

OBITUARY

It was with sadness and regret that we learnt of the deaths of club members Colin Turley and Colin Haselgrove.

Colin Turley, who owned JANICE in partnership with his son, passed away on 2nd January 83. He was a Squadron member for over 33 years, and in recent times was a familiar face on the pontoons as he and his son extensively refitted their boat.

Colin Haselgrove died on 10th December 82. One of our best known members, Colin joined the Squadron in 1931, served as a Flag Officer, and was awarded Life Membership in 1977.

Throughout his lifetime he gained a considerable amount of yachting experience both racing and cruising. He contested the 1948 Sydney-Hobart Race in NERIDA and gained 5th place. He entered again in 1950 and won the event. He competed again in 1955 in COOROYBA and was placed 2nd on this occasion. He will always be remembered for his comprehensive set of cruising notes. These notes have been of invaluable assistance to Squadron members for many years.

In addition to his service as Chairman of the Australian Wine Research Institute, Colin served in a number of other organisations representing the wine industry. For his service to this industry, he was awarded an OBE in 1971.

To the families and friends of these departed members, I offer my deepest sympathy on behalf of myself, my fellow Flag Officers, members and staff of the Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron.

JIM HOWELL

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

Our first New Year's activity was conducting the J O G National Championships. A total of 18 yachts competed in the series which included 3 interstate entrants. Congratulations to the Organising Committee for a well conducted series. I also appreciated the efforts of our members who assisted both ashore and afloat, and those who made their vessels available for official duties and for spectators. Readers will find a more detailed account of the series later in the newsletter.

Then followed the usual busy week prior to the Adelaide-Lincoln Race when the Squadron welcomed and hosted crews of yachts from the Port Lincoln Yacht Club, SA country yacht clubs and also a yacht from the Portland Yacht Club of Victoria owned by Theo Jarrett. Theo has assisted a number of R S A Y S crews when they have called into Portland. Forty yachts started in the Lincoln Race at 2000 hrs on 28th January 83.

A revised course Neptune Island Race started 5 minutes earlier with 5 yachts competing. The new course, Marion Reef, Althorpe Island, South Neptune Island, Thistle Island, Dangerous Reef and Port Lincoln was introduced to enable starters to participate in the Lincoln Week activities.

On behalf of our members who competed in these events, my thanks and appreciation go to the Commodore, Officers, Committee and members of the Port Lincoln and Coffin Bay Yacht Clubs for their hospitality and assistance to our members during their stay in Port Lincoln.

On Saturday, 19th January 83, the Ladies Day Race again proved to be a popular event followed by the prize presentation and dinner dance in the evening.

The Squadron hosted and entertained 40 Legacy Children on Sunday, 6th March 83, and the short cruise followed by a barbecue was appreciated and enjoyed by all. My thanks also to all who helped to make the day a success, and particularly to the skippers and crews of ALTAIR, LAURIANA, and PEDARE.