

Welcome to Paradise

The Newsletter of the Queenscliff Cruising Yacht Club

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Things are hotting up

There's a lot happening at QCYC over the Christmas period. There are already a few lucky people holidaying there this week, and the numbers will soon increase.

The New Year's Day Prawn and Oyster Lunch is back with a vengeance. Orders have been received from over 110 members and their guests, and some beautiful South Australian prawns and oysters have been ordered. Now Judy just needs her reliable band of helpers and some good weather to make a wonderful day. The luncheon is also a great opportunity to support the Club by purchasing your alcohol from the Club Bar - like all Club functions, this will not be a BYO event.

<u>The Queenscliff Cup</u> is also definitely on, from January 3rd to 5th 2016. <u>The Notice of Race</u> is available on the website, and the first entry has already been made through <u>TryBooking</u>. The race is planned as a relaxed and fun five race series and will be followed by a presentation and \$5 a head barbecue on Tuesday 5th January.

Sunday January 10th will be a busy day. QCYC is hosting a <u>Discover Sailing Day</u>, coordinated by Jonathan Crockett in association with Yachting Victoria. At lunchtime there will also be a barbecue and orientation session for new members so, if you're at the Club, please come and welcome them.

On Saturday January 16th our sister club, Queenscliff Lonsdale Yacht Club, is hosting the <u>Inaugural Pink Lady Regatta</u> with a regatta race for all yachts incorporating a Lady Skippers Race, as well as events at Queenscliff Harbour and the QLYC clubhouse. This is a fund raiser for Breast Cancer Network Australia, so please support it in any way you can.

Our Club Captain and Flag Officers are now preparing the itinerary for the Bass Strait Cruise in late January-early February 2016. Please watch the website gcyc.org.au for further details.

<u>The Photographic Competition</u> has been judged and the lucky winner will receive a free membership subscription for Season 2016-7 - a prize not to be sneezed at. The winner will be announced formally over the holidays.

If you're sailing to the Club over the summer, don't forget that wharfage is now paid on-line. Over 100 transactions for wharfage and a variety of QCYC events have already been made via <u>TryBooking</u>. The system seems to be working well with over \$5,000 worth of revenue for the Club collected via this route.

If you plan to access the Club by car, a reminder that the Department of Defence gate will be closed on Christmas Day. Don't get caught out - this is the only day of the year that it closes.

Wishing all our members a Merry Christmas from all at QCYC!







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