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FROM THE EDITOR-AT-LARGE Kathryn Crisell



WELL, here we are again, having picked our way through the latest mess of COVID-19, not unscathed but still here. While the Squadron Dining Room has succumbed to the circumstances it has not stopped Members enjoying each other's company in Jimmy's Bar and out on the water in friendly rivalry. Thankfully the handful of Staff and Members who contracted Covid have recovered – a testament to the wisdom of implementing strict vaccination and mask protocols. Those protocols certainly enabled people to feel relatively safe while participating in Club activities and clearly helped keep the season alive.

As you will see in this issue it has been an extremely busy time on the water, particularly at our Club as it hosted the Covid-affected King of the Gulf and the newly-minted Harken SA Summer of Sail. There's been plenty to celebrate with RSAYS teams finally able to get to the start line of the Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race – a huge relief after last year's debacle, and with the Adelaide to Port Lincoln Race able to be run as usual.

We also celebrate some of our newest Members and you can read how the Robinson family are on the road to living out their (Jon's) amusing fantasies. And we celebrate some of our oldest and longest serving Members with a look at how they came to sailing and the RSAYS via some amazing backgrounds over many, many decades.

Around the World sailing is again a feature following Bob Williams's blog as he 'raced to Cape Horn' on *Sylph VI* not quite in company with Mark Sinclair on *Coconut*, and Campbell Mackie's fascinating and, in theory, 'affordable' preparation for the 2023 Golden Globe Race.

For a bit of fun, we've introduced a 'Then There Was The Time That ...' where we will feature those amusing anecdotes that we all have in our history about something silly we, or someone else, has done. It's time to reveal those things to the world – heaven knows we all need the laugh!

As always, I feel very humble when I read our Members' stories in our features, regular articles and In Tranquil Waters. I'm forever impressed at the lives that have been or are being lived; the adventurous and brave spirits, the talent and skills in both sailing and vocations, the generosity in sharing those talents with others. Some of us will only ever dream of being as adventurous, but at least we can get out on the water and share in the excitement of racing, and perhaps imagine we are rounding Cape Horn, or gently cruising some exotic sun-drenched destination!

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