



# NYS Commodore's Newsletter February 2024

Greetings All,

## **Australia Day Cruise**

Five yachts and one power boat commenced the Australia Day Cruise on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January. They were Cappricio, Harmony, Deja Vu, Skye, Andronicus and the Mustang 32. Unfortunately, Andronicus developed early engine problems and pulled out shortly after the start which is very unusual as nothing ever goes wrong with boats. With wind and tide against us we had an energetic sail to Hastings Marina where 6 berths had been pre booked for our arrival. On settling in it was drinks on board followed by dinner in the restaurant where much merriment was had. The next day was a leisurely sail to Rhyll past the anchored cruise ship and docked on the floating pontoons for the night. More drinks and fish and chips then home the next day. Thanks go to Jeff Shawcroft for organising the event.



Australia Day Crew: Derrick, Guy, Jeff, Jackie, Mim and Florian



Australia Day breakfast at Hastings Marina. John, Guy, Yvonne, Jackie, Jeff.

#### **Easter**

Here we are with Australia Day over and done and Easter around the corner. Our Easter Bunny is taking a well-earned rest in Queensland this Easter and the call is going out for a volunteer to take his place this year. It is a very easy gig. We provide the costume, and the Easter Bunny never speaks so all that is required is waving, walking, and sitting for photos. Please come forward and provide joy to all the children that are so looking forward to meeting you.

Please contact Chloe in the office with the good news if you are willing to be our Easter Bunny for this year.

### **Happy Hour**

Happy Hour every Saturday night continues to be well patronised. Many thanks to our generous supporters:

San Remo Butchers, San Remo Hotel Motel and Saltwater Restaurant.

I know many of us have changed our shopping patterns as a result but if you haven't, please support them. The members' draw has now turned into two draws every Saturday night with the first draw being for \$2,000 and the second draw is now already up to \$150. Two chances to win every Saturday.



Pictured: Winner of Meat Tray Dianne Ray.



Pictured: Winner of the famous Newhaven Yacht Club cooler bag a beaming Augie with his little sister Quinn.

To win all you need to do is be there when your name is called!

## **Certificate of Currency**

Another reminder that Bill McIntosh has the onerous task of chasing up expired insurance policies. Our system has now been upgraded to flag expired insurance policies in line with most marinas. Please help Bill when you renew your boat insurance by obtaining a Certificate of Currency from your insurance company or broker, readily available over the phone, and email it directly to Chloe at <a href="mailto:admin@nys.org.au">admin@nys.org.au</a> and she will update your details. Your invoice with 'paid' scribbled across the top will not suffice. With 550 boats on the NYS database, it is a cumbersome job but someone has to do it in this day of litigation. Thank you to the great majority of members who are already doing this.

#### **Around French Island**

Around French Island is likely to again be held in March and is currently being discussed so keep an eye out for further information as this is a fun event and has been very popular in the past particularly with motorboats.

Keep safe on the water.

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