

S.A.S.C. NEWS

SYDNEY AMATEUR SAILING CLUB

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The S.A.S.C. has just completed its best season yet with the largest fleet of racing yachts and membership in its history. Our success has been entirely due to the good management of racing and Club affairs. We have always been fortunate to have capable and dedicated officers to conduct our affairs. Those at present serving the members in this capacity are doing a fine job and deserve the greatest thanks and appreciation that Members can bestow on them. As we are now approaching election time it is most desirable that all Members give careful consideration to, and take part in this election.

It is most important that nominations of personnel be made to conduct the Club's business in the forthcoming season.

All offices are subject to election and nominations must be received from Members for them. There are several very important posts which will be vacated this time. The Honorary Secretary Jack Stewart has filled this position for two years and due to pressure of business will not be offering himself for re-election. The Honorary Treasurer Ron Lee has been in office for four years and is anxious to have a successor to take over his post. The Honorary Racing Secretary Fred Wrobel also a three year man will not be standing again.

There is no doubt that the continued success of the Club is dependent on the efficient and capable management of its affairs, it is certain that amongst our expanding membership that we have considerable latent talent and untapped ability, which could be used beneficially to fill the important posts soon vacant.

Elections take place at the Ordinary General Meeting of Members to be held on Wednesday 13th, July. Notice of the monthly meeting to be held in June will contain a nomination form to enable Members to make their nominations of candidates for office which must be in the Honorary Secretary's hands at least eighteen days before the elections.

CLUBHOUSE/SOCIAL :

The Prize Night was a very successful function attended by a representative gathering of skippers and friends with about forty visiting yachtsmen from other Clubs. Commodore Nick Cassim presented trophies and certificates to winners.

The Annual Ball will be held at the Wentworth Hotel on Friday the 24th, June with Cocktails at 8.30 p.m. Tickets are \$9.00 a double and will be available from representatives of the various divisions. Gold Medals and replicas of perpetual trophies will be presented at the Ball.

A Club Dinner has been organised for Wednesday 8th, June and will be held at the Wentworth Hotel with Cocktails at 6.30 p.m. Dinner will be followed by address by Guest Speaker Mr. Warwick Hood. Subject:- " 12 Metre Yacht Design". Dress "ormal. Members only are invited to be present. There will be fuller details in a circular to all Members. Dinner and Wine \$5.00.

BOATSHED: All moorings are now in good condition and Boatshed Committee have recommended that next inspection to be made by a diver in June 1967.

Boatshed has received a donation of a heavy Dinghy from Mr. Peter Milford. A pair of Oars donated by Mr. F. Talbot.

All moorings are fully occupied.

Committee is looking into means of replacing the slipway winch and has received an offer of a donation towards its replacement from Mr. Frank Bradshaw.

JOTTINGS:

The Amateur team racing with the JOG " Little Admiral's Cup " made a good showing for themselves leading initially and finally finishing in third place. Comprising Ian Ralfe's "Naneftar" W. Anderson's "Restless" and Paul Carey's "Tinkerbelle" they were dogged by a disqualification and adverse conditions during some of the races.

The Directors have decided to donate a Gold Plaque to the Amateur "Joggie" holding the greatest number of points for this season's racing, as there is a very high proportion of Amateurs amongst them. So far, the point score is undecided but it seems that "Naneftar" could be the likely winner as she has 5 points lead on "Restless" with two races to go.

Ron Uren wishes to thank the unknown person who retrieved his hatch cover and placed it in his dinghy in the boatshed recently. He had lost it whilst out sailing and a search failed to find it.

The R.P.S.Y.C. (Pittwater Branch) has spearheaded an attack on litterbugs in the Kuringai area and with the help of the Chase Trust, R.M.Y.C. (Broken Bay Branch) and the K.M.Y.C. has cleaned up all the popular beaches and resorts in the Kuringai area of litter, bottles etc. A large tin is now provided on many beaches for rubbish. Yachtsmen are requested to use these whilst they are in the area and to make certain that if it wont sink to take it ashore and place it in the tin.

The H.M.S. "Endeavour" Trust Fund is requesting donations to ensure the success of an appeal to allow a replica of the "Endeavour" to be built and sailed to Australia under similar conditions to Captain Phillip's voyage. Captain Villiers is in charge. The Fund has the Federal Government's blessing and donations are Tax deductible:-

Donations to:-

The Hon' Treasurer,
H.M.S. "Endeavour" Trust Fund,
2 Carrington Street,
SYDNEY

Should any Yachtsman imagine that it is to be easy going next season he should take note that already there are not only new boats lining up for the racing but several are already undergoing modifications.

Bruce Cameron has "Wathara" up for sale, and he has plans in hand for a new yacht.

"Arinda" recently acquired by Dr. Green is now moored at the Clubhouse and he intends to race.

"Brothers" is being refitted with a masthead rig with monster headsail. Norm Beadle is rigging his new aluminium mast himself.

Al. Merrick has a new Folkboat by Hald and Johannsen at Brookvale, christened "Catriona" she is a beautifully built vessel, fitted with cold spliced aluminium mast, moored at the Clubhouse and of

"Sparkle" A53 owner C.O.Moodie will shine with Bill Gale at the helm.

Yet another Thunderbird will be racing in our fleet recently completed for Rick Mowle, she will be out early going around the buoys.

Peter Milford will be at the starting line with his 32ft, Griffin designed and built Cutter, "Salamis".

Neville Chidgey has just acquired a cold moulded "Top Hat" and intends to join the Club with a view to racing with the Fleet.

Warwick Hood is having a look at "Warana's" mast and will prepare a design for mast and gear for John Merrington, to drive her to windward faster.

Clarrie Dunne is thinking hard about building a Folkboat and has been looking over many in the Club for ideas.

Ernie Merrington says that "Thurloo" is going up at Woodleys slip for an extensive re-fit including sandblasting and epoxy resin coating.

Harry Mellor has again made a suitable projector and screen available for the showing of John Biddle's film on the America's Cup Series. Special thanks to Harry for many occasions during the past years for not only providing the apparatus but also for getting it down to the Clubhouse, and dragging it up those steps again.

Forty odd Skippers attended a Meeting at the Clubhouse on Tuesday 10th, May, and spend three hours discussing all the aspects of racing. Many good suggestions were put forward including Courses, Programmes, Starts, Point Score, etc.

This Meeting whilst not the first of its kind will certainly add something to our racing, and improve Club spirit.

CLUB TIES ARE AVAILABLE AT \$2.25.