enjoy the fellowship!

Youth Trophy

A reminder about this trophy presented by Eric Mack, administered by the Cruising Committee, and awarded for cruising. Details on eligibility and conditions may be obtained from the Office.

Advertising posters will be posted very soon to all keelboat clubs in South Australia and will be placed on our notice board. We would ask all Members who have completed an extended cruise, or one challenging in another way, or who may know of someone who has, to enter, or encourage others to do so. We have found that most need to be encouraged. It doesn't have to be far afield, so those confined to local waters must not be discouraged. The closing date will be **31 August**. As published in the December *Quarterly*, the winners last year were Michael and Wendy Lambert from Port Lincoln for their first extended cruise in their yacht *Silent Number*, a Peter Cole design, East Coast 31, namely a circumnavigation of Spencer Gulf. 50

Juniors Advisory Committee Annual Report

Murray Larkin

This year has been a big one for all the Juniors, with lots of exciting activity on and off the water. As far as sailing goes, we have had some great racing and training. The new Pacers have proved an asset in the AusSail program. Outside of the Squadron, our Holdfast Trainer skippers, Bradley Windram, Vicki Sanderson and Gabi Winding have been active at their State regattas. The 12-foot Cadets competed in the Stonehaven Cup, which was held in Adelaide this year. Squadron participants were Kirsty Sanderson, Sally Luke and Will Thorne, who all gained a lot from the experience. We have not only hosted our normal club heats, but have also for the first time have had the pleasure of hosting one of the State heats for the Cherubs. Glen Emery in his Cherub *Rats Toss Bag* was the only Squadron Member competing. He finished in the middle of the fleet, which was a fantastic effort for his first year in the class.

Our club champions this year are —

Holdfast Trainers

First	Bradley Windram & Cameron Larkin
Second	Viki Sanderson & Jemma Moody

Pacers

First Carly Vanse & Laura Turner
Encouragement Award
Patrick Moody (International Cadet)

Unfortunately leasing of the Holdfast Trainers has been disappointing, but I am sure the graduates from AusSail will take them up next season.

We have also had a lot happening off the water, with several social events organised by our Junior Captain, Glen Emery. We have upgraded the Juniors' clubroom with a pergola and a grassed area. This would not have been possible without our sponsorship from Main North Nissan and Daewoo, together with the fund-raising by our fantastic volunteers. I wish to thank all those involved with our sausage sizzles and BBQs for all their help. Parent support has been terrific this year and it is much appreciated.

Congratulations to all the Juniors who have had successes this year, and another big thank you to those people involved on and off the water to keep our successful Junior program running. 50



Cherubs racing in a heat of the State championship, conducted by the Squadron.