

# **BENDIGO YACHT CLUB**

## **40TH ANNIVERSARY**

### **'A Brief History 1962 - 2002'**

The 40th Anniversary History has been compiled from the Clubs 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary booklet and from further research by Commodore Veronica Burgess from Annual Reports and the Clubs Newsletter "Mainsheet" and Minutes.

(Annual Reports 1962-2002 are in bound form and were donated to the Club by Allan and the late Eunice Johnson.)

Forward was contributed by Foundation Commodore and Life Member, Allan H. Johnson and Foundation Secretary/Treasurer, Dallas Martin.

In the beginning,

Several people who were sailing at the Cairn Curran Yacht Club recognized the potential of the new reservoir being constructed near Axedale (later to be named Lake Eppalock), as becoming one of the main water storages which would be ideally suited and would support a yacht club which would be equal to any within the State of Victoria.

Such being the case, informal discussions were held to ascertain if there was sufficient interest to pursue the formation of a yacht club, even though the construction of the main wall and spillway was not completed and obviously no water was in storage.

The outcome of the informal inquiries indicated that sufficient people would be enthusiastic enough to support the idea, and as a result a letter of invitation was sent to all those whom it was thought would like to become involved.

This meeting was held on Wednesday 28th February 1962, at the private residence of Allan and Eunice Johnson, 21 Bannister Street, Bendigo. Twelve people were in attendance and after the reasons were given for calling the meeting, it was resolved that the Bendigo Yacht Club be formed. A President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasure were elected and were given authority to draw up a provisional constitution for discussion at the next meeting.

It was also resolved, "that a letter be sent to the State Rivers & Water Supply Commission, advising them that the Bendigo Yacht Club had been formed; who the office bearers were; that a constitution was to be adopted which would be forwarded upon request; and in particular, a request to sail on Eppalock Reservoir".

A copy of the letter to be sent to the State Rivers & Water Supply Commission was also to be forwarded to Mr. Don Little; Engineer in charge of the Eppalock project.

A provisional membership was set at 10 shillings with provision for it to be adjusted when the constitution was adopted.

An official letterhead was to be investigated, and Cairn Curran Sailing Club were to be informed that the Bendigo Yacht Club had been formed with a request for their assistance, advice and co-operation for future sailing in this area.

Club Colours were adopted as those of Bendigo City ????????????? and discussion was held on 12 different classes and their suitability for adoption as Club sponsored boats with Quickcats and Gwen 12's being officially recognized as the Club's sponsored Classes, plus 3 boats of 1 Class would be recognized for Class racing also.

A bottle drive was organized to raise some revenue and a suggestion was accepted that the Club investigate the possibility of conducting a Boat Show, which became a reality and really put the Club in a sound financial position.

Bendigo City Council was approached for permission to use their Crest on the Club's letterhead. This was subsequently granted to the Club.

Further meetings were held and **the Club officially adopted its constitution on the 11th April 1962.**

At this time, the titles of President etc. were deleted, and office bearers assumed the officialdom of Commodore, Vice Commodore, etc.

Progress reports were presented on the constitution project, and the prospects of establishing a boat harbour and launching facilities.

A bank account was opened with the Sandhurst Building Society, and there was even enough money in it for an authority to be given to draw cheques. A Yacht Register was suggested and was donated by Ralph Michell.

It should be recorded here, that hour upon hour was expended by the Flag Officers in an endeavour to secure a suitable site from which the Club could operate. Long walks and drives were undertaken around the area well before the project was completed, and I do not think

that it was and is realised just how much time was involved to really get the Club onto a sound footing.

Besides a two foolscap page letter, stating the reasons why the yachting fraternity wanted to sail on Eppalock waters and requesting a particular site, there were two visits to the State Rivers & Water Supply Commission's head office in Melbourne to put our case personally.

The area the Club is now situated on was first set aside for a public area at the State Rivers had ruled that, as Eppalock was being built with public money, the public should have the best access to the water. However, they were receptive to our application and were prepared to listen to our proposals and reasons. We did persist and I believe with good argument, that the site would be most suitable for establishing the Bendigo Yacht Club.

The final decision was left with Mr. Don Little and there were many round table conferences with him. I believe that John Kew, then of Maples Bendigo, became an influencing factor in our persistence, and were all very elated and relieved when Don Little announced that he had changed the position of the public area to its now present site, and that the Bendigo Yacht Club should apply again for the site which we now enjoy.

In May 1962, Commodore Allan reported to members on the prospects of Eppalock filling with the expectation that, with average rainfall, it would be approximately one quarter full by the end of the year. Somehow or other, a large rain dispersion appeared in Western Australia, and the State Rivers & Water Supply Commission upon hear of this, worked 24 hours for 2 days to complete the last requirements of the wall, so that the 'BUNG' could be put in place. This effort and the resultant rain from the depression really upset the Commodore's prophecy in as much that we had a half-full reservoir for our first season.

Application was made to the Town & Country Planning Board and the Shire of Strathfieldsaye for permission to proceed with plans to form a Northern & Central Yachting Association.

Mr. Arch Johnson was accepted as Club Patron. Trustees were appointed in the persons of Ralph Michell, Austin Farrar and Dal Martin with Allan Johnson succeeding Austin after his passing.

So much more could be written and hopefully one day this will eventuate, but for now this preamble may suffice as an introduction to the following highlights which have been prepared for your digestion of the Club's progress and development over its first 25 YEARS OF OPERATION.

Keep your objectives in view, your aims high and keep on promoting one of the original Club's policies of family participation, which has, and will always hold us together.

Congratulations, Good Luck and Good Sailing!

**Allan Johnson and Dallas Martin**

## **FIRST ANNUAL REPORT**

PRESENTED TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON 26th  
JULY 1962

### **COMMODORE ALLAN H. JOHNSON**

"Ladies and Gentleman,

The following is a summary of our activities and growth since our inauguration, and it is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit to record our activities.

In late January this year a conversation took place between Barry Bowater and myself, along the lines of a possible formation of a Yacht Club in Bendigo. This conversation was brought about primarily with the Eppalock project nearing completion. A third person, namely, Dallas Martin was consulted, and from there the idea grew into reality. A circular letter to all known Yachting enthusiasts in and around Bendigo was sent out, inviting them to attend a Meeting with the view of forming a Club, providing there was sufficient interest shown.

This first meeting of the Club was attended by 12 persons, with apologies received from 6 others. The idea of the meeting was explained and it was then Moved and Seconded , that the "Bendigo Yacht Club" be formed. The date: February 28th 1962. A temporary Committee was elected, namely, President, Allan Johnson; Vice-President, Barry Bowater; Secretary/Treasurer, Dallas Martin, and they were empowered to administer the Club, until such time, as an official constitution was drawn up and adopted. This was done and the Club became officially constituted on April 11th, 1962. From then on all has been conducted accordingly.

Subscriptions for the 1962-63 Season were -

10/-	Joining Fee
2/10/-	Senior Male
1/-/-	Associate
1/-/-	Junior

Membership at 26th July 1962 was 50 members.

The Club initially adopted "Quickcats" and "Gwen 12's" as 'Classes' with 18 boats having been entered in the Register.

Sub-Committees were formed to deal with the following aspects of the Club:

- Social
- Sailing
- Building - Future club house and boat storage
- Finance - Income 166, Bank Balance 142
- Boat Show

The Boat Show Sub-Committee were responsible for conducting the boat show at the Sport Centre in November 1962. Concluding with a Boat display and Regatta at Lake Eppalock.

Application was made to the Victorian Yachting Association for acceptance as an Associate Member.

Foundation Committee were:

Commodore	Allan H. Johnson
Vice Commodore	Barry E. Bowater
Rear Commodore	Ralph G. Michell
Honorary Secretary/Treasurer	Dallas L. Martin

General Committee:

David James, William Banks, Gilbert Medwell,  
Ernest Bassett, Clifford J. Swatton

## SECOND ANNUAL REPORT 1963

### COMMODORE - ALLAN H. JOHNSON

The highly enthusiastic band of members formed into committees and sub-committees were successful in increasing membership to 104 with 33 boats on the Yacht register.

Late last year, Barry E. Bowater (Vice Commodore) and Bill Banks (General Committee) both tendered their resignations from the Committee. The Vice Commodore's position was filled by David James and the other vacancies by Max Hubbard and Ken Lewis.

The November 1962 Boat Show and Regatta were a great success financially, placing the Club in the public eye. Nett result 1,282. The Bendigo Advertiser reported the crowds at Eppalock to watch the first Regatta held on the Lake.

The first Club Championships and Pennant Competitions were conducted.

#### Club Award Winners -

Quickcats	Club Championship	Ralph Michell
	Pennant	Ralph Michell
Gwen 12	Club Championship	Allan H. Johnson
	Pennant	Graeme Miller
Moths	Club Championship	John Wilson
	Pennant	John Wilson
Division 1	Aggregate	Dallas L. Martin

Sailing dates for the coming year were:

Opening Day	5th October 1963
Regatta-Boat Show	17th November 1963
Cairn Curran Inter Club Visit	12 <sup>th</sup> and 19th January 1964
Official Regatta	Easter Sat. Sun. & Mon.
Final Official Race Day	25th April 1964

Tenders were called for the first stage of the proposed Clubhouse. Tree planting commenced with approximately three hundred trees



planted. Yachtsmen (no women in those days) were request to take two buckets of water to the trees after each race.

The ladies were active in providing afternoon tea from the back of utilities.

### THIRD ANNUAL REPORT 1964

#### COMMODORE - ALLAN H. JOHNSON

During 1963 the first stage of Clubhouse was almost completed. Working bees throughout year saw more trees planted and retaining walls, etc. were constructed.

The Sailfish Association visited our Club for the first time and the first Easter Regatta for 'Yachtsmen Only' was conducted over two days.

#### Club Award Winners –

Overall Club Champion	Laurie Doldissen
Moth Class Champion	John Wilson
Quickcat Champion	Laurie Doldissen
Gwen 12 Champion	Allan H. Johnson & Alan Michelsen
Pennant - First	Laurie Doldissen
Second	John Wilson
Third	Ralph G. Michell
Fourth	Allan H. Johnson & Alan Michelsen
Special Point to Point	Dr. Harry Pannifax

Mr. Reg Wills, formerly of the Bendigo Advertiser, donated the Silver Rose Bowl for the Club Champion, won for the first time by Laurie Doldissen.

The second Boat Show was conducted but unfortunately was not as successful as the previous year.

### FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT 1964-1965

## COMMODORE - CLIFFORD J. SWATTON

Further development on the site was undertaken by the planting of a further one hundred and forty trees. Unfortunately many of these trees were burnt during a controlled burning off. Lawn planting is to continue in the coming season.

Membership rose to 161 with the boat register recording 45 yachts, although only 10 to 27 yachts participated during Saturday competitions. Sunday social sailing was not as well attended as in the previous season.

The Honour Board was kindly donated by Mr. and Mrs. John Kew and will record for the future, the Commodore's and Club Champion's names.

Application was made to the State Electricity Commission to have the power connected.

The Club applied to the controlling body, the State Rivers & Water Supply Commission for additional land. The move was opposed publicly in the media and caused considerable trouble. Fortunately, the Club's progressive attitudes were appreciated by the authorities and the Club's high standing was not affected.

Publication of 'Mainsheet' commenced on an ad hoc basis with Bill Wishart, Secretary, taking on the role of Editor.

A fishing competition held to raise funds was unsuccessful, due to the inclement weather.

Club conducted its first Victorian Championship on behalf of GP 14's, over the Labour Day weekend.

The Easter Regatta was not a success, so a decision was made to transfer future regattas to the Australia Day weekend.

Attendance at Saturday competition varied from ten to twenty-seven boats with the following taking out the Club awards.

Club Champion	David Smith & crew Kath Hassett
Quickcat Champion	Robert L. Foreman
Quickcat Pennant	Alan Goodall
Gwen 12 Champion	David Smith & crew Kath Hassett
Gwen 12 Pennant	David Smith & crew Kath Hassett

## FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT 1965-1966

### COMMODORE - CLIFFORD J. SWATTON

Eppalock Foreshore Committee was formed to take over the supervision and control of sports in the Kimbolton Pool.

A very notable event took place during the season was the decision by the Ladies of the Club to form their own Committee to organise the social requirements within the club.

The inaugural Ladies Committee members were:

Mrs. Wilma Foreman, Mrs. Hardman, Mrs. Olive Mann,  
Mrs. Shirley Hudson and Miss Faye Baker

During the year, Club Members subscribed 780 in debentures to enable site improvements to continue. The site improvements included -

- completion of lawn improvements and removal of foreshore rocks
- installation of the pump to provide water to the club house, including a tank stand

- sprinklers for lawn;
- improvements to the kitchen and barbeque area;
- playground;
- painting of club house

The Annual Australia Day Regatta attracted 70 entries.

During the years invitations were extended to the Bendigo Speedboat Club and the Williamstown Sailing Club to visit our club to create a like interest in each clubs sport and develop closer friendships.

Club Award Winners -

Club Champion	Barry E. McMahon
Quickcat Champion	Robert L. Foreman
Gwen 12 Champion	Barry E. McMahon
Open Class Champion	Gerald L. Hardman
Pennant - Division 1	Barry E. McMahon
- Division 2	Lindsay J. Mann

44 yachts competed during the year.

## SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT 1966-1967

### COMMODORE - CLIFFORD SWATTON

Commodore Swatton listed site works to be completed during year prior to 1968 season –

- closing in of verandah;
- completion of kitchen area;
- improvements to children's play area
- improvements to BBQ area including lighting
- construction of ditches and installation of rubbish bins
- improvements to pumping & watering system
- club house maintenance and painting
- improvements to access roads and
- installation of rubbish receptacles

As limited funds were available for the above works, it was agreed that in the foreseeable future, the club would need to use the bank overdraft offered, together with the raising of further debentures from Club members.

There was an increase in regular attendance at weekly competition.

Training for juniors will be undertaken prior to the opening of the next season. Arafura cadet and Y.W. cadet yachts were to be the sponsored junior classes.

Recognition of the Club's strong Quickcat fleet was acknowledged by the Quickcat Association in conducting the Victorian Championships at the Club. Unfortunately, lack of wind marred the Championship.

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Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	Alan Goodall
Quickcat Champion	Alan Goodall
Gwen 12 Champion`	Barry E. McMahon
Open Champion	Clifford J. Swatton
Pennant - Division 1	Ken A. Barton (Lazy E)
- Division 2	Ralph G. Michell (Quickcat)

The Annual Regatta held during December attracted 56 entries.

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1967-1968

COMMODORE - RALPH G. MICHELL

Commodore Michell referred to the year as one of consolidation.

This was the year that Sir Francis Chichester received his Knighthood after completing his single-handed circumnavigation of the world and the present attempt by Alec Rose in following in his footsteps.

It was also a year when again Bendigo Yachtsmen brought honour to the Club by winning titles in National and State competitions.

????? who won what? Information not included in A/Report ??

The Junior training scheme was successfully carried out with the result that juniors won 33% of the year's placings.

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The bank balance was still in the red, but was quite manageable.

The next major works for the incoming committee is the consideration and erection of a storage shed for boat storage, hot or cold showers and the proposed extension to the club house to incorporate a 'Common Room', in which meetings and social gatherings may be held.

During 1968 the Club fleet comprised of:

13 Quickcats	6 Gwens
4 Mantas	4 Lazy E's
3 Arafuras	4 Sailfish
1 Atunga 15	4 Flying Fifteens
2 Cadets	1 GP14
1 Moth	1 Mirror
1 VJ	1 Bonnie
1 Trailer Sailer	

The Club Regatta was again held in December, but only attracted a disappointing 44 entrants. A return to the Australian Day weekend for this event was generally considered desirable.

The Sailing Committee report referred to the criticism of the handicapping system. A "bone of contention" in all years. At least it shows the interest by the sailors in their results.

Club Award Winners -

Club Champion	Dirk van der Voorden
Quickcat Champion	Alan Goodall
Gwen 12 Champion	Barry E. McMahon
Open Class Champion	Dirk van der Voorden
Pennant - Division 1	Greg Goodall (Moth)
- Division 2	Dirk van der Voorden (Attunga)

An official report was received from Mrs. Wilma Foreman, President of the re-formed Ladies Committee, specifying the improvements during the year and identifying the installation of showers for both the Ladies and Men's Dressing Rooms as their commitment for the forthcoming season.

## EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT 1968-1969

### COMMODORE - RALPH G. MICHELL

This was the year of light winds when most races were conducted in extremely light breezes.

Membership increased by 39 during the year with the main increase being 15 juniors.

Camping area site was levelled while the start on the erection of the boat shed was undertaken.

Hot and cold showers to be installed prior to the next season.

Obtain services of Mr. Trefor, who, in return for living on the site, provided security, watered lawns and cleaned up a little.

Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	Dirk van der Voorden
Quickcat Champion	Alan Goodall
Gwen 12 Champion	Barry E. McMahon

Open Champion  
Flying Fifteen Champion  
Junior Champion  
Pennant - Division 1  
          - Division 2  
          - Junior

Ken A. Barton & crew  
Rob Murray & crew  
Geoff Michell  
Ken A. Barton -Lazy E  
Bob L. Foreman -Quickcat  
Geoff Michell

The return to the Australia Day weekend for the Regatta proved favourable with 56 yachts attending.

## NINTH ANNUAL REPORT 1969-1970

### COMMODORE -RALPH G. MICHELL

Conditions so much better than 1969 with fair winds.

Constitution changed so that alcoholic liquor could be consumed on Club premises.

Caretaker had to leave due to requirement by KM&RC that no person can live in a caravan that is left on a site for a full year.

Due to the lack of available funds and the Club's overdraft situation this led to the Club formulating the Bendigo Yacht Club Co-operative Ltd. which was a registered Co-operative formed to raise funds for the purchase of the first motorised rescue boat and extensions to the boat shed and Clubhouse. The Co-operative had a nominal capital of \$10,000 for these purposes.

Hot and cold showers were finally installed. The Ladies Committee contributing \$300 towards the cost.

The boat shed storage racks were in the process of being installed by Ken Hill and Harold Dennis with thanks also to Col Hawkins.

Annual Report stated that Annual Regatta had a wonderful attendance with 78 yachts competing, forty being visitors from other clubs.



Members of Ladies Committee were thanked for preparing afternoon teas and assisting in conducting and recording of races.

A special vote of thanks went to Ruth Hill as club journalist for her excellent reporting of the race results each week.

Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	Cliff Swatton & crew
Quickcat Champion	Alan Goodall
Gwen 12 Champion	Barry E. McMahon & crew
Flying 15 Champion	Rob Murray & crew
Open Champion	Clifford J. Swatton & crew
Junior Champion	Janet Hill
Pennant - Division 1	Greg Goodall -Moth
- Division 2	Clifford J. Swatton & crew -Manta
- Junior	Janet Hill

## TENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1970-1971

### COMMODORE - LINDSAY J. MANN

First official Opening day celebrations, a special occasion with the Hon. Jock Granter, MLC - Minister for Water & Forests, performing the Opening ceremony of the Clubs sailing season and the unveiling and launching of the new rescue boat.

Other official guests were:

Mrs. Granter,

Mayor of Bendigo Cr. N. J. Oliver,

Shire President of Strathfieldsaye Council, Cr. R. Sommerville and Mrs. Sommerville,

Mr. & Mrs. J.L. King, State Rivers & Water Supply Commission,

Mr. D. Elvery, Kimbolton Recreation and Management Committee

Commodore of Bendigo Speed Boat Club, Mr. N. Quin and Mrs. Quin.

Weather conditions ideal for sailing, although towards the end of the season, light winds caused shortened courses.

Another successful Regatta was held on the Australia Day weekend with 88 boats competing, over a three days.

No great development programmes undertaken during the season due to the desire to consolidate the Club's finances.

Clifford Swatton resigned as “ Main Sheet” Editor due to a transfer in employment and his position was ably filled by John Hawkins with assistance from his father Col Hawkins.

An unofficial social club was formed to organise evening functions.

Commodore made reference to the lack of support at opening Regattas in the area, namely Waranga and Cairn Curran Clubs.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Walter J. Boucher
Quickcat Champion	Jim K. Mahoney
Gwen 12 Champion	D. Blake & crew
Flying 15 Champion	Alex McGregor & crew
Open Champion	Walter J. Boucher
Division 3 (under 12 feet)	John Foreman - Moth
Pennant - Division 1	John Hawkins & crew (Fireball)
- Division 2	Walter J. Boucher – A Class
- Division 3	R. Williamson -Arafura

## ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1971-1972

### COMMODORE - LINDSAY J. MANN

The Commodore paid tribute to the three previous Commodores, since formation in 1962, namely Allan H. Johnson, Clifford J. Swatton and Ralph G. Michell.

The Annual Regatta saw 150 yachts on the water, nearly double the previous year with Trailer Sailors making their presence felt. The Victorian Sailfish Championships were also held. The Gwen Association saw the success of the 'Country' members versus the 'City' clubs.

Members took part in the Australian and Victorian Championships and Dirk van der Voorden for the third year in succession took out the Victorian Championships in his 15' Attunga class catamaran.

The new club house extension was completed, made possible by the formation of the Bendigo Yacht Club Building Co-operative.

Two new sub-committees were formed, for maintenance of House, and for Grounds.

In the Sailing Committee report, Ken Hill reported the race control leadership of Therese van der Voorden was again well done.

The rescue boat on race days was permanently skippered by John Tope, who completed this important operation very effectively.

In the Ladies Committee report, Olive Mann as Secretary stated "Bank balance has increased very nicely and we will probably have it all spent by next season on improvements to Clubhouse". Indeed, throughout all the Annual Reports, the creature comforts we enjoy today are largely due to the profit-making ventures of our Ladies.

An item for discussion at tonight's Annual General Meeting is "that only skippers of boats which are officially recognised as a class by the Club, be eligible to compete for the overall Club Championship event.

??? What decision was taken and check where reported – try Minutes AGM of 1st May, 1972.?????

Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Robert L. Foreman
Quickcat Champion	Robert L. Foreman
Open Class Champion	H.A. Barton

Note:

(there would appear in the Annual Report to have been a printing error

I have taken above results, which were the only information supplied from the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Report)

## TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT 1972-1973

### COMMODORE - BARRY E. McMAHON

Early this season, a General Meeting & Rules Night was convened at the Clubhouse and invited guest speaker was Mr. M. Barker from Cairn Curran Yacht Club. The effect of the evenings events were to see a sudden influx of protests as skippers sought to take advantage of the newly acquired knowledge of race rules.

Senior fees were increased 50% to \$15.00 per annum, and substantial increases were necessary for joining fees.

Financially, strict budgeting was necessary to meet the Club commitment to the Bendigo Yacht Club Co-operative Society, set up primarily for Clubhouse extensions and a rescue craft.

Site developments included the installation of an effluent disposal system. Under Lindsay Mann and Ralph Michell, the project cost was reduced from \$1,000 to \$600.

The Annual Regatta again proved popular. A record of 197 entries were received and realised a nett profit of \$564. The events pre-race publicity and organisation was expertly handled by Allan Johnson.

The Sailing Committee noted that no major successes were recorded in title events, and a greater diversity of yacht classes may mean more divisions in future years.

The ladies race control services contributed by Therese van der Voorden, Isobel Guest and Ruth Hill, were noted as invaluable. Appreciation was also acknowledge for the manning each race day of the rescue boat by John Tope and Ray V. Harriott.

The Ladies Committee provided \$300 towards much needed furniture for the common room, solving a long-standing problem of the General Committee.

Ken and Ruth Hill handled the "Mainsheet" and the demanding task of the weekly report to the Bendigo Advertiser.

This year saw the withdrawal from office of the Treasurer of 5 years, Mr. Harold G. Dennis, and Mr. Allan H. Johnson who has held every executive position in the Club since its formation.

This season saw the renewal of the Junior Championship. Requirements were that skippers were to be Under 18 and sailing in Division 3.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Robert L. Foreman
Junior Champion	J. Harriott & Crew
Quickcat champion	Robert L. Foreman
Open Monohull Champion	Mike Jinks & Crew
Open Multihull Champion	Dirk van der Voorden
Division 3 Champion	J. Harriott & Crew
Commodore's Trophy	D. Rathbone & Crew

#### THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1973-1974

#### COMMODORE – DR. GERALD L. HARDMAN

The next 2 years, 1973-75 saw the Club in the hands of quite a senior and formidable line up of Flag Officers, namely –

Gerald L. Hardman R.N.	– Commodore
Alan Hudson	–Vice Commodore
Ken W. Hill	– Rear Commodore
Don Ridge	
- Chairman-Sailing Committee & General	

## Committee

The 1973-74 Sailing Season was officially opened by the Hon. Jock Granter, MLA, Minister for the State Water Supply and Forests, and the records indicate he was genuinely appreciative of the work carried out on and around the Club site to prevent erosion.

Membership increased from 146 to 170 senior members and 51 to 60 junior members.

The popularity of the Club to organise races brought visits from the Boomerang, GP 14, Quest B2, and the Attunga Associations to hold their championships or heats at our Club. Other visitors to the club were our old friends, the Sailfish Association, the Young Farmers and the Transport Board Yachting Association and the Royal Historical Society of Victoria who donated two magnificent trophies, to commemorate the Bicentennial of the birth of Matthews Flinders.

No major works were undertaken, but several important projects were carried out. A two way radio was installed in the rescue boat by Ken W. Hill, and a second toilet added to the Ladies Change Room and a large incinerator was constructed by Peter Bremner. This was to reduce the number of visits to the tip. A duplicator was purchased for producing the "Mainsheet" and the control room roof was insulated.

Trees were planted on land north of our site, hoping that by this type of improvement the Club in time might receive favourable consideration for its use. No progress has been made, but the land is still vacant.

In sailing, there were 30 different classes of yachts sailing, and class racing for Championships was introduced for Flying Fifteens, "A" Class, Arafura Cadet, Mirror and Sailfish, combined with the already Quickcat class.

The average season's figures of 46.8 yachts sailing for pennant events compared well with 39.5 the previous year, and well ahead of 1968 with an average of 24.4

Race Control again was still under the control of Ruth Hill, Therese van der Voorden and Isobel Guest.

A National Titleholder was produced this year when Mark Williamson became the holder in the Mosquito Class.

An updated Handicapping system was instituted by Don Ridge and was accepted.

The Ladies Committee under the leadership of Mrs. J. Fay spent \$300 for Club amenities, and due to the organization and hard work at the Regatta, raised \$184.

#### Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	Dirk van der Voorden
Junior Champion	M. Harriott & Crew
Open Monohull Champion	Barry E. McMahon
Open Multihull Champion	Dirk van der Voorden
Commodore's Trophy	Lindsay J. Mann & Crew
Best First Year Sailor (Ladies Committee Trophy)	R. Holl

#### FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1974-1975

#### COMMODORE - GERALD L. HARDMAN

During 1974/75, Don Ridge relinquished his dual role of General Committee Member and Chairman Sailing Committee and took over the appointment as Honorary Treasurer.

The season was officially opened by Mr. Don Little, Commissioner of State Rivers & Water Supply Commission. Mr. Little is best remembered as the Engineer in Charge of the construction of Lake Eppalock. He played a big part in shaping the destiny of the Club; as he was the person who gave final approval for the Bendigo Yacht Club to lease our present site.

The season started with a record water level of the lake. With good winds, good sailing the Saturday racing fleet increased to an average of 60 yachts. Over the past four years, Bob Foreman has been successful in winning the Club Championship three times sailing his Solo 16 and the Junior Champion was John McLennan sailing a Moth.

The Australia Day Regatta saw 170 yachts take to the water, 20 less than the record of 190 in 1973, but the club still made a record profit of \$1,297.00.

The Commodore recorded that Don Ridge and Jock Crook provided professional expertise in the conduct of running our races, which will remain a feature of Club racing for years to come.

With 60 boats racing each Saturday, the Club voted to purchase a second rescue craft. Improvements, at little or no cost, were carried out in the barbecue area - almost the sole effort of Roy Jones. Additional radios were purchased and power points installed in the camping area.

The popularity of the Bendigo Yacht Club (BYC) was indicated by a membership increase from 147 senior members to 180, a total membership from 490 to 600. There was some concern that membership may have to be restricted. It was even suggested that a second Club be formed, and the K.R.A.M.C. actually had a site selected at the old Heathcote Yacht Club, but this never eventuated.

The Commodore had one disappointment, he had envisaged a boat shed on the vacant block on our northern boundary. We give credit to our Commodore for introducing the Sailfish and later the Flying Fifteen classes.



During this year, 1974/75, the handicapping system introduced by Don Ridge was retained, but taken over by Brian Guest. Ken Johnson (Division 1), Jock Crook (Division 3), shared the responsibilities during the Regatta.

Race control was shared by Ruth Hill and Isobel Guest, but it was decided sailing members will have to share this responsibility in future.

1975 being International Women's Year, it was appropriate that all senior female financial members received the right to vote on Club matters. The Clubs Constitution was altered during 1975-76 to allow this to happen.

#### Class Award Winners-

Club Champion	Robert L. Foreman
Junior Champion	John McLennan
Commodore's Trophy	Gerald L. Hardman & Crew
Best First Year Sailor	Ross Foreman
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

#### FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1975-1976

##### COMMODORE - ALAN N. HUDSON

Membership this season reached an all time record of 691.

Administration of a Club this size presented difficulties, and it was suggested that a paid officer may be necessary.

Peter Bremner had made an outstanding contribution as Secretary for 3 years, and resigned the position.

Allan Johnson, our foundation Commodore, who had held almost every position retired from the Committee. He was recognised for his role over the years by being made a Life Member.

The long awaited second rescue boat was purchased.

The Victorian Yachting Council, in recognising the facilities and administrations of the Club, granted a VYC sponsored event for the coming year and arrangements were made for their official training unit to visit Bendigo

Our publicity in the sporting section of the Bendigo Advertiser was enhanced by Margot Jones' subtlety of many of her comments.

Jock Crook was another retirement after chairing the Sailing Committee with distinction. Bob Foreman was again Club Champion and brought further credit to our Club by winning the Australian and State Solo 16 Championships and the Bendigo Advertiser/B.C.V. 8 Sports Star of the month. Junior Champion was Rick Holl sailing a Sailfish.

The Ladies Committee with funds raised this year purchased the two-door refrigerator and the kitchen Gyro-Aire fan, the balance being handed over to the General Committee. The next project to be undertaken by the Committee is to cover the cement floor with a cushioned backed vinyl.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Robert L. Foreman
Junior Champion	Rick Holl
Commodore's Trophy	Lew Blake
Best First Year Sailor	Bruce Johnson (Jnr)
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

#### SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1976-1977

#### COMMODORE - ALAN N. HUDSON

Alan Hudson accepted nomination for a second year as Commodore with no Treasurer or Secretary. Finally, Len Williams was appointed paid Administration Officer and June Palframan took over the position as Honorary Treasurer.

The second boat shed was started.

The Bendigo Yacht Club hosted the Ice-Breaker Regatta which was sponsored by the Victorian Yachting Council (VYC) and the VYC Training Unit visited the Club.

The Victorian Yachting Council (VYC) sponsored the Bendigo Yacht Club Ice-Breaker Regatta and the VYC Training Unit visited the Club to help with on water training and instruction.

The Committee decided to become more involved in Regional and State sailing activities. The annual Cairn Curran Challenge Shield was the result of this policy.

Publicity was excellent for Club activities with Roy and Margot Jones giving their time on Saturday mornings to be interviewed on radio 3BO.

In the sailing activities, it was noteworthy to have father and son as Club Champion and Junior Champion, namely, Ken Johnson and Bruce Johnson.

Bob Foreman, Greg Goodall and Jack Carroll had victories in National and State Championships.

Ruth Hill retired after 3 years as President of the Ladies Committee, with \$2,000 in hand in the Committee's funds which was earmarked to insulate the recreation area of the Clubhouse.

Membership reached a total of 712. New members totalled 73 and 63 members did not renew their memberships.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Ken Johnson
Junior Champion	Bruce Johnson
Commodore's Trophy	Alan Hudson & Crew
Best First Year Sailor	Peter Harriott

## SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1977-1978

### COMMODORE - KEN W. HILL

Ken Hill took over as Commodore and several large projects previously planned and budgeted for were completed, namely:

the acoustic insulation of the common room,  
the public address system extended to the boat shed area,  
new spouting and new main entrance steps,  
a second boat shed with Bob Foreman's design for racking,  
completed at a total cost of \$7,114.80,  
a mobile jetty was designed and constructed by members,  
installation of natural timber tables to the BBQ area, and  
the club is awaiting approval from K.R.A.M.C. for the construction of a  
launching ramp, incorporating a storm water dispersal drain.  
Mr. David Elvery of the Soil Conservation Authority has arranged for  
the diversion of storm water, on the south side of our site, to alleviate  
flooding possibilities.

In sailing, Ken Johnson became National Champion in the Arrow Class and was also recognized with the Bendigo Advertiser/BCV8 Sport Star of the Month Award. Victorian State titles were won by Bob Foreman (Solo 16) and Dirk van der Voorden (Mosquito).

The Sailing Committee, chaired by Margot Jones, reported a healthy increase in Junior Sailors, competing in Arrows, Arafuras, Cadets and Elwood Juniors.

It was reported that due to the very low water levels of the lake the only problem was in making sailors and competitors aware of the numerous snags.

Several significant financial decisions were made - an overdraft was arranged to purchase a well -equipped rescue craft, re-modelling of the control room and possibly, a boat ramp.

An indication of the hard work by the Ladies committee, under the leadership of Chris Carswell, was the generous contribution of \$2,000 to Club funds.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Laurie Bach & Judy Bach
Junior Champion	Ross Foreman
Commodore's Trophy	Bill Hughes
Best First Year Sailor	Steve Straede
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

#### EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1978-1979

##### COMMODORE - KEN W. HILL

The year 1978/79 saw Ken Hill elected for a second term - he paid tribute to Allan Johnson for again taking the responsibility of Club Secretary for another year.

The new rescue boat, a uniquely designed hull to provide access to all quarters by crew for rescue was purchased. A tractor was also purchased for towing of the rescue craft.

The Club house received special attention under the supervision of Peter Bremner and it was repainted, new sky lights fitted, storm water pipes extended, fire extinguishers installed, flywire screens fitted and shower recesses tiled.

An air conditioner was fitted for the control room, the storage shed moved to provide development of the children's play-ground. The water supply was extended to the storage shed and lawn areas.

The numbers of visitors to the Regatta were down. Roy Jones suggested Pennants be issued to participants, he volunteered to design these and consequently they were well received.

Junior sailors Ross Foreman, Wayne Bach and Senior sailor Phillip Mann were selected to attend "Youth Sail" in Canberra organised by the Victorian Yachting Council.

Bob Foreman again retained the Victorian State Championship in the Solo 16 titles, with Ross Foreman winning both the Junior National and Victorian State Solo 16 Class.

The Ladies Committee made \$396.60 on the Regatta and again maintained a high profile in the progress of the Club. Funds were \$1,595 at the end of the year, and long awaited improvements to the kitchen were planned.

The Sailing Committee reported that the Control Room extensions were completed, thanks to General Committee and Building Committee member, Bob Easton.

Tributes were paid to Rowe Harriott for his permanent role in rescue duty, and to Don Ridge for his organisation and control of the Australia Day Regatta and also compiling the results.

Financial figures indicate the growth and activities of the Club receipts totalled \$24,576.78 with an equivalent expenditure.

The audited balance sheet showed assets of \$49,716.06 and liabilities of \$10,395.05.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Laurie Bach & Judy Bach
Junior Champion	Phillip Mann
Commodore's Trophy	S. Floyd
Best First Year Sailor	Col Nicoll
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

COMMODORE – ROY JONES (Resigned 14<sup>th</sup> March 1980)  
- LAURIE BACH (Appointed 14<sup>th</sup> March 1980)

The 1979/80 season's Commodore was Roy Jones who subsequently resigned in March 1980, and Laurie Bach as Vice Commodore took over. Most of the achievement for this season had already been completed under Roy Jones leadership.

In sailing, an average of 65 boats competed each week for the Pennant Series and the right to compete in the new system Club Championship Series. The system was generally accepted by the members.

Jack Carroll and Greg Goodall attended VYC training seminar and were also responsible for conducting sessions of our sailing school prior to Christmas. While attendance were disappointing at times, much knowledge was transferred and assistance given to learners.

With an improvement in the way that the Regatta has been organised saw a 51% increase in participants and the Commodore gave full credit to Don Ridge for his forward planning. Don Ridge was also responsible for the excellent job in handicapping and controlling the Flying Fifteen and Solo State titles.

Rescue craft gave signs of higher maintenance costs than envisaged and without the support of Rowe Harriott there would have been times when sailing would have been cancelled because of lack of rescue craft.

As usual, the ladies banded together and worked hard on the catering for the Flying Fifteen and Solo weekend, and the Regatta. They finished the year with a healthy balance of \$2,120.22, which will enable their Committee to once again provide something of value for Club members.

With the renovation of the outer kitchen completed, the ladies intended to use funds next year for sailing requirements such as a set of binoculars, anchors for abandoned craft, junior sailing requisites, and a wind speed indicator.

As well as catering, the Red Cross box was kept well stocked to cope with first aid emergencies - a folding bed was also acquired to form a first aid station.

A new three phase pumping system was installed following considerable problems and expense with the old one.

The Sailing Committee's Safety Officer, Neil Bruce, saw that each rescue craft was equipped with all necessary safety gear. The maintenance of 8 buoys in the lake was expensive and time consuming, and the introduction of Olympic type courses was found to be less arduous for buoy maintenance.

Greg Goodall and Mark Williamson were recipients of the Bendigo Advertiser/B.C.V. 8 Sports Star of the Month Awards. This award was in recognition of Greg winning the Australian Mosquito Class and Mark being the Australian Champion in the Arrow Class.

The Treasurer, June Palframan held a firm hand on finances and reported that the Club was operating an overdraft of \$5,000.00, which would extend to approximately \$6,500.00 by August 1980.

By resolution of the General Meeting, negotiations were made to extend the overdraft by \$13,000.00 making a total of \$20,000.00.

The additional \$13,000.00 was to provide

- (i) replacement of 70 hp electric start tilt and trim Mercury
- (ii) outboard motor on rescue craft 1. Cost \$2,500.00,
- (iii) purchase of a new Savage "Nautilus Hull" fitted with a 12hp Yanmar diesel engine. Cost \$8,200.00.
- (iv) improvements to drainage system. Cost \$1,600.00

Further funds of \$2,800.00 per annum were required to pay a maintenance/caretaker and cleaner to work 480 hours. Mr. McCarron was the successful appointee to this position.

June Palframan's year had been one of spectacular development, and John Ashby consented to take over the financial reins.



## Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Laurie Bach & Judy Bach
Junior Champion	W. Bach
Commodore's Trophy	Doug Carswell
Best First Year Sailor	J. Stewart
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

## TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT 1980-81

### COMMODORE – LAURIE BACH

The Twentieth Annual Report 1980/81 year started off on a sad note, when it recorded the passing of Dr. Gerald L. Hardman, on 24<sup>th</sup> March 1981. Gerald was one of our early members, a past Commodore and "Mainsheet" Editor for 6 years, where he contributed many entertaining and sometimes controversial editorials.

The twentieth year of the Club, 1980/81 saw a significant change in the conditions of races and the introduction of Olympic type courses was generally well accepted. A special mention to Rowe Harriott was recorded, as he was responsible for the boat starts and finishes. Rescue craft had for some years been a problem to maintain, but this year saw a marked improvement when Bill Thomas and son Ron fuelled and launched the craft for the entire season.

Members' participation was at a high level for a successful Regatta. The Ladies Committee finished the year with a credit balance of \$3,006.12. From these funds, \$1000.00 has been made available for paving BBQ area and \$1000.00 for Committee room cupboards. Ruth Hill resigned after 14 years of sterling service on the Ladies Committee.

The radios and electrical equipment were well maintained by Ken Hill.

Tom Glazebrook designed the drainage system for the foreshore run-off, which was installed by members.

Allan H. Johnson, Life Member, past Commodore and Foundation member has decided to retire from the office of Secretary at the end of this year. Allan has continued to support the club since its inception in 1962.

The Treasurer reported a year of high expenditure, with major purchase of,

- A third rescue boat "Campaspe" \$7,853.00
- New motor "Kimbolton" \$2,535.00
- New Motor "Coliban" \$2,125.00 (less trade in)
- Installation drainage and erosion control \$1,511.00
- Employment of Caretaker \$1,779.00  
(estimated \$2,800.00)

Unfortunately income from fees was some \$4,000.00 less than estimated, due mainly to the loss of members.

Income from our Wine raffle of \$1,400.00 and a \$2000.00 Government 'Grant', helped to offset the shortfall.

A First Aid Committee was formed and the equipment for on shore and rescue boats was greatly improved.

The needs of the younger group 15-21 years members were catered for at a forum, which was responsible for organising a display on Bendigo Community Day, and trips to the snow.

#### Class Award Winners-

Club Champion	S. Floyd
Junior Champion	S. Floyd
Commodore's Trophy	Kevin Thiele
Best First Year Sailor	A. Roberts
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

## TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT 1981-1982

### COMMODORE – DON RIDGE

The General Committee decided that this year would be one of consolidation with no new capital works but mindful of maintaining existing assets and reducing the Club's debts to its Bankers.

The Australia Day Regatta was a great success with Vice Commodore Ian Palframan as Co-ordinator. A Perpetual Trophy was introduced for the Regatta Champion.

The Hartley TS16 State titles were held and well catered for by the ladies.

Trailer sailer entries showed a marked increase and an area marked out for their storage. Minor works were carried out to improve the environment of the Clubhouse, such as paving the BBQ area, shrub planting, tables, flywire screens in the Clubhouse, new curtains, lopping of dangerous trees and electrical extensions to the camping area.

The Ladies Committee under leadership of June Palframan improved catering facilities with the purchase of a deep freeze unit, pie warmer, additional crockery and cutlery. They were responsible for many social activities including, Dinner Dances and Christmas Party for the children.

The "Mainsheet" publication continued to be produced throughout the season by Eoin Floyd, as well as an excellent weekly by correspondent Ian Grant in the sporting section of the Bendigo Advertiser.

After many months of thought the Club now has a good looking Club pennant.

The Club's good rapport with the Victorian Yachting Council was maintained and the year finished up with a significant increase in membership.

## Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	J. Boyer
Junior Champion	T. Johnson
Commodore's Trophy	J. Boyer
Best First Year Sailor	R. Beardall
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

## TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT 1982-1983

### COMMODORE – DON RIDGE

Don Ridge was elected Commodore for a second term for the Club's twenty-first year: a year that presented a number of negative factors. There was a general turn down in members in most sporting clubs. The previous year, the worst drought was recorded. There were rumours the lake would be closed. The Season saw a reduction in effective membership and fewer yachts were sailing on a regular basis.

However, on the positive side, on Opening Day we were honoured to have the President of the Victorian Yachting Council, Mr. Ron White, Bendigo Councillors Allan Hardess and Harry Wragge to launch our sailing season.

The Regatta was popular with well over 100 yachts competing, sailing schools were conducted for the younger members, or any member who wished to brush up on their sailing techniques.

The Trailer Sailer numbers increased again and became the dominant division. The Boat Register recorded the following yachts,

Keel Boats	17	(including Flying Fifteens, Dart, Red Jacket)
Trailable Yachts	39	
Off the Beach -		
Monohulls	115	
Multihulls	53	

The degree of members' involvement in Title competitions up to World level did a great deal to put the Bendigo Yacht Club on the map. Australian Titles were won by Greg Goodall and Mark Williamson. Victorian State Title by Greg Goodall and Victorian Junior Titles by P. Hughes and A. Plummer.

For the first time, the Advertiser/BCV8 Sports Star of the Year Award went to our yachtsman, Greg Goodall.

Having been a long, hot dry summer, there was a need to improve the cooling facilities in the Clubhouse. This need was met with the installation of the overhead fans and the ceiling insulation.

More trees were planted around the site to create shade for our members' comfort, and a new mower was purchased. It was decided to defer the Clubhouse painting until next year. The standard of maintenance and general presentation of the site was well maintained in spite of the drought.

The Ladies Committee remained strong as ever with fundraising providing many amenities for all members.

The Treasurer reported that the Club's indebtedness had been reduced and provision made for a future boat ramp and fuel store, and a recommendation not to increase subscriptions for 1983/84.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Robert L. Foreman & crew
Junior Champion	J. Roberts & crew
Commodore's Trophy	Robert L. Foreman & crew
Best First Year Sailor	??
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT 1983-84

COMMODORE – IAN PALFRAMAN

Ian Palframan was elected Commodore for 1983/84. On opening day, Commodore Ian introduced Inspector Ray Applebee of the Victorian Water Police to officially open the season. Others present were Victorian Yachting Council members including President Mr. Barry Scott. A special luncheon was organised to entertain our guest.

Ampol Association made an official presentation to Greg Goodall who was selected as Victorian Yachtsman of the Year.

In sailing, an additional Stern Chaser was held and a night race conducted. The number of "off the beach" yachts declined with a further increase in Trailer Sailors.

Sailing Master, Jack Carroll and his team conducted training sessions for the young sailors (and a few older yachtsman too). Rowan Gillies, Sailing Committee Chairman, due to Army commitments was away early in the season and a young member, Stuart Ridge, capably took over the season's sailing programme.

The Laser Association adopted the Bendigo Yacht Club as its venue for training weekends. Another event hosted by the club was the Still Water Board Regatta for sailboards. The large fleet was a sight to see, no wonder it is the fastest growing sport in the world.

The State Titles for the Arrow & Sonata Associations were held. Kevin Thiele was responsible for arranging and conducting the Titles. The Timpenny Association also visited the Club during the Queens birthday long weekend.

In the Club house, the ladies provided a tape deck and sound system and a cabinet for the trophies.

A new portfolio, that of Membership Development was commenced in the hands of John Hawkins. His first project was a successful display of yachts fully rigged in the Hargreaves Mall, Bendigo.

Building & Grounds Committee Chairman, Ted Richmond maintained the site and he also carried out the onerous task of Camping Officer for the Regatta and allocation of caravan sites.

A Winter Series was conducted with 30 yachts taking part for the first race. The eventual winner was Kevin Thiele and crew.

The Club was invited to organise the Victorian Yachting Council Icebreaker for the next season during September, an indication of the high regard the VYC holds the Bendigo Yacht Club to conduct such an event.

#### Class Award Winners-

Club Champion	Robert L. Foreman & crew
Junior Champion	S. Floyd
Commodore's Trophy	Dane Boag & crew
Best First Year Sailor (Ladies Committee Trophy)	Peter & Linda Williams

#### 1<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL REPORT 1984-1985

#### BENDIGO YACHT CLUB INCORPORATED

(Incorporation date 12<sup>th</sup> September 1984)

#### COMMODORE – IAN PALFRAMAN

In its 25<sup>th</sup> year of operation the Bendigo Yacht Club became Incorporated. All the preparatory work was undertaken by the Secretary Don Ridge and his Sub-Committee.

The season got off to an excellent start with the staging of the Victorian Yachting Council Icebreaker Regatta.

The move to increase "off the beach boats" was the formation of a Cadet Fleet. Colin Nicol set the format and guidelines for the Training Programme, and with Jack Carroll's and Harry Richmond's zeal put the format into action, with some 32 cadets taking part.

Greg Goodall donated two kits and Dirk van der Voorden and Barry Hunter assembled and painted the yachts.

The Inaugural Wooduck Challenge for Austral 20's was held in conjunction with the Icebreaker Regatta. The club also hosted titles for the Timpenny class, Kitty Kat, Impulse and Solo Associations.

The Australia Day Regatta was held including a 3BO sponsored Teams Event.

Buoys have been a problem for years, however the purchase of inflatables from New Zealand proved highly successful. Canopies were fitted to the rescue boats for sun-shade and the jetty refurbished.

The Club produced 5 Victorian State Champions, namely:

Philip Mann – Mosquito Mk 1  
Chris Gibbs and crew – Careel 18  
Andrew Plummer and crew – Sonata 6  
Dane Boag and crew – Timpenny 670  
Trent Gorman – Sailfish was Junior State

Champion

By providing food and drinks throughout the year and catering for regattas, etc the ladies made sufficient profit to supply the inflatable buoys, a television set, extra power points, new urn, whipper snipper, and T-shirts for all the Cadets.

The "Mainsheet" continued to be produced by Eoin and Allison Floyd, assisted by Betty De Vos for typing.

Building & Grounds were in the capable hands of Lindsay Mann and Tom De Vos, with the following result: installation of a large concrete water tank and pump, new gas hot water system, jetty revamped and painted, a brick fuel storage shed (brick work by John and Lyn Ashby-equal opportunity, eh!)

Class Award Winners-



Club Champion  
Junior Champion  
Commodore's Trophy  
Best First Year Sailor  
(Ladies Committee Trophy)

John Hawkins & crew  
A. Roberts & crew  
Lindsay Mann & crew  
P. Benjamin

## 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL REPORT 1985-86

COMMODORE – ROWAN GILLIES (Resigned December 1985)

- JOHN HAWKINS (Appointed December 1985)

Rowan Gillies was elected Commodore for 1985/86, but unfortunately for the Club he had to resign in December 1985 due to a promotion was transfer to Sydney in the Army Survey Corps.

John Hawkins took over from Rowan with the distinction of being the youngest member to have held the top position.

The newly formed Building & Grounds Committee led by Rob Green enthusiastically set about listing a multitude of jobs to be carried out. They included extensions to the launching ramp, a loading platform at the fuel shed, new signs around the club, planting some 60 native eucalypts, the felling of dangerous trees, painting the Clubhouse, drainage to reduce erosion into the lake, and water supply equipment. All these jobs were completed with the result, that the whole site was well maintained.

Our contractors, Rob Green, Dirk and Therese van der Voorden carried out weekly maintenance to a very high standard.

Eoin Floyd, as Editor, was ably assisted in the production of the "Mainsheet" by Colwyn and Len Tranter.

Special Sailing Events included the inaugural Bendigo Trailable Yacht Classic with 100 entries, staged as Heat 1 of the Mini Computer Systems Series for Trailable Yachts, the Australia Day Regatta; the Hobie Cat and Ultimate titles.

The Ladies, under the leadership of Linda Thiele, were again in the forefront in hosting these events, from their fundraising they donated \$1,000.00 towards the new jetty and 50 comfortable chairs for the Common Room.

Rear Commodore Chris Gibbs and Rob Green and a group of trusty supporters made a major contribution to our facilities by constructing a large mobile jetty, which is not only functional but aesthetically enhances the area as a Yacht Club. Chris Gibbs also found time and had the expertise to overhaul a very old and tired Fergie tractor. Major repairs were also carried out to Rescue Craft "Kimbolton's" skeg.

The Cadet Fleet gathered momentum with a weekend "live-in" for 30 kids. This happened because of the dedication to young sailors by Training Officer and Cadet Fleet Director, Jack Carroll and Manager, Ian Grant.

The Membership Development Committee proved to be worthwhile in integrating new members into the Club. Current membership is 568 financial members.

As the club approaches its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary a Sub-Committee has been formed under the leadership of Ian Palframan to handle the festivities.

This year as in previous years, a number of our sailors brought great credit to the Club in the International, National and State Championships. (Refer to Appendix 'C' for full details).

#### Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	John Hawkins & crew
Junior Champion	Cameron Grant
Commodore's Trophy	Russell Conn & crew
Best First Year Sailor	N. Boehm
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

### 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL REPORT 1986-87

### 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY YEAR

### COMMODORE – JOHN HAWKINS

Our 25th Anniversary Year, 1987 saw John Hawkins re-elected as Commodore, Chris Gibbs, Vice Commodore and Peter Elverd as Rear Commodore.

The season began with a full lake which remained high throughout summer and with good winds prevailing, racing was exhilarating.

The Commodore announced that following a meeting with the VYC, a “Reciprocity Agreement” had been reached with the Newhaven Yacht Squadron, which has a marina that will cater for up to 150 yachts.

The Club purchased a Micro Bee Computer system, and Handicapper Bryan Clark can now produce results quickly - especially between races at Regattas.

The southern boat shed was altered to accommodate the tractor and rescue craft. The Club again organised the Trailable Yacht Classic, which recorded a record number of entries - 121 yachts. Incidentally, our Commodore won the day.

The Sailing Committee under the leadership of Vice Commodore Chris Gibbs introduced several new events. The Ancient Mariner's Series, Handicapper's Revenge, Match Racing series and the inaugural Off the Beach Classic and the commemorative 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Series.

Since incorporating the 3BO Teams Event, the Australia Day Regatta again proved popular with 140 entries. The Commodore commented that,

“it was a little disappointing that more of our own members did not see their way clear to support the Regatta either by way of

competing or assisting, but hopefully we can improve upon this”.

It was encouraging to see a marked increase in the "off the beach" boats, mainly Lasers and Flying Fifteens.

The Cadets commenced racing on their own course with up to 15 yachts taking part.

The Membership Development Committee under the leadership of Margaret Grant continued to promote the club and sailing in general by their attendance and display of boats in the Hargreaves Mall. Community Day in the Park and Open Day together with radio, television and newspaper reporting by Geoff Jack of results and forthcoming events.

The General Committee resolved to celebrate the 25th year of the Bendigo Yacht Club with an Anniversary Dinner, inviting Foundation members, and past and present members. The Victorian Yachtsman of the Year, Lindsay Cunningham, accepted an invitation to be Guest Speaker.

On the Friday prior to the Saturday dinner, the Mayor of Bendigo Cr. M.A. Currie, honoured the Club by tendering a Civic Reception to Mr. Lindsay Cunningham.

The Anniversary Celebrations concluded with a 'get together' luncheon at the Clubhouse, provided by the Ladies Committee for all members past and present, and their families.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion

Alex McGregor & crew Ian Dalrymple

Junior Champion

D. Thiele

Commodore's Trophy

No record of winner

Best First Year Skipper

Len Bishop

(Ladies Committee Trophy)

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### FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT 1987-88

#### COMMODORE – CHRIS GIBBS

The Commodore commences his report reflecting on the clubs past and its future. He commented that,

“The original members laid the foundation of the club with the potential to grow stronger year by year, and it is now up to us the present members to take up the challenge and develop our club in the areas and direction we feel will benefit all members”.

The Sailing Committee has been extremely active this season, conducting 7 State Titles, namely,

Timpenny  
Explorer 16  
Austral  
Sonata  
Arrow  
Arafura Cadet  
Solo dinghy

The above events coupled with the normal Club calendar programme kept the Sailing Committee extremely busy.

Works carried out on site under the leadership of Tom Glazebrook, were the painting of garden shed, ramps and steps around the site and caravan area, painting foyer and kitchen area and the outside overhead tank stand. The fitting of a western rotor to the men's change rooms and the purchase of an identical rotor to fit out the ladies change rooms.

The Ladies Committee under the guidance of Ruth Ridge and her committee catered for the following major events,

Victorian Yachting Council Coaching Classes

Cadet Live-In Weekend  
Christmas Function  
All State Championship Events  
Trailable Yacht Classic  
Australia Day Regatta  
BYC Opening Day  
Working Bees  
Organised Social Events and  
Supervision of the Canteen on a weekly basis

With funds raised during the season, the Committee replaced the water cooler in the kitchen area with wall fans and supplied stainless steel vacuum flasks for all the rescue craft.

The Bendigo Yacht Clubs link with the Victorian Yachting Council has been strengthened with the appointment of Ian Palframan as an Executive Member of VYC.

This season marked the Bicentennial year of the State and the Club was very successful in conducting the Bicentennial Australia Day Regatta with 150 entries and the usual flag raising ceremony. Other activities held by the club were the re-enactment by the Cadets of the First Fleet Landing, a Bicentennial Eve Birthday Party and the Bicentennial Mugs donated by the Shire of Strathfieldsaye and presented by Reg Hall, President of the Bicentennial Committee of the Shire of Strathfieldsaye.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	John Foreman
Junior Champion	D. Thiele
Commodore's Trophy	No Record of this Event????
Best First Year Sailor	Merv Rushton
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT 1988-89

COMMODORE – CHRIS GIBBS

The Commodore commented that the club has offered itself to the community over time, and has built a reputation of being a club that, can be held up as an example of how much good can be done, when like minded people work together with an objective of providing for, and building on a need.

The Sailing Committee with John Hawkins as chairperson, instigated several major changes in the 1988/89 sailing season, some of these changes are:

18 heats for Championship & Pennant Series

Ancient Mariners Series run concurrently with the Championship & Pennant Series

Inner Courses for Cadets

Annual Race Fee now incorporating the Winter Series, making it a real ARF

Trailable yachts and Catamarans each had their divisions split so that boats with similar handicaps were racing in each division to help provide closer racing.

Personal handicap system further fine-tuned

Duty roster system has been further fine-tuned and a reminder phone calls to all duty personnel each week

Check lists for each rescue craft now used to improve maintenance

It was considered that with 60 yachts competing regularly that the season was a success. Cairn Curran Sailing Club won the Challenge from Bendigo, the first time for many years.

The Catering & Entertainment and Fund Raising Committee under the Chairmanship of Margaret Grant through their efforts and profits from their yearly activities have seen the additions of new tables for the common room, a microwave for the kitchen and display rack for club T-shirts.

The Club continues to improve the site around the clubhouse through the Building & Grounds Committees' efforts under the guidance of Dirk van der Voorden and Russell Conn. Some of the improvements were the landscaping around the club house, planting of additional trees and shrubs, security lighting, storage cupboards and approval for professional painting of the club house exterior.

The Membership Development Committee was also extremely active with Austin White and his committee being involved with an eight boat display in the Bendigo Mall, the Bendigo Community Day and an "Open to the Public Day".

All Club Regattas were a success, especially the Australia Day Regatta with 140 entries and the Trailable Yacht Classis with 76 entries. This "Classic" will be one to be remembered, as only 16 yachts finished, due to the extreme conditions.

Eion Floyd retired as Editor of "Mainsheet" and Neil Bruce took on the role as the new Editor working with Mal Fields, doing all the typing.

Membership numbers fell to 558.

#### Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	Phillip Mann & crew Stuart Ridge
Junior Champion	Rohan Boag
Commodore's Trophy	No Trophy awarded
Best First Year Sailor (Ladies Committee Trophy)	Andrew Hampton & crew Adrian Hubbard

#### SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT 1989-90

##### COMMODORE – CHRIS GIBBS

During the winter months extensive repairs and maintenance work was carried out on "Coliban" and "Kimbolton" had a new 80 h.p. motor and navigational lights fitted.

Building and Grounds Committee under chairman, Rex Dixon completed the following major projects,

- construction of new water pump shed



- installation of fire hose reels in the caravan park area
- foreshore restoration work in badly eroded areas around the high water line
- filling the sides of the boat ramp with blue metal and the laying of crushed rock from the boat sheds to the foreshore road.

Catering & Entertainment and Fund Raising Committee under the leadership of Margaret Grant, was responsible for all social events throughout the year and providing food and refreshments for the members each Saturday.

The Committee was also responsible for catering for the following events:

Working Bees,  
Off the Beach Regatta, Australia Day Regatta and the Trailable Classic,  
Coaching Clinics,  
State Titles,  
Club's Opening Day,  
Training and Cadet live-in weekends,  
Night Race and Triathlon events.

Profit for the year \$ 2,311.81

The Australia Day Regatta was Co-ordinated by Ken Johnson and with 104 yacht competing was a great success. Sponsors for this event were 3BO and member Gus Opie's Electrical Business- Bruce's Discount House.

Membership was approximately 580 and the Yacht Register showed that the Club had 104 Monos, 41 Catamarans. 10 Sailboards and 56 Trailable Yachts.

The financial situation of the Club during the year showed that Income was \$44,277.07 and Expenditure was \$50,201.45 with an operating deficit of \$5,924.38.

Question??? Club received over \$2,000 in term deposits. How much was invested at this time??????????

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	John Hawkins & crew
Junior Champion	Chris Boag
Commodore's Trophy	
Best First Year Sailor	S.G. Allen
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

#### SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1990-91

##### COMMODORE - TOM GLAZEBROOK

Commodore reported that the sailing season produced quality racing with close results and it was the clubs intention to endeavour to set 'longer legs'.

The present formula being used in selecting the Club Champion has been evolved by Past Commodores, Don Ridge, Chris Gibbs and Ian Palframan (Chairman - Sailing Committee) and should make the selection process easier in the future.

One of the most pleasing aspects at our club is the advancement of our Cadet fleet. Special thanks to Sailing Master Jack Carroll, and Cadet Fleet Manager Alan Brown.

The inaugural programme, "Sailing for Staters" was held this year during the months of February and March. This was a joint effort by the Bendigo Yacht Club (co-ordinated by Rowan Gillies, Training Officer ) and Continuing Education - Bendigo.

\$11,500 was set aside for the purchase of a new or pre-owned rescue craft to replace "Coliban".

The Club introduced the use of Computers to record Club racing results and a Strategy Plan was prepared outlining the preferred software and hardware requirements for future use.

The "YachtMaster" program was purchased for the speedy processing of race results and was successfully used during the 1990/91 season.

A "Dual-Scan" Monitor and "WordPerfect" version 5.1 program were also purchased to upgrade the presentation of publicity material, and to facilitate the direct transfer of text information between systems.

All aspects of the Club continue to prosper even though numbers were down in the Regattas. The Ladies Committee organised and catered for the "Red, White and Blue Dinner Dance, Australia Day Regatta, the Italian Night and the Triathlon.

The Committee considered that in order to encourage men to join this committee and be more in keeping with 'equal opportunity' there should be a name change. The General Committee agreed with the recommendation. The Committee shall now be known as the Catering & Entertainment Committee.

The Membership Development Committee also had a name change to Public Relations & Membership Development. This was brought about by the Clubs desire to seriously address marketing and public relations aspects of the Club. The concept is simple-

"We are working to create a favourable image for the Club with our own members, the members of other clubs and organizations, other boat owners and the public generally."

It is a tall order, but the long term health of the Club depends on how well we do these things - and if we do them well, the real results should start to show two or three years from now.

Cairn Curran Sailing Club again defeat Bendigo in the annual Challenge.

The Australia Day Regatta attracted 87 entries and although entries were down on last year, the event was very successful. Our sponsors for the event were Boomerang Yachts, Goodall Yacht Sails, National

Bank of Australia, Bruce's Discount House, Bendigo Pottery, Venture Stores, and the Brolga Hotel/Motel.

Reports from the Sailing Master and Cadet Fleet Director, Jack Carroll advised that the Cadet Fleet now had 30 cadets with 7 new cadets joining this past season. The progress made by most of the Cadets was quite satisfying and some were fortunate to attend other yacht clubs to sail in Championships and Regattas.

The Club again nominated Ian Palframan for a VYC Executive Board position and he was duly re-elected for another term to represent our club and country yachties generally.

NOTE- BENDIGO YACHT CLUB STILL B.Y.C.

Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	John Hawkins & crew Helen Hawkins
Junior Champion	Rohan Boag
High Achievement Award	Glenn Ashby & crew J. Ashby
Commodore's Trophy	Ron Heath & crew Mandy Heath, Doug Carswell
Best First Year Sailor	No record of being awarded???????

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT 1991-92

COMMODORE - TOM GLAZEBROOK

The sailing season continues each year to provide adequate competition for all sailors. This season "Coliban" was replaced with a brand new tri-hull "Alufarm" craft, with the financial support from the Catering & Entertainment Committee.

NOTE: ICE BREAKER CLASSIC NAME CHANGE TO ICE BREAKER OFF THE BEACH REGATTA.

The first event for the season was the newly named Ice-Breaker Off the Beach Regatta with 70 yachts participating. This was followed by

the Trailable Yacht Classic (co-ordinator Dane Boag), with approximately 60 competitors and appears to be growing in popularity. This could be through the efforts of Robert Herriot and his sub-committee linking the event with the Geelong-Queenscliff race to create the Victorian Trailable Yacht Passage Racing Championship. This series is to be expanded next season to three races, if suitable arrangements can be made. Incidentally the outright winner of this combined event was Reyer Boon and Crew.

Rear Commodore and Chairperson of the Public Relations & Membership Development Committee, Rob Herriott makes special mention that the promotion of the Ice Breaker Off the Beach Regatta and the Trailable Classic are critical in raising the profile of the Bendigo Yacht Club in the Victorian yachting community.

The Australia Day Regatta was a three-day Regatta with 89 yachts competing, and good support was received from the Sabre, Mosquito, Arrow, Arafura, Castle and Sonata Associations. The Regatta was professionally co-ordinated by Vice Commodore, Ian Grant. Sponsors were Radio 3CV, Bruce's Discount Store, Bolga Hotel-Motel, Goodall Yacht Sails, the National Bank Financial Services, Venture Stores-Bendigo and Financial Insurance Services. The Regatta Champion was Dane and Carol Boag.

During the Season new Honour Boards were unveiled. These Boards will recognize members who have won World, National, State and other significant Titles. The Club thanks Bob Easton who made and supplied these Boards to the Club. It is also the intention of the General Committee to erect an Honour Board listing all those members who have been Junior Club Champions.

During 1992 the inaugural training of Junior sailors for the AYF National Racing Scheme (TL2) Grade 1 Certificate were instigated and conducted by John Hawkins, a qualified 'club coach'. This training culminated with the award of 13 certificates being presented and continues to give junior sailors a purpose and objective during their training years.

It is anticipated that during the 1992-93 season, the Bendigo Yacht Club will be a fully accredited AYF Sail Training Centre. This will

allow the Club to award AYF National Proficiency Scheme (TL1) Elementary and Intermediate Sailing Proficiency Certificates, together with Racing Grade 1 (TL2) Certificates, as well as trained Instructors.

The Cadet Fleet under the guidance of Sailing Master, Jack Carroll continues to grow in numbers. This year quite a few cadets were elevated to the junior ranks with seven gaining first place at various Victorian Class Championships.

The combined Cadet/Junior group has been very active in fund raising, by saving and cashing aluminium cans, plus raising \$140.00 by catering for a barbecue at the recent Triathalon.

The Cruise Captain, Rex Hansford reported that many members enjoyed cruising at Albury, Gippsland Lakes, Lake Alexandrina and Goolwa and our own Lake Eppalock. The mid-week sailing by a growing band of “retirees” has not been as active this year, as in previous years.

The Inaugural Club Championship Selection Sub- Committee was appointed and former Past Commodore and Life Member Lindsay Mann was appointed Chairman. Other members were past Commodores Don Ridge, Ian Palframan and Chris Gibbs.

Club membership stands at 317 family members with a total of 123 members being under 14 years of age. This holds good for the future.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Robert L. Foreman & crew John Foreman and M. Beardall
Junior Champion	Rohan Boag
Commodore's Trophy	Not recorded - check Perpetual Trophy
Best First Year Sailor	Michael McCartney

## NINTH ANNUAL REPORT 1992-93

### COMMODORE – IAN GRANT

In reflection the season started with the V.Y.C. Ice-Breaker Regatta which was well organised by Greg Goodall and Ian Champion. It was a pleasure to welcome Campbell Rose, the Executive Director and other members of the V.Y.C. Council to our club over this weekend.

Opening Day followed with special guests, VYC President, Bob Lucas, Sailing Editor for the Herald-Sun, Ed Featherstone and Bishop Ben Wright who conducted the blessing of the fleet.

This season saw the introduction of special Barbecue nights to enable new members to be introduced to existing members and to help them settle into club life. A recommendation from the Catering & Entertainment Committee was made to hold similar evenings at least twice a season.

Geoff Jack of many, many years continues to report our race results in the "Advertiser", for the benefit of members and the reading public, keeping everyone aware of sailing available at Lake Eppalock through the Bendigo Yacht Club.

Australia Day Regatta - almost 150 entries with support from the Sabre, Mosquito, Flying Fifteen, Arrows, Timpenny 670's, Explorer, Taser and Arafura Associations. The event was topped off with a Spit Roast and other fine foods being provided by the C & E Committee. The Club had purchased its own mobile spit roast/BBQ and this has already proven to be a money saver, on the three occasions that it has been used this season.

Through the fund raising efforts of the Catering & Entertainment Committee, they passed over \$3000.00 to the General Committee to invest for the Club. The General Committee on behalf of all members thanks Margaret Grant and her committee for this truly amazing effort.

During the season the new Junior Champion Honour Board was unveiled. The Club recognises the work in producing the board by Dirk vander Voorden and the research by Philip Mann, Peter Maxwell and Life Member and former Commodore, Lindsay Mann. A special function was held to honour those named on the board.

The cadet fleet had 21 participants and there was no fleet racing, although Tavis Gillies and Lee Ashby raced regularly.

The first fleet of Minnows arrived at the Club through family purchases for the "kids". The Champion Family leading the push.

Neil Bruce retired after many years of being on the "Mainsheet" Management and Editorial team with Mal Fields. Thanks were extended to Neil for his many years of service.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Philip Mann & crew Nathan Penno
Junior Champion	Chris Boag
Cadet High Achiever	Tavis Gillies
Commodore's Trophy	Peter Schiemann & crew Bryan Clark
Best First Year Sailor (Ladies Committee Trophy)	John Downing

#### TENTH ANNUAL REPORT – 1993-94

##### COMMODORE – IAN GRANT

The Commodore welcomed all new members. The season has been very successful with 598 members registered.

One of the initiatives arising from the season was the Introduction of the "**Outstanding Members' Award**" recognising the contribution to the Club by special members. The following nominations were received and approved by the General Membership:



John Ashby  
John Carroll  
Brian Guest  
Rowe Harriott  
Ruth Hill  
June Palframan  
Ian Palframan  
Cliff Swatton  
Ken Lewis (posthumously)  
Theresa vanderVoorden (posthumously)

Installation of the new Trophy Cabinet.

The 1994 Australia Day Regatta was held for the first time as a 2 day event and the trialing of back to back races, allow for a 5 race series. This form of intensive racing proved very popular and was organised very professionally by our race controller, Greg Goodall and his duty staff.

The Cadet Sailors this season saw 24 attending classes on a Saturday morning, with only a few attempting Club racing in the afternoons.

Four members attained their TL1 level of training. Congratulations to Erin Neander, Lee Ashby, Jeremy Shiell and Alex Young.

AYF accredited the BeYC as a training centre and Doug Carswell was made a Sailing Master. The Training School is up and running and is recognised by the Victorian Yachting Council. It is the intention of the Club to run power-boat training courses to further educate members in safe boating.

The SEC power line to the Clubhouse was converted to underground power together with an upgrade of the power supply to the camping area. Our thanks to Len Tranter and his band of helpers.

Through the efforts of the Bendigo Triathlon co-ordinators Tom Glazebrook and Michael McCartney, the club profited by \$1,500.00. Forty club members also assisted in the running of this event.

#### Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	Philip Mann & crew Nathan Penno
Junior Champion	Glenn Ashby
Cadet High Achiever	Not awarded
Commodore's Trophy	Andrew Hampton & crew Ken Belfrage, R Trigg
Best First Year Sailor (Ladies Committee Trophy)	G. Wattie

#### ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1994-95

##### COMMODORE - ANDREW HAMPTON

The newly elected Commodore commented on a relaxed Opening Day, together with an unfavourable sailing season, brought about by strong winds and later in the season, the low water levels, making it difficult to launch and retrieve yachts.

Because of the low water levels the club did not host any titles and the entries were down for the Trailable Classic and the Australia Day Regattas.

The low water levels did however allow for the construction of a new concrete boat ramp, costing \$6000.00. This work was carried out by the Building & Grounds Committee under the chairmanship of Glen Hansford, under the guidance of our Honorary Engineer -Tom Glazebrook.

Laureen Jinks retires as Vice Commodore and Doug Carswell, Greg Goodall, Craig Conn and Ian Champion all retiring from the General Committee.

The Cadet Master, John (Jack) Carroll reported that 19 cadets were involved in the cadet sailing, although numbers declined towards the end of the season.

Good results, were achieved by Leila Heggie sailing a Minnow, Erin and Kate Neander sailing a Mirror dinghy, all experiencing their 1<sup>st</sup> Victorian Class Championships, competing against 50 and 35 yachts respectively.

Dr. Doug Ross and Keith Burton made donations to the club of 'Sabot' yachts for Cadet Training.

Sailing Committee Chairman and Rear Commodore, Michael McCartney admits to not having realized the level of responsibility and the work load involved in organizing the clubs racing season. He acknowledges the support of the Sailing Committee and Race Administration personnel.

Due to the low water levels, reported to be the lowest since the drought of 1983, only 16 heats were conducted in the Championship series, with only the post Easter races being cancelled.

He believes that the future season holds a number of issues that need to be resolved, those being the point system relating to rescue duty, further measurement issues and the question of compulsory insurance.

The Club continues to receive good publicity through radio and television promoted by the Public Relations & Membership Development Committee, chaired by Laureen Jinks and members Dave Ferguson, Ian Green and Ian Wallis.

The "Bendigo Advertiser" and WIN TV were notified that some of our younger and braver members would jump off the club jetty into the very cold waters of Lake Eppalock to symbolically "break the ice" for the forthcoming Ice-Breaker Regatta. This stunt was rewarded with ..... entries.

The Australia Day Regatta saw good support from the Off the Beach yachts, but no visiting Trailer Sailors competed, due to the low water

levels. The retrieving and launching of trailer sailers and setting suitable courses were a concern to the Regatta Co-ordinator, Laureen Jinks and Race Control Staff.

Despite the low water levels, the new Chairperson of the Catering & Entertainment Committee, Carol Boag, reported on their successful achievements. The sausage sizzle at the conclusion of the Trailable Classic, free tea and coffee, the children's games at the Christmas party, Opening Day, the Triathlon catering and the crowning of King Clever Dick on the occasion of his 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Bryan Clark received an Outstanding Member Award for his untiring work, over many many years, updating membership lists, boat register lists, producing race and title results, preparing notices of race, sailing instructions, and the compilation of the end of year awards.

For his sailing prowess and success over the years, Greg Goodall was inducted into the Sports Star Hall of Fame – Bendigo, and Glenn Ashby has received a Sports Star of the Month Award and the Cyril Michelsen Trust Scholarship.

#### Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	Philip Mann & crew Nathan Penno
Junior Champion	Mark Gillies
Cadet High Achiever	Erin Neander & crew Katie Neander
Commodore's Trophy	Tom Bialek & crew Margot Jones, Ken Hill
Best First Year Sailor (Ladies Committee Trophy)	Nick Gibson
Most Improved Cadet Sailor (John & Evelyn Carroll Perpetual Trophy)	Leila Heggie

TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT 1995-96

COMMODORE - ANDREW HAMPTON

FIRST NOTICED BeYC AND NOT BYC??????? Check former years?

Full lake and one of the best sailing seasons -Trailable Classic - first race of the Victorian Trailable Yacht Passage Racing Championships attracted 45 competitors who experienced excellent sailing conditions with good winds and plenty of water.

Aust Day Regatta with 40 competitors. Won by former members Peter and Linda Williams sailing a Timpenny 670, "Lillipilli".  
Italian Night 120 members and friends attending

Replace Metcalfe and obtain Grant of \$5000 to assist with the purchase of a replacement. Unable to be finalised this year.

Membership drop to 549 with a significant decline in Junior membership.

Resignation of Col and Ann Nicol and the loss of Col in assisting with the Cadet Fleet Training.

Junior Fleet has 2 Optimists, 2 Sabots and 2 Fairy Penguins. 25 sailors but unfortunately progression from cadet classes to club racing has not been quite so successful, although they are capable of competing but it would appear some are lacking in confidence.  
Thanks to Leila Heggie and Kate Neander for their help during the season in advising newcomers about rigging and sailing.

Doug Carswell, Training School advises all members that the training school is available to all members.

Bendigo Yacht Club is an AYF Accredited Training School and offers AYF National Proficiency Schemes, namely –

TL1 National Proficiency Scheme for dinghy and catamarans  
Elementary/Introductory certificate  
Intermediate certificate  
Assistant instructor/Instructor/Sailing Master

TL2 National Proficiency Scheme for National Racing Scheme  
Club Racing

Advanced Syllabus (Grade 111)  
Club, Class and State Coach

TL3 National Proficiency Scheme for Powerboat

Training Scheme (Boat and equipment, Responsibilities of Owner/Operator, Seamanship, Pre-launch planning & Emergency situations), Tides and Tide Tables, Charts, Chart Symbols, Safety Check List.

Building & Grounds Chairman, Glenn Hansford reported the following projects completed –

New air conditioner and sliding window in the control room  
New spouting & downpipes replacing the rusty pipes  
Relocation and installation of new flouro lights in men's change-room  
And the professional painting of the clubhouse in new exterior colours.

The highest honour of Life Member was bestowed on Ian S. Palframan, when the members of the club recognized the many years of service that he has contributed to the successful running of the club.

During the season, club member and former club champion Bob Foreman passed away. His competitive nature will be missed amongst the sailing fraternity.

Rear Commodore, Rowan Gillies is retiring from the General Committee aiming to be more active with assisting in the Training School programmes.

The Training School conducted 2 courses for 'Sailing for Starters' with 32 students participating. Attendance at the Saturday morning Cadet sessions involved 25 sailors.

The Catering & Entertainment Committee through hard work and dedication continued to be very successful, showing a profit from all Regattas and other social events conducted by the club. Their committee showed a trading profit of over \$3,300.00. Is this a record?

Former Commodore and Chairperson of the Outstanding Member Award Committee, Tom Glazebrook presented a citation recognizing Peter Bremner as an 'Outstanding Member'. Peter's contribution to the club extends back to 1970's when Peter was very active in club affairs. Peter now resides in Queensland and his award will be posted to him.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Philip Mann & crew Nathan Penno
Junior Champion	Tavis Gillies
Cadet High Achiever	Leila Heggie
Commodore's Trophy	Glen Hansford & crew Jeremy Shiell
Best First Year Sailor (Ladies Committee Trophy)	Nathan Wattie
Most Improved Cadet Sailor (John & Evelyn Carroll Perpetual Trophy)	Leila Heggie

#### THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1996-97

##### COMMODORE - MICHAEL McCARTNEY

Club continues to prosper through the ongoing support of the membership with the pioneering days of the club's development of facilities long gone and the Committee now has centred upon the proper maintenance and orderly administration of the asset structure.

The Club's development continues not only to provide for its members but stands the scrutiny of outside observers with our sport and continues to provide for the promotion of our sport in the district. The role of the sailing school, cadets, etc. must always remain a priority.

The change-over from Metcalfe to its successor was completed this year largely due to the endeavours of John Burgess. John took the project in hand and 'got it over the line'

The Club this financial year had to resort to 'reserves' to supplement the purchase of the rescue boat Metcalfe II but in all other respects has maintained a similar expenditure and income structure as previous years. The purchase of Metcalfe II was achievable by BeYC receiving a 'Grant' through the recommendation of the Victorian Yachting Council to the State Boating Council Grants Scheme.

Ruth Ridge, Chairperson, Catering & Entertainment Committee handed over the sum of \$5,000.00 representing cash surpluses accumulated over the past two years.

Resignation and retirement of the "Mainsheet" Editor and Manager, Mal Fields and Olive Mann whose services have ended a very long term (15 years) of the "Mainsheet" production, for both of these members. "Mainsheet" as members are aware is an important link of communication and Mal, during his term as Editor has upgraded the publication with many new production improvements.

On the Sailing scene, the Club conducted 17 Division and Class Championship races which included the 8 race Commodore Series and the 9 race Pennant Series, also the Winter Series and a Sunday Series and 10 Trophy races.

The Club also conducted its usual Regattas together with the Castle 650 Victorian Championships.

The successful conduct of these races could not have been achieved without the sound organization provided by the Sailing Committee, under the leadership of John Burgess and the significant management skills exercised by those Club members actively involved in race management and regatta co-ordination. The assistance of club members in performing rostered duty when required ensured that racing was conducted in a safe and efficient manner.

The Cadets totalled 32 participants this season and the Training School conducted 2 courses for "Sailing for Starters". It is planned during the forthcoming season to further refurbish the Corsairs to enable them all to be used as training craft.



Kate Neander and Nathan Wattie acting as Assistant Instructors, also kept themselves busy during the season assisting the cadets to get the boats down to the waters edge and making sure that all boats after use were returned and correctly stowed in the shed.

Doug Carswell as Training School Manager advised that during the season a new TV and VCR were purchased for use at Training sessions as well as the loan of an Overhead Projector. These items have been very beneficial to the training sessions.

BeYC has a list of members accredited as coaches or assistant coaches. They are,

John (Jack) Carroll  
Rowan Gillies  
Doug Carswell  
Ian Grant  
Margaret Grant  
John Foreman  
Ian Champion  
Ken Baker  
Tavis Gillies

Projects completed by the Building & Grounds Committee with Bob Easton as Chairperson, were:

underground stormwater dispersal drain  
blue metal screening of the "tractor" road  
upgrading the ladies shower facility and bench top  
repainting of BBQ fence and relocation of the rubbish skip  
installation of outdoor laundry sink at the rear of the clubhouse  
dismantling and removal of old steel jetty  
modification of the kitchen sink  
investigation and pricing to repaint the interior of the clubhouse

Working bees were well attended by members and donations were received from some members in lieu of attendance.

The club was unsuccessful in an application to the Greater City of Bendigo for a \$3000 grant towards funding a children's playground, due to the fact the club is not seen as a venue open to the public.

#### Club Award Winners-

Club Champion	Philip Mann & crew Nathan Wattie
Junior Champion	Tavis Gillies
Cadet High Achiever	Nathan Wattie
Commodore's Trophy	Ken Baker & crew Anthony Janssen
Best First Year Sailor (Ladies Committee Trophy)	Anthony Wall

#### FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1997-98

##### COMMODORE - MICHAEL McCARTNEY

Low water levels throughout the winter and club season did not cause any undue disruption to the sailing programme.

The Ice Breaker Regatta was again endorsed as the VYC named event and saw a well supported event for Off the Beach boats.

The Trailable Classic cemented its place in the Victorian Trailable Yacht Passage Racing Championships and looks set to go from strength to strength. This season for the first time the Passage Racing Series was endorsed by VYC.

Annual Regatta numbers boosted through BeYC hosting State Titles for Explorer 16's, Timpenny and Castle Associations.

Coaching was again "business as usual" for Jack Carroll, Doug Carswell and Rowan Gillies and their team. Sailing for Starters a

Continuing Education promotion, is a successful source for new club members.

Importantly this year the club took the next step in conducting a regional youth clinic through the VYC, with our own coaches supporting the VYC coaches. Three of our members, the Neander girls and Leila Heggie were identified for further coaching in Melbourne.

Sadly, the club lost another of its great contributors with the death of Rowe Harriott. Rowe was a tireless worker for many years in the Race Management role. The General Committee resolved that the Winter Series would be known in the future as the Rowe Harriott Winter Series.

Michael and Diane Floyd are the new Mainsheet editors with assistance from Chris Whiteman, Alison Floyd and Mark Palframan.

Outstanding Members Awards were made to Chris Gibbs (Past Commodore), Rex Hansford (Past Chairman Building and Grounds Committee) and Tom M. Glazebrook (Past Commodore, Honorary Engineer and Chairman of the Outstanding Member Selection Committee).

#### Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	John (Jack) Carroll & crew John Todd
Junior Champion	Tavis Gillies
Cadet High Achiever	Not awarded
Commodore's Trophy	Erin Neander & crew Kate Neander
Best First Year Sailor (Ladies Committee Trophy)	Kevin Stephens & crew Dave Ferguson

## COMMODORE - KEN JOHNSON

The Commodore commented that the club year provided challenges to all club members dealing with the continuance of the low water pattern experienced in the previous year and with maintenance matters on-shore as some of the clubs facilities required major repairs or replacement.

Sailing Committee Chairman, Phil Neander and his committee provided the racing fleet with a programme, which produced a very high level of competition.

Lake Eppalock reached an all time low water level during the season, the capacity was well below 30%. Even though the full seasons sailing was completed, the launching and retrieving of yachts became a problem.

Harry Bullows is retiring this year after many years service as Race Control Officer he will be sadly missed for his energy, enthusiasm and for just being there. His successor will be Margaret Grant.

Some highlights from the year were:

The Playground project was completed with \$2,000.00 grant funding from the City of Greater Bendigo. Our thanks to Vice Commodore, Veronica Burgess for making application for the grant and organising the working bee for the preparation and installation of play equipment and safety fencing.

Victorian Yachting Council award "Service to Yachting" made to John (Jack) Carroll for his year of service and dedication in training cadets.

Tavis Gillies was a nomination for the VYC Youth Sailor of the Year, and was also awarded the Win TV/Bendigo Advertiser Sports Star Monthly Award.

Rowe Harriott Winter Series was created to commemorate the service to the club by the late Rowe Harriott. The first winners were Mark and Peter Harriott.

Life Member and former Commodore Alan Hudson was a recipient of the Medal of the Order of Australia.

The Club was successful in obtaining a grant from Vic Health Promotions of \$1,600.00, and will be used towards the purchase of a 'rubby ducky' to assist the training school. Thank you to Ian Grant for submitting the application on behalf of the club. ??????????

The Catering & Entertainment Committee continue to bolster club funds through their efforts each year. This year has been no exception with their members contributing \$3,500.00. It has been the aim of the Catering & Entertainment Committee that following the painting of the interior of the club house, that further funds from this Committee be available to assist in providing new curtains in the Common Room, Kitchen and Amenities areas.

#### Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	John Burgess & crew Rowan Gillies, Stuart Ridge
Junior Champion	Tavis Gillies
Cadet High Achiever	Not awarded
Commodore's Trophy	Tom Bialek & crew Margot Jones, Ken Hill
Best First Year Sailor (Ladies Committee Trophy)	Scott Ellis

#### SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 1999-2000

##### COMMODORE: CHRIS GIBBS

The Season commenced with continued low water levels. October 1999 the lake was at 40.5%, which fell to an all time low of 25% by May 2000.

However, this did not deter the enthusiasm of our sailors with most events being conducted at the lake.

The Trailable Classic for safety reasons was transferred to Corio Bay and hosted by the Geelong Trailable Yacht Club. Classic Co-ordinator, Vice Commodore Veronica Burgess liaised closely with GTYC members attending meeting and overseeing the smooth transition of rescue boats, staff and trophies.

Over the past two years our membership has dropped from 500 to 423. Membership numbers did suffer marginally due to the low water levels, but loss of some members was the results of changes in circumstances and residency for young members moving away to University and work positions.

Special mention should be made for the time, effort, new ideas and concepts that Sue Hill and Merette Christensen have instigated and their contribution by introducing young people to the sport of sailing, through the training programs, Sail into Life sessions, they have run over the past 12 months. Thanks also the many volunteer members and parents who have ably assisted and supported the cadet and training school programme.

Cadets who have graduated to Saturday afternoon racing are Hugh Croxford, Shelly Ashby, Julie Boyer, Nathan Welsh, Clayton Lock, Ria Johnson, David Newington and Gayle Brown.

John (Jack) Carroll will be standing down as Cadet Master in favour of Sue Hill.

Cadets who completed their Australian Yachting Federation Proficiency Scheme TL1 course, Shelly Ashby, Julie Boyer and Hugh Croxford.

The TL1 and TL2 courses graduates were Kate Neander and Nathan Wattie.

George Fotheringham is retiring as rescue boat driver after 10 years service.

The 2000 New Year celebrations organised by Brenda and Malcolm MacDonald was a great success and enjoyed by all who attended. Happy Hour was introduced after Saturday racing quarterly to stimulate fellowship within the Club.

General maintenance works were carried out throughout the season, and major works planned for early 2000 are,

The construction of a shed at the rear of the clubhouse to house fire pumps and water pressure pump, and

Further concrete paving in front of the clubhouse adjacent to the front steps.

The year concluded with extensive changes to our Statement of Purposes and Rules at a very long drawn out Annual General Meeting.

#### Club Award Winners –

Club Champion	John Burgess & crew Rowan Gillies, Stuart
Ridge	
Junior Champion	Tavis Gillies
Cadet High Achiever	Hugh Croxford
Commodore's Trophy	Jim Mahoney & crew Brian Guest
Best First Year Sailor	Shelley Ashby and Julie Boyer
(Ladies Committee Trophy)	

#### SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 2000-2001

COMMODORE - VERONICA L. BURGESS

Commodore Veronica Burgess reported that due to low water levels experienced from May to September, the Rowe Harriott Winter Series was not held. However due to constant prayers and rain dancing, the lake reached a near full capacity of 95% by November.

Sponsorship by Be Pottery was secured for the VYC endorsed Ice-Breaker Regatta for off-the-beach yachts, the Trailable Classic and the annual Australia Day Regatta. Major Events Co-ordinator for these events was Phil Neander.

Sue Hill was appointed Cadet Fleet Director ably assisted by Merette Christensen. Jack Carroll assumed the duties of Advanced Cadet Master.

1<sup>st</sup> YOUTH DEVELOPMENT REGATTA was held with support from our club coaches and members together with the experience of the VYC Training and Development Instructors. The Youth Regatta was so successful the General Committee has set aside the first weekend in March 2002 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Youth Development Regatta.

At the beginning of the season, a “maintenance day” for the cadet fleet boats was held. Boats were sanded, repaired and several repainted. It was also discovered that many yachts needed major repairs and/or replacement of equipment.

A Mini Racing Series was introduced to encourage cadet sailing and “Cadet Conversations” a monthly newsletter, compiled and edited by Sue and Merette, was a means of communicating with the cadets and were all new initiatives introduced into the Club.

Further Club promotions held during the season, were the inaugural ‘Buddy Day’, supported by the “Evergreens” Brass Band arranged by Harry Bullows, and young peoples social BBQ and sailing day, the initiatives of Jim Boyer.

Seminars and activities held during the season to promote the club and help members understand the ever changing rules and requirements for safe boating were conducted. Firstly, Doug Carswell and Rowan Gillies conducted a Power Boat Training Course followed by a VYC Race Management and Race Rules Seminar.

Open Days, ‘Sailing for Starters’, ‘Come Try Sailing’ days were also well attended.

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(Other sailing and yachting promotions this season were the Power Boat Training Courses conducted by Doug Carswell and Rowan Gillies, VYC Race Management and Race Rules Seminar, BeYC Open Days, "Sailing for Starters", the VYC Trailable Passage Racing Series and the Come and Try Sailing days. The work contributed by members to ensure the success of these activities is invaluable as it provides the club with a high profile in all aspects of sailing.)

Financially, the General Committee has been frugal in its spending this year, however there are many items that will require expenditure of funds in the future. The General Committee are compiling a Capital Works list for equipment replacement and maintenance works around the club can be budgeted for, programmed and dealt with on a 'needs' priority basis.

After 3 years of negotiations through our Commodore's representation on the Stakeholder's Committee with Goulburn Murray Water a new club lease was issued for a five year period. The Lease Rent is \$3,327.00 and a new Service Fee of \$1571.00 was introduced. It is expected that the yearly increase will be in line with the CPI plus GST.

Ruth Ridge, Chairperson and Members of the Catering and Entertainment Committee have again provided 'good healthy food' and 'safe drinking water' throughout the year. The Committee continues to work well and the funds raised by it are used to maintain the existing club assets and improve the amenities around the club for members.

Improvements around the clubhouse and grounds were,

- Installation of stainless steel 2 ring unit in the BBQ
- New curtains for the common room
- Installation of stainless steel strainer for effluent pit
- Construction of a 'bund' for the front of fuel shed
- Replacement of vinyl tiles with ceramic tiles in BBQ
- Maintenance work to road way and caravan area
- Painting the garden shed
- Replace fittings on taps on the lawn area

- Replace compressor on fridge
- Install new double farm gates on club boundary
- Installation of 2 new fire extinguishers in caravan area, and place new fire and chemical signs
- Install new curtains and replace outer kitchen curtains and tablecloths

A Sub-Committee has been formed to investigate a Tractor replacement for the 'grey fergie'.

Mainsheet editors Mick & Diane Floyd are retiring and Carol Boag has agreed to take on the demanding and time consuming roll of editor.

Death of Jim Bland, sailor, friend and permanent rescue boat driver over the past few years.

2001 Annual Report covers are prepared by Shirley Gibbs and the Report is collated by Diane and Mick Floyd.

A special presentation of a Bendigo Pottery Handpainted Bowl was made to our Honorary Auditor, Ken L. Belfrage for his contribution to the club, who was retiring after 10 years of dedicated service. (Appointed 1991-92).

Club Award Winners –  
Club Champion

John Burgess  
& crew Rowan & Mark Gillies,  
Stuart Ridge, Cameron Burgess

Junior Champion

Not awarded

Cadet High Achiever

Not awarded

Commodore's Trophy

Peter Schiemann & crew Bryan Clark

Best First Year Sailor

Nathan Welch

(Ladies Committee Trophy)

Best First Year Cadet

Beau Cattell

BENDIGO YACHT CLUB IS CELEBRATING ITS 40<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY  
ON 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2002.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT 2001-2002

COMMODORE - VERONICA BURGESS

CLUB CHAMPIONS 1963-2002

YEAR	CLUB CHAMPION-CLASS	CREW
1962-63	Not Contested	
1963-64	Laurie Doldissen-Quickcat	
1964-65	David Smith -Gwen	Kath Hassett
1965-66	Barry E. McMahon -Gwen	
1966-67	Alan Goodall-Quickcat	
1967-68	Dirk vander Voorden Attunga 15	
1968-69	Dirk van der Voorden Attunga 15	
1969-79	Cliff Swatton -Manta	and crew
1970-71	Wally J. Boucher-A Class	

1971-72	Robert L. Foreman-Quickcat	
1972-73	Robert L. Foreman-Quickcat	
1973-74	Dirk vander Voorder Mosquito	
1974-75	Robert L. Foreman-Solo 16	
1975-76	Robert L. Foreman-Solo 16	
1976-77	Ken J. Johnson-Arrow	
1977-78	Laurie Bach-Flying Fifteen	Judy Bach
1978-79	Laurie Bach-Flying Fifteen	Judy Bach
1979-80	Laurie Bach-Flying Fifteen	Judy Bach
1980-81	Sarah & Tom Floyd-Sailfish	
1981-82	Julie Boyer-Mosquito	
1982-83	Robert L. Foreman-Eclipse	and crew
1983-84	Robert L. Foreman-Eclipse	and crew
1984-85	John A. Hawkins-Austral 20	and crew
1985-86	John A. Hawkins-Austral 20	and crew
1986-87	Alex D. McGregor-Flying Fifteen	and crew
1987-88	John Foreman-A Class	
1988-89	Philip Mann- Mosquito MkII	Stuart Ridge
1989-90	John A. Hawkins-Flying Fifteen	Helen Hawkins

1990-91	John A. Hawkins-Flying Fifteen	Helen Hawkins
1991-92	Robert L. Foreman Castle 650	John Foreman & Mark Beardall
1992-93	Philip Mann-Mosquito MkII	Nathan Penno
1993-94	Philip Mann-Mosquito MkII	Nathan Penno
1994-95	Philip Mann-Mosquito MkII	Nathan Penno
1995-96	Philip Mann-Mosquito MkII	Nathan Penno
1996-97	Philip Mann-Mosquito MkII	Nathan Wattie
1997-98	Jack Carroll-Hartley 16	John Todd
1998-99	John A. Burgess Castle 650	Rowan Gillies & Stuart Ridge
1999-2000	John A. Burgess Castle 650	Rowan Gillies & Stuart Ridge
2000-01	John A. Burgess-Elliott 7	Cameron A. Burgess, Stuart Ridge Mark & Rowan Gillies
2001-02	Allan Brown-Timpenny 670	Doug Carswell

## FOUNDATION MEMBERS

Banks, William  
Bassett, Ernest  
Bowater, Barry

Callaway, Barry  
Cavanagh, W  
Crimmins, John

Doldisson, Laurie  
Floreani, Max  
Hubbard, Maxwell

James, David  
Johnson, Allan H. (Life Member 1975-76)

Lewis, Kenneth

Martin, Dallas  
Medwell, Gilbert  
Michell, Ralph  
Michelsen, Alan J.

O'Donoghue, Robert

Pannifex, Harry M.  
Purton, William

Runnalls, Jack

Straede, William  
Swatton, Clifford J.

Warren, Donald  
Wild, Bruce  
Wilson, Travis  
Wodetzki, Victor