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General Meeting Notice

Notice is hereby given of a General Meeting of the Newcastle and Hunter Trailer Yacht Association to be held at Club Macquarie, Argenton, on Tuesday 17th February 2009 at 7:30pm

Hi all

First up, what a top Christmas get together. One thing was very evident from it, and yes it has been confirmed, that we had no one that can sing!! Top location top food and top company. Thanks Ladies. (and you too Mal)

New Years Eve as always was not to be missed; we had an assortment of weather, an assortment of HATS, an assortment of visitors and an assortment of fun.

The Myall cup was won by Kinross "because they cheated the most" well done.

I would have to say that the race down the Manning River was the best one yet, it will set the standards for next year.

The Australia Day Cruise was ... well attended, we were well fed, well organized, or should I just say WELL DONE!!

By the time we race again there have been 2 big changes:

- 1: We will be racing to the new Blue Book get yours from Hart or Greg or Graham
- 2: Graham Walkerden (Gunsmoke) will be our new race Organiser/Handicapper (treat him kindly)

Sailaway at Belmont has been bought out and Gavin and Ross are no longer at the helm. We wish them all the best.

Bla, Bla, Bla, Bla, Bla
President Phillip

Editors Note: sorry about the blank page

<i>POINTSCORE up-to and including January Cruise</i>					
SURNAME	KNOWN AS	BOAT TYPE	BOAT NAME	CLUB BOAT	SOCIAL
SPARKES	Phillip & Kim	Sonata 7	<i>A'tanos</i>	23	15
TRACEY	Derek & Leanne	Ross 780	<i>Kinross</i>	22	12
HALL	Andrew & Dee	Farr 6000	<i>Arctic Tern II</i>	20	10
SEARLES	Greg & Kate	Ross 780	<i>Zorro</i>	16	6
HEAP	Neville & Judy	Sabre 25	<i>Wanderer II</i>	15	10
PARKER	Raymond & Bronwyn	Young 7.7	<i>Possum</i>	15	5
WALKERDEN	Graham & Debbie	Sabre 22	<i>Gunsmoke</i>	14	6
PENN	Ralph & Janice	Duncanson 26	<i>Penultimate</i>	14	4
PETERS	Hart & Pam	Farr 7500	<i>Farr & Beyond</i>	13	7
BOOKER	Graham & Maria	Sonata 26	<i>X-Rated</i>	12	2
WATSON	Malcolm & Betsy	Sonata 7	<i>Windsong</i>	10	8
BROEKMAN	Arnold & Jo	Haynes Tramp	<i>Oranje</i>	10	0
COOPER	David & Hazel	Farr 7500	<i>Farther's Toy</i>	9	5
SWAN	Peter & Brenda	Sabre 22	<i>Tamu N'doto</i>	8	6
VIVIAN	Graeme & Hedi	Castle 650	<i>Vivace</i>	8	2
CHALMERS	Garry & Kathy	Sonata 7	<i>Coconut Duck</i>	7	7
STEELE	Stan & Wendy	Farr 6000	<i>Blue Moon</i>	7	2
HOBBS	Bill & Lynda	Haynes Tramp	<i>Trivia</i>	7	0
WHITE	Barry & Kathy	Clifton 7	<i>Binnaway</i>	6	5
CUSITER	Michael	McGregor	<i>Something</i>	6	2
STANFIELD	Doug	Adams 21	<i>Roller Coaster</i>	5	4
WADDINGHAM	Eric & Janice	Farr 6000	<i>Farr Too Many</i>	4	2
HICKS	Peter & Noula	Noelex 25	<i>Proteus</i>	3	3
HECK	Hans & Anita	Austral Clubman	<i>Cross Wind</i>	3	1
NUNN	Ian	Farr 7500	<i>Farr Horizon</i>	3	0
WILCOX	Russell & Michelle	Haynes Tramp	<i>Slippery when Wet</i>	3	0
HUTCHINGS	David & Joan	Moonraker 26	<i>007</i>	2	2
HEANLY	Peter & Hilary	Sabre 22	<i>Sabre Dancer</i>	2	1
NEWMAN	Kevin & Gaylene	Sabre 22	<i>Keanu</i>	2	0
WHATSON	Garry & Cheryl	Sonata 7	<i>No Worries</i>	2	0
JANKAWIAK	Barnard & Barbara	Gazelle	<i>Blew By U</i>	1	1
ARKINSTALL	Ben & Karen	Sonata 26	<i>Brontide</i>	1	0

NAUTICAL ORIGINS OF EVERYDAY EXPRESSIONS

Bottle Up

Comes from the days (before August 1970) when rum was issued daily to the crews in the Royal Navy. Instead of drinking their tot at the time of issue as the rule required, some men would spit their tot into a bottle and when the bottle was full drink it in one wild session.

Chew the Fat

In the days when brine was added to barrels of meat for preservative it had a hardening effect on the fat. It was still edible but it took considerable chewing, so to chew the fat has come to mean to talk endlessly.

Coast is Clear

The phrase first appears in print in 1531 where it describes a vessel which had safely cleared the coast, then later Shakespeare used it in *Henry VI* as a reference to visibility. Neither of these references touch on its true insinuation; it is a reference to smuggling surely?? Or some nefarious operation.

Cracking On

To "crack on" meant to set more sail and so attain a better speed. The word almost certainly relates to the loud retort which are heard as the straining sails and sheets are eased. The order 'crack the sheets' is to ease them, usually because the wind has freed.

Dogsbody

A not very popular dish aboard ship which consisted of passengers' leftovers mixed with ships biscuits and reheated. A meal without much status now applied to those who once ate it.

Dummy Run

Originates from the torpedo training schools where practice runs were made with torpedos fitted with dummy warheads.

Nefarious (See above) wicked, sinful, abominable.

ARRGH!! **Hart**

Myall Lakes Cruise Report

Derek and Leanne launched *Kinross* late Christmas Day at Hearts Point (Neranie Bay) to lay claim to our traditional moorings to discover that a houseboat occupied the site. The houseboat moved out on Boxing Day and *Kinross* moved in.



Zorro, A'tanos, Proteus, Arctic Tern, Wanderer II, followed.

Late Monday afternoon a westerly front with winds to 43 knots made for an interesting afternoon with most boats lifting their anchor. Greg gave a red alert to the fleet with a 20 minute warning after searching the Bureau of Meteorology radar map on his phone. Everyone except Andrew removed their shade cover in anticipation of the blow. We all relived the experience over happy hour as Andrew replayed his video footage.

Deck mounted Magna barbeques were popular this year with the introduction of disposable gas canisters which screw up under the appliance.

Numbers on the Lakes were similar to last year with camping areas (no reservations) fully occupied before Christmas.



Turning up over the last couple of days we had *Farr 2 Many* [Eric and Jan], *Tamu Ndoto*, *Gunsmoke*, *Binnaway*, *Windsong*, *Visiting Boats Satisfaction* [Vickie and Simon], *Just a Minuet* [Graham and Shari]



Fires are no longer permitted by National Parks other than in marked fireplaces and together with fewer teenagers resulted in no on shore gatherings after Happy Hour. The spectacular sunsets under a clouded sky held us captive and dinner was around 8pm.



It was a late start to the New Years Eve gathering; we passed the time with Celebrity Heads, Peg Relay and other trivial pursuits. Dell pocket radios were discovered in the Neranie garbage bin and figuring out how they worked was another diversion.

Dr Phil asked each participant what they had achieved over the past year and their aspirations for the next.

We awoke early New Years Day to the sound of a helicopter water bombing a bushfire to the south, in an area adjacent to the Careel fleet. Their participation in the Bungwahl Bucket was delayed/denied as the fleet was required for interview by National Parks/Police as to the launching site of the parachute flare alleged to be the source of the bushfire.



Kinross won the Bungwahl Bucket on a very still course.

The weather forecast for Friday 2 January was an early morning southerly which prompted a number of boats to head home. The front was a non-event.

The gathering gave us all the opportunity to reflect on the events of 2008, the current economic uncertainty, rest, read and enjoy the company of club members from very different backgrounds brought together through their interest in sailing and appreciation of the natural beauty of the Myall Lakes.

Peter Hicks

The Bungwahl Bucket 2009

By Kinross

It all started with being woken by the thump thump in the distance of a helicopter. It was dumping water on a bush fire that had started not far from the Careel camp. The National Parks Fun police were out in force looking into the fire and going to drop fire fighters at the area. There were some radio conversations prior to the race and a parlay by President Phil. It was late in the day before we started, as it seemed to us that the Careel's wanted to stay onshore. The day was hot and the weather perfect for a serious race of this nature.



Rules, I hear you ask? Well the official answer was there were no rules. We had to have a sail up and motors were not ruled out, oh that's right no rules. The course was being set by



Roobarbroobarbroobarb and I went over to complain about the depth as if we need a sail up we have to have the keel down. So I would go over each time and say "it's too shallow" and he would move it again and this went on for an hour or so until I think he realised that 4.5 meters must be deep enough, you see I didn't want those Careelers getting out of their boats and running towards us. They might get hurt.



3 of them and 5 of us made up the players. They had the official counter boat and we had Artic Tern watching a little way off. Keep going around the course as many times as you can I was told. So I turned the motor up, no rules. Buckets were filled and emptied on each other many times and to my disgust I kop a drenching. Not bad on a hot day. Barry White helped us throw a lot their way and finally time was called. We still haven't worked out who's side Doug was on as there were people from both clubs on his boat and they just wanted to get anybody but I'm sure they all had fun.

Now breathing very heavily and with sore arms we slowly made our way back to Neranie and enjoyed the idea of having defended the Bucket. To those who didn't turn up at the Myall you missed out and to everyone who did, Thank You for a wonderful Holiday.

Our team had Kinross, Gunsmoke, A'tanos, Roller Coaster, Wanderer II and Artic Tern

Manning River Race Another fantastic adventure...

We arrived at Taree around 18:45 Friday evening, closely followed by Impulse (Robin & Terry). We had the boats rigged and in the water by 19:30 and grabbed a couple of top spots on the pontoon adjacent to the ramp. I couldn't believe we were amongst the first here with only a Sonata 7 and a Careel on the pontoon with space to spare.



"A'tanos" arrived around 20:00 with some takeaway Chinese... the smell was too much to resist so the "Impulse" and "Vivace" crews headed off to the restaurant around the corner for a top feed. By the time we got back to the ramp "A'tanos" was in the water and tied up to "Vivace" for the night. Stressy (John Parkes) was there with the blue Mac rigging his new toy in the car park in the dark. After leaving John we hopped onboard "A'tanos" for a yak and then retired for the night just before 12.



Saturday morning arrived and the usual flow of boats hitting rigging area and ramp commenced. We did a bit of shopping; "Impulse" was looking for Metho, a hard commodity to find in Taree for some reason.

(Motoring down the Manning)

"A'tanos" with Stressy took off around 09:30 and we followed just before 10:00 with "Impulse". Just past the bridge we caught up to Stressy who was motoring back to Taree to lower his mast after he lost the furler halyard. It was a lot cooler this year and the motor down to Manning was very pleasant. With the experience of last year even I didn't manage to run aground. The water was crystal clear at Manning when we arrived around 12:00. Phil as usual was there to grab a stern line as we backed into the beach. The beach chairs and boom tents came out and we were set for the afternoon.

We had a pleasant afternoon relaxing on the beach having lunch and some cold drinks admiring the view along with the spectacle of the other boats arriving throughout the afternoon. Doug on "Roller Coaster" arrived and around 15:30 the Walkerden family arrived, boat stripped bare floating four inches higher in readiness for the race the next day. The great thing about the club is the kids playing together, and giving us parents some peace and quiet.



(Ben Jnr, Kate & Ben Snr playing on the beach)

The two Bens took off for a swim while we continued to relax on the beach. Around 16:30 we went for a cappuccino and afternoon tea at the local Cafe with the crew from "Impulse" and "Gunsmoke". Finally in holiday mode after a hectic Christmas, you couldn't help think that this boating stuff really is the life.



We all went to the Bowls club for yet another top feed. There was some comments about the service being a little ordinary - BTW Phil - "Order 44 is now ready" The band played, and thankfully Walko didn't get up and sing. After dinner it was back to the boats for a cuppa tea on the beach before bed. Sunday arrived; we went off for



breaky at the local Cafe before 07:00 and were joined by Robin and Terry from "Impulse". We spotted two dolphins frolicking in front of the café, a great sight. The rest went to the firies breaky in the park a bit later. By all accounts this was well catered.

After some foredeck training on how to use the spinnaker pole, Heidi and I took the two Bens for a walk to the top of the sand dunes to admire the view and to push the kids down the hill. The water in the Manning this year was resort quality and the temperature just right for a swim.

(Ben Snr & Ben Jnr)

Back to the boats to get ready for the race, some mongrel had stolen two pink tell tales from the shrouds and mysteriously "Impulse" had found two. Pink tell tales replaced, we left another wrapped around the propeller of "Impulse" for good measure. The gloved crew of "Gunsmoke" were setting up the newly acquired mainsail, being careful not to crease it or to put finger prints on it either. After the pre-race briefing we packed up, pulled the stern line in and pulled in the anchor rope a bit and hoisted the mainsail... I wasn't going to have main troubles this year.



(Looking West towards the fleet)

With 97 boats the start was busy but pretty orderly. Wind was the usual NE at 10 knots - just perfect. The 5min hooter went off we swung around to head for the line, went to unfurl the genoa and bang the head drum exploded. No headsail. Luckily I had the spinnaker halyard attached to the pulpit taught or the mast would have come down.



(Start – that jib doesn't look right)

The race started, I threw the helm to Ben (10) who did a great job with all the boats around while I brought the damaged furling gear down the side of the boat to inspect and to see if I could jury rig the jib halyard to the top of it and raise it back up again. The top drum had lost the fitting which sheared off. Resigned to the fact that we were wounded, we pressed on with just the mainsail.



Looking ahead "Impulse" had passed "Gunsmoke" and for a few minutes I had delusions of possibly overtaking "Gunsmoke" with just the main up. We kept up with the front runners for quite a while and traded places with "A'tanos" several times taking each others wind. Phil enjoyed grapes being thrown to him Caesar style with the odd KFC chicken strip thrown over for good measure. With reduced sail area I tried to sail a shorter course and in doing so, watched "A'tanos" get some nice fresh breeze in the centre of the river and leave us for dead.

In the end we finished 22 mins after the first boat, 6mins behind "Impulse", four mins behind "Gunsmoke" and a minute and half behind "A'tanos". So I was happy to finish that close on one sail. On handicap for the non Spinnaker division (this excludes the Careels as they had their own class);

Gunsmoke was 5th (NHTYA)
 Orangi was 7th (NHTYA)
 Blue Moon was 9th (NHTYA)
 A'tanos was 10th (NHTYA)
 Roller Coaster was 12th (NHTYA)
 Impulse was 16th (New to NHTYA)
 Vivace was 19th (NHTYA)
 Willaroo (Graham Booker) - 3rd spinnaker division (NHTYA)



Division Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Class	Div	Cat	CBH	YVYS	Elapsed Time		Penalty (Minutes)	Corrected Time
									hh:mm:ss	Decimal		
Division 1 : Careel / Investigator												
1	47	BUHAWI	DON PAY	CAREEL 18	1	TS	0.590	136.10	02:51:03	171.05		125.68
2	422	GRABS	GLEN SHEPHERD	CAREEL 18	1	TS	0.590	136.10	03:00:17	180.28		132.46
3	92	SCRUPLES	RANDALL KREBS	CAREEL 18	1	TS	0.590	136.10	03:01:52	181.87		133.63
4	204	THE FERRYMAN	S LEER	CAREEL 18	1	TS	0.590	136.10	03:04:11	184.18		135.33
5	232	TEMKA	KEVIN GREEN	CAREEL 18	1	TS	0.590	136.10	03:04:13	184.22		135.36
6	417	SPARKLE II	GREG UNGER	CAREEL 18	1	TS	0.590	136.10	03:04:14	184.23		135.36
7	406	ALICIA	JOSE ALMAZAN	CAREEL 18	1	TS	0.590	136.10	03:05:12	186.20		136.81
8	37	TINAROO	JOHNATHON SUTTON	CAREEL 18	1	TS	0.590	136.10	03:08:11	188.18		138.27
9	458	RAINBOW RUNNER	DAVID WEST	CAREEL 18	1	TS	0.590	136.10	03:11:30	191.50		140.71
10	448	KARMA	BARRY NEATON	CAREEL 18	1	TS	0.590	136.10	03:12:53	192.88		141.72
Division 2 : Trailer Yacht (no spinnaker)												
1	18-CAREEL	LADY HAMBLE	PAY LASHLEY	SAILFISH	2	TS	0.531	151.20	03:06:00	186.00		123.02
2	111	HAMBLIN ROSE	ELIZABETH REES	CLIPPER 17	2	TS	0.531	151.20	03:07:16	187.27		123.86
3	196	MUCHO GUSTO	M J HORROCKS	BONITO 22	2	TS	0.650	123.50	02:43:11	163.18		132.13
4	52	ROOBARE	KIM RUSSELL	CAREEL 22	2	TS	0.690	116.30	02:37:18	157.30		135.25
5	190	GUNSMOKE	G WALKERDEN	SABRE 22	2	TS	0.639	125.60	02:51:34	171.57		136.90
6	130	WINDSPELL	JEFF MILLER	CASTLE 650	2	TS	0.725	110.70	02:32:19	152.32		137.60
7	4	ORANJA	ROBIN PARKER	HAINES TRI TRAM	2	TS	0.725	110.70	02:33:46	153.77		138.91
8	33	STRAWBERRY FIELDS	GREG COUSINS	CASTLE 650	2	TS	0.725	110.70	02:34:01	154.02		139.13
9	440	BLUE MOON	STAN STEELE	FARR 6000	2	TS	0.640	125.40	02:55:20	175.93		139.82
10	58	BYATONS	PHILIP SPARKS	SONATA 7	2	TS	0.650	123.50	02:53:43	173.72		140.66
11	76-CAREEL	TENANT	M BAXBERG	CAREEL 22	2	TS	0.665	120.70	02:53:02	173.03		143.36
12	8	ROLLER COASTER	DOUG STANFIELD	ADAMS 21	2	TS	0.690	116.30	02:48:21	168.35		144.75
13	R46	HERAKLION	PETER ROBINSON	FARR 7500	2	TS	0.708	113.40	02:47:43	167.72		147.90
14	15	LOVE'S RETREAT	BERT LOVE	BARONNESS 22	2	TS	0.611	131.40	03:14:36	194.60		148.10
15	ELLOW/GREE	COCONUT DUCK	CATHY CHAMBERS	SONATA 7	2	TS	0.650	123.50	03:03:03	183.05		148.22
16	65	IMPULSE	ROBIN QUIRK	CASTLE 650	2	TS	0.725	110.70	02:49:04	169.07		152.73
17	18-STATUS	PHOENIX	ROGER SCOTT	STATUS 58	2	TS	0.710	113.00	02:56:35	176.58		156.27
18	558	TIME OUT	CHRISTOPHER STRONG	SONATA 7	2	TS	0.650	123.50	03:15:09	195.15		158.02
19	76-CASTLE	VIVACE	GRAEME VIVIAN	CASTLE 650	2	TS	0.725	110.70	02:55:13	175.22		158.28
20	M	NO NAME	JOHN PARKES	MCGREGOR 26	2	TS	0.663	121.10	03:17:12	197.20		162.84
	189	MIDGET	NOEL FRY	BINKS 25	2	TS	0.672	119.40				DNS
Division 3 : Trailer Yacht (with Spinnaker)												
1	5049	THIMP	PETER WILSON	TIMPENNY 670	3	TS	0.685	117.20	02:26:20	146.33		124.85
2	223	MITCHELL SAILS	JUSTIN MITCHELL	ELLIOT 7	3	TS	0.835	96.10	02:00:17	120.28		125.16
3	165	WILLAROO	PHILIP BOOKER	PL24	3	TS	0.725	110.70	02:26:00	146.00		131.89
4	W1	NO QUARTER	LIAM MILLAR	COSTIN	3	TS	0.835	96.10	02:08:53	128.88		134.11
5	760-15	WHITE HEATHER	ANDREW MCLEOD	SONATA 760 Mkl	3	TS	0.740	108.50	02:35:59	155.98		143.76

Retrieving the boats at Taree was fun as usual in a stiffening breeze and 97 others wishing to do the same. Many hands make light work and after helping Ian (Flying Scozzie) and Phil out they were there to help "Impulse" and "Vivace" out of the water as well. I went AOT (ass over tit) on the slimy death ramp twice helping retrieve "Impulse". Completely soaked, bleeding and bruised we got to de-rigging the boat and packing away. Phil continued to help all and sundry - nice work mate. Robin even caught Stressy and gave him a hand to retrieve. Unfortunately Stressy took a wrong turn and ended up grounding the Blue Mac - better luck next time mate, at least you had the "Iron Sail" to help catch up.

The presentation was a well organised affair, we managed a random prize of a bottle of wine and a new hat to replace the one lost overboard after the finish. It was great to be at the presentation with other club members. We also caught up with a couple of Myalls regulars, Greg from "Strawberry Fields" (Castle 39) and Jeff "Windspell" (Castle 130). After saying goodbye to Phil & Kim, Graham, Debbie and Little Ben, the crews from "Impulse" and "Vivace" did our now ritual Chinese dinner before heading home.

There were a few away this year, yes Hart your absence was noted. I hope to see 100 boats next year and 99 of them behind us if I can keep two sails up. A great event - a must do for every TS owner, the right mix of location, socialising and friendly racing.

Graham, Heidi and Ben
 Vivace

	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>MEMBERS</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Having their birthday in <i>February</i></p> <p>Greg Searles Kim Weir Terry Thirwell Graham Walkerden Doug Stanfield</p>	
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Equipment for loan

Industrial sewing machine (contact Phillip)

Boat lift – free standing, suitable for lifting keels out or just the boat off the trailer (Contact Derek)

Joke of the month

Dan was a single guy living at home with his father and working in the family business.

When he found out he was going to inherit a fortune when his sickly father died, he decided he needed a wife with which to share his fortune.

One evening at an investment meeting he spotted the most beautiful woman he had ever seen.

Her natural beauty took his breath away. "I may look like just an ordinary man," he said to her, but in just a few years, my father will die, and I'll inherit \$200 million."

Impressed, the woman obtained his business card and three days later, she became his stepmother.

Women are so much better at financial planning than men



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Australia Day Weekend

By Farrther's Toy

Weather Forecast – Hot 35C plus, westerly gusty winds. Shall we go? Well we've packed the bags and the boat is ready - we'll go. We can always jump in the lake to cool down. We meet Derek and Leanne on Kinross at Styles Point, accompanied by Artic Tern, Gunsmoke, Tamu Ndoto, Farr & Beyond, Wanderer II, OO7 and Adamant. Derek handed out sailing instructions, a location map and an Australia location quiz. The sail to Point Wolstoncroft was leisurely although the strong westerly coming across the strait between Wangi Point and Pulbah Island gave us a thrill! All boats were tied up when we got there including A'tanos, Windsong, Zorro and Impulse. A swim was first on the agenda – what a relief from the heat! After lunch and more swimming and chatting we motored to Shingle Splitters. The more adventurous sailed down the bay as there was a good breeze. Happy hour was enjoyed by one and all and for dinner we had a marvellous feed of prawns donated by Derek and Leanne, salads by the ladies and bread rolls. What lovely prawns so fresh and meaty. We ate our fill and still had room for pavlova and dessert wine donated by Greg and Kate, and more cakes. By then the Southerly had arrived and we had to move camp as we were all sitting under a dead tree. After all that food we retired to bed.



A reasonable night, and all are up, some are walking dogs, others just relaxing. And some of us giving Neville some advice – he had fallen out of a tree a few days beforehand and had badly bruised his left shoulder and arm. Amazing he attended the Cruise. Today we sail to Swan Bay via, Pulbah Island and Swansea Channel. It is overcast and quite a strong S wind. All participants are sailing – what a lovely sight. We arrive at the Swansea Channel, down with the sails and motor to Swan Bay. Some agro from the passing speed boats but we all know what they have between their ears! Tricky anchoring, a very short swim (water very cold) and then its up anchor and a sail to Bolton Point. The wind SE and there is plenty on the Lake to watch as we sail up the Lake to our destination. This was a great spot with BBQ and a table under shade and we were well protected from the SE wind. Tonight we have BBQ and DYO. Derek regaled us on our filling or misfilling quiz on locations. A visit from Phillipa (or could it be Priscilla) trying to hide her bits. Presents were handed out to the best decorated boats – Gunsmoke and Tamu Ndoto, best dressed people and also the most undecorated boat – Zorro. A great night.



Thanks Derek



Thanks Derek

Australia Day. A misty morning. A sail – oops motor (no wind) to look at a sunken yacht at Eleebana. This was amazing and it still being in the water. From there it is Warners Bay where we raft up on the jetty – about 10 boats some partake of lunch at the local takeaway. Now it is time for home, some to Marmong Point to retrieve, some to Styles Point. A strong SE was blowing and we just couldn't catch Wanderer II in spite of his bad shoulder. Now we know who does all the work Judy!

We had a great weekend. Thanks Derek and Leanne and all the participating sailers. New friends to make and old friends to catch up with. Hurrah for the NHTYA

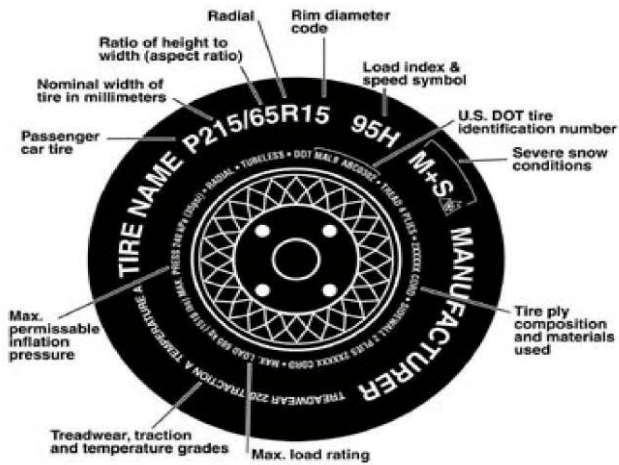


Farrther's Toy



All about your tyres

Where you can find these information ?



Have you ever wondered about the numbers on your tyres

Check all your tyres for safety reasons.

Manufacturing Date

This is the first thing to look for. Old tyres do become hardened and can crack which could become dangerous and next thing you know is you will have a blow out
NB there will be a 4 digit number recessed into the moulding e.g. *4007*

40 means the week of the year and
07 means the year of manufacturing (2007)

95H Max load capacity

Eg: 75 = 387kgs
80 = 450kgs
82 = 475kgs
85 = 515kgs
87 = 545kgs
90 = 600kgs
93 = 650kgs
95 = 690kgs
96 = 710kgs

They go up by about 20-30kgs per number

and

tyre speed symbol

Q = 160 km/h
R = 170km/h
S = 180 km/h
T = 190 km/h
U = 200 km/h
H = 210 km/h
V = 240 km/h
W = 270 km/h
Y = 300 km/h
Z = 300+ km/h



*4007 means
DOM is Week 40
of year 2007.

Temperature Resistance

A = Hot Area
B = Normal Weather Area
C = Cold Area

Treadwear Number

This number indicates the tyres wear rate. The higher the number is the longer it should take for the tread to wear down. For eg: a tyre graded 400 should last twice as long as one marked 200

Traction

This letter indicates a tyres ability to stop on wet pavement. A higher graded tyre should allow you to stop your car on wet roads in a shorter distance than a tyre with a lower grade. Traction is graded from highest to lowest "AA", "A", "B" and "C"

Tyre pressure

Is something that should be checked regularly? Correct pressure will increase the life and performance of any tyre.

Go on, go outside and have a look how old your tyres are, especially on your boat trailer you may be surprised.

Wallis Lakes Getaway Island Cruise

21st and 22nd February 2009

It's been possibly 3 years since the club ventured up here and a lot of interest has been shown so we will have to limit it to the first 52 Boats. So let us know and we will put you on the list ph 0414223654 and ask for me.



Allow 2 hrs travelling from Hexham.

Go through "Bulahdelah" and take "The Lakes Way" on the other side of town. Don't forget to wave to Dougie as you go past his place. Continue past "Myall Lakes" (Gods Country) and "Smith Lakes" (very shallow) till you get to "Wallis Lakes" very soon you see Pacific Palms Rec. Club on your left. The launching ramp is there.

Launch and ready to set sail by about 1000hrs

Course should take up past "Talambar Point", "Earps Island", "Black Rocks", "Yahoo Island", lunch at 'Coomba Park', Regatta Island", "Peach Tree Point", "Coolongalook River", "Junction Point", overnight at "Cedar Wharf" then "Junction Point", Peach Tree Point", "Rose Point", "Bandicoot Island", "Mosquito Island", "Cockatoo Island", "Godwin Island", "Wallis Island", "Hells Gate", "Hadleys Island", "The Step", "Dago Island", "Flat Island", "Snake Island", "Pelican Island", "Booti Island", "Talambar Point"

Or we may go around the other way depending on the weather.
Not sure where you are going it's all on NSW Maritime Map 6B.
Back at the ramp 1539hrs.

There are areas that we have to motor so carry plenty of the "go go juice" carry your water and shops are scarce, swimming is good and the scenery is even better. There are power lines in some places and we will try to avoid hitting them at all costs (heights vary). 12m is a height that is needed. An option for the bigger masted boats may be to do a mast down cruise.

<p>Haynes Hunter Tramp "Trivia" \$13,500</p>	<p>For Sale</p>	<p>Sabre 22 – "Sabre Dancer" \$20,000</p>
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Well kept tri on a Tinker trailer
Single axle and light to tow
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Cat 7 safety
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Newcastle & Hunter Trailer Yacht Assoc.

Program 2009

Day	Date	Activity	Venue	Time	Contact	Ph number	Points
Next newsletter closing date 1/3/09							
Saturday	7 th February	Race 1 Autumn	Styles Point		Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sunday	8 th February	Race 2 Autumn	Styles Point		Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Tuesday	17 th February	General Meeting	Club Macquarie	1930	Hart Peters	43682230	
Sat/Sun	21 st – 22 nd February	Cruise	Wallis Lakes	1000	Phillip Sparkes	0414223654	2
Saturday	7 th March	Race 3 Autumn	Styles Point		Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sunday	8 th March	Race 4 Autumn	Styles Point		Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Tuesday	17 th March	General Meeting	Club Macquarie	1930	Hart Peters	43682230	
Sat/Sun	21 st – 22 nd March	Cruise	Lake Macquarie	1000	Hart Peters	43682230	2
Saturday	4 th April	Race 5 Autumn	F-Jetty	1130	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sunday	5 th April	Race 6 Autumn	F-Jetty	1030	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sat/Sun	10 th – 13 th April	Cruise Easter	Myall Lakes	1000	Neville Heap	43323529	2
Tuesday	21 st April	General Meeting	Club Macquarie	1930	Hart Peters	43682230	
	25 th April		Anzac Day				
Saturday	2 nd May	Race 7 Autumn	F-Jetty	1130	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sunday	3 rd May	Race 8 Autumn	F-Jetty	1030	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sat/Sun	16 th – 17 th May	Cruise		1000			2
Tuesday	19 th May	AGM Meeting	Club Macquarie	1930	Hart Peters	43682230	
Sat/Sun	6 th – 8 th June	Cruise	Lake Macquarie	1000	Graham Vivian	65774014	2
Tuesday	16 th June	General Meeting	Club Macquarie	1930			
Saturday	27 th June	Presentation Night	Club Macquarie	1830	Phillip Sparkes	0414223654	
Sat/Sun	11 th – 12 th July	Cruise	On shore	1000	Peter Heanly	65454142	2
Tuesday	21 st July	General Meeting	Club Macquarie	1930			
Saturday	25 th July	Reg'o Day	Sailaway Belmont	1000	Hart Peters	43682230	
Sat/Sun	8 th – 9 th August	Cruise		1000			2
Tuesday	18 th August	General Meeting	Club Macquarie	1930			
Saturday	22 nd August	Race 1 Spring	F-Jetty	1130	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sunday	23 rd August	Race 2 Spring	F-Jetty	1030	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sat/Sun	5 th – 6 th September	Cruise	Dads day	1000			2
Tuesday	15 th September	General Meeting	Club Macquarie	1930			
Saturday	19 th September	Race 3 Spring	F-Jetty	1130	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sunday	20 th September	Race 4 Spring	F-Jetty	1030	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sat/Mon	3 rd – 5 th October	3 & 6 Hr Race	30 th anniversary regatta	1100	Greg Searles	49381116	2
Sun	11 th October	We turn 30		0000			
Sat/Sun	17 th -18 th October	Cruise		0900			2
Tuesday	20 th October	General Meeting	Club Macquarie	1930			
Saturday	31 st October	Race 5 Spring	Styles Point	1130	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sunday	1 st November	Race 6 Spring	Styles Point	1030	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sat/Sun	14 th – 15 th Nov	Cruise		0900			2
Tuesday	17 th November	General Meeting	Club Macquarie	1930			
Saturday	28 th November	Race 7 Spring	Styles Point	1130	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sunday	29 th November	Race 8 Spring	Styles Point	1030	Graham Walkerden	0405526465	1
Sat/Sun	5 th – 6 th December	Cruise		0900			2
Saturday	12 December	Party	X-mas get-together	1800			
Thursday	31 December	Cruise	Myall Lakes	2359			2

OOD Roster 2009

Race 1 Autumn
Zorro

Race 2 Autumn
Farr Haven

Race 3 Autumn
Trivia

Race 4 Autumn
Wanderer II

Race 5 Autumn
Blue Moon

Race 6 Autumn
Farr Horizon

Race 7 Autumn
Binnaway

Race 8 Autumn
Windsong

If you can't do it on your allocated date swap with someone else and let Graham know