



# The Anchor



**MMYC Newsletter – Issue October 2018**

## **MMYC 2018 Opening Day Success!**

The weather was perfect, 27 degrees and a northerly wind kept the sea flat and produced plenty of breeze for the yachts.

A HUGE thank you to everyone on the Committee and the many Club members who worked so hard to prepare for and during the day.

A special thanks to Di Douglas, Margaret Alexandrou, Rob Deegan, his Grandson Zaine, Wayne Imlach, Gordon Pendleton (the band) and the many others who worked in the background to fine tune the day. Also a special mention to the hospitality crew who kept us fed and well hydrated; Tilly, Miranda, Lauren, Rachel, Sarah, Max and Nate. Well done!

We would also like to thank the many special guests that visited on the day. There is something very special about showing off our club.



## **WHATS ON?**

- **Sailing events**

Please see the Facebook Calendar

- **Sutton Lounge**  
Friday October 26th  
“Dons 80<sup>th</sup> Party”

- **Melbourne Cup Day at the Club**  
Tues 6<sup>th</sup> November

- **Next General Meeting**  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Nov  
(due to Cup Day)

- **Christmas Party**  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

*Hope to see you there!*

## *Opening Day – October 14<sup>th</sup>*



*Dean Ford Trio kept us entertained*



*Blue Skies Greeted Members and Guests*



*A riot of Colour*



*The procession starts*



*Hot Stuff - special mention*







*Lientime – complete with water feature and Cocomo blaring  
Peter Follets extra small jockeys on Syrah*



Awarding prizes was as difficult as usual.  
Eventually they awarded as follows:

Best Boat decoration

1st prize Neil Hopwood - Lientime

2nd prize Peter Follett - Syrah

3rd prize Des Fullarton – Binda

Best dressed Crew:

the ever groovy Debbie and Mark Barclay

Best dressed children:

Peter Follett's children as jockeys

Special Mention Goodenough – James

Hot stuff-Mario

Moonbird -Gary

*Is this a Fishing competition entrant?*







*Beware the Vikings on Binda*



*The ever elegant 50/50, our officials launch.  
Thank you to Nigel and Jane*



*Lolas First MMYC Opening Day*



*Good Enough resplendent in club colours*





*Mark & Debbie - groovy baby*



*2/3rds of the MMYC Secretariat*

An event like the Opening Day is just not possible without a massive effort by so many people. You know who you are and even if you are not mentioned personally, your support and enthusiasm is appreciated and is what makes the MMYC the great club it is.

*Story credits: Christine Ffrench and Peter Banham*

*Photos credits: Greame Kane, Jamie Dorrity, Michael Ruhsam, John Chalmers*



## **Welcome to the relaunch of The Anchor Newsletter!**

*The Anchor is back to report on MMYC Club happenings and events; Sailing, Nav Rallies, Fishing and Social as well as being a source of information and hopefully inspiration.*

*Mike and I have only recently joined MMYC. In the past we have enjoyed sailing our Timpenny "Beez Neez" against MMYC in the famous Longbeach series. More recently we have become the custodians of a lovely old girl, a wooden motor cruiser called Lola. Joining in on Mordys Nav Rallies has been a steep learning curve but we are relishing the opportunity to use our boat more and more. I'd like to thank you for such a warm welcome to club. I am sure we will have the pleasure of getting to know more members as the years fly by.*

*This is my first attempt at Editor so please give me feedback. Please send in your photos, we would welcome reports from all areas! For any contributions, please drop me a line at [info@mmyc.com.au](mailto:info@mmyc.com.au).*

*Looking forward to your input to help make this newsletter reflect the great times we have had and will have in the future at our club.*

**Helen Ruhsam**

**Editor in training**



# Commodores Message

Hi Everyone

I am really excited that Helen and team have been able to resurrect our Anchor Newsletter after a 10 year absence. For those of us that were around 10 years ago the Anchor magazine was much loved by club members and was a good source of information. At the time it not uncommon for newsletters to disappear as web sites and Facebook took hold in the information age but they are making a comeback as people are looking for better connections and information in one place. The Anchor started in March 1943 and we have hard copies from August 1943 so welcome back and enjoy the read!

I would like to take this opportunity to everyone who was involved in ensuring the 93rd Opening Day was a great success. There was a great turn up at our working bee and the island was once again spruced up and made to look splendid for opening day. We were very pleased to have Tim Richardson, Mordialloc MLA and Councillor Geoff Gledhill assist with the formal opening and Graeme Richardson attend to bless the fleet. We were also very fortunate to have commodores from our sibling clubs attend the day and share in our celebrations as well as Ian Wall from Australian Sailing but what was most pleasing on the day was to see our members enjoying and embracing this most important day where we can share in good food, great friendships and the 93 year history of the club. I greatly appreciated Vice Commodore Con and Mary Stamopoulos attending Sandringham Yacht Club's opening day, Peter Banham represented our club at Mordialloc Sailing Club's opening day and Di and myself attended the Royal Victoria Motor Boat Club's opening day. These are great opportunities to build our club's networks and find out what the issues are that are common to all our clubs.

There is a lot happening around the club and I encourage you to be a part of it. We recently had some fantastic VHF radio training courses run by our club and had the CEO of the Melbourne Ports Corporation and the Assistant Harbour Master of Melbourne speak to our last general meeting. Don't forget we have the Sutton lounge nights on the last Friday of the month, our general meetings every month and it won't be long to the Christmas break up party! That's not to mention the weekly sailing, the fishing comp that is in action now and the nav rallies that are happening early next year! I encourage you all to be a part of these activities and to have all our boats regularly out on the bay and if you don't have a boat then hitch a ride on a boat - there is always plenty of room.

It's that time of year, at the change of day light savings, that I use as a reminder to check and do some maintenance on my inflatable life jackets, check the first aid kit on the boat and the flares and ensure the other safety gear is in order. Can I recommend that you have your own routine to look after your safety gear on the boat and don't forget to ensure you have your current registration label on your boat as there will be a good chance that you will be checked by the Water Police over summer.

October is a great month of the year in Melbourne, it's when the first real warmth in the weather appears, the blue water and the snapper return but it's also a time to be careful on the water as October and early November can be a windy period on the bay. Make sure you check the forecast on the bay before heading out, keep an eye out on the clouds and wind while on the water and let someone know where you are going and how long you are out for and when you will be returning. Let's keep ourselves safe this summer.

I'll look forward to seeing you at the club over the next few weeks.

*Fair winds and following seas*

Byron



# ***Mordialloc Creek Community Update***

The Mordialloc Creek Community continues to meet and be hosted by MMYC and we are also undertaking the secretarial work for the community at this stage.

The Mordialloc Creek Community has been meeting over the last 12 months to look at the issues that are affecting everyone in the creek including dredging of the creek. Council has recently moved to relinquish management over the creek and is currently in the process of handing this over to DEWLP. This will be assessed over the next 6 - 12 months as the Mordialloc Creek Community's future structure is developed.

DEWLP has secured \$100K in funding to develop a master plan for the creek and surrounding environs and this will assist in developing the future management of the creek to ensure it is responsive to the needs of users and also in promoting and improving the health of the creek.

Participants in the meetings include, representatives of both State and Federal governments, Councillors and staff of Kingston City Council, Parks Victoria, Melbourne Water, Mordialloc Sailing Club, Mordialloc Fishing and Angling Club, Pompei Marine, Allnutts Marine, Beaumaris Conservation League and of course our club. MMYC club member John Wilson and myself attend the meetings with Greg Power and Peter Banham and I must thank John for his amazing work at chairing these meetings and in bringing this group together. Its important work for us all!

Byron

## ***Office Buzz***

With not just one Club Secretary but now three, we can make some headway on some of the Admin tasks of the club. Hats off the Peter Banham who has done so much in the last few years flying solo as the Secretary.

The biggest task we are undertaking is getting Revolutionise Sports working for the club.

This fantastic Sports management platform has great capabilities in terms of membership management, meeting management and will surely prove to be a great communication tool.

Please lend us your assistance as we work on getting the data updated. Getting everyone's Emergency Contact details in is a priority.

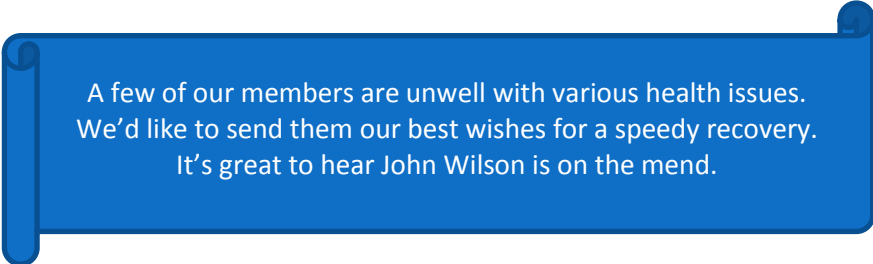
Thank you for your support.

MMYC Secretariat

Helen Ruhsam

Peter Banham

Christine Ffrench



A few of our members are unwell with various health issues.  
We'd like to send them our best wishes for a speedy recovery.  
It's great to hear John Wilson is on the mend.

COMING EVENTS:



# DON'S PARTY

Our very special Club member Don Kempton is turning 80 and is celebrating at the next Sutton Lounge night on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 6.30pm  
So come along and join the celebrations and help to make this a memorable night for Don

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## MELBOURNE CUP TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER



*It's the day that stops a nation, so come and enjoy the day at the Boat Club  
Bring along your family and friends to enjoy the day, culminating with watching the Cup  
The Bar will be open from 12 noon and we will be running a sweep*



*Come along with your lunch, or order in from Uber eats etc  
or pizza from Doyles*

**PLEASE No parking in Doyles**



## *Out on the water....*



A month or two back Paul Cahir took this snap of Roy McDougall and family on their maiden voyage of their new boat. It's great to see our new member Roy wasting no time to get out on the water!



Twilight Sailing 11 October on Peter Banham's Moondancer in brisk conditions with Michael Maragoss and Byron

Twilight Sailing 18 October on Byron's Forever Young with Tild and Glen



# ***Moorings Report***



With a couple of recent moves, we come in to the Summer months with the moorings pretty much full.

The only available mooring is on the pub wall suitable for a boat up to a maximum of 18ft.

We also have a waiting list of a hand full of members with a request to either transfer to a more suitable mooring or request for a new mooring.

Please remember mooring holders must comply with the MMYC mooring bi-laws and be paid up full members.

The mooring committee is made up of the following members

MOORING DIRECTOR – Jamie Dorrity

MOORING COMMITTEE – Graeme Hebard

MOORING COMMITTEE – Greg Power

MOORING COMMITTEE – Peter Banham

Please note, no mooring changes are to take place without discussion with a mooring committee member and approval from the Mooring Director.

Thank you,

Jamie Dorrity

Rear Commodore





## **Gone Fishing....**

*Here's some inspiration for the club fishermen!*

*Fish include King George whiting, Snapper, Salmon, Trevally*

*Caught from a kayak at San Remo on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October*

*Nice work Mike Jenkins and son Dale!*



*Get involved!*

## **THE 2018/19 PPB CLASSIC TOURNAMENT**



**POINT SCORING WEEKENDS ARE:**

**SEPT 29TH 4AM - 30TH 11:59PM,  
OCTOBER 13TH 4AM - 14TH 11:59PM  
OCTOBER 27TH 4AM - 28TH 11:59PM,  
NOVEMBER 17TH 4AM - 18TH 11:59  
DECEMBER 1ST 4AM - 2ND 11:59PM**

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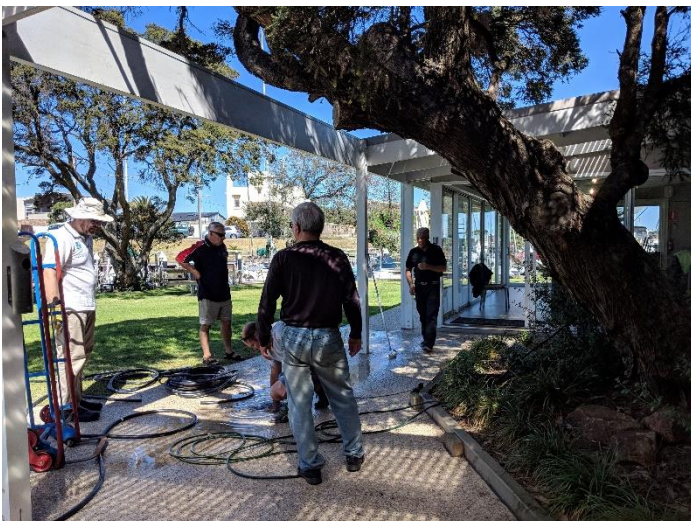
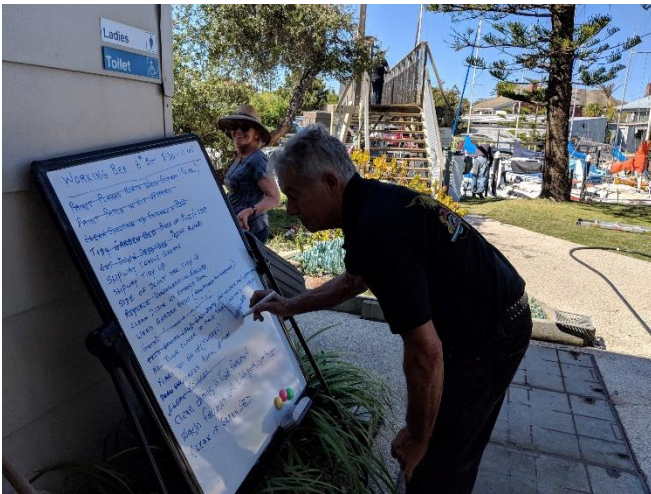
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## *Many hands ....*

So how did the Island shine on Opening Day? Lots of work from many hands, that's how. A cold beer and a sausage sizzle was enjoyed by all.



Unearthed in the garden bed behind blueys shed – must have been a sign!



## ***Victor Hotel Foxtrot***

Late winter was the perfect time for Peninsula Boat Training to visit the club and run two VHF Radio Training Courses. The classes were held on Wednesday nights and took about 4 hours to complete.

Members learned of the legal requirements and processes for all operators of marine VHF radios. The courses were well attended and we now have 32 qualified Radio operators within our club.



## ***PETER ALLNUT – HONORARY LIFE MEMBER***

Marcus Allnut kept the matter of his Dads escalation to Honorary Life Member a secret until the AGM. Peter suspected nothing until the nomination and presentation. Peter was obviously thrilled and proud of achievement and the members applauded a much-deserved reward. Thanks for all your hard work over the years.



*Reported by Peter Banham*



**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 6pm**

*Fun for all ages! Everyone is welcome.*

*Bring the kids, bring the grandkids,*

*Most importantly come along and celebrate with your family at Lambert Island.*

We hope you have enjoyed reading The Anchor. Now it's over to you.

What would you like to see more of? Perhaps a Buy, Swap, Sell section?

Safety reminders?

Thank you to this issues contributors. We would love to see pictures of your catch, history of your boat, funny moments in your boat or simply photos of you out and about enjoying our beautiful bay.

We are open to new ideas! If you have a passion for graphic design and would like to come up with a flash title block for The Anchor or a snappy design, please contact me.

Next issue is due early February 2019 at this stage but if I'm inundated with events and news we can publish earlier.

Thank you, Helen

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