JULY 1975

- ** HI HO TO ALL 91 MEMBERS.
- ** URGENT: A lot of Members have indicated verbally that they will be attending "Gold Coast Week", (A.G.M. 25th Aug., beginning of Cruise 26th, back from Cruise, 29th, Dinner 29th. Championships 30th & 31st.) but we have not as yet received their nominations. REMEMBER! DEADLINE is August 1st. There is a lot of planning and organising involved and we're looking forward to your co-operation.
- The 9th Annual Four Corners Trophy race, a contest between Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron, Southport Yacht Club, Queensland Cruising Yacht Club and Little Ship Club, was held on Saturday 14th June, 1975 on a course across Moreton Day from Manly to Dunwich on Stradbroke Island, a distance of about 10 nautical miles. The wind in the protected Manly Boat Harbour area was deceptively quiet, but for most of the race it was 20 - 25 knots with large waves up to about 5 feet high. Pen Trailer Sailers started, (4/RL24's, 2/Highway 21's, 2/Hood 20's, 1/Careel 22 and 1/Boomerang 20) and an equal number of deep Keelers. The first nine miles of the course was a close hauled windward beat and the last mile a reach and run. First over the line was RL24 'Sangria', John Green, (Sail No. 34, Southport) followed 10 seconds later by a Highway 21, (G. Wallace) then another RL24, 'Aquila', Bill Mac Intosh, (Sail No. 31, Southport). On Sunday with light winds prevailing, 9 Trailer Sailers joined a 10 mile J.O.G. invitation race from Dunwich to Canaipa Point, this time a beat for the whole distance. This course covered areas with strong tidal currents and wind "holes", helping to some extent those with local knowledge. The first three over the line were a Duncanson 29, a Swanson 27 and an RL24, (Bill MacIntosh).
- ** Nine Boats contested the RL24 Lakes Championship at Lake Wellington (Vic.) in June. Four heats were raced with 3 best results counting. Final results were equal 1st. SASHA, (Sail No. 102, Vic.) Ken Hackett, and SUNDANCE, (Sail No. 100, Vic.) Bruce Castles. 2 wins and 1 second each. 3rd place went to PAMPERO, (Sail No. 108, Vic.) Colin Murray, 3 3rds. Congratulations Boys on what appears to have been a very tight series. Would very much like to see some of you here in Queensland in August.
- ** The Victorian RL24 Association was also formed the same week end. The Office Bearers are as follows: President...Roy Martin

Vice President...Ross Corbin
Secretary...Mrs. Rae Mahon
Treasurer...Geoff Olney
Gippsland Area Rep...Don Castles.

Hope you are over the 'flu Geoff and look forward to seeing you next month. Queensland sunshine will cure anything.

Non Member, (as yet) Merv Allwood, sailed in the inaugural Mackay to Lindeman Island race on the Queen's Birthday weekend and took second place, beaten for fastest time only by the 50' 'Heemskerk'. Also participating were racing tri's, cat's, Marauders etc. Congratulations Merv.

- ** SOUTHERN CROSS, Sail No. 8 (Harold Peacock) Southport,
 GENIE, Sail No. 21 (Ivan Watt) Toowcomba,
 SANGRIA, Sail No. 34 (John Green) Southport,
 Sail No. 45, (John Noble) Toowoomba and families and or Crews or both are heading off to Shute Harbour to cruise and get into shape (for the Champ's) early in August.
- ** TIKI 11, (the timber prototype RL24) won the Rockhampton Yacht Club Championship this year. Congratulations David.
- ** Guess what ? The Leggs' new Boat is being called "APACHE" and we'll be on the warpath. Geoff Cue from Rockhampton is the new Owner of TIKI.
- ** Well that's it for this month, so please get your nominations in as soon as poss'.
- ** Rob and I will definitely be on the stand at the Sydney Boat Show next month, see a few of you then. Sorry we missed Melbourne, but we had a mix up with bookings.
- ** Thought for the Month.... "Treat every day as though it's your last, because one day it will be."