

SAYRA KEELBOAT COMMITTEE NEWS

The VYC proposed that Australian IOR Offshore Championships be conducted in conjunction with the Admiral's Cup Trials, and that in alternate years they be conducted elsewhere, possibly in NSW. Although the matter was referred back to the VYC for further study and re-presentation back to the Offshore Committee, it is most likely that their proposal will be adopted.

The AYF Yacht Racing Book (Blue Book) is being revised and draft copies of the revision should be available for comment sometime during the year.

The format of the Premier's Cup Series has been reviewed by the Keelboat Committee. It has been decided that next year's long race will be from Outer Harbor to the Brighton Wave Recorder and back, in lieu of the Kingscote Cup Race. It is expected that this alteration to the series will attract more starters.

It was with disappointment that we learnt that the Holdfast Bay Yacht Club had decided to discontinue conducting the Plympton Cup. Our disappointment has been represented to the HBYC, and it is hoped that by the time you read this newsletter they will have reversed their decision. If they do agree to continue the event, we must ensure that we encourage greater interest next time as this is the oldest yacht racing trophy in South Australia, and should not be lost from the yacht racing calendar.

The AYF Rating Rule Book (Red Book) has been amended, and copies of these amendments are now available from the Squadron Office.

Once again the Keelboat Committee is pleased to announce that John Lysaght (Aust) Ltd have agreed to sponsor the Lysaght Regatta again next season. Additional sponsorship has been offered, and the trophy presentations will be conducted on a night following the day of the event.

BOB FRANCIS

HALF TON NEWS

The Half Tonners have completed another successful season. The State Championships was won by PEACOCK (K Adams), VALKYRIE (R Ottaway) was second, and TROCHUS (A Human) was third. The Squadron's Open Series was won by TROCHUS, with VALKYRIE and AMATUANA (A Evans and P Patridge) gaining 2nd and 3rd places respectively. Half Tonners also performed well in the Division 2 Offshore Point Score Series with VALKYRIE gaining 1st place, TROCHUS 2nd place, and CAPRICE II (J Boucat and J Powell) 4th in the series.

It is pleasing to see more new Pions in the water with more on the way. We hope to see them out racing with us next season.

Once again Keith and Ruth Adams have kindly offered their country property "Mulberry" near Mount Barker for the association's Annual Picnic. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend the picnic which will be held on Sunday, 17th June commencing at 12 noon. Bring your own BBQ, food and drinks (Keith will provide the firewood). For those who have not been there before, a map has been placed on the Squadron Notice-board, or directions can be obtained by ringing me on 212 6988 (bus), or 267 3437 (res).

The A G M of the Half Ton Association will also be held at the picnic.

Good sailing during the Winter Season.

JIM BOUCAT