



## THE QUEENSLAND RL24 ASSOCIATION

THE QUEENSLAND RL24 ASSOCIATION WAS REFORMED IN JULY 1987, AND IN 12 MONTHS HAS A BOAT REGISTER OF 32 BOATS. WE HOPE TO ENLARGE ON THIS MORE AS THE ASSOCIATION BECOMES MORE WELL KNOWN.

OUR MAIN OBJECTIVE FOR THE SEASON WAS TO HOLD A SUCCESSFUL STATE TITLES WHICH WE DID AT EASTER 1988, AT LAKE COOTHARABA SAILING CLUB. 16 BOATS COMPETED IN A 5 RACE SERIES WHICH SAW ALL TYPES OF WEATHER CONDITIONS. WE APPLIED A HANDICAP SYSTEM TO THE SERIES TO ENDEAVOUR TO MAKE THE RACING COMPETITIVE TO ALL VARIATIONS OF RL24's. WE STARTED WITH THE BASIC RL24 MARK I, WITH A SWING KEEL AND SOFT SAIL. THE HANDICAP TIME WAS ADJUSTED FOR EACH MODIFICATION, SUCH AS DROP KEEL, BATTEN MAIN, AND KIVIAR. ALL SKIPPERS AND CREW MEMBERS WERE IN FAVOUR OF THIS SYSTEM, ALLOWING FOR THE FACT THAT THESE TIMES WOULD NOW BE MADE MORE ACCURATE WITH THE RACE TIMES THAT WERE AVAILABLE AFTER THE EASTER SERIES.

USING THIS HANDICAP SYSTEM, THE QUEENSLAND RL24 CHAMPIONSHIP WAS WON BY "KANDYMAN" SKIPPED BY J.McAULAY, FROM LAKE COOTHARABA SAILING CLUB. A TROPHY WAS ALSO PRESENTED TO THE FASTEST RL24 IN QUEENSLAND WHICH WAS WON BY "F-TROOP" SKIPPED BY D.PARMINTER. THE FASTEST SWING KEEL RL24 IN QUEENSLAND WAS WON BY "AQUILLA" SKIPPED BY G.TARRATT.

THANKS TO R & J LEGG FOR THEIR DONATION OF A MAGNIFICENT PERPETUAL STATE TROPHY. ALSO THANKS TO M & B CRAY FOR THEIR TROPHY THAT THEY PRESENTED TO THE FASTEST SWING KEEL. WE THANK ALL OF TROPHY DONORS FOR TROPHIES AND SUPPORT.

OUR A.G.M. WAS HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE TITLES DISCUSSION WAS GIVEN TO THE HANDICAP SYSTEM AND EVERYONE AGREED THAT WE WERE MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. THANKS TO OUR RACE OFFICER, KEN AUSTIN, WHO PUT MANY HOURS INTO THE HANDICAP SYSTEM.

MANY RL24'S COMPETED IN THE ANNUAL BAY TO BAY RACE HELD BY THE HERVEY BAY SAILING CLUB, IN MAY. THE RACE IS OVER 2 DAYS AND HAS IN EXCESS OF 200 TRAILER SAILERS COMPETED. THE COURSE IS FROM TIN CAN BAY, UP BETWEEN FRASER ISLAND AND THE MAIN LAND. 26 RL24's MADE UP THE LARGEST CLASS ENTRY.

THE MAIN OBJECTIVES OF THE QLD.RL24 ASSOC. THIS SEASON IS TO BUILD UP THE ASSOCIATION AND TO HOLD ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL STATE TITLES, WHICH HAS BEEN SET FOR EASTER 1989 AT LAKE COOTHARABA.

ANY QUIRIES ABOUT THE ASSOCIATION OR STATE TITLES PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT MYSELF.

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