



# Crow's Nest

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## 12<sup>th</sup> National Rally of the NHMA at Murray Bridge From Gil Leaver



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The next  
**General Meeting**  
of the  
**Wooden Boat**  
**Association of SA Inc.**  
will be on  
**Monday 29 June**  
at the  
**Brecknock Hotel**  
**401 King William St**  
**Adelaide**

Speaker from the  
**Dept of Transport**  
**on water safety and**  
**navigation issues**

As usual come for dinner  
and conversation from  
**6.30 pm Meeting starts at 8**

Did you miss something different?

We had never been to one of these large machinery rallies before so we took up the offer, via the WBASA, to enter our boat along with other members in the 12th National Rally of the NHMA at Murray Bridge on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> April 2009.

We all arrived at different times from Friday morning to Saturday afternoon, members' boats, large and small.

Sail pasts took place a couple of times each day by the small boats and we all participated in the final sail past on Sunday.

We have never seen so much old operating machinery in the one place ever, and old blokes too, it was amazing.

*Prominent* came and went after only over-nighting and picked up the grey ghost for the return journey. Most stayed longer and enjoyed

the company and activities.

One incident worth repeating: *Dugodee* with Doug Twelftree and his mate on board, motor running, nose of the putt-putt hard on shore, Ian Smallacombe and a couple of others decided to push them off but try as they might, it would not move despite the grunting and struggling, someone said "its not in gear is it". Ah! the physics of opposing forces.

This weekend was well worth the effort as it was so unique, *Zitania* got quite a wrap up over the PA system when she arrived and did the obligatory show-off lap before landing.

Thanks to those members who turned up to show the flag for our association. We erected a banner and provided leaflets for those interested. It was a different and enjoyable weekend.

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## Dates to note



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information

- 28 June WBA Vic. 20th Anniversary (see p8)
- 29 June WBASA Inc. General Meeting
- 5 Jul WBASA Inc. Mannum - Pompoota Run
- 1-2 Aug WBASA Inc. Visit to PS Industry in Renmark
- 31 August WBASA Inc. AGM
- 9-11 Oct Tweed Classic Boat Regatta
- 24 Oct WBASA Inc. General Meeting in Goolwa



## Cutting the Slack



Hello Everyone,

As I sit down to write this on Monday afternoon of the June long weekend it is wonderful to listen to rain absolutely pelting down on the iron roof of my home. The rain water tanks are already full and like the majority of people I've spoken with recently, I'm hoping the sporadic downpours we've experienced over the last couple of days are just the beginning of what will be good, long, consistent winter rains.

For wooden boat lovers and owners the winter months offer us a different kind of boating experience. Unless your craft fits snugly into a big cosy shed, general maintenance and full scale repairs are pretty much nigh on impossible. Whilst there seems to be less opportunity (or motivation) to leave the warm fires of home and get out on the water, I've discovered if you can take advantage of the shorter days with lighter northerly winds interspersed with occasional short breaks of weak sunlight and misty showers, you can actually still enjoy a short cruise or sail as long as you're wearing the right clobber and have a half decent bottle of red, rum or port to share amongst the crew and warm the cockles so to speak.

Other things I find myself doing during this time of year are catching up with friends and reading. In this edition of Crow's Nest you will see we have received an invitation from our friends with the **Wooden Boat Association of Victoria**. They have invited us to join them in their 20<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebrations to be held at Albert Park Yacht Club, South Melbourne on Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup> June. Weather permitting there will be sailing on Albert Park Lake in the morning followed by lunch. I'm certainly hoping we have at least a few from amongst our membership who can make it over to Melbourne

## from President Jenn Cole

and represent the **WBA of SA** at the event. Let us know if you plan on making the trip. As we know from our own experience it is always a pleasure to meet up and spend time chatting with a diverse range of people who share a passion for wooden boats.

News of the WBA of Victoria's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary has prompted me to think about progress of the writing of our own Association's history and I can tell you that the committee are eagerly awaiting news of its completion. Past President Peter Shippside and member Bob Jennings have been diligently working on this project for some time now and Peter has advised that he anticipates a first draft being ready some time early in the new financial year. Fantastic work! Perhaps an official function to launch the publication would afford us with the perfect opportunity for a late winter/early spring celebratory get together where we can show our appreciation for the past efforts of members and recognise what the **WBA of SA** has been up to and achieved since its first official meeting held on December 3<sup>rd</sup> 1989. If you've got any good ideas as to how, when and where we could celebrate the launch of our publication, the committee and I would love to hear from you.

Motivated by thoughts of boating and a brief sunny break in the weather I have just now returned from a walk down to *Nymph* to check the ropes and look for leaks in the cabin.

Just as I'd been thinking about, out on the channel were 2 lovely wooden sailing boats, tacking to and fro and quite evidently enjoying a brisk sail - how lovely!

Until next time, keep warm and I wish you safe and happy boating.

*Jenn Cole*, President

## from the Editor

Not much from me, except firstly, there seems little information on the 'regulators' to be placed around the Goolwa Pool. Roy Duncan has found evidence that one will be placed across from Clayton cliffs to downstream of Riverside. Hopefully we shall know more by next time.

Secondly, please get any photographs, particularly from the early days of the Association to Peter Shippside on (08) 8555 5398 -for inclusion in the Association History Project.

Thirdly, congratulations to the Vic. WBA for 20 years of their history (see p8 if you'll be in Vic this weekend)

Fourthly, thanks to Roy, Gil, Ian, Rob and Graham for articles and photos for this edition

And finally, I bring newsletters sent to us by interstate WBA's to our general meetings. I really enjoy reading these and recommend you join the few others who look at them. Just ask. Cheers *Barry*

## Notes on Public Meeting re River Murray issues Lock 1 to Wellington held at Mannum 1 June 2009

Low river levels are causing dangerous and extensive cracking and slippage of banks adjacent to deep water.

Boat operators are urged to take great care around trees close to the banks and areas of cracking riverbanks, also do not sleep aboard vessels if bubbling is observed near riverbank after mooring. Avoid attaching mooring lines to tall trees - especially if leaning - close to the waters edge.

Boat operators are being urged to report recent slumping and major cracking to Murray Water hotline on 08 8531 0710.

**Other points of interest discussed by representatives of the Government of SA: -**

1) If the weir is built below Wellington it will

- be temporary, minimum of 3 years
- not stop river flowing into lakes
- only be designed to raise river level

- contain a fish migration device
- chosen site is best of a number of poor foundation choices (deep silt)

2) It was stated that the sea - prior to the barrages - had access to the lakes and even lower river for 5,000 years at various times.

3) An engineering assessment of the barrages indicates confidence in their ability to hold the differential pressure between king tide and low Goolwa water levels.

4) Emergency mooring poles are only ever intended to be temporary at various marinas (signs are in place).

5) For further information visit: [www.dwlbc.sa.gov.au/murray/drought/index.html](http://www.dwlbc.sa.gov.au/murray/drought/index.html)

*Thanks to Gil Leaver for this*

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*from Rick Eylward*

Someone bought one of the bits of a *HideAway* plank that we had for sale at the Wooden Boat Festival and sent it to Colin Thiele's widow and she wrote to the local library to express her pleasure at hearing that the boat was being restored. The librarian gave Armfield a copy of both the letter and her reply and so we go from there.

I have sent a letter with some information on Armfield and the progress being made with *HideAway*. Just goes to show how some small action can often snowball to involve the wider wooden boat community (only those on the inside really know how wide it is).

Even though *Reverie* has not quite been finished a new owner has emerged and we look forward to making the delivery very shortly, the really good news is that it will remain in the Goolwa waters.

"Goolwa waters" has a nice ring to it at last - the regulators (alias weir, barrage etc) have been started and we now expect water levels to start to rise in early July and be quite reasonable by the beginning of September. There has been quite a lot of activity around the Currency Creek and the Finnis River in the last couple of weeks to reduce the acid soils that have developed

in those areas. As the winter rains begin to flow in the two waterways the water is expected to be highly acidic and the problem is being tackled in numerous different ways.

The term regulators is used to describe a weir which controls the overflow in a way very similar to the barrages and to avoid use of what seems to be a poor image of the word "weir".

Activity at Armfield continues with a number of people continuing to offer us a brand new project on a boat no longer anywhere near brand new. I am sure no one in the Wooden Boat Association is surprised that there are so many such wooden boats out there looking for a new life. We are not likely to run out of work while those boats are available.

Till next time *Rick*

*Armfield Report**from Jenny Twigden*

Since the last newsletter the *PS Marion* has been out on short cruises over the Easter weekend. Good patronage of the cruises and on board catering ensured the volunteer crew were kept busy and a profit was made. The low river levels in Mannum make disembarking and mooring a challenge that tests the skills and sense of humour of the captain and crew. It has, on occasions, taken nearly an hour to moor the boat at the end of the day!! Currently work is proceeding on the conversion of an old ferry that will be placed by the *PS Marion's* wharf with additional posts that will make mooring easier and safer. In the mean time the *PS Marion* is temporarily moored at the Mary Ann Reserve.

On 16th, 17th and 18th April the local quilting group used the *PS Marion* as part of a static display of their work. The cabins were used as mini galleries, each with a different theme. Volunteers provided light refreshment for the viewing public.

On 20th April the *PS Marion* was visited as part of an educational excursion for 80 primary school children from Adelaide. Jenny Callander and volunteers showed the children and school staff through the Museum and the Key Beam Steam engine display. The highlight for the children was a cruise on the *PS Marion*. What a day for all concerned!!

The House Boat Open Days were held over the weekend of 1st and 2nd May. The *PS Marion* had 6 one hour long cruises over

*PS Marion and Mannum Dock Museum Notes*

the two days. These cruises proved very popular with the house boat oriented crowds, with many children coming on board, exploring the boat and having a turn at steering. Captain Kevin Hales was kept busy by signing lots of Junior Captain Certificates.

As said before in previous newsletters *PS Marion* depends on volunteers to keep it running, it is lots of fun, - never a dull moment.

For further information about volunteering and future events please ring Jenny Callander at the Mannum Dock Museum on 8569 2733 or visit the website on [www.psmarion.com](http://www.psmarion.com)

**PS: (excuse pun) July 6 – 10th PS Marion Cruise**

The *PS Marion* is travelling upstream for the week July 6th to 10th, and has passenger vacancies for the cruise. It will be a fun filled, relaxing week of beautiful winter vistas, yummy food, opportunities for conversation, peace and quiet and being lulled to sleep by the chug of the paddle wheels. There are special discount deals for WBASA members – for more information please contact Jenny Callander at the Mannum Dock Museum on 8569 2733.

*from Christina Somervaille*

It may be all go for the volunteers on steaming days, but it is certainly great fun. We carry a qualified crew of 7 on board, plus the 'Wharfies', ticket sellers and information, also the very popular sausage sizzle. On occasions we are lucky to be joined by the Paddle Boat Swing Time Community Band.

It does not stop there, the regular Wednesday working bees look after all the mechanics of the engine and boiler, whilst the monthly Saturday working bees try to keep up with the general maintenance and the painting – have you ever noticed it always drizzles on the second Saturday of each month??

Water levels just allow us our hourly cruises from the Wharf with many happy folks on board, we have a lot of inter-state and international visitors cruise with us going home with a very special and unique memory of their time in Goolwa.

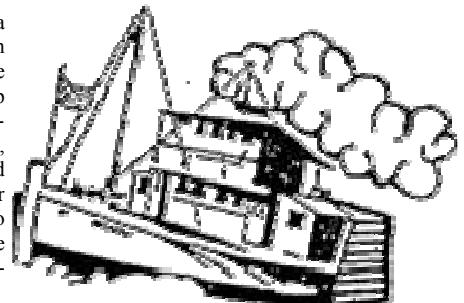
Sadly, we have to disappoint many wanting day charters to Clayton – we are encouraging these enquiries to consider later in the year with the hope that we have water very soon!! In lieu, short charters at the end of a steaming day are being offered and have proved very successful.

*The Latest from Paddle Steamer Oscar W*

Recently the Friends enjoyed a Friends Day Out, steaming for an hour before returning to the Wharf for a BBQ lunch, then up to Signal Point for a very entertaining talk from our Captain EJ, on how the Skippers learn to read the River flows and use it to their advantage and his talk was to give the crew insight into the reasons how the River is navigated and maintained.

We also had a very successful steaming day on the 31st May as part of History Week.

For our regular steaming days please check our web site [www.oscar-w.info](http://www.oscar-w.info) and for bookings and further information, please contact Goolwa Visitor Information Centre on 1300 GOOLWA



Hope to see you on the River soon, *Christina*, Secretary

***Pictures from the National Antique Machinery Rally at Murray Bridge***



*Pictures in this article are from  
Graham Hardy and Roy Duncan  
Thanks!*



***Barker Inlet Cruise 17 May 09***

*from Ian Smallacombe*

An overcast, brisk, Sunday morning six boats and 17 participants launched their craft at St. Kilda boat ramp and headed out down the channel into the Barker Inlet area behind Torrens Island. There were plenty of fishers trying their luck in the channel, not that they were of any obstruction or hindrance to our group, some standing up to their waists to get to "deeper water" in the endeavor to catch the elusive big one.

We enjoyed very calm water and few other boats as we glided through the sheltered waters which were so flat



and still that the channel markers reflected themselves as did our boats, particularly those with sails unfurled to catch what breeze there was.

We detoured out behind the channel and inspected some of the wrecks in the ships graveyard, accompanied by several pods of dolphins, before turning back to the Garden Island Yacht Club where we went to have lunch. At this point a shower of rain passed over the fleet and drizzle appeared for the first time and it looked as if the

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From Robert Ayliffe

## A new Norwalk Islands Sharpie launched in Adelaide

Just one more? I thought I might have built my last boat.

I had to do it, and besides it had been a while.

Some of you know the Norwalk Island Sharpies, from early builders and loyal stalwarts Nic and Helen Marinos' big, black and now beached, NIS 26 *Mudskipper*, the adventures our early President Peter Summerton and his NIS 23, *Pasquin*, subsequent President Mike Brown's NIS 23 *Doctor Arthur* to the more recent and successful racing career of more recent past President, Peter Shipside and his beautifully built *Maid Marion* and my own much travelled and race worn NIS 23, *Charlie Fisher*.

I'd always liked the potential of the NIS 18, the smallest in the fleet, but never liked, on the sharpie anyway, the catboat rig that this one was designed with.

Mast was too long, resulting in lots of overhang and negated the shed storage advantages of the smaller hull. Sail was awkward to put up at sea, because the boat would not lie nicely, nose to wind, as the split rig boats do. Boom out the side in a breeze, slugs gripping as the sail went up, and awkward controlling the battens going through the lazy jacks. Self steering was nowhere near as good as the ketch rigged sisters. I kept wondering about the ketch rig on the 18, and the potential that had for easier boat storage on the trailer, with masts that folded inside the boat's length, and easier boat handling at sea.

Nipped away at me for years, like a burr in the saddle.

Finally bit the bullet. Michael Storer helped me (thanks Michael) with the sail plan, and, as with all things, once change is embraced, things we could not have foreseen became possible. The chestnut about the mizzen being in the way of the tiller was headed off when Michael pointed out that the beautiful *Rozinante* and whole brace of very elegant Herreshoff yawls of another era were set up this way with no ill effect. Next, the cabin roof, since the main mast was now 150mm forward of the original



position, could come forward to the next bulkhead, giving a 400mm increase in coach-house length.

The proof is in the pudding. *Clancy* was launched on a



blustery rain squally April Sunday. The owner John Hyam and NIS 18 Kit builder David Sumsion had her out at Snowdens Beach, running, reaching, beating; reefing and shaking out on the fly, with remarkable ease, especially given that neither of them had sailed the boat before. Finger light steering on all points of sail. And, no, we could not pick the difference, one tack to the other, with the offset centreboard.

Anyway, here she is. I admit to being a little proud of her.

Designer, Bruce Kirby who had been initially reluctant to endorse the project, responded to the launching pictures with two words: 'Bloody Gorgeous'.

I hope you like her, too.

pleasant trip was about to become very damp. However during the lunch break in comfortable surroundings at the Yacht Club, the showers cleared and we were able to continue the afternoon in dry conditions and arrived back at St. Kilda ramp with weather similar to when we departed in the morning: fine overcast and clear.



(Photos from Roy Duncan—Thanks again) *Barker Inlet cruise (cont.)*

Our sincere thanks go to the Garden Island Yacht Club for the use of their facilities and their hospitality as well as to the two members of that club traveling with us, for their invitation to lunch there



All in all a very pleasant day in good company, enjoyed by those who made the effort to attend. Thanks also to Alex for organizing

**WOODEN BOAT ASSOCIATION of SOUTH AUSTRALIA Inc.****Minutes of General Meeting held on 27/04/09, Brecknock Hotel, King William Street, Adelaide.**

**Meeting opened:** 7.45 Pm;

**Apologies:** John & Gabby Francis, Peter & Jill Allen, Nan Fenwick

**New Members:** Nil;

**Guests:** Nil

**Previous Minutes:** Accepted on the motion of Roger Keyes, seconded by Graham Langsford, carried unanimously.

**Business Arising:** Nil ;

**Correspondence:** Only newsletters

**Treasurer's Report:** See Attachment (email to come)

**New Business:** Peter Shiplside asked whether the Committee had discussed holding the June Meeting at Mannum and if so would the date be altered to coincide with the Pompoota run, ie Saturday night the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Gil Leaver replied that it had been discussed and it was generally agreed with in principal but it was felt we needed some more activities on the Gulf first to cater for our salt water members. It is still on the agenda but deferred for the moment.

Jenn Cole thanked Alan Robinson for his generous donation of another batch of plaques. These are a valuable contrition to our funds from sales and an attractive presentation item as a gift to guest speakers and other benefactors.

Jenn also thanked all those helped with the WB Festival BBQ breakfast. This was a resounding success and very well received by our visiting Wooden Boaties. Special mention being made of Alan and Maureen Robinson's perfectly cooked bacon & eggs.

Peter Shiplside reported that the History writing was going well, with most of the copy ready for the press. To add to the interest though, he needs photos or other memorabilia. He would be grateful if people could get anything they think may be relevant, to him, as soon as possible, as press time is drawing near. He guarantees all photos will be returned, as he only needs copies.

Kingsley Haskett reported that he has finally lost the fight to retain the historic Searle's Boat Yard at the Port. He now has to vacate the property by the end of May and a century or so, of history has to be disposed of. Kingsley will welcome anyone who is interested in salvaging anything, so please go and see him at the shed or talk to him about what is there. All this must go to satisfy the greed of the developers and allow the

gentrification of a proud and historic working port. The irony being, that with the economic crisis the development itself could still fail.

Jim Fowles then spoke in support of Kingsley and suggested we should at least make some protest. After some discussion Roger Keyes moved that our association write letters to the appropriate Minister, and the Advertiser, condemning the present Government's complicity in closing down Searle's. This should also express our distress at the consequent loss, not only of the required skills, but also of the last remaining facility in Adelaide, that would enable substantial sized wooden boats to be built and maintained.

This was seconded by Jim Fowles and carried by a clear majority.

Colin Hill advised the meeting the Government is now reconsidering the controversial 'Draft Houseboat Mooring and Marina Strategy' due to the negative response from the boating community.

Ian Smallacombe thanked the members that had taken part in the recent Murray Bridge National Machinery Rally. The event was a big success and our presence there generated a lot of interest.

There being no further business Jenn Cole then called a brief adjournment for coffee at 8.45PM

The meeting recommenced at 8.50PM with Jim Fowles introducing our guest speaker Mr. Rod Muller.

Rod Muller is the proprietor of a Goolwa based company called Strath Steam which makes small Steam Engines for boats, power generators and even cars. They do this very well and their engines can now be found in the USA, Germany, Holland, Japan and the Caribbean, as well as Australia. As well as the ongoing work of improving the existing products, he is now engaged in developing steam engines for high speed boats and cars. He is also working on solar powered electric boats.

His address was entertaining and informative, and many present would have been very surprised to learn that such a company existed, virtually on our doorstep.

Jenn Cole thanked Rod and made the usual presentation.

She then closed the meeting at 9.35PM.

**WBASA Inc. Merchandise**

**Rugby Tops** with denim collar with logo Price: \$40.00 ea

Colours: blue with logo stitching in white, red with logo stitching in white; Sizes: small, medium and large

**Plain Polo Shirts** with logo Price: \$25.00 ea

Colours: navy, royal blue, Kelly green, lime, (all with logo stitching in white) lemon (light), yellow (gold) (stitching in blue)

Sizes: small, medium or large (logo on lemon & yellow polo shirt is stitched in blue) all other colours the logo is stitched in white

**Polar fleece vests** with zip with logo Price: \$30.00ea

Colours: navy, bottle green, red, royal blue, pink and light blue (pink & light blue in women's sizes only) (logo on light blue and pink is stitched in blue, all other colours the stitching is in white)

Sizes: men:- small, medium and large; women:- 12, 14, 16, 18 etc. (women sizes are shorter in length and have some shaping in the back)

**Burgees** \$26, **Cloth badges** \$6, **Wooden plaques** Small \$20, large \$25

*All this stuff can be viewed at meetings and ordered via the Treasurer in person or through the Association address.*

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## WBASA Inc. Association News

*Your source of information on Meetings, Crow's Nest Deadlines, Association Events  
This column is updated each issue and has information on non-WBASA events of interest to members*

**Welcome to new members since last edition:** David & Lynley Jones

### WBASA Inc. Events

*Please* let the coordinator of each event know if you are considering coming, then you can be informed about any necessary last minute changes and that may occur eg because of weather and any final arrangements. If you change your mind please also let them know.

*Please read the note at the bottom of this page regarding boat insurance requirements for WBASA Inc. events.*

**5 July Mannum to Pompoota Run** Meet at Mannum MaryAnn Reserve 10 am, cruise approx. 1.5 hours downstream to Jenny & Trevor Twigden's place at Pompoota for lunch Free sausage sizzle; bring everything else. Please note: the inlet at the destination has been recently dredged, so is quite open, with the dredged clay now forming a stable plateau on the upstream side; it is at the 135km mark, on the NE bank (LHS going downstream) about 5-600m downstream of the 'Old Pompoota' landing and moorings; it is a half km walk from the inlet to the house – we can provide transport for those who need it. If any one is coming by road they should ring for directions. The house is 23km from Murray Bridge and 11km from Mannum. Contact Jenny Twigden on 8535 4352 or 0419 833 546

**1-2 August PS Industry Visit** We plan to explore the Renmark area on Saturday and cruise on **PS Industry** on Sunday. On Saturday, if you are travelling and wish to divert via Berri you could check out: Leadlight glass at Glossop; Growers Market (Locally grown produce in Berri); Rustons Roses, (23<sup>rd</sup> Street, turn off Bookmark Ave at Renmano Winery, right into Moorna St - very good restaurant, china and vintage car displays); Olive-wood historical homestead (Bookmark Ave, next to KFC); Mad about Nuts (Murray Ave, opp. PO); The look out at Cooltong (North of Renmark on Cooltong Rd); Wilkadene Beer Centre (over Paringa bridge travel towards Custom House on Murtho Rd) or you could contact the tourist information centre. Accommodation in Renmark is up to you but see below.

Steaming time for **P.S. Industry** is 11.00 am & 1.30 pm on Sunday 2 August, departing from wharf in front of tourist information centre opposite Renmark Hotel

No reservations have been necessary so we just turn up and tell the crew that we are a party from WBASA. If you are intending to go, please contact Ian Smallacombe on 8391 4862 or 0429 411 966 so that arrangements can be coordinated regarding meetings, accommodation etc.

Later in the year we are planning a St Kilda Mangrove Trail visit and an event, possibly at Clayton, to launch our Association History .

### Non-WBASA Inc. Events

**Classic Thursdays:** Two members have been organising an unofficial get together on the second Thursday of each month for a cruise somewhere, generally 9am to 4.30pm. If you would like to join them, contact Jim Fowles on 8188 1140 or Ian Smallacombe on 8391 4862.

**Timber and Working with Wood Show**, usually in July, will not happen this year but is scheduled for July next year and is expected to run every two years from 2010. Meanwhile you could look at <http://wbansw.org.au> for some pictures of what we didn't get.

### WBASA Inc. GENERAL INFORMATION

#### General Meetings:

The Association *usually* meets on the *last* Monday of *even* months at the Brecknock Hotel in King William Street, Adelaide, however we are considering some alternatives to cater for non-metropolitan area members.

**Speaker for the next meeting on Monday 29 June will be from the Department of Transport to discuss current issues in water safety**

As usual the meeting starts at 8pm and most people arrive at about 6.30pm for dinner. Please order by 7pm. (It is OK to eat elsewhere first then come any time while the rest are eating.)

The next meeting is the AGM on 31 August and we expect to have our usual General Meeting in Goolwa in October.

#### Committee meetings:

The committee also meets at the Brecknock Hotel. Meetings are on the last Monday of *odd* months from 6.30pm. We have a meal before starting the meeting. If you want to attend it may be worth ringing a committee member to check in case we make a change to date or venue.

#### Crow's Nest deadlines:

Your projects, voyages, ideas, boating tales, requests for information and adverts are all good subjects and welcome usually by Monday *three weeks before* the General Meeting. Your editor would love to have a building/restoration story. or something *positive* about the current state of the River Murray. **The deadline for the next edition is Monday 10 August**

## Boat Insurance for WBASA Inc. Events

*Your committee has accepted advice that all participants in Association boating activities must have insurance. We are advised that, while the Association has arranged public liability insurance, disputes between members and between members and the public may have implications for the Association. The general membership and Committee need to be protected from such unlikely events.*

*Included on your membership renewal form was a space to record your policy number and expiry date for your boat insurance but you can ring, write or e-mail details to a committee member or bring details on the day. For those who choose not to insure their boats it will in future be possible and necessary to purchase single day cover on the day of WBASA Inc. events for \$10 through the Association. We will take details on the day. This insurance has been arranged through Webster Hyde Heath Insurance Brokers on behalf of members.*



## Members' Adverts

We will advertise members' boats and accessories for sale or wanted for free. In some cases we will advertise things of interest to members from non-commercial sources. If you know of interesting boats or bits for sale, contact the editor.

### FOR SALE

**23' Riverboat Hull.** A donation to Armfield Slip will secure this hull for you. Unwanted restoration project. Planking good and half the ribs have been replaced. Contact Peter 08 8555 5398



**Emelle Motor launch/River boat** 7.3m fibreglass Debco hull, 8hp Yanmar diesel, with lots of extras incl dinghy and new bimini. \$12 500 At Port Lincoln but can be delivered. Contact Andrew 08 8682 1637



**4.8m Carvel Hull Wooden Boat** 100 year old, restored, with Ford 10 marinised engine on steel trailer - excellent condition 'best in Australia'. Max Morell 8276 5801 P.O.A.

**18'6" Inch Open Timber Scale Boat** to give away; has an original Tasman 6 motor. The boat is in original condition and obviously needs work. Would like \$200 for the motor but whoever buys that must take the boat. The boat was built in the Port River and has knees made of Port River mangroves. It is an authentic old thing and rather than chop it up we seek a good home. Contact Trevor Lynch on 0882512281 or 0438655323

**Wooden Trailer** that was used to carry a small boat; would suit a row boat perhaps. Excellent painted condition and has very unusual steam bent 4"x2" chassis. Call Graham on 0419294052.

**2 Cylinder Stuart-Turner Boat Motor** in good order for sale, please phone 0409097936.

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**2 Cylinder Diesel Boat motor** to suit 18 ft clinker boat please phone 0409097936.

## WBA Vic

### 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations

We received an invitation from the committee of the Wooden Boat Association Vic. to their 20th anniversary celebrations on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2009 at Albert Park Lake.

Weather permitting, they will be sailing in the morning, followed by lunch at 12.30pm and from 2.00pm until 5.00pm there will be a number of presentations and the opportunity to catch up with members past and present. There is no cost to attend, and the RSVP date has long past so if, despite this late notice, you wish to attend, contact the president, Andrew Cohen on (03) 9773 8624 H or 9588 2828 W



We are happy to consider commercial adverts. Circulation is approximately 150 including members, interstate Wooden Boat Associations, other boat clubs and relevant community groups. Prices by negotiation.

Our website is at <http://wboatsa.supremeit.com> (NB don't include 'www') Comments to [barryjoh@adam.com.au](mailto:barryjoh@adam.com.au)

### Membership fees

Full/Family \$30

Country<sup>1</sup> \$25

Concession<sup>2</sup> \$25

Notes <sup>1</sup> Country membership applies if you live more than 100km as the crow flies from Adelaide

<sup>2</sup> Includes students, pensioners and those on unemployment benefits



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### Membership Application

Please forward cheque with this form to:

**The Membership Officer, WBASA Inc., PO Box 6264, Halifax Street, Adelaide SA 5000**  
or ring Alex on (08) 8352 8948 for further information

**Objects of the Association:** (for full details see the Constitution of WBASA Inc.)

To share information on and promote the preservation, restoration, building and use of wooden boats and to explore and take care of our waterways.

Name:

Address:

