

Cruise News



49th Annual Squadron Cruise

Monday, 23 April 2018





That Night at Refuge

Tom Moulton wraps up the first night...

Another delightful barbie at Halletts where great matters of world significance were discussed. Like - Where did Alex Littlewood procure her crew's magnificent Hawaiian Shirts (At Lowes!). Paul Thackeray led an interesting discourse on the relative merits of two well-known brands of sailing shorts before and Melissa Taylor espoused her notion that cruising under sail was "all about toilets".

As soon as it got dark, Christine and I called an Uber and scarpered back to Refuge Bay, our driver was a nice guy called Glenn and he drove a very smart little vehicle called 'Cylix' - we gave him five stars. It seemed to us that most of the boats had the same idea, they didn't fancy a roly-poly night, anchored off Halletts. Several large rafts formed up around us, some seemed to be suffering from 'first night frenzy' more than others. Presumably they were the same ones that broke the morning peace and quiet with the traditional bagging of the bottles. But a special mention goes to the inconsiderate git in the stink boat moored next to us (not one of the cruise fleet I have to say) who ran his generator all night - presumably so he could power his air-con and 52 inch plasma TV - and yes, he had those ghastly underwater blue lights.

Glen and I looked around the bay in the morning and started to wonder how individual boats get their very individual names; his boat is so called because it's the ancient Greek word for 'old drinking vessel'. 'About Time' presumably relates to Julian's heritage in the posh watch game. Next to us is a French boat called 'On Y Va', which I think means (no Google available here) 'let's go'. *(continued)*

-  Today's Racing
Lay Day
-  Today's Cruising
10:00 SUP Relay
-  Tonight's Mooring
Smiths Creek
-  Tonight's Social
16:30 Stage 1 Galley Gourmet Challenge





24
Min 16

Possible shower. 40% chance of rain.

Southwesterly below 10 knots becoming south to southeasterly in the morning. Seas below 0.5 metres.

Tides - Cottage Point

 **09:10 0.48m**
 **15:21 1.33m**

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SCUTTLEBUTT

Glen and I thought it was interesting that many people who choose a French built boat also pick a French inspired name (on the Harbour there's even one called Fleurette, which I've always thought sounded like the name of a personal hygiene brand) yet people who chose a fine German built boat rarely choose a German inspired name. I have yet to see a Hanse of any size called anything like Sauerkraut, Lederhosen or Goering. Funny that...

My wife Christine hates the sight of Dacron, so on The Cruise I like to sail on other people's boats. This year I was kindly asked by John Maclurcan to join the crew of Morag Behag (if you want to avoid correction, Behag rhymes with vague). Sailing with the handicapper, I was so confident of a handicap win that I was almost tempted to write about it before heading out. I mentioned this gag to John and his eyes rolled back into his head, I realised that I was the millionth person who'd made this old joke. Anyway, we had a lovely race and a fine time – who didn't? John steered us to a great start and the wind piped up enough to give us a beaut sail. I don't have the results but I think we deserve a win.

John dropped me back in Refuge bay in good time to write this article. But who is that coming this way? It's 'As You Do' brandishing a bottle of gin and a bottle of tonic...



Refuge in the morning

Competitions

Nav-est

Radio in your estimated elapsed time for the race each day. Win a VHF handheld radio!

Cruise Crossword

Test your cryptic powers and boat knowledge. Hand in your answers to John Hancox at the RMYC bistro dinner for a chance to win!

SUP Relay

10:00 Monday, BYO stand-up paddle boards. Interested parties talk to Paul Thackray, Pheobe.

Galley Gourmet

The Galley Gourmet Challenge testing you with canapés, entrée, main and dessert. Monday & Wednesday.

TODAY IN PHOTOS



Clockwise from top: Margaret Rintoul with her rarely scene Mizzen mast hoisted; Debbie, Gaila, Pia & Leigh (photo from Rene); Coco happy crew; Onboard As You; Do Gecko heading to the Barrenjoey mark; A colourful red Hell Razer.



SPORT & RECREATION

Day Two Inshore Race One

A cruising cruisy day out racing... what more could you ask for on a sunny, light 8-10 knot day.



Division 1 (PHS)

	Sail	Name	Skipper	Finished	Elapsed	HC	Corrected
1	7183	Arunga	Mark Tolhurst	15:24:11	02:39:11	1.0416	02:45:48
2	6321	Allegro	John Taylor	15:31:24	02:46:24	1.0123	02:48:27
3	38038	Solveig II	David & Stuart McLean	15:31:08	02:46:08	1.0183	02:49:10
4	MH4	Toy Box 2	Julian Farren-Price	15:13:04	02:28:04	1.155	02:51:01
5	4103	Just Quietly	Donald & Sue Swanson	15:34:46	02:49:46	1.0205	02:53:15
6	335	Willyama	R Barron / S Sanlorenzo	15:41:32	02:56:32	1.0023	02:56:56
7	YC477	Ishtar	Ed Earl	15:23:53	02:38:53	1.1194	02:57:51
8	A147	Ticket of Leave	Max Prentice	15:38:56	02:53:56	1.0527	03:03:06
9	6469	Hell Razer	Ian MacDiarmid	15:48:36	03:03:36	1.0606	03:14:44

Division 2 (PHS)

	Sail	Name	Skipper	Finished	Elapsed	HC	Corrected
1	5151	Phoebe	Paul Thackray	14:39:13	01:59:13	0.9153	01:49:07
2	8035	One More No More	Ian Guanaria	14:29:19	01:49:19	1.0204	01:51:33
3	10035	Co Co	Russell & Melissa Taylor	14:41:14	02:01:14	0.9355	01:53:25
4	RQ71	Gecko	Stephen Face	14:41:02	02:01:02	0.9586	01:56:01
5	7124	As You Do	Ross Littlewood	14:39:20	01:59:20	0.9724	01:56:02
6	A10	Tula	Ivan Resnekov	14:43:06	02:03:06	0.9611	01:58:19
7	89	Into the Mystic	Arthur Psaltis	14:43:18	02:03:18	0.9625	01:58:41
8	129	Viva	Ken Hudson	14:47:51	02:07:51	0.9296	01:58:51
9	88880	Vivace	Tony Shannon	14:51:50	02:11:50	0.9167	02:00:51
10	6277	Limelight	Alan Husband	14:43:27	02:03:27	0.9839	02:01:28
11	8400	Crackerjack	Chris & Jan Harper	14:46:57	02:06:57	0.9659	02:02:37
12	4512	Escapade	Philip Frost	14:53:09	02:13:09	0.925	02:03:10

Division 3 (PHS)

	Sail	Name	Skipper	Finished	Elapsed	HC	Corrected
1	3458	Rapunzel	Richard Lawson	14:14:04	01:39:04	0.85	01:24:12
2	77	Anitra V	Philip Brown	14:18:52	01:43:52	0.8127	01:24:25
3	217	Morag Bheag	John Maclurcan	14:15:50	01:40:50	0.8581	01:26:32
4	698	Out of the Blue	Van Ogtrop/Grenville/Meyboom	14:15:09	01:40:09	0.8743	01:27:34
5	353	Margaret Rintoul	Bruce Gould	14:29:13	01:54:13	0.8652	01:38:49

Sport Around the Country

Australia back in the Fed Cup World Group with win over the Netherlands.

Boult Takes a blinder on the boundary rope to dismiss kohli in IPL.

Thomas faces suspension for height hit on concussed Selwood.

Suns hold off Lions to win Q-Class after Roos down the Hawks.

Sharks hold off the Panthers after Eels stun Manly

Simmons joins elite company with NBA playoffs triple-double.

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