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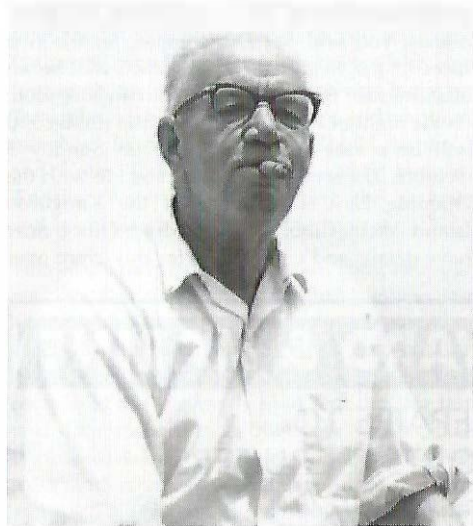
A date to put in your diary is **Wednesday 15 September**. We will be having a **pre-season briefing night**, so that skippers and crew can hear all of the latest news and get to know each other. Current planning is for the evening to start at 1930, but you will hear from us very soon with further information regarding this.

It's great to see new vessels arriving at the Squadron! From all accounts we could see a number of new vessels joining our racing fleet. To our new members we say, welcome! Please do not hesitate to ask for any help you may need.

As I complete this report, I note that the date and time is very near to the big bang time for the GPS system. What would we do without these amazing little machines? I hope yours (and mine) survive the trauma and will remain useful for another day!

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George Eimer



In the 1960s and 1970s offshore racing became very popular, with races on most alternate weekends from November to March, and a break in the first part of January to allow for Christmas cruising. At that time some notable Members died and their friends wished them to

STOP PRESS! The Winter Series results are now finalised and the results are :

Division 1	First	● <i>On the Edge</i> C Tillett (CYCSA)
	Second	<i>Dr Feelgood</i> W Coonan (CYCSA)
	Third	<i>Ernst & Young</i> D Royle (CYCSA)
Division 2	First	<i>Resurrection</i> S Emery (RSAYS)
	Second	<i>Second Lady</i> M Dayman (RSAYS)
	Third	<i>Spellbound</i> C Gafney (RSAYS)
Division 3	First	<i>Natani</i> A Vandenbroek (RSAYS)
	Second	<i>Adria</i> C Marchesi (RSAYS)
	Third	<i>Whai-Koa</i> S Winding (CYCSA)
Congratulations to everyone!		

be remembered through trophies, all of which were for offshore events. They included Harold Dicker, Len Wigan and George Eimer.

George was the structural engineer involved in building the Birkenhead Bridge at Port Adelaide in the 1930s. He was born in 1898 and held the degree of Bachelor of Engineering, presumably from the University of Adelaide. He was employed for most of his working life by the South Australian Railways. For many years he sailed *Nymphaea*, a classical small cutter with a short bowsprit. He and his cronies, who included Len Wigan, went fishing and cruising, across the Gulf, along the North Coast of Kangaroo Island and to Port Lincoln. He smoked large cigars and often wore a straw hat, but did not mix much with the generation who followed him. He would have agreed with the late Arthur Searcy, who once declared at a Quarterly Meeting, 'This is a gentlemen's club, to which ladies are admitted three times a year — for Opening Day, Ladies Day and the Inkster Memorial.' They looked with disfavour as the Squadron progressively became a family club, and as they grew older held aloof from participation in its affairs. He never married.

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Safety Compliance Inspections

With the adoption of minimum safety compliance standards by the Squadron for all vessels participating in organised events, there will be a heavy demand on our Safety Compliance Inspectors to complete inspections before the new summer season commences. This is going to be relevant particularly for the competitors intending to enter the racing divisions, or the cruising division, for the Kangaroo Island Regatta. All competitors in this event will require minimum Cat 3 certification before the entry closing date of Monday 27 September.

To accommodate the number of inspections that will be required, we have organised inspection days for **Saturdays 11 and 25 September**, between 1000 and 1600. All that is needed to have your inspection done on these days is to bring your boat to the pontoon in front of the club, have your inspection sheet filled out and ready and wait for the first available Inspector.

Also, we hope to have a fire extinguisher technician on hand on one of these days to inspect and 'tag' fire extinguishers, so that they comply with the Racing Rules of Sailing.

If these dates are not suitable, please contact one of the Inspectors to arrange a suitable time and date.

This year we have six approved Inspectors. They are:

John Phillips

8449 3063 (h) 8262 5433 (b) 0419 841 670 (m)

Tony Hooper

8278 7637 (h) 8374 0879 (b) 0416 185 805 (m)

Michael Hambidge

8341 5369 (h) 0417 820 106 (m)

Colin Todd

8374 1680 (b) 0412 290 222 (m)

David Barnfield

8272 8072 (h) 8373 2622 (b)

Ian Flint 8358 0401 (h)

Please start your planning and pre-inspection checks early to beat the rush! In particular, you should ensure your flares and EPIRB are in date and that your fire extinguishers are 'tagged'. **SQ**