



MYCT Newsletter

July and August 2003

ANOTHER BIG WEEKEND FOR TASSIE BOATIES

Launching the second annual Tasmanian Boating, Leisure and Water Sports Expo, Organizing Committee Chairman Colin Courtney said that preliminary interest from exhibitors representing manufacturers, agents and retailers was greater than at the same time last year and the committee were confident the coming Expo would "be bigger and better than last year".

Booking Kits for display space have been mailed to Exhibitors and preferential bookings will be given to those companies on a "first in basis".

With over 20 exhibitors, at the inaugural Expo a broad base of interest was created for the 8500+ visitors who attended.

With some features this year being, on and off water Power Boat Racing displays, a flare display by Marine and Safety Tasmania, Rescue Helicopter displays and rides as well as live music and aerobic displays organizers are confident visitors will witness one of the most varied Boat and Leisure Shows held in Tasmania.

The idyllic setting of Tasmania's largest floating Marina with over 120 berths also gives the Motor Yacht Club the perfect opportunity to showcase itself as a leader in promoting the Tasmanian Boating Industry.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The following members were elected to fill the Flag Officer and Committee positions at the Annual General Meeting held on the 19th August.

COMMODORE – Bryan Rumley

VICE COMMODORE – Ron Butterworth

REAR COMMODORE – Barry Woods

COMMITTEE – Gary Whitbread, Harvey Burns, Matt Debnam, Rob Foale, Phil Woodhouse



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VISITORS



That Red Yacht

Perhaps you've noticed a new red yacht in the marina? This would be the sailing yacht (cleverly) named Red, owned by Beth and Kevin Hansen. Beth and Kevin have come by way of the South Pacific islands to us from Alaska. The Hansens left Juneau, Alaska, their home for 20+ years and started heading our way in June of 2000.

After spending a year in British Columbia, Canada, they worked their way down the coast of the US and the Baja Peninsula of Mexico. Leaving Mexico in March of 2002, they sailed through the islands arriving in Coffs Harbour in October. Christmas at Flinders Island and here to the MYCT at the end of January.

This is a return trip for the Hansens. They did a 3 year trip from Alaska to Tassie and back, stopping here for 1 month 12 years ago. Having made some great friends they were determined to return and stay a little longer this time. They plan on seeing as much as possible of our waters and then heading on to New Zealand in January next year.

The stops along the way began with 10 and ½ weeks in the Gambier Islands of French Polynesia. The language barrier didn't slow down the process of making friends. Kevin worked on learning the local island language and Beth polished her French. Brief visits followed in the Tuamotus and Tahiti.

Then on to the paradise of Aitutaki in the Cook Islands. Kevin and Beth were "adopted" by an island family 12 years ago. That made this an incredible reunion for them. The six weeks flew and hurricane season was getting closer, so it was time to move on.

A call in to Fiji for a month proved that there is a lot to see there, too. Red will be going back to Fiji for the full 6 months of cruising season in 2004.

Beth and Kevin are really enjoying the facilities and personalities of the MYCT!



FROM THE CLUBHOUSE

Wine of the Month Seppelts Classic Selection \$ 6.00 Chardonnay & Shiraz Cab

Beer of the Month Cascade Draughts 6 packs \$10.50

MEMBERSHIP

The Club would like to welcome the following new members.

June 2003: Social Members – Tim Foale

July 2003: Full Members – Jill Grimsey, Rod Heather, Glen Stearnes, John Maughan, Steve Collidge, Josef Schmidt.

Social Members – Donald Nichols, Elizabeth Wren, Walter Armstrong, Daniel Cripps, Shane Cooke

WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON

The 2003 Betsy Island Time Trial

The event received great support from the members with 41 boats participating in 3 classes. Results were as follows:

Over 40 Knots	1st Water Sports (19.2 pts)	2nd Salty2 (21.2 pts)	3rd Signature (147.4 pts)
11 to 40 Knots	1st Force 11 (2 pts)	2nd CeeDee2 (80.5 pts)	3rd Reef Runner (92 pts)
Under 10 knots	1st Arcadia (326.5 pts)	2nd Lara (329.5 pts)	3rd Waireka 11 (356.8 pts)

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MYCT ON THE WEB!!!

A very special thank you to Beth and Kevin Hansen from the yacht Red for their expertise in establishing our MYCT website. Beth has worked tirelessly over the last few weeks to get the site up and running.

Be sure to supply your email address to Mark or Christine, in order to get updates. Next month you can go to www.motoryachtclub.org to read your newsletter and get caught up on happenings at the clubhouse.

By reading the newsletter on the web you can save your club the expense of printing and mailing.


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New Dinghy Racks Completed

Members are advised that spaces are now available on the new Dinghy Racks, now located at the top of the Launching Ramp.

Annual Cost is \$110

Spaces will be allocated on a first in basis. Please contact Mark or Christine at the Office for more information.

BINGO IS COMING !!!

Every Tuesday commencing September 9th at 1pm

Jackpot Games – Raffle – Tea & Coffee provided.

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