

CREW OF NERIDA



CREW MEMBERS OF THE 45-FT. SA YAWL NERIDA, winner of the Sydney-Hobart yacht race on handicap, relax after tying up at Hobart yesterday. Nerida was third across the finishing line. TOP—Colin Haselgrove (skipper), M. Dicker, J. McLaren. ABOVE—P. Berry, I. Smith, J. Powell.—Picturegrams. (Picture of Nerida—Page 5.)

S.A. YACHT WINS BIG OCEAN RACE

Hobart, Monday.—It is now certain that the South Australian yawl *Nerida* has won the Sydney-Hobart ocean race on handicap. *Nerida's* performance is regarded as one of the finest since the race was inaugurated five years ago.

Only four yachts have so far crossed the finishing line. The others are so far behind that *Nerida's* position as winner on handicap cannot be challenged.

The *Margaret Rintoul*, which took the line honors after a bow-to-bow tussle with the Tasmanian sloop *Mistral V.*, was named after the wife of the owner, Mr. Austin Edwards, who married a Miss Margaret Rintoul.

Colin Haselgrove, skipper of *Nerida*, was suffering from a knee injury when his boat crossed the line in third position. He was struck by a handle which flew off the winch. However, he said today he had had a great run, and did not lose any gear.

Haselgrove added that he hoped his success would en-

courage other South Australian boats to enter for the race.

The fourth boat to finish was the big Sydney schooner *Mistral II*. It crossed the line shortly after 4 a.m. today.

There were 10 other boats to finish this morning. Two were off the entrance to the Derwent. They could not be definitely identified, but were thought to be the Sydney yacht *Fortuna* and the South Australian *Seevogel*.

Other boats which have been sighted off the east coast are the NSW cutter *Gipsy Queen*, the Sydney sloops *Benicia*, *Jasna*, *Kintail*, the schooner *Wanderer*—which has never finished in its three starts—and the sloop *Solveig*.

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