

THE "RL24" OWNERS' ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

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Well our first National Championships and Cruise are over and everything went off with a bang. I'm sure a great time was had by all.

Our congratulations to Des Stanaway and "Scarlet Lady" from Brisbane for his win which was all the more incredible as his Boat was launched for the first time at dusk on the evening before the first race.

The results were very close depending on the minor placings in the last race to decide the winner and in the tense last minutes the first four Boats finished within 45 seconds. Quite incredible too was the time taken by the leading Boat (Southern Cross, Harold Peacock, Southport) in the first race; the 17.7 kilometres course was completed in 1 hour and fifty nine seconds, an average speed of just over 17 km/h. The final placings were as follows...

1st. Scarlet Lady (Des Stanaway, Brisbane)

2nd. Wide Horizons (Wyn Treasure, Southport)

3rd. Southern Cross (Harold Peacock, Southport)

4th. Sundance (Bruce Castles, Sale, Victoria)

The Presentation Dinner was held at the Southport Yacht Club and the trophies were presented by Commodore Laurie Shepherd.

Our sincere thanks to the Interstate Visitors who helped make the series the success it was.

Association Membership now stands at 46 which represents more than half of the Boats now sailing.

At the Annual General Meeting, Office bearers were elected as follows...

President

Rob Legg.

Vice President

Alan Behrens.

Secretary)

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June Legg.

Registrar)

Committee

Wyn Treasure

Harold Peacock
Dr. Jim Wassell.

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The Liaison Officer elected by South Australian Owners' was Doug Martin, 395 The Terrace, Port Pirie, S.A. 5540. Phone: 321 428.

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The 4th Northern Spencer Gulf Tripolis event for J.D.G's, Trailer Sailers (17' and over) and multi hull (20' and over) Yachts will be conducted by the Royal Port Pirie Yacht Club from the 26th to the 30th December 1974. Safety checking and the Annual Tripolis Dinner will be held on the 26th and the first leg from Port Pirie to Port Augusta (48 miles) sailed on the 27th. The second leg, Port Augusta to Whyalla (43miles) and third leg, Whyalla to Port Pirie (23 miles) will be sailed on the 28th and 29th December respectively, with the handicap and line honours trophies for each

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leg plus championship trophies being presented on the morning of the 30th. Further information may be obtained from The Secretary, Royal Port Pirie Yacht Club, P.O. Box 116, Port Pirie, S.A. 5540. Hospitality is second to none, both Rob and I can assure you. If there are sufficient entries from RL24 Owners' we will sail in our own Class.

- * March, 1975. Marley Point Meetung, Vic. a beauty, hope to be there our selves. Contact Bruce Castles, 7 Willow Court, Sale, Vic. 3850, for further details.
- * Easter 1975. Paynesville Regatta, Gippsland Lakes, Vic. contact the Secretary, Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club, P.O. Box 71, Bairnsdale, Vic. 3875. We'll be there for sure.

Well that's it for now Folks, we certainly hope to meet up with you at all or some of the above events.

