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From The Helm

The highlight for me of last month was our Careel Annual Dinner at Boronia Grove.

It was great to get together with you all, catching up with old friends but just as importantly meeting some of our newer members, welcoming them to the association and getting their input on our activities.

Our Social Co-ordinators Tony Burville & Sue Milne, ably assisted by David West as MC for the night did a great job organising and running the event - well done!

I especially enjoyed the new format where the formalities were cut down, leaving more time for socialising and even dancing!

Your committee would welcome feedback so we continue the success of this annual event.


Hopefully some of you are braving the cold and winds we are currently experiencing and are getting out on the water.

For fair weather sailors, like me, now is the time to do some maintenance on the boat and trailer, in preparation for the next cruising season.

In this vein, don't forget our extravaganza on Sunday August 8! This is a combination tune up/mini training day/cockpit sale to pass on pre-loved items and general get together. See details elsewhere.

And don't forget to lock in your diary the details of the 2004/5 cruising calendar published in this issue!

See you on the water!

Lindsey O'Hagan 

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Careel Cruising Corner

2004-2005 Cruising Season

Following our most recent CCYA Management meeting, during which we formulated our calendar of events for 2004/2005, we now have a cruising plan for the new season.

It is always the most important item on the agenda at this time of the year, with a lot of pre-planning and thought required to devise a co-ordinated plan for the whole year.

I'm glad to say that cruising events take precedence over all other activities and we are able to provide a good separation of dates, with races and social activities slotted in to please all members.

Now that we have a cruising plan, which includes dates and locations, we can start the process of choosing Cruise Captains, who will begin organising details and activities for each cruise.

I have some names of members who are the "chosen ones", but we always welcome volunteers, to make up the numbers and provide a back-up with co-Cruise Captains, so if you're willing, please ring me soon.

When you receive this *Careel News* you will only have about 6 weeks to prepare yourself for the first cruise and start those "gunna" jobs.

Please check your boats thoroughly to ensure that all rigging is in good condition, your battery is charged, there are no leaks, all necessary gear is packed (particularly safety equipment), brush off the dust and cobwebs.

Ensure your outboard motor will start and runs smoothly, or give it a seasonal service.

You need to go over your trailer to ensure there are no bad rust areas, moving parts are greased, your tyres have the correct pressure and don't show any sign of bubbles on the side walls and your lights are fully operational.

Your towing vehicle also requires attention with a full inspection to ensure safe towing. The above comments by no means covers all details, but are the bare minimum for to prepare for and enjoy your first cruise.

Below is a summary of cruises for the 2004/2005 season, which you can cut out for your fridge or transcribe to your calendar.

Date	Location
11-12 Sept 2004	Pittwater/The Basin
1-4 Oct 2004	Port Stephens
13-14 Nov 2004	Port Hacking
27 Dec 2004–3 Jan 2005	Myall Lakes
26 Jan 2005 (Australia Day – Wed)	Middle Harbour
19-20 February 2005	Lake Macquarie (South)
25-28 March 2005(Easter)	Lake Burley Griffin
22-25 April 2005 (Anzac W/E)	St Georges Basin (or Lake Conjola)
14-15 May 2005	Lake Munmorah

Opening Cruise

We begin our cruising season at our traditional location at The Basin on Pittwater. At this early stage we haven't been able to secure Cruise Captains, but will advise details in the next *Careel News*.

This cruise is one of the most popular, returning to our favourite waterway, with excellent sailing conditions and overnight spot, including plans for the traditional Hot Pot night, Crab Races, Gluhwein and Campfire.

Cruising Awards

Congratulations to all recipients of the many awards at our Annual Dinner in June, particularly the Cruising Awards, which I was proud to announce.

The Family Cruising trophy was awarded to Brenda & Mark Sheaves, with children Alice and Tom, from Canberra. It was decided to reward them for their efforts in attending many of our cruises over the years, in a few different Careels, whilst having to travel large distances, their assistance at all cruises, Mark's entertaining antics and their contribution to the success of the Easter Canberra cruise, with other members of the Canberra Fleet.

It was noted on the night that the finances of the Association were not too greatly depleted to polish and engrave the trophy, following Mark's concerns regarding our healthy financial situation (just as well we're not in the red, Kim)!

Careel Cruising Corner

Cruising roundup continued

The Lyn Wilson Cruising Encouragement trophy was awarded to Judy and Mark Havron, who have cruised religiously with us for many years, in a C18 and now in a C22, which shows that we are doing something right, and we decided they should be “encouraged” to keep cruising with us for many more years.

I made a submission, which was approved by our management, that Dirk Visman be rewarded at the Annual Dinner with a small medallion, to thank him for “special services” to the Association, which included assistance at cruises and races, collecting a database of photos which he has handed out to members on disks, his excellent notes and presentations of subjects during the last CCYA Training Course.

Our outgoing Commodore, Phil Cox, was awarded the “beautiful” Spinach Cup, for his 3-year leadership, his successes with sub-committees to improve the way we function as an Association, and his efforts with wife, Heather in running our Annual Dinners, in the absence

of social co-ordinators.

It was just a pity that Phil could not be present for the award, as we would have liked to laugh at him in Popeye’s boxer shorts, while Heather missed out on the bunch of spinach. I think Popeye was particularly sad he couldn’t make it to the night himself, again, for the presentation.

Mobile text messages

We now have the ability to send out group text messages to all members, from a PC or laptop, with notifications of altered or cancelled events, which are billed to the Association.

I would urge all regular Cruisers to take advantage of this service, by advising the Secretary, Treasurer or myself, of your mobile number (and email address for other non-urgent correspondence), so that we can notify you of any changes or last-minute cancellations of cruises, due to weather or other circumstances.

Happy cruising!

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SEPTEMBER 10-12 PITTWATER CRUISE: ADVANCE NOTICE

- Meet at Brooklyn on Friday night to launch and sail to The Basin on Saturday morning
- OR
- Meet & launch at Bayview Saturday morning, then sail to The Basin
- Sail, explore and relax on Pittwater/The Basin during Saturday afternoon
- Join us for happy hour and traditional crab races
- Bring your hotpots to share under the national park shelter with onsite barbecues
- Bring your cheapest red wine for the communal Gluhwein enjoyed around the campfire
- Meet and socialise with other Careelers and their children
- Mark your calendar for September 10-12 2004

Full details in the next *Careel News*

Careel cruise captains TBA or call Bob Dziminski 0419 293 717

Careel Cruising Corner

Queenslanders cruise Lake Cootharaba

The Queenslanders have certainly taken the Careel challenge to heart, organising cruises and get-togethers among themselves, and making great progress towards another Centre of Careeling Excellence, joining NSW, ACT and Victoria. Paul Trotter of C18 "Wyuna" reports on the recent June long weekend cruise attended by four Careels.

It's amazing what can be achieved over the internet at www.careel.com along with a few phone calls. What started out as a casual note on the Internet and a quiet weekend with a mate and his boys turned into a regular regatta!

For all those interested we ended up with four Careel 18s on the water in Queensland over the June Long Weekend. And what a good time we all had.

We had four boats and six groups of people including my friend Bruce and his boys along with some prospective Careel owners Don and Liz and their children.

Brennyboy Brendan "Bundy Flyer" as he is known on the Careel website and Rosanna arrived at Boreen Point on Saturday morning and secured the campsite, which was full due to such great conditions.

With this staked out, *Fritzelhund* Peter also rolled up with his beautiful boat "Salamander". Later in the afternoon the convoy from Sandgate arrived after a some directional problems, consisting of David and Amanda with "Ivana" and myself with "Wyuna".

Due to our late arrival we all felt it prudent to make a run for the pub up the hill. David and Amanda even left their half cooked sausages behind to get up to the famous Apollonian Hotel!

After breakfast on Sunday there was much photography and admiration of rigs with *Fritzelhund's* rig clearly the most loved and ad-

mired.

Peter has got some great accessories and his single handed mast rigging arrangement is just amazing and should be emulated by all keen Careelers.

Consisting of a simple pulley at the bow and a rope attached to the main forestay Peter can raise his mast single-handedly with no back problems or panic.

The three-boat Armada assembled out off the point, putting yours truly under a lot of pressure to get rigged up and underway. With a new keel fitted I was looking forward to our first sail after a six-month cruising drought.

On leaving the point all looked well with the keel dropping down nicely. Then she hit bottom! No problem just pull it up!

"Bang" went the pulley as it sheared off the side of the keel case! IMMEDIATE PANIC!!!!

How do you get back to shore with a dropped keel, when you're 300 metres off shore in only about 500mm of water!! (Don't say "walk" – the bottom is deep, deep mud)

With much anguish the pulley block was screwed back into another part of the keel case, which is not easy without pre drilling. Anyway this all worked but didn't solve the problem.

As it transpired the steel pulley on the centre-board cable had buckled, jamming the cable in place.

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Glassy conditions on the lake.

Careel Cruising Corner

Qld cruise report continued

With much swearing and crushing with some vice grips we temporarily repaired the pulley and got the keel back up into its case.

Fritzelhund was most helpful at shore with a fist full of fittings' to choose from to make a more permanent arrangement. (Moral of the story – keep a good tool kit in the boat and go cruising with friends who are always keen to help.)

With our armada of four boats assembled off shore there was the command to head for the sand hill (Coloola Sandpatch) and the Cruise was on! Cruise? With four boats abreast running almost down wind there was some movement on “Bundy Flyer”.

A light 5 knot southerly was blowing across the lake. *Brennyboy* wasted no time pulling out the Whisker Pole to wing his headsail out to the side. There was pandemonium on the remaining three boats! Crew were seen heading for the cabins!!

Within about 60 seconds both “Salamander” and “Wyuna” had their poles out and there was panic on “Ivana”....no jib pole. David had the crew out in no time at all with Amanda’s leg stuck out the side as a pole but they sadly lagged behind the fleet.

It wasn’t too long before rigs were being trimmed, crew moved, centre boards and rudders raised! Was this going to be just a cruise?

“Ivana” made a striking comeback without the jib pole, sailing with everything up to take the victory by running aground at the sand bar at the northern end of the lake closely followed by “Bundy Flyer”.

“Salamander” and “Wyuna” jockeyed for position neck and neck only 2 metres apart. “Wyuna” made a strategic retreat and attacked again from the windward side to avoid the wooden spoon.

What a great morning sail with everyone mooring up to the jetty at Kinaba for lunch and yet another examination of rigs.

After lunch, three boats motored up through the Everglades (“Ivana’s” motor was out of action). A swim was had by some on board “Wyuna” at Lake Como. The Noosa River and lakes must be one of the most beautiful places to sail and relax in Australia! The waters of the Everglades



Queensland Careel families enjoy some shore time at Lake Cootharaba.

are tea tree black and create the most beautiful reflections of the Melaleucas, reeds and gums.

Two separate parties beat their way back across the lake for a clean up. Back on shore beer o’clock was well underway at sundown before we adjourned again to the Apollonian Pub.

The first formal meeting of the Queensland Careelers was quickly held and minutes taken. After a great meal with everyone attending and comparing notes it was back down to camp for a fire and marshmallows.

On Monday morning we were greeted by another magnificent day.

Unlike Sunday, which had some gentle southerlies this morning it was painted oceans. *Fritzelhund* departed having worn out his recently replaced knees and hardly a ripple washed the lake.

The boats with full sail looked like butterflies on the flat waters. “Ivana” had motor troubles and was towed by “Bundy Flyer” across the lake. “Wyuna” blazed the trail ahead to Teewah landing on the eastern end of the lake.

A lovely walk was had across the narrow strip of land between the lake and the ocean. It starts with a long straight stretch through a beautiful Wallum forest with an amazing understorey of Banksias and reeds.

After a while the path climbs up over some hilly Blackbutt country before emerging on to the fore dunes on the edge of the Pacific Ocean.

Swims and snacks were held while children dodged their way through the endless line of

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Want to get the best from your Careel? Come along to our

Mini Training, Tune-up & Cockpit Sale Day

Sunday 8th August

**From 10am – 3pm
Wilson Park, Silverwater**

Take your Careel along to get expert help on how to set it up for cruising or racing or both. Experienced CCYA members will be on hand to answer all your questions and offer helpful hints on improving your boat's safety, comfort and performance.

New members are especially welcome.

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Here's a great opportunity to sell unwanted or no longer used sailing gear from your boat's cockpit or your car boot.

(Directions to Wilson Park: drive south along Silverwater Road from Victoria Road; turn left immediately after driving over the Parramatta river. There is plenty of parking for cars and trailers on the east side of the bridge. On the west side is a large park with a children's playground. Access road under the bridge.)

BYO lunch and refreshments; the Careel BBQ will be available.

For more information on this event call social co-ordinators Tony Burville or Sue Milne on 4959 5676 (home) or 0419 030 924 (mobile)

Look forward to seeing you there!

Queensland Careelers

cruise *continued*

4WD traffic that was heading back to the Noosa Ferry after a wonderful long weekend.

The trip back across the lake was slow as the wind was very lazy and the iron sails assisted the return.

Nevertheless the racing/cruising spirit had not left us and with a light breeze a race was had back to the ramp. "Wyuna" was clearly outclassed again and either "Bundy Flyer" or "Ivana" took out line honours.

We all had a great weekend; it looks like there may be some activity in Queensland both on the water, on the web and in the *Careel News* for some time to come.

Paul Trotter 



Race reports

Warm winter conditions continue on Botany Bay

Winter Race 3: June 27, 2004.

The holiday on the water continues! While it was up to 17-18° C officially, it was probably 25° under the sun on the water.

With a scratch start, “Blue Venus” did well to stay with the small puffs of wind and gained considerable distance, while the rest of us floated at the mercy of the current on a mirror-like Bay.

At the Cook River buoy, the tide helped “La Paloma” to reach the mark in 0 knot wind conditions, at the same time pushing “Break Away”, who was in second place, almost into Cooks River. Still, we had some fun chasing the breeze and enjoying the sun.

Finishing times were:

“Blue Venus”	23	15:17:53
“La Paloma”	467	15:38:00
“Break Away”	431	15:42:25
“Ferryman”	204	15:47:36

Carlos Yanez, C18/467 “La Paloma”

Another magnificent day on the Bay

Winter Race 4: July 25, 2004.

The Careelers continue to get the pick of the weekends!

One week after the worst winter storm so far this year (over 100 boats damaged on Sydney waterways in over 50 knot winds), we again had near-perfect winter racing weather.

Maybe a little more wind would have helped.

It was overcast early, but warmed up throughout the day. Forecast 15-20 knot winds never made it much above 12 knots, and were more often in the 3-5 knot range (even though Sydney Airport was recording winds in the range 12-18 knots); still, just a lovely day on the water.

Four boats turned up: “Blue Venus”, with Steve Stazic and daughter Tina in place of Steve’s usual crew, brother Don; Chris Heath and Max Saxberg on “Break Away”, “Phaedra II” with Adrian Kazas persuading Bob Dziminski that

racing wasn’t so bad after all, and “Marama II” back on the water with new owner Michael Malgo, daughter Angie and former owner Mark Cherrington as crew.

A little more communication could have seen at least one more boat on the water. Steve Lear was unable to find a crew for “The Ferryman”, so turned up to drop off a buoy; also showing up to drop a buoy, and organise the start was Carlos Yanez, unable to sail because Ximena was unwell.

Looks like there’s a need for a Botany Bay crew roster to be set up...

With winds forecast to get up to 25 knots (ha!) later in the afternoon, Carlos got everyone briefed and starting on the dot of 11 am, even providing a start horn from the beach.

The NW winds saw Course 30 selected, so it was a whisker pole start down to Brighton, then off to the Runway buoy – but where on earth was it?

Obviously deciding a longer race was in order, Adrian had dropped it w-a-a-a-y off the end of the runway, forcing race leader Steve into a serious dogleg before he spotted it.

Steve (as is his habit) took an early lead, and wasn’t sighted again until the end of the race.

That left the serious racing to the three yellow boats, until Adrian decided he’d had enough of this, and gained himself a stranglehold on second place.

“Break Away” and “Marama II” continued to fight it out for third and fourth place, then the building breeze saw Chris get the wind first and move ahead in the final two legs, to finish third.

Another good day’s racing, and great to see two father/daughter crews out on the water – hopefully that will be the first of many of these.

Remember: Final race of the Winter Series, August 15.

Mark Cherrington, crew “Marama II”

Race reports

Drifting around Pittwater: Winter Race 3

Peter Carpino reports on a rather frustrating – but highly competitive – day’s racing on Pittwater on June 27.

Just a spectacular day on Pittwater: the sun shone and the wind ... wind ... well what wind?

Six boats turned up at the ramp to rig and chat before launching. Briefing on the beach and then we all headed out for the start.

I made the start thanks to “Borltera” giving me a tow as my o-o-old outboard decided to flood when idling and could not be restarted for a while.

At the start area we all noticed that Ian Lee, yes, that master of disguise and tricks, hoisted a piece of gladwrap reinforced by black cotton.

The black lines in the gladwrap were there so you knew if the jib was up or not.

The race started in a fading 2-5 knot breeze and at the first mark there was not much between the whole fleet.

Ian and James were having their little game at the front of the fleet until “Clockwork” decided enough was enough, got the gladwrap setting and took off.

Now I have not sailed much on Pittwater, but Ian had dibs on any breeze that wafted across the water there. So where was “Clockwork”?

His clock was ticking faster than ours and he worked us over a treat some 30 minutes ahead on a shortened course and, in that wind, was a long way out front.

But enough about “Clockwork” and Ian Lee; the real racing was back in the fleet.

James on “Katrina “ was in a solid second only to find a hole of sorts and was slowly run down by “Splash” (Peter Carpino), “Borltera” (Garry Nielson), “Y-Knot” (Tony Burville) and “Druthers” (Olivia Pickering).

Minor places kept changing throughout the very frustrating race and on approaching the finish mark “Katrina” was laying second, “Splash” third, “Borltera” fourth, “Y-Knot” fifth and “Druthers” sixth.

“Boltera” decided to do a dirty and picked up a small gust from a breeze that was building and now at 3 knots went from fourth to second, “Katrina” went from second to third and “Splash” went from third to fourth with “Y-Knot” fifth and “Druthers” sixth.

The racing was close except for “Clockwork”. 24 seconds, yes 24 seconds, covered second to fourth place, and fifth and sixth were 13 seconds apart, and eight minutes behind “Splash”.

Although the conditions were frustrating, there was some good racing to be had, even if it was slow.

Now the stewards have been called in, as someone told me that Ian and crew ate baked beans for brekkie. The main thing is we all had a ball of fun, so see you all on the water soon.

Peter Carpino, “Splash” ⚓

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Race reports

Pittwater Winter Race 4: The Empire Strikes Back

James “Darth Vader” Wearing reports on the results of Pittwater’s Winter Race 4, where Princess Katrina, the overloaded Death Star, somehow managed to incinerate the opposition.

Well well well. After the embarrassment of being roundly thrashed with most of my crack crew in place (son Asher and friend Glenn) in Race 3 we decided to put our all into this one.

It happened to be the morning after the previous evening (*really James, what universe are you in?*) when Leila (the other crack crewperson) had her 21st birthday party. I think she stayed out until the trains started again at 4:30am so she was struck off (and had to clean up her house after the first part of the party anyway).

In her place were first son Jake, his girlfriend Jess, Jake’s friend Bryant (much the worse for the quantity of Strongbow he felt duty bound to finish up the previous night), Asher and finally eldest daughter Imogen who is over from Germany where she is a soloist in a ballet company (Karlruhe if anyone is passing).

The forecast that I read on Friday said 10 to 20 knots, but my concern was unfounded and it turned out to be about sailing with a large, unskilled crew.

The North Head observations say northerly 6 knots gusting 12 and Pittwater did its best to make it 0 to 15 knots from most points of the compass.

The course was Towlers, Stokes, Portuguese, Clareville, Finish and as usual “Clockwork’s” Ian (son Clayton being a crack starter (and barger for that matter!!)) started on the dot and pulled a good lead with Gary (“Borltera”) after him then us and Tony (“Y-Knot”) following.

Around Towlers Ian was miles in front by Gary then us. Gary seemed to go off to Clareville, but picked up a nice line up on that Eastern shore (seems to work for NE and NW breezes). We followed Ian who took a more direct course but we went higher.

Seems we got a puff, Ian didn’t but Gary won the motza, because by the time he got to Stokes

he was well in front. That leg had us broad reaching, close reaching then finally we were beating to get around the mark.

We were adjusting sails all the time because it was so variable. I’m not surprised the Botany Bay guys didn’t like the nationals being sailed at Pittwater; down on the Bay, you only have to worry about the next 747 to take off (*and where the buoys have been dropped*), although we did have several seaplanes landing and taking off during our race.

On that leg, Ian and Tony seemed to find THE HOLE (or it found them, perhaps something to do with Ian’s sexy see through jib!).

At Stokes, we split tacks with Gary and, with the help of about four of the 12 knot gusts, which at last had everyone up on the rail (although due to the numbers there was a bit of double parking so there were two rows of us leaning to windward) we got round Portuguese first.

The run back to Clareville was mostly a run apart from THE HOLE where the wind did its usual 360 trick, causing Gary to un-wing his jib only to re-wing moments later.

The gusts from the north threatened us a few times, with Gary then Ian catching up with us, but we managed to keep in front all the way home, although about 50 m to the finish, the wind packed up completely giving us a nailbiting moment or three until we decided that we had gone over the line.

Unfortunately for Tony, he took longer to shake off the hole and by the time he fought his way to the finish the calm at the line had grown making it even harder to get over.

The weather turned out to be quite nice, really. Imogen now has a pink tinge to her pale Germanic complexion to take home with her. I think winter on Pittwater was actually warmer than it was for summer at ‘home’ in Germany.

Finish times: start was 11:30 am
“Katrina” C18/200 1:21
“Borltera” C18/413 1:43:25
“Clockwork” C18/403 1:47:35
“Y-Knot” C18/447 2:28:30



James Wearing, “Katrina”

Annual Dinner

Another enjoyable annual dinner

Around 80 Careelers turned up for our annual dinner on June 19.

A slight change of emphasis saw the formalities over with in fairly short order, giving much more time for socialising, catching up and a spot

of dancing.

One of the highlights was Carlos Yanez' presentation of a beautiful anchor-ring to wife and first mate Ximena. His tribute is presented here.

Tribute to my "First Mate"

Carlos Yanez gave this very lovely tribute to his lovely first mate Ximena during the annual dinner.

It will be 10 years ago in August when we launched our Careel 18 for the first time.

She was called "Nichelle" then, and later was renamed "La Paloma"; 131 launchings later, some of them cruising, some of them racing my wife Ximena & myself are as happy if not happier than 1994 for the experience we have achieved and YOUR company that we cherish and value.

The Careel Sailing Association has been for us a good school and a very warm extended family.

Tonight however, I want to pay homage to my first mate: just taking an average, she has dropped and retrieved anchor no less than 540 times (many times under duress), served some 600 coffees, meals and drinks, many times while busy sailing.

During stormy nights while cruising, and during some tough racing days she has never lost her love and dedication for our little boat, its crew



and this great Careel Association of ours.

So, it is my pleasure tonight to share with all of you this special moment.

Ximena, my dear first mate please receive this ring (it does have an anchor on it) and wear it with pride.

Carlos, skipper of C18/467 "La Paloma"



Glenn Shepherd with Joe Almazan.



Wally Oliver and Ian Lee.

Annual Dinner

CCYA Medallions

This is the full list of prizes for the CCYA 2003-2004 racing seasons.

C18 Botany Bay Winter Series 2003

Scratch:

- 1st "Grabs" Glenn Shepherd
- 2nd "Phaedra 11" Adrian Kazas
- 3rd "Marama II" Mark Cherrington

Handicap:

- 1st "La Paloma" Carlos Yanez
- 2nd "Alicia" Joe Almazan
- Equal 3rd "Breakaway" Chris Heath,
"The Ferryman" Steve Lear

C18 Pittwater Winter Series 2003

Scratch:

- 1st "Clockwork" Ian Lee
- 2nd "Time Out" Wolfgang Meierhofer

Handicap:

- 1st "Y-Knot" Tony Burville
- 2nd "Druthers" Richard Pickering

C22 Pittwater Winter Series 2003

Scratch:

- 1st "Nutcracker Suite" Neil Tribe

Handicap:

- 1st "Catch 22" Wally Oliver

C18 Botany Bay Summer Series 2003/2004

Scratch:

- 1st "Blue Venus" Steve Stazic
- 2nd "Marama II" Mark Cherrington

Handicap:

- 1st "The Ferryman" Steve Leer
 - 2nd "Serenity" Rachael Wallbank
- ### *C18 Pittwater Summer Series 2003/2004*

Scratch:

- 1st "Katrina" James Wearing

Handicap:

- 1st "Y-Knot" Tony Burville
- ### *C18 Annual Championships 2004*

Scratch:

- 1st "Katrina" James Wearing
- 2nd "Less Stress" Warren Norris
- 3rd "Grabs" Glenn Shepherd

Handicap:

- 1st "Splash" Peter Carpino
- Equal 2nd "La Paloma" Carlos Yanez,
"Alicia" Joe Almazan

C22 Annual Championships 2004

Scratch:

- 1st "Chi-2" Hamish Priddle
- 2nd "Tainui" Henry Zylmans

Handicap:

- 1st "Bal-Ber-Ray" Barry Murphy
- 2nd "Catch 22" Wally Oliver

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Annual Dinner

CCYA Perpetual Trophies

2003/2004 cruising/racing season

Bernie & June Baker Trophy	1st Scratch C18 Annual Champs	"Katrina" James Wearing
Bill Harding Memorial Trophy	1st H'cap C18 Annual Champs	"Splash" Peter Carpino
David Rose Yachts Trophy	1st Scratch C22 Annual Champs	"Chi-2" Hamish Priddle
Bill Harding Trophy	1st H'cap C22 Annual Champs	"Bal-Ber-Ray" Barry Murphy
Southside Sails Trophy	1st Scratch C18 Summer Series BBay	"Blue Venus" Steve Stazic
Caringbah Boating Trophy	1st H'cap C18 Summer Series BBay	"The Ferryman" Steve Lear
Marine Hull Trophy	1st Scratch C18 Summer Series P'water	"Katrina" James Wearing
Fehlberg Family Trophy	1st H'cap C18 Summer Series P'water	"Y-Knot" Tony Burville
Careel Cup	Picnic Race Trophy	"Busty" John Capaldi
David Rose Yachts Trophy	Most Consistent C18, BBay	Steve Stazic "Blue Venus"
Peter Green Shipchangers	Most Consistent C18	P'water "Hob Nob"
		Todd Delaney
Max Smith Trophy	Most Improved Sailor C18	Carlos Yanez "La Paloma"
Kerry Bokenham Memorial Trophy	Assistance to Racing	Phil Cox "Jabiru"
Cruising Award	Best attendance at cruises	Sheaves family
Lynn Wilson Cruising Enc. Award		"Pipi" Mark & Judy Havron
Spinach Cup	Services to Careeling	Phil Cox
Medallion	For Services to Careel Association	Dirk Visman "Iris"

August 29 Careel Walk: Rose Bay to Watsons Bay

This year we are off yet again on one of the treks around our lovely harbour foreshore, a five to six kilometre walk on August 29 we think you will enjoy.

Join us this time as we stroll through Rose Bay along the foreshores of some of the most beautiful parts of the harbour.

We tour off the track to follow the footpaths up through the delightful shopping centre of Rose Bay (don't forget to bring his card with you, but you can carry the bags!), up the infamous heartbreak hill, past Kincoppal with all the magnificent views down the harbour, heading for Nielsen Park.

Depending on time we will stop for lunch at either Nielsen Park or Parsley Bay; the cafeteria at Nielsen Park is open daily for those wishing to purchase any refreshments not brought along with you.

After leaving Nielsen Park, we follow the National Park up the hill and around with more magnificent views, to come out near Vacluse House.

Here we follow the road again as housing is right on the water and there is no public access, but

not to worry we can check out the flora and fauna from the road as well as anyone.


We follow this trail until we reach the Watsons Bay Park, a short stroll to The Gap for some photo opportunities, then onto the fabulous Doyles restaurants and hotel where you can purchase a cleansing ale if required after your long walk.

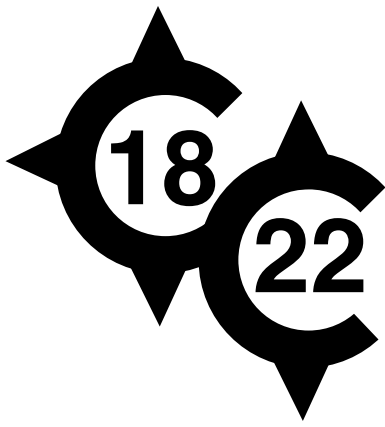
We anticipate this walk will take 3-4 hours. There are quite a few hills involved and Heartbreak Hill is not as bad as people have described; just a gentle stroll should get any unfit Careeler to the top.

You can drive and park your car at Rose Bay and return to your vehicle by catching the 324 or 325 bus from Watsons Bay.

Alternatively, you can catch the train to Circular Quay then the ferry, which departs at 9.15am and arrives at Rose Bay at 9.45.

The return ferry, which goes directly back to Circular Quay, leaves at 2.15pm and 4.15pm. Buses run on the half hour back to Rose Bay or Circular Quay.

Glenn and Rosalie Shepherd,
ph 0411 327 743 



Careel Capers in Victoria

Commodore: David Lewis, ph (03) 9873 2368 **Secretary/Editor:** Marian Lau (03) 5971 1885

The 1812 Theatre Night

The most recent production *This Way Up* by Elizabeth Coleman was enjoyed by the 12 Victorian CCYA members who attended.

This modern "Australian classic" demonstrated to us misunderstandings, wild declarations, moments of truth – with occasional bursts of gunfire thrown in! We enjoyed sherries before the show, soft drink at interval, finishing off with coffee, port and supper. Cost per person is \$20.

Season III will bring us *Katherine Howard* and Season IV, *Forget me Knot*. Any members who would like to be added to the phone around contact list for these evenings, just let Jenny know by ringing 9580 0202 (AH).

Gang Show Review

Recently one of our teenage members starred in the 52nd Melbourne Gang Show performed by Scouts and Guides.

Families from "Freestyle", "Eskimo" and "Scorpion" attended this very enjoyable musical show. The Careel Yacht Club star was the one and only 'Mark Lewis'. Congratulations on a grand performance!

Annual General Meeting

Our hosts, Danny and Marian, provided a warm, homely environment for us to join together for this annual event. It was good to see some new faces and of course we missed those who were not able to make it on the evening. A barbecue was enjoyed followed by the meeting.

The Victorian committee for 2004-2005 is:

Commodore: David Lewis

Vice Commodore: Kenton Lillicrapp

Secretary: Marian Lau

Cruise Captain: Danny Lau

Treasurer: Jim McGoldrick

Social: Jenny McGoldrick

AGM's Recipe for Potato-Kumara Bake

4 bacon rashers, chopped
10 green shallots, chopped
4 large (1kg) potatoes
2 large (750g) kumara
1 large carrot
2 tablespoons oil
1.5 teaspoons fennel seeds
2 tablespoons plain flour
300 ml carton thickened cream
2 tablespoons chopped fresh savory (mine is usually missing this as it is hard to buy)

TOPPING

2 teaspoons oil
4 bacon rashers, chopped
1.5 cups (150g) stall breadcrumbs
300ml carton thickened cream
2 tablespoons chopped fresh savory
2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
Combine bacon and shallots in medium frying pan, stir over medium heat for about 3 minutes (or microwave on HIGH for about 2 minutes) or until shallots are soft; drain on absorbent paper. Cut potatoes, kumara and carrot into thin sticks.

Heat oil in large frying pan, add potatoes, stir over medium heat for 4 minutes, stir in kumara and carrot, stir over medium heat for about 5 minutes (or microwave on HIGH for about 6 minutes) or until vegetables are just soft. Remove from heat, stir in seeds, flour, cream and savory. Spoon mixture into large shallow overproof dish (10 cup capacity). Spread with topping. Bake in moderate oven for

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Vic AGM recipe *continued*

about 40 minutes or until lightly browned and crisp (or microwave on HIGH for about 20 minutes).

Topping: Heat oil in medium frying pan, add bacon, stir over medium heat for about 3 minutes (or microwave on HIGH for about 2 minutes) or until bacon is browned. Remove from heat, stir in breadcrumbs, cream, savory, parsley and butter.

Serves 8

Goulburn River Cruise

Our planned June long weekend cruise to the Goulburn River turned out to be a little drier than planned, but we were able to make the best of it.

“Scorpion” arrived at 12 noon ready to launch – but no luck: the camping ground was closing at the end of June and its launching ramp was already closed.

“Freestyle” joined us some time later along with friends camping nearby. We were sure we would find somewhere else to launch and promptly set about exploring along the banks of the Goulburn.

We found some great camping spots but no suitable spot to launch. Well, in the true spirit of Careelers – we were set for a good weekend and that’s exactly what we did.

We found a camping spot along the river and parked the boats parallel to each other. The camp fire was lit, tarps set up for shelter and dinner served.

Who said the boats had to be on the water!

We had a wonderful weekend cooking on the campfire (jaffles, pancakes), having conversations around the campfire, doing a tour to the Goulburn Weir and Tabhilk Winery – Jim stocking up his supply of red Ned and the Lewis’s purchasing chutney and jam.

Skills demonstrated over the weekend included:

- David Lewis displayed his culinary skills, whipping up a chicken stir fry!
- Ruth reading poetry in German
- Keith and Mark with camp fire skills and rope skills
- Trish for the endless supply of sustenance
- Jim for the tarps
- Jenny mastering the height of “Scorpion” without a ladder. ↻



What do Careelers do when they can't get to the water? They have a cruise anyway! Victorian Careelers on their June long weekend cruise to Goulburn River.

Popeye's Potshots



POPEYE – JULY 04

Yam dot as nunk as thum thinkle peep!

Avast me hearties, I does enjoy tot or three of spinach juice whilst out on water and have even been known to partake of wee dram of Dizzy Bob's infamous glue-whine. Despite this I must tug me forelock in support of Waterways move

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to reduce deaths and injuries related to over indulgence. Over last 10 years, according to Waterways Wallahs, alcohol has been involved in 53 NSW fatalities on water, 90% of these involved recreational boating and half occurred while vessel underway. Legislation is now being prepared to allow random breath testing on water. Be warned me fellow matelots, random breath testing will start next summer and I think we can expect it to be conducted very strenuously on damp side of launching ramps. What we can expect is a huge show of force to shock us into sobriety, sort of like what happened when RBT was introduced to our roads.

Forever amber

When writing me little missive about imminence of random breath testing on water, I decided to ask me shipmates and various ovver wise men and women their opinions on just one or two beers while out sailing. Here is what they said:

"Beer is proof that God loves us and wants us to be happy" **Benjamin Franklin**

"Without question the greatest invention in the history of humankind is beer. Oh, I grant you the wheel was also a fine invention but the wheel does not go nearly as well with a pizza"

Bob Dziminski

"Remember I before E, except in Budweiser"

Mark Cherrington

"I feel sorry for people who don't drink. When they wake up in the morning that's as good as they're going to feel all day". **Frank Sinatra**

"BEER: It's not just for breakfast anymore"

James Wearing

"What contemptible scoundrel has stolen the cork to my lunch?" **W.C. Fields**

"Scotch: Because one doesn't solve the world's problems over white wine" **Neil Tribe**

"Always do sober what you said you'd do drunk. That will teach you to keep your mouth shut" **Ernest Hemingway**

"My drinking crew has a sailing problem"

Mark Sheaves

"Abstainer: a weak person who yields to the temptation of denying himself a pleasure"

Steve Stazic

"A woman drove me to drink and I didn't even have the decency to thank her" **W.C. Fields**

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Popeye in Rio

"There's too much blood in my alcohol system" **John Backo**

"Sometimes when I reflect back on all the beer I drink... I feel ashamed. Then I look into the glass and think about the workers in the brewery and all of their hopes and dreams. If I didn't drink this beer they might be out of work and their dreams would be shattered. Then I say to myself, "It is better that I drink this beer and let their dreams come true than be selfish and worry about my liver" **Ian Lee**

"When I read about the evils of drinking I gave up reading" **Henny Youngman**

"My friends speak of my drinking but they do not know of my thirst" **Vern Mould**

"24 hours in a day, 24 beers in a case. Coincidence?" **Clayton Lee**

"Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder"

Glenn Shepherd

"Doh!" **Homer Simpson**

"When we drink we get drunk. When we get drunk we fall asleep. When we fall asleep we commit no sin. When we commit no sin we go to heaven. Sooooo, let's all get drunk and go to heaven!" **Brian O'Rourke**

"To some it's a six-pack. To me it's a support group" **Tony Burville**

"The problem with the world is that everyone is a few drinks behind" **Humphrey Bogart**

"Milk and two sugars please" **David Rose**

"Work is the curse of the drinking classes"

Oscar Wilde

Damn their papuliferous hides

I may have turned Nelson's blind eye towards NSW Waterways regarding affluence of inkahol but I am pleased they failed to get another one of their kites to fly. Rumour has it they were planning to follow the lead of their Victorian cousins and introduce compulsory licensing for anybody operating any motorised vessel of any size with any size engine no matter how small and how slow. They saw it as another way of ripping even more money from us humble boaties and an avenue for inflicting expensive fines on the unwary. Last couple of summers, Victorian Wassergestapo are said to have staked out channels leading away from Gippsland Lakes launching ramps so they could harvest unsuspecting NSW visitors who did not have boat operator licences because they didn't need them in their home state. Be warned me fellow matelots: show politicians new way of collecting tax and it will happen and then they will think of some nice words to prove that their newest harvesting techniques are actually good for us.. Boat operator licences for all didn't get up last time but will come again as Tammany Hall searches for new ways to cover mismanagement of treasury.

Time wounds all heels

Popeye 

REMINDER: Pittwater Cruise

September 9-11.

**Launching Brooklyn, Friday September 9
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more details contact Bob Dziminski ph 0419 293 717

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C18/463 “Quid Pro Quo” Mark III Continental. All the regular Continental features, plus a spinnaker for a little bit of fun, and a boom tent for a little bit of comfort. 8 hp Mercury outboard, galvanized tilt trailer. White with blue waterline. All in excellent condition. **\$19,000.** Phone 02 9894 0228.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Sydney: Original **C18 mast**, UNUSED, no holes of the old ALCOA profile (the one that does not bend or break like the modern ones, even without spreaders). Available for immediate pick-up from Kareela. I believe it is worth at least \$600 now, but might be proved wrong on that point; could be more? Call Keith Wilson on 9528 5205 at home or 9700 0228 at office.

GOT STUFF FOR SALE?

Advertise your spare bits of gear (subject to space available – Careels for sale *always* get precedence.

Better yet, bring it along to our “Cockpit sale” on August 8 at Silverwater Park.

To place advertisements, just send the details to editor Mark Cherrington (see front page for contact info). And PLEASE, don't forget to let us know when you sell your boat!

***Don't forget our MINI TRAINING, Tune-up
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**Sunday 8th August
From 10am – 3pm
Wilson Park, Silverwater
*more details page 8***

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Aug 15 Winter Series Race 5
Aug 29 Social: Annual Walk
Sept 10-11 Pittwater/The Basin
Oct 1-4 Port Stephens
Nov 13-14 Port Hacking
Dec 27-Jan 3 Myall Lakes
Jan 26 Middle Harbour
Feb 19-20 Lake Macquarie
(South)
March 25-28 Lake Burley Griffin
(Easter) (Canberra)
April 22-25 St Georges Basin
(Anzac W/E) (or Lake Conjola)
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