

as many members of South Australia's yachting fraternity as possible. The Commodore has therefore invited the Offshore Committee to attend an informal get together with Squadron members in the club's Main Bar between 6 pm and 7 pm on the Saturday evening. All racing members are urged to take this opportunity to meet the interstate delegates and measurers.

BOB FRANCIS

HALF TON ASSOCIATION NEWS

Conditions during the Adelaide to Lincoln Race favoured Half Tonners this year. The first 3 places on handicap were filled by CAPRICE II, DYNASTY, and Q E D, with BAD COMPANY 14th, and AMATUANA 29th. The smaller boats had light winds which held up throughout the race allowing spinnakers to be set from the Marion Reef to Donnington. CAPRICE, DYNASTY, and PEACOCK crossed the line within minutes of each other. Unfortunately, PEACOCK was disqualified due to not signing the "Intention to Start".

Eleven boats have entered our championship series which should ensure plenty of competitive racing. The first heat was won by CAPRICE II, with PEACOCK and VALKYRIE second and third resp. The second heat, the Island Cup, was won by ROUSEABOUT. Second and third places went to DYNASTY and CAPRICE II resp.

Five new Pions are being built and should be ready for next season. We hope to see them all racing with us. It is encouraging to see the extra interest being shown in Half Ton racing.

JIM BOUCAT

Few people have known the thrill of sailing a tall ship. An ambitious project is underway to offer this opportunity to many young South Australians. The Jubilee Sailing Ship Project Inc. has commenced the construction of a two masted topsail schooner which is to be presented to South Australia for her 150th anniversary as a sail training vessel.

Many countries in the world have tall ships which are used as an educational experience for young people. The crew trainees learn about life in a way that cannot be obtained in our sophisticated modern society. This learning comes through an appreciation of the skill and courage associated with the heritage of sail.

The Jubilee Ship is based on a famous schooner built at Port Adelaide in 1874 called POST BOY. The designer is Kell Steinman R.I.M.A., IME, A.A.I.M. who has taken the best features and outward appearance of this 19th century coastal trader and combined them with a shape below the water line that should give her excellent windward performance. She will have a draft of 2.1 metres with two drop keels. The ship will have a total length of 30 metres and will carry a working sail area of 511 square metres. Scantlings are well in excess of Lloyds requirements and the vessel is designed to qualify for an unrestricted Commonwealth Offshore certificate so that she can sail anywhere in the world.

When complete she will be sailed by a crew of 28 trainees of both sexes, a professional crew of three and volunteers of up to six on voyages of one to two weeks during the months of September to May. The trainees will be drawn from schools during term time, and various youth groups over the summer holidays. During the winter months it is envisaged the schooner will make longer voyages to Northern Australia and the Pacific.

This ambitious project is being undertaken by a non-profit organisation, The Jubilee Sailing Ship Project Inc. which was formed in 1980 under the presidency of Sir James Hardy OBE.