



# CATALINA FLEET NEWS



Wallis Lakes Cruise Photos by Ralph Penn

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## Commodore's Corner

This time of year the magazine reflects that the cruising out ways the racing. The Club Point Score shows that nearly every member of the club has participated in an event. This is great for those that are involved in organising the activities. I cannot remember this number of people attending events in many years. It makes it all worthwhile for those on the committee, race organisers and cruise leaders to have people enjoying the activities.

As you will read the Wallis Lakes Cruise was a bit of a hit for all that attended. The location with beautiful sandy beaches and an Ocean just a small walk away is definitely a paradise Zorro will be frequenting.

Keep reading and I am sure you will agree.

*Greg* Commodore - *Zorro*

- ✚ Submissions for the next newsletter by 1st April to David Hutchings
- ✚ General meeting 19:00 15th March 2011 at Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club

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## General Meeting Minutes

### Minutes of the General Meeting Held at Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2011

Meeting opened at: 1905 hours.

Chairman: Greg Searles

Attendance: 9 As per Attendance Book.

Apologies: Kate Searles, Heidi Vivian, Kim Weir, Derek Tracey

- **15/02-01 Resolved** - The Minutes of the General Meeting held at Club Macquarie on 16/11/2010 (as printed in the Dec/Jan Catalina Fleet News) be adopted.
- Proposed: Doug Stanfield  
Seconded: Ralph Penn

### Matters arising from the Minutes – NIL

#### Correspondence

- Inwards  
Received December edition of Bilgewater.  
  
Received December, January, February edition of Sonata Notes.  
  
Received December and January Newcastle Permanent Building Society Statements.  
  
Received ING Statement.  
  
Received LMCC Sports Council Minutes.
- Outwards  
Sent booking dates for monthly meetings to Club Macquarie for confirmation.

### Business Arising from Correspondence NIL

#### Reports

- Treasurer  
Income: \$79.59  
  
Expenditure: \$ 450.00  
  
Balance: \$9,511.27

- **15/02-02 Resolved** - That the Treasurer's Report be accepted.  
Proposed: Jim Gillan

Seconded: Graeme Vivian

- Racing Organiser  
Race 1 of the Autumn Series was cancelled due to strong wind gusts, white caps and poor visibility. The call was made at 11.30am at the start of the race briefing. It was noted that weather warnings are always for off shore and not inland coastal. The club's ruling is that any winds over 25 knots and the race is cancelled.

The Race Organiser will notify us if the race is to be re-scheduled.

It was also noted that the Coon Island Marker was missing.

The Autumn Sailing Instructions were approved

Proposed: Ralph Penn      Seconded: Graeme Vivian

- Cruising Organiser  
New Year at the Myalls and The Port Stephens Cruise were well attended and the next cruise to be held at Wallis Lakes with Phillip and Kim as the Cruise Leaders

Doug asked why the Manning River Marathon had not been include in the last Newsletter. Graeme Vivian to investigate and make sure it is included in the next Newsletter.

Easter this year will be a 5 day block including the Anzac Day Holiday. Feelers were put out at the race weekend to see if the Easter Cruise could be held at either Lake Macquarie or Port Stephens. Judy Heap questioned this call as Easter was always held at the Myalls – a tradition.

A discussion was held at the club meeting regarding the options versus the traditions.

Hart felt that it would be too late to change the venue at short notice, so based on the members at the meeting it was decided to leave the Easter cruise at the Myalls.

- **Membership**

Phillip presented 2 new memberships for the club to vote on, Brian and Jeanette Davis were present at the meeting. The other member was Dale Bowes- Hammond who attended both the Myalls and the Port Stephens Cruise.

Brian and Jeanette Davis – Noelex 25 called Chamelion

Proposed: Doug Stanfield      Seconded: Hart Peters      ACCEPTED

Dale Bowes-Hammond – Griffin 17 called Ruby Blue

Proposed: Hart Peters      Seconded: Graeme Vivian      ACCEPTED

Peter & Toni Struik - Sonata 7 called Time Out

Proposed: Doug      Seconded: Graeme Vivian      ACCEPTED

Welcome aboard Brian, Jeanette, Peter & Toni and Dale!!

### **General Business**

The question of who has Bunker Keys was raised. Hart to investigate and set up a key register.

Fundraising for 2011 was also raised. It was noted that fundraising is only worthwhile if there is a goal or project to be aimed for.

Graeme Vivian noted that the club finances were up and that the club had received a lot of donations for events etc and that maybe the balance could be used for the members to offset some cost during the year.

Hart will do a review of club finances and expenses incurred with Peter Swan.

Hart raised the point that it was time to start planning for the Club's Presentation night. Hart will investigate venues and committee to make a decision ASAP.

Newsletter next issue will be compiled and distributed by Graeme Vivian as David and Joan Hutchings are away.

Deadline for all submissions will be 1<sup>st</sup> March.

Date of next General Meeting: 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2010 at Newcastle Cruising Yacht club.

Meeting closed at: 2015 hours.

Hart Peters

**Secretary**

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## **Birthdays**

### **March**

2	Mark Wittle
3	Lance Sanderson
9	Kathy White
10	Hanna McDonald
21	Maria Schultze
23	Kevin Newman
24	Karen Karlson
28	Hans Heck
31	Robin Quirk

### **April**

1	Judy Heap
1	Barry White
5	Kirsti McIntosh
5	Dale Bowers-Hammond
7	Ian McDonald
10	Jan Waddingham
22	Jan Penn
26	Graeme Tinkler
27	Liane Ryan



## Racing Round-Up

Due to strong wind warnings from the BOM race 1 was postponed - date to be advised. Race 2 saw some heavy air sailing in 16-23 knots of shifty breeze. As if that wasn't enough to contend with the Coon Island mark disappeared.. "Lost Style", I wonder if "The Others" took it?

Well done to Neville and Judy on Wanderer II for taking out first place just in front of Jim and crew on Spindrift who made the most of conditions and his new sails. Honest John on "It's All Good" was up there yet again showing the monohulls how its done.

Place	Sail No	Boat Name
1	502	Wanderer 2
2	F916	Spindrift
3	510	Its All Good
4	4	Oranje
5	2665	X-Rated
6	16	Guns Blazing
7	440	Blue moon
8	888	Cloud Walking
9	169	Viva La Vida
10	5	Ssora
11	145	Zorro
DUT	0	Penultimate

Next race weekend 12-13th March at Styles Point.

## Officer Of the Day Roster

Race 3 – X-Rated	Race 4 - Viva La Vida
Race 5 - Ssora	Race 6 – It's All Good
Race 7 - Zorro	Race 8 - Khaos

## The Manning

At the request of Dougie here is an extract from this month's AFLOAT magazine (ref page 55 - March 2011).

### **"Manning Marathon Sailing Regatta**

*Fifty five boats in nine divisions competed in Taree Aquatic Club's Manning Marathon Sailing Regatta held on 9 January.*

*In the Trailer Yacht with spinnaker division, Cloud Walking (Lidgard 25) skippered by R Quirk was second behind Buckle Up, and third was Willaroo (RL24) skippered by Phillip Booker.*

*In the Trailer Yacht without spinnaker division, first was Sapphire (Tropic 5.2) skippered by Keith Buls, second was Roobarb (Careel 22L) skippered by Kim Russel and third was Moondance (Jarcot 5) with Mike Keefe on the helm."*



\* Willaroo being overtaken by Cloud Walking near Taree.

## Jim's Jokes



**Tommy Cooper one liners.  
Yes, he was brilliant!!**

- 1 .. Two blondes walk into a building.....you'd think at least one of them would have seen it.
2. Phone answering machine message - '...If you want to buy marijuana, press the hash key..'
3. A guy walks into the psychiatrist wearing only Clingfilm for shorts. The shrink says, 'Well, I can clearly see you're nuts.'
4. I went to buy some camouflage trousers the other day but I couldn't find any.
5. I went to the butchers the other day and I bet him 50 quid that he couldn't reach the meat off the top shelf. He said, 'No, the steaks are too high.'
6. My friend drowned in a bowl of muesli. A strong currant pulled him in.
- 7 .. A man came round in hospital after a serious accident. He shouted, 'Doctor, doctor, I can't feel my legs!'The doctor replied, 'I know you can't, I've cut your arms off'.
8. I went to a seafood disco last week....and pulled a muscle.
9. Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly.. They lit a fire in the craft, it sank, proving once and for all that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.
10. Our ice cream man was found lying on the floor of his van covered with hundreds and thousands. Police say that he topped himself.
11. Man goes to the doctor, with a strawberry growing out of his head.  
Doc says 'I'll give you some cream to put on it.'
12. 'Doc I can't stop singing 'The Green, Green Grass of Home'  
'That sounds like Tom Jones syndrome. '  
'Is it common?'  
'It's not unusual.'
13. A man takes his Rottweiler to the vet. 'My dog is cross-eyed, is there anything you can do for him?'  
'Well,' said the vet, 'let's have a look at him'

So he picks the dog up and examines his eyes, then he checks his teeth. Finally, he says, 'I'm going to have to put him down.' 'What? Because he's cross-eyed?'  
'No, because he's really heavy'

14. Guy goes into the doctor's. 'Doc, I've got a cricket ball stuck up my bottom.'  
'How's that?'  
'Don't you start.'
15. Two elephants walk off a cliff...boom, boom!
16. What do you call a fish with no eyes? A fsh.
- 17.. So I was getting into my car, and this bloke says to me 'Can you give me a lift?'  
I said 'Sure, you look great, the world's your oyster, go for it..'
18. Apparently, 1 in 5 people in the world are Chinese. There are 5 people in my family, so it must be one of them. It's either my mum or my Dad, or my older brother Colin, or my younger brother Ho-Cha-Chu. But I think it's Colin.
19. Two fat blokes in a pub, one says to the other 'Your round.' The other one says 'So are you, you fat bastard!'
20. Police arrested two kids yesterday, one was drinking battery acid, and the other was eating fireworks. They charged one and let the other one off.
21. 'You know, somebody actually complimented me on my driving today. They left a little note on the windscreen. It said, 'Parking Fine' So that was nice.'
22. A man walked into the doctors, he said, 'I've hurt my arm in several places'  
The doctor said, 'Well don't go to those places anymore'
- 23.. Ireland 's worst air disaster occurred early this morning when a small two-seater Cessna plane crashed into a cemetery. Irish search and rescue workers have recovered **2826** bodies so far and expect that number to climb as digging continues into the night.

## Just Cruising



A big thank you to Phil and Kim for organising a fantastic cruise to the Wallis Lakes last weekend. Here is my recount of the weekend...

*We left home after 5pm.. this was after discovering that I'd forgotten to install an Anderson plug for the winch on the new ute so we had to resort to using the Prado. I then dropped the trailer off the ball in my excitement to check the lights and had to jack it up to get the jockey wheel on to reconnect.*

*The Backup car didn't have much petrol, so we had to call into Bulahdelah for fuel and a drink. Coolongolook was a further 20 mins up the road and we arrived just in time for dinner. The Caltex roadhouse provided not a bad feed and they even serve you at the table!*

*We then said goodbye to flushing toilets for the night and travelled the 500 meters down the dirt road to the ramp. The sun disappeared and being a moonless night this provided me with the "McDee Challenge". Got the mast up quick, threw the boom on and slid Viva into the water. There was a handy little jetty to the right of the ramp allowing me to keep my feet dry. A big thanks to the house boat dude who was eager to help no matter how many times I said I was okay... I think he'd witnessed Jim with beers in hand an hour earlier took a look at how big Viva was and assumed that I needed help. His parting comment was that I made it look easy... geez Jim must have had a drama or two.*

*We took off into the darkness to meet up with the others up the river. Bloody hard to navigate a river in pitch back and with the Mrs standing in front of the compass. The added excitement of 10's and 10's of mullet jumping at the nav lights and Heidi screaming just added to the fun. We soon arrived at the junction, camp fire roaring as were a few guitar tunes from new member Peter. Jim sang along as we viewed the festivities from the cockpit of Zorro.*

*Unlike us we slept in until 09:00 ! I think the wine had a small part to play as well as the tranquillity combined*

*with the wafting smoke from the fire depriving us of oxygen.*



*Sparkesy had us moving soon after 10:00. First motoring backwards, then forwards... We lunched along the river bank at Wallis Island, some had a swim while most got into the Sparkes crossword puzzle.*

*After lunch we all started to make our way South to Pacific Palms.. some sailing there. We didn't as the 12ft of water going to 2 ft didn't really turn me on.*

*Greggles and I detoured to one of the best swimming locations I've ever been to via TS off Tiona Park on the sand flats. Crystal clear water, warm sun shining and a coffee shop on shore to boot as well. The fleet sailed by and we thought OMG you are all missing the best bit of the lake! After a swim, we had a fresh water shower at the cafe and a coffee and proceeded to Pacific Palms.*



*Once off the sand bar the weed was prevalent, fouling the rudder and the prop making me have to stop and throw her into reverse to clear the weed more than a few times.*



*The fleet was all tied up to the jetty at PP. Nice work to Jim, Sparksey and Dale for clearing a sport for Zorro and Viva - thanks lads! Eric and Jan drove up in their new camper van for the night. Young Douglas celebrating his 75th came for a feed and some of Jan's cake as well.*



*\* "have you ever noticed how big Doug's fingers are?"*

*Food at the club was pretty good, however this ended up being one of the busiest days of the year for them with 200+ surf boat rowers tuning up for dinner, the disco and to play with the local ladies. In competition to the RSL disco somebody else had a rave party up the road so we had two sources of s#\*t music to contend with.*



*After drinkies and star gazing we let the ropes go to head off into the middle of the bay for the night.. A good decision IMHO. I pity the poor sods still on the jetty and pity more Eric and Jan trying to sleep in their camper van!*



*At 07:00 we lifted up the anchor to make our way home. Sun rising, zero wind.. just beautiful. Off Yahoo island we spotted dolphins who kept us company for a while. The rest left later to explore Tiona Park and other regions. We arrived back at the Coolongolook ramp just before 10.. after almost running out of petrol.. (25 litres is a bit much for a cruise).*

*Not a great place for sailing a Ross but interesting none the less. All in all a great time and well worth a visit just for the Tiona Park sand flats... I'd happily spend a few days there chillaxing.*

*Singo - VIVA LA VIDA*

And from cruise leader Sparkes...

## Wallis Lakes Cruise

This cruise report is "one" with a difference. A book was passed around all that participated in our cruise (well most of them), each writing a bit of the events that occurred whilst they had the book.

### 'Sail Away' - Phillip & Kim

We arrived at Coolongolook around 1:30 Friday, dashed in and purchased the best ever seafood pack from 'The Salty Dog' cafe (those prawns were to die for) and then headed down to the ramp to rig and launch.

Several hours later we finally boarded Sail Away to find a slight leakage problem (which, ONE of us needs to take the blame). Thankfully, Ralph came to our rescue with sponges and a pump and all was 'fixed'.

The Cruise Log was created (Nemo's notepad) and was passed onto the first victims, Nev & Judy to start the progressive Cruise Report.

### 'Wanderer II' - Nev & Judy

Travelling north from the Central Coast, it was decided we would stop for lunch at Karuah by the river.

Pulling into the picnic area, looking for shade we came to a stop when our trailer cut the corner and clipped the wooden retaining wall. What a start!

Trailer wheel guard fractured & fibreglass guard torn. After a pleasant lunch break, Nev went to buy a lettuce at the General Store, no longer operating, so onto the IGA at Bulahdelah for our lettuce and onto Coolongolook.

At the ramp we met up with Sail Away, Zorro,



Penultimate, Time Out & Kape Cara. Launched and went downstream to the Picnic area. Enjoyed a swim and Happy Hour and chat around the fire. Even got to sit on Phill & Kim's new "Lurve seat".

Dale on Ruby Blue, a local, was already at the picnic spot and we were later joined by Spindrift and Viva La Vida.



### 'Time Out' - Peter & Toni

Friday night, the campfire was a welcome addition after happy hour, but the feature of the evening was Phill's new 'Lurve Chair'. Kim was delighted and everyone had to try it out too. A serenade by Peter (with some v. ordinary harmony) completed a beautiful evening.

Saturday morning. Only the brave were up early to explore the track around the camp. Eventually the sleep heads arrived for breakfast, the campfire kicked in again to provide a focus for chatting. Then it was time to pack and prepare to head to the Lake and civilisation. We won't mention who forgot to pack his headsail!!



### Birds.

- Whistling kite ... and 2 sweetly carolling butcherbirds
- Rufous fantail
- Treecreeper
- Grey shrike thrush
- Magpie
- Black cormorants
- Pelican
- Crested tern
- Little tern
- White faced heron



Then off we sailed with the old iron sail to a beautiful serene lunch spot.

Various methods of parking were employed, mostly successful except 'Time Out'.

### 'Zorro' - Greg & Kate

After lunch Saturday (and a nap) we headed toward our destination for the evening - Pacific Palms Recreation Club.

Most of the cruise sailed, however the crews on Ross's Zorro & Viva La Vida were not terribly energetic so it was motors

on. It was quite warm so when Greg suggested a swim stop we enthusiastically agreed.

We went to a little patch of paradise known as "Tiona". The water was shallow, crystal clear and warm. We anchored and walked quite a distance to the cafe and enjoyed coffee and ice cream. The menu was studied in the hope of a return trip.

On returning to the boats we sat ourselves down in the pristine water and rolled around looking a little like seals (or whales) which ever the case might be.

### 'Spindrift' - Jim

We stopped for lunch at midday on a nice sandy shore. Everyone was busy doing their crossword. Two o'clock arrives. The wind kicks in and we head off for our overnight destination. By now we are 11 boats in all. Most of the fleet set sails towards the mouth of the river. Very tight.

Ooops ..... I'm aground along with 'Time Out'. We arrive at Pacific Palms Rec Club at 4:00 pm Eric & Jan turn up for the night. Great jetty if you are a demolition company. Don't lean on the nails. It's now beer o'clock, and break out the nibbles.

### 'Ruby Blue' - Dale

We arrived at the Pacific Palms Rec Club on Saturday arvo, after a most pleasant sail down Wallis Lake. After all boats squeezing onto the jetty, everyone headed to the Club for 'refreshments & dinner'. Most said the meals were good and after dinner we all spent time beside the lake on the front lawn of the Club, were we helped Doug celebrate his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday with a cake made by Jan

'Penultimate' - Ralph

Sunday morning, sun is shining and a gentle NE breeze greets us. Eight of the fleet still at the Rec Club jetty with Viva and Kape Cara having left last night to escape the super high volume music from both the Club and a local residence.

Keith & Gloria on 'Why Not' a Roberts 25 joined the fleet last night and are rafter up with us on the jetty making nice vessels all told. 'Why Not' is a local vessel, moored at the front door of Keith & Gloria's Forster Keys residence.

ZDZ193 a Toyota Tarago, with Eric & Jan Waddingham, was a stable shore based location for them to sleep in at the land end of the wharf.

Cruise Leader Phil's programme of leaving at 9:00 am was over ruled by the ladies! There is, you see, a "Sunday Market" operating a short walk away!

9:45 we all left the wharf and motored to the "Lakeside Boatshed and Cafe" where in 60 cm of water that reached out about 300 m from shore we all had a refreshing swim.

Temperature 30c inside the yachts. By 10:30 some went for coffee shore side and others ventured to the Green Cathedral about 100 m along the shoreline.

Some also went over to the beach for a second swim. We should mention that Jim on 'Spindrift' elected to sail from our overnight wharf position and now at 11:30 is abeam of our anchorage, dousing the sails to motor in.

There are many different ways of enjoying a cruise. Jim timed the sail just right and anchored at 12:00 for lunch.

'Wanderer II's picnic anchoring technique failed and into deep water she was heading - Nev & Judy on shore for ice creams.

So 'Penultimate' & 'Zorro' headed out and claimed salvage rights on the drifting vessel.

"Hey Greg, we should get a good return when we sell this vessel"! Hope Nev & Judy don't mind swimming home!



The last leg for this cruise:- homeward bound:

Our cruise leader calls time out, "we depart in 10 minutes" from the "Boatshed and Cafe". Some sail, some motor. Zorro with both keel and rudder up motors the shallows along the east shoreline and all others head out for the deeper water. ....Wait for it....wait for it.....The gremlins are about to intervene.....Wanderer II can now go down in Club History as being up there with the real big ships. You see on Friday P&O's "Pacific Sun", cruising New Zealand, (note that she was on a cruise too) suffered "technical problems" in one of its two engines and that set the scene for Wanderer II. ....bummer!!

Wanderer II. with only one engine experiences "technical problems" in its single engine...(now therein lies an idea Nev, a two engined trailer sailer) and try as hard as he did, Neville had to submit to the gremlins and seek assistance. All was not so bad, the breeze was light, the weather was warm and under tow by another club member at 5 knots there was time for a snack and early de-rigging on the trip up the Cooloolook River to the boat ramp.

Birthday boy Dougie and others caught Wanderer II as she was "sling shot" (very slowly) towards the boat ramp and the cruise was completed in a seamanlike manner.

Top marks to both Phil and Kim for selecting a delightful cruise venue and trying, with some difficulty, to keep us all focused on a single itinerary, which at times had to become flexible.

Local knowledge from club members Steve on Kape Cara and Dale on Ruby Blue (who both live in the Nabic/Forster area) added extra interest.

In this Cruise Report that has been written by many different members, previous writers have probably mentioned the NHTYA Crossword puzzle created by Phil & Kim.....it is a ripper....well done to you both, you have set a high standard for other cruise leaders to emulate.

Well.....that's all folks.

### 'Sail Away' - Phillip & Kim

Also on this Cruise we were joined by new members Brian & Janet on their Noelex, 'Chamelion' from Maitland and also a local Wallis Lake trailer sailer 'Y Not' a South Coast 25' - Keith & Gloria joined us for the weekend. We spared these lovely people the experience of the cruise log until they get to know us a little more.



HAPPY 75th BIRTHDAY DOUG

### New Years Eve At The Myalls

*"We arrived at Convict Cove in the evening of the day before our celebrations of escape were to take place, guided by the friendly light on shore by those who had already found freedom"*



A light on the shore helped us to navigate though the dark to be greeted by a large contingent of club members who were already well into holiday mode. Daylight next morning revealed the boats dotting the shoreline.

In no particular order, they were:- Proteus, Sailaway, Zorro, Wanderer II, Kaos, Cloud Walking, Guns Blazing, Satisfaction, Binnaway, Windsong, Keanu, Coolaroo,

Ruby Blue (soon to become a member of the club) and a Sonata from Canberra with Bruce and a mate on board.

The festivities that night began with Happy Hour and meals on board the vessels. Members were greeted on shore later with paper lanterns illuminating the night sky and colourful costumes adorning fellow yachties. The evening continued with many a convict yarn and anecdotes from the group followed by a trivia quiz hosted by Phillip, oh I mean, an officer (or was it Governor Phillip!!)

We finished the evening awarding small prizes to the best yarns and handed around sparklers leading to the countdown to bring in the New Year.



New Years Day was back to normal, chill out mode, befitting of the beautiful Myalls. Most boats stayed for another few days with only Sunday marring us with an incident. Shane had decided to take the boys out on Kaos only to return a short time later with a broken mast. Luckily, no-one was hurt.

All in all everyone enjoyed themselves and we look forward to many more exciting journeys with the NHTYA gang.

Hart and Pam - *Farr & Beyond*

## So What's Coming Up?

Dates	Location	Cruise Leaders
March 26to 27	Brisbane Water	Hart & Pam
April 22 to 26	Myall Lakes	Graeme & Heidi
May 28 to 29	Hunter \Williams \ Paterson Rivers	Phil & Kim
June 11 to 13	QBB Lake Macquarie	Graeme & Heidi

Please let Hart and Pam know if you are going to attend their Brisbane Water cruise - details following my rant.

We are always looking for volunteers and fresh ideas, so give me a yell if you want to have a crack at a cruise.

Happy Cruising.

Cheers for now,

Singo - *VIVA LA VIDA*

### Cruise Dictator

\* Another great shot from Ralph -



## Brisbane Waters Cruise

26th-27th March 2011

For those wishing to join Pam and myself for a cruise on the prestigious waters of Gosford on the Central coast, the start point of our journey will be the Woy Woy launching ramp next to the bowling club. If anyone is interested in starting on Friday afternoon, let me know and we will organise a feed at the bowling club after Happy Hour drinks.

The plan is to cruise Brisbane water and explore some of her lovely bays and beaches. Pam has a few ideas as well but we will need to do a bit more homework before we can set things in concrete. It will also depend on the weather.

Please remember it is also the State Elections on the Saturday – you must vote between the hours of 0800 and 1800 or alternately, pre vote or postal vote.

If you are intending on coming, please let us know

Hart and Pam - Farr & Beyond

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## Club Point Score

<b>CLUB BOAT &amp; SOCIAL TROPHY 2010/2011</b>					
<i>Up to and including February Wallis Lakes Cruise</i>					
<b>SURNAME</b>	<b>KNOWN AS</b>	<b>BOAT TYPE</b>	<b>BOAT NAME</b>	<b>CLUB BOAT all activities</b>	<b>SOCIAL cruises only</b>
GILLAN	Jim & Lisa	Farr 6000	<i>Spindrift</i>	25	16
VIVIAN	Graeme & Heidi	Ross 780	<i>Viva La Vida</i>	24	15
WALKERDEN	Graham & Debbie	Blazer 740	<i>Guns Blazing</i>	24	15
QUIRK	Robin & Terry	Lidgard 26	<i>Cloud Walking</i>	21	12
SEARLES	Greg & Kate	Ross 780	<i>Zorro</i>	19	11
SPARKES	Phillip & Kim	Sabre 25	<i>Sail Away</i>	16	14
HEAP	Neville & Judy	Sabre 25	<i>Wanderer II</i>	16	13
McINTOSH	Shane & Kirsti	Ross 780	<i>Kaos</i>	15	10
PETERS	Hart & Pam	Farr 7500	<i>Farr &amp; Beyond</i>	13	11
BOOKER	Graham & Maria	Sonata 26	<i>X-Rated</i>	13	4
WHITTLE	Mark & Helen	Ross 780	<i>Ssora</i>	12	4
HOBBS	Bill & Lynda	Castle 650	<i>Impulse</i>	10	2
STEELE	Stan & Wendy	Farr 6000	<i>Blue Moon</i>	10	1
BROEKMAN	Arnold & Jo	Haynes Tramp	<i>Oranje</i>	9	0
LONGWORTH	John & Denise	Haynes Tramp	<i>It's All Good</i>	9	0
ARMOUR	Steve	Corsair 24	<i>Kape Cara</i>	8	8
BOWERS-HAMMOND	Dale	Griffin 17	<i>Ruby Blue</i>	8	8
PENN	Ralph & Janice	Duncanson 26	<i>Penultimate</i>	8	2
NEWMAN	Kevin & Gaylene	Sabre 22	<i>Keanu</i>	6	6
TRACEY	Derek & Leanne	Delah 34	<i>Calista</i>	6	6
HUTCHINGS	David & Joan	Blazer 31	<i>Ezy</i>	6	4
STANFIELD	Doug	Adams 21	<i>Roller Coaster</i>	6	2
WALLIS	Simon & Vickie	Sonata 7	<i>Satisfaction</i>	5	5
WHITE	Barry & Kathy	Clifton 7	<i>Binnaway</i>	5	3
CHALMERS	Garry & Kathy	Sonata 7	<i>Coconut Duck</i>	4	4
HECK	Hans & Anita	Austral Clubman	<i>Cross Wind</i>	4	4
RYAN	Jim & Liane	Boomaroo	<i>Coolaroo</i>	4	4
STRUJK	Peter & Toni	Sonata 7	<i>Time Out</i>	4	4
COOPER	David & Hazel	Farr 7500	<i>Farrther's Toy</i>	4	2
SWAN	Peter & Brenda	Sabre 22	<i>Tamu N'doto</i>	3	3
ANGUS	Greg & Toni	Sonata 7	<i>Chablis</i>	2	2
DAVIS	Brian & Jeannete	Noelex 25	<i>Chameleon</i>	2	2
HICKS	Peter & Noula	Noelex 25	<i>Proteus</i>	2	2
JANKOWIAK	Bernd & Barbara	Gazelle	<i>Blew By U</i>	2	2
Mc Donald	Ian & Hanna	Noelex 25	<i>Savannah</i>	2	2

SANDERSON	Lance	Boomarang 20	<i>Lady Guinevere</i>	2	2
STRONG	Chris & Annie	Austral Clubman	<i>Recluse</i>	2	2
WATSON	Malcolm & Betsy	Sonata 7	<i>Windsong</i>	2	2
HORDER	Martin	Ross 780	<i>Angelique</i>	2	0
PARKER	Ray & Bronwyn	Young 7.7	<i>Possum</i>	2	0

## Gizmos & Gadgets



One night after looking up at the stars I searched and found a nice astronomy application for my iphone \ ipad - "GO Sky Watch".

The app uses the iphone's inbuilt GPS and compass to locate where you are and where you are pointing the device at to locate planets, star systems and zodiac signs. You can tilt the phone below the horizon to see what is coming up as well. You don't need a telescope as the app focuses on what can be seen with the naked eye. This little app has provided hours of fun for Heidi, Ben and myself in the backyard or on those clear sky nights out on the boat. I also found that wearing my glasses makes the stars look clear as well ;)

Cost: demo is free, full version \$4.99 available from the iStore.

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## Wallis Lakes Crossword

by Phil & Kim - answers in the April 2011 newsletter.

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Crossword Questions

Across		Down	
1	Old style sail fabric	1	Traveller ...
4	What happens, .... happens	2	Mother's sister
7	Cruise Leader's boat, Australia Day Cruise 2011	3	This point is on Wallis Lakes and also on Lake Macq. – refer map 6b
8	Where are we?	5	Steering
10	Another name for our "stick"	6	Not racing
13	NHTYA New Year's Eve theme 2010/11	8	Whatever it takes to make your boat float
15	Comes in different shapes & sizes	9	Help !
18	Bbelruuy, unscramble these letter to identify a club members boat	11	The land down-under
19	Sweet red wine	12	Triangular sail
20	Name of the street that you turn down to get to the boat ramp at Coolongolook	14	Heaviest part of our boat
25	Hair colour	16	NHTYA event, June 11-13
26	The Masked One	17	Internet group
27	Sailing vessel	21	'Blue Bayou', is what kind of trailer sailer?
29	Weather Information web site	22	What was recently found in Boolambayte Creek
31	Our means of transport	23	Our cruise starts here
32	NHTYA past Treasurer and current member	24	A girls name & anagram of yacht
33	Calysta's mascot	28	Slang name for a motor boat
34	Waterfall in Canada	29	A fish found in Wallis Lakes
36	Strange name for a beach on Lake Macq.	30	Home of the motorcycle museum, refer to Map 6b
38	Speed	35	Equipment
39	Sailing manoeuvre	37	A yachting event
40	The third longest navigable river in the world	38	Not high
43	This river feeds into the Wallis Lakes	39	A Cadbury chocolate bar
46	Lake closest to Wallis Lakes	41	A nasty clam
47	A high strength synthetic fibre used in rope making	42	... Dear, a well known yacht on Lake Macq.
49	NHTYA member having a birthday this weekend	44	A member that lives close to Saturday nights destination
52	.... Cove, a safe anchorage in Port Stephens	45	Pre dates Viva La Vida
53	First letter in the Greek Alphabet	48	Internet Island
54	You do this with a salad	50	Another name for fibreglass
56	Not a.m.	51	Surname of longest serving member of our Club
58	A three masted ship	55	Opposite to even
61	Type of brakes	57	Philly's favourite Beveridge
64	PO Box 210, .....	58	Island on Lake Macq/or cheese
65	26'	59	i ?
66	Holiday Island Caravan Park, refer map 6b	60	Taxi ....
		62	Helps to hold the boom down
		63	Follow the wind
		64	Available in many cup sizes

## Calendar

NHTYA Program 2011							
	Date		Activity		Location	Contact and Phone	Points
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	12-13	March	Race	3-4	Styles point	Graham Walkerden 4959 1552	<b>2</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	15	March		General Meeting	NCYC		
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	26-27	March	Cruise		Brisbane water	Hart Peters 0417674687	<b>2</b>
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	9-10	April	Race	5-6	F-jetty	Graham Walkerden 4959 1552	<b>2</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	19	April		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	22-26	April	Cruise	Easter/Anzac	Myall Lakes	Graeme Vivian 0410329950	<b>2</b>
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	30-1	May		Invitation activity	Bay to Bay [Qld]		<b>2</b>
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	14-15	May	Race	7-8	F-jetty	Graham Walkerden 4959 1552	<b>2</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	17	May		AGM/General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	28-29	May	Cruise		Hunter/Paterson	Phillip Sparkes 0414223654	<b>2</b>
<b>Sat-Mon</b>	11-13	June	Cruise		QBB	Graeme Vivian 0410329950	<b>2</b>
				Invitation activity	Lake Keepit Kool		
<b>Tuesday</b>	21	June		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
<b>Sat</b>	25	June		Presentation Night			
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	9-10	July	On-shore	X-Mas in			<b>2</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	19	July		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	30-31	July	Cruise				<b>2</b>
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	13	Aug	Inspect day		F-jetty ramp		
<b>Tuesday</b>	16	Aug		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	20-21	Aug	Race	1-2	F-jetty		<b>2</b>
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	3-4	Sept	Cruise	Father's Day	Newcastle Harbour		<b>2</b>
<b>Sat</b>	27-11	Aug Sept	Cruise		Murray River	Phillip Sparkes 0414 223654	<b>2</b>
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	17-18	Sept	Race	3-4	F-jetty		<b>2</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	20	Sept		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
<b>Sat-Mon</b>	1-3	Oct	Cruise	Labour Day Weekend	3 and 6 hr		<b>2</b>
			Race	Invitation activity	Heaven Can Wait		
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	15-16	Oct	Cruise				<b>2</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	18	Oct		General Meeting	NCYC		
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	29-30	Oct	Race	5-6	Styles point		<b>2</b>
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	12-13	Nov	Cruise				<b>2</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	15	Nov		General Meeting	NCYC		
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	26-27	Nov	Race	7-8	Styles point		<b>2</b>
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	10-11	Dec	Cruise ?				<b>2</b>
<b>Sat-Sun</b>	<b>31-1</b>	<b>Dec 2011 Jan 2012</b>	<b>Cruise</b>	<b>New Years Eve</b>	<b>Myall lakes</b>		<b>2</b>