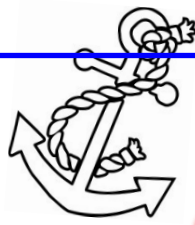




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MMYC Newsletter – 2023

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WELCOME BACK And Safe Boating for 2023

Hi Folks. The Commodore, Flag Officers and Committee Members wish you a hearty welcome back as club momentum builds for 2023.

What's been happening??

Well someone's got to



Just lazing around!!

hold the tide back!!



Already, we have had our first **General Meeting**, ably hosted by Vice Commodore **Steve Beashell**, seen action in the Sutton Lounge, with **Stuart MacKinnon** again "raising the Bar", watched our keenest **fisherpersons** heading off in the early hours and the **Sailing fleet** have al-

ready run about 5 races with the more adventurous participating in the first Passage Race for the year. Even so, many of us have been few and far between, so the forward to a few northerlies bringing we can all, yacht and power, enjoy

"Come On Cruisin".



Sutton Lounge. Open Mic



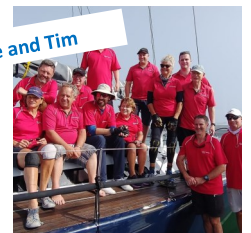
would argue that summer days best is yet to come. We look calm to the Beaumaris Bay so some 'raft up' swimming days.

Ocean Stories we were all captivated at the **February General Meeting** as **Andrew Woodward, David Holter** and, Rear Commadore, **Tim Wilson** expounded their recollections of the highs and lows of Ocean Racing, in particular the



Tasmanian West Coaster, Melbourne to Hobart over Xmas. What an experience that must have been. Things can be hectic out there when the wind spins itself up to 40+ knots. The differences and comparisons between the 2 boats was fascinating. The 2.5 day run of The Martin 49 'Carrera', the 5 day run of the S&S34, "Morning Lassie, wind differences, sea states and personalities etc. demonstrated how 2 yachts in the same

race can experience such differences. Thanks to Andrew, David and Tim for a most entertaining night.



Dave and Tim



The MMYC. Mordialloc MotorYacht Club is the best place to be, anytime!! For **boats of our size, power or sail**, we probably have one of the best boating venues in Australia. We should all pledge not to take this unique Island and club for granted. We have an **Island**; the only covered, 24hr, **slipway** on Port Phillip, a **multi purpose building** fostering many and varied activities, a **boat ramp**, if we wish to remove our boat on a trailer, expert advise from **Marcus Allnutt, All Boats Marine** and other **shipwrights** at hand. Ready to work for us.

Some of our boats are under utilized. Would you like assistance to find a way to better use your boat. Watch out for a series of MMYC specific workshops where we will explore ways to build our confidence in boating from Mordialloc.



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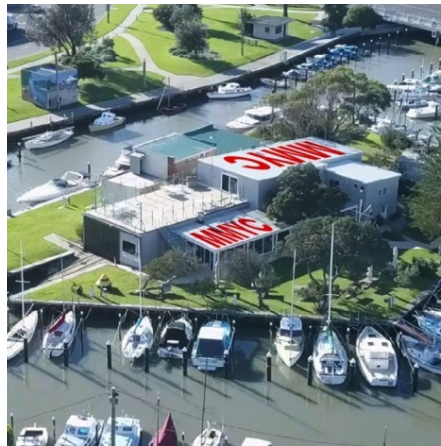
Ian Lightfoot on Moondancer

We've still got some issues though !!

The Creek is still silting up.—Many of us noted the arbitrary nature of the political promises in the recent election when it came to the dredging of the creek. Recently our Mordialloc Creek Community representative, **John Wilson**, advised that project managers

are currently being sort to attend to the creek dredging. Once awarded, project discussions will continue as to what, where and how dredging can be done with the 2 million dollars allocated. We do hope that the political will remains to act on a long term plan to maintain the creek environmentally, ecologically and clean up the moorings and silted areas to a state regular maintenance now and in the long lach (Club historian and Quartermaster) crusade to have the creek dredged for ical purposes. Wayne produced and dis-vy those of the election. Hundreds of sig-tion. 'Maintain the rage folks'. The creek

The Gardens—On return to the Island, it is Many seem to be on their way out. Which is liaised with the Council on this issue and possums, which are the major cause of the sponded to being pruned and is showing new enthusiasm to avoid the chain saw. The lawns and trees are one of the major difference between our club and the others. We must do our best to preserve what we've got and get some new ones going, quick smart. If we consider the time it takes a tree to grow and compare that to the average age of the members; we need to do something quickly. **Alternatively the lawns** are spectacular this year with thanks going out to Greg Power, and others, in keeping the water and food up to them.



where our annual fees can assist in term. **Here's cheers for Wayne Im-** who has waged an almost solitary boating, environmental and ecolog-tributed signs and billboards to en-natures were collected on the peti-will not get deeper by itself.

a little sad to see the state of the trees. a terrible shame. The Committee have steps are being taken to remove the deterioration. The big gum has re-

New Faces / older faces.—How fantastic it is to see so many new faces and traditional faces on the Island. These members are an eclectic mix of Power Boaties, Yachties, Social Members, Fisherman and would be musicians. We are already looking forward toe the next "Open Mic" night and Friday Night Sutton Off Sutton musical gigs.

Covid slowed our Working Bee momentum too. The Island looked sparkling after the last working Bee. Here's a 'shout out' to all the volunteers and, in particular **Terry O'Leary and the O'Leary Boys**, assisting us with the supply of the big bins.

kept in, really good condition. This is a critical issue. Take note from NSW colleagues have just about run out of small slipways and service allow you to self service your own boat. **Have fun out there.**



Sir James Marsh holds court on the day Sean and Haden, for

The slipway is in, and being the Afloat magazine. Our companies, and most won't



Slipway 15m

Wayne presents latest historical work



Ray and Nancy dancing on the deck

