

SOCIAL NIGHT - Saturday, 26th June, 1971.

A dance band will be in attendance. Caterer will provide the usual Menu. No charge will be made to members for the dance. It will be "come as you are". Bar will be open to 11.30 p.m. Should this type of entertainment prove popular it could be a monthly event.

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THE COMMODORE'S REPORT.

The 1971 sailing season is now over and all will agree it has been a most successful racing season. Easter at Port Vincent for a record 72 yachts from the Squadron in absolutely perfect weather was a fitting close. On behalf of members I would like to particularly thank Bill Harniman for acting as Officer of the Day in "Jeannie Clair" and Henry Wilckens and Josco Grubic for providing their vessels for the Prize Giving party.

At the request of a number of members we have split the Annual Boatowners Meeting into two Meetings as follows:-

1. 26th May - Racing Skippers and Crews evening, to discuss matters relating to yacht racing.
2. 16th June - Boatowners Meeting, to discuss all matters relating to facilities, development and operation of the Squadron premises at the Harbor.

The Anzac weekend brought an end to the good weather and we encountered the worst westerly storm for many years. Two vessels broke away and a number of others were damaged. Squadron property also received a fair share of the storm's destructive power - e.g. major settlement of eastern wall due to water over-lapping the top of the wall, small eastern pontoons damaged and holed and are currently being repaired and strengthened at Adelaide Ship Construction, club dinghies were damaged in rescue work and one was completely wrecked.

However, in view of the magnitude and time the blow lasted we were fortunate that there was not more damage.

COMMODORE'S REPORT (Contd)

Your Committee believe it is time we had a rescue boat equipped with adequate engine, fire hoses, pumping equipment to be on stand-by at the Harbor.

I would like to express gratitude to all those who helped during the Anzac week-end with rescue work, particularly to those Junior members who were always ready and available to lend a hand.

Two new 12' heavily constructed fibre-glass dinghies have been ordered to increase the Club dinghy fleet and to replace the dinghy wrecked during the storm.

I am pleased to announce that the Marine & Harbors Board Department have granted additional area of mud flats to the west of the Squadron increasing the area of space available for future moorings from our present 7.5 acres to 12.9 acres.

The new large vessel traverse is in full operation and should greatly improve facilities for larger vessels.

Improvements are being gradually made to Clubroom facilities. Fifty new chairs have been purchased and new tables will be installed during the month.

Squadron Trustee: Past Commodore Mr. Alan Smith has been appointed a Squadron Trustee replacing the late Mr. Henry Rymill. Alan has been a major contributor to the work carried out at the Outer Harbor and due greatly to his fore-sight and enthusiasm the big step forward has taken place at the Outer Harbor. Members will, I am sure, be pleased with this appointment. The Trustees are:- Dr. G.W. Verco, Mr. J.S. Taylor and Mr. A.L. Smith.

Henry Rymill Memorial Fund: To commemorate the memory of the late Henry Rymill, members are invited to contribute to a Fund. The memorial will take the form of a specially constructed Trophy cabinet to be placed on the landing of the stairway. The cabinet to hold historical items the Squadron has accumulated during its 100 years.