



SHAG ISLET CRUISING YACHT CLUB

Newsletter 62 – 4,243 “Vice Commodores”

Membership from 15 nations

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BIG NEWS!!!!

BOAT INSURANCE FOR “VICE COMMODORES”

On Saturday 29 August 2015 the SICYC Pleasurecraft Insurance Policy was launched.

When your boat renewal comes up ...

Check out Shag Islet Cruising Yacht Club Pleasurecraft Insurance Policy ...

At renewal time compare your current policy with this and at the same time make a contribution to Prostate Cancer Awareness and Research ... 5% of our premiums will do to the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia.

This Policy has been created specifically for SICYC members.....

Benefits are:

Full Comprehensive Pleasurecraft Policy.

Easy Obtained Quote, application may be made online.

No Insurer Administration Fee.

Monthly installments at no extra cost.

Should the quote be more than your existing premium **every effort will be made to match the premium** on a "Like for Like" policy.

5% of your premium will be donated **to the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia.**

Broker **administration fee waived** for your first year.

24/7 Claims Hotline

For Further Information Call Lizzie on 07 3370 2555

Thanks QBE and Oceanic Marine Risks for your support to SICYC members and for their contribution to prostate cancer research...

This policy is specifically designed for SICYC .



The image shows a brochure for Oceanic Marine Risks, a specialist Marine Insurance Broker. The brochure is divided into several sections. The top left section features the Oceanic Marine Risks logo and text stating they are a specialist Marine Insurance Broker, proud to be 100% locally owned and operated. It mentions offices in North Queensland, Brisbane, and the Sunshine Coast. The middle left section provides instructions on how to obtain a quote simply by visiting oceanicmarinerisks.com.au to complete an electronic Private Pleasurecraft application form, or by emailing for an application form to be sent to you. The bottom left section lists key contacts: Lizzie Wickham, Marine Broker, with phone number 07 3370 2555 and email lizzie@oceanicmarinerisks.com.au. It also lists claims contact: Bill Lipson, Marine Broker, with phone number 07 3370 34154 and email bill@oceanicmarinerisks.com.au. The middle right section features a globe icon and the website oceanicmarinerisks.com.au. The bottom right section features an information icon and general enquiries: 07 3370 2555. The right side of the brochure features a large image of a tropical beach with a boat in the water, and a small SICYC logo in the top right corner. The bottom right corner of the brochure features the Oceanic Marine Risks logo and website oceanicmarinerisks.com.au 07 3370 2555.

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Oceanic Marine Risks is a specialist Marine Insurance Broker who is proud to be 100% locally owned and operated.

We have offices in North Queensland, Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast providing a nationwide service.

To obtain a quote simply:
Visit oceanicmarinerisks.com.au to complete an electronic Private Pleasurecraft application form
OR
Email us for an application form to be sent to you

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When your boat insurance renewal comes due , compare your current policy with SICYC Pleasurecraft Insurance by contacting Lizzie ...

Out and About

Gold Coast Anchor Up and Party



On 4 September, the Gold Coast "Vice Commodores" Anchored Up and Partied at the Southport VMR...



Everybody had a great night, great music, great company and great fun

Thanks to Ian, Richard and Alex for putting the event together

Tassie Dinner



The tassie "Vice Commodores" had a great night with a turn up of 15. The manager of Bellerive Yacht Club extended members prices for drinks.

The group are planning a monthly dinner and are working on fund raising ideas..

Thanks to Mal and Sharon "Vice Commodores" Double Island and Scout Hat .

Sundowners at Airlie Beach



The cruisers have very actively participating in the Sunday Sundowners at Sorrentos ...

Sundowners are at Sorrentos every Sunday from 5.30pm

Doing it tough



The photo is of Ron & Donna, Vice Commodores Hillarys Boat Harbour and Lake Joondalup holidaying with 2 other Shaggers on their 69 foot canal boat at Limehouse Marina in London. They were only able to do 4 knots but with a pub every couple of miles, who cares.

Don't forget

Sundowners at Hogs Breath Café Cleveland (Brisbane South) every Wednesday from 5.30pm

And

Sundowners and dinner at Hervey Bay Boat Club every Friday night From 6.30pm

Review of the SICYC

“Vice Commodore” Rendezvous 2015

The 2015 Rendezvous was held from 27 to 30 August and was attended by 180 yachts and a steady event population at approximately 750 to 800 ...



The money raised for the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia during the 2014 /2015 year was over\$88,000, now making, making \$258,000 the total amount raised by SICYC for Prostate Cancer Awareness and Research.

Well done Guys

Volunteers

Firstly, Congratulations and Thanks to the many “Volunteers”, without whom the Rendezvous just wouldn’t happen..

A Job well done

45 Volunteers put their hands up to assist during the Rendezvous

Volunteers worked in the following areas:

Raffle Ticket and Participation Wrist Band Sales, SICYC Memorabilia Sales, Administration Assistants, Raffle Draw Assistants, Auctioneers, Bus Driving, Fire Works Security, Guides for Hands Across the Blue, Banner Management, Media Liaison, Set up work Parties on Shag Islet, Sausage Sizzle Cooks, Announcers, Hairdressers, 60's Clothing Sale, First Aiders and on call Doctor.



A very big "THANK YOU" to you all!!!



Thanks particularly to Brian, Kay, and Harrold Quite simply, without their dedication and commitment, any aspects of the Rendezvous just would not happen

Bus Services



This year bus services ran each day of the Rendezvous from Airlie Beach, through local pick up and drop off points.. Thanks to the support of Whitsunday transit and “Vice Commodore Robin Love , our Volunteer Driver.

The MEET and GREET

The meet and greet was held at Montes Reef Resort on Thursday 27 August



The greeting of old friends

The Meet and Greet featured .. A book and DVD swap, Happy Hour, Great Music, and MudCrab Races..



The meet and Greet is a great opportunity to catch up with friends meet at previous “Rendezvous” and to meet new friends as well meeting and mixing with our sponsors ...





The official Welcome to Distinguished Professor Judith Clements AC and Professor Adrian Herington

Crab Races



\$850 raised from Crab Auctions and Crayfish Sales .. Thanks Chris from Montes “What a Legend”



A fair bit of beer was consumed however its hard to work out who drank it !

Thai Chi



Thai Chi was held on the beach on Friday and Saturday Morning.....

SHAG ISLET PARTY

A near record crowd turned up to the annual “Shag Islet Party” Due to the spring tides, we were all able to walk back ashore...





The annual Rendezvous Cake was demolished



The Sausage Sizzle was provided by the local "Vice Commodores"



The Music was fantastic and they partied and partied ...



Kites of all shapes and sizes flew above Shag Islet



Helicopter Flights



Heli Taxis flew local area sorties at \$65 per head and donated back \$5 to Prostate Cancer



81 "Vice Commodores" enjoyed the flights with \$405 being donated back



Thanks to Heli Taxis for your ongoing support !!!

“HANDS ACROSS THE BLUE”



Hands Across the Blue is the Signature event of the Rendezvous

At 10am on Saturday 29 August over 120 dinghies assembled in the shape of the prostate cancer Foundation of Australia Logo in the shallows in front of Montes Reef Resort.



Guests aboard MV Norseman during Hands Across the Blue were Lto R

Distinguished Professor Judith Clements, Professor Adrian Herington, Paul Darrouzet, Rhonda and Ken Thackeray, Lizzie Wickham and Maria Dwyer (Oceanic Marine Risks), Andrew Willcocks Deputy Mayor Whitsunday Regional Council and Jason Costigan Mp



The Rendezvous VIP guest Distinguished Professor Judith Clements Ac addressed the assembly...



Congratulations to Brian Bond and his band of Volunteers for putting together a perfect Logo



A perfect day, a light breeze, a warm sunny day ...

**A very special thanks to Paul Darrouzet (owner of Abell Point Marina)
for providing MV “Norseman” as the platform for Hands Across the Blue**

The Swingn’ Sixtys



So many people made a huge effort in coming up with really original 60’s gear.

Including Lady Lou (a hydroponic hooch system)



From Gilligans Island to the Hippie Era



Thanks to Diana "Vice Commodore" Waterloo Bay, who arrives with a huge assortment of 60's gear which she sold with the proceeds to prostate Cancer ... A great effort



How good were these outfits????



**Thanks to Phil Emmanuel, John Garufi, Jack Ridge, Dave Hoffman, and
“Vice Commodore” Pop Standen for providing entertainment that we will not
forget ...**



The Dance Floor was packed ...



Prizes for the best dressed Guy and Girl



36 Raffle Prizes were drawn



Gary "Mr Fireworks" once again did us proud



Diana's 60's clothing sales Thanks!!!

BOATS

Once again the boats were well dressed for the rendezvous



The Best Dressed Boats by Day and Night are sponsored by Marlene "Vice Commodore" Stewart Island NZ and Mike and Linda "Vice Commodores" Flatholm and Steepholm (Yellow Cabs Redlands)



Marlene presented embossed hip flasks in memory of Dieter "Vice Commodore" Reeback and the winners in each category received \$250 cash, donated by Yellow Cabs Redlands

Pirates Lunch Sunday 30 August



This year the Pirates lunch was moved to Cape Gloucester Resort.....
And what a great day ... Thanks to Julie, Steve and Staff for their support ...



The Cape Gloucester Staff







Walking the plank



Four Pirates were nominated to walk the plank

Raising \$800 for Prostate Cancer

A Great Individual effort



Thanks to all those “Vice Commodores” , Businesses and friends who have supported her on her journey



There was not a dry eye at Cape Gloucester during her head shave ...

WELL DONE !!!!

Event media Release

Feel Free to circulate this release

Australia's Largest Prostate Check Returns Positive Results

On Saturday 29 August, 180 boats, Power and Sail joined together in the Shag Islet Cruising Yacht Club (SICYC) Rendezvous in Gloucester Passage, featuring the 'Hands Across the Blue' for Prostate Cancer.

Hosted in the stunning turquoise waters of the Whitsundays, yachties from around the world gathered in their dinghies in the shallows just off the beach from Montes Reef Resort holding "hands across the Blue" in the shape of the Prostate Cancer of Australia (PCFA) logo to drive awareness of the cancer that takes lives of more than 3,000 Australians per year.

The guest of honor was Distinguished Professor Judith Clements, who is a prominent prostate cancer researcher and the Queensland Chair of the PCFA . Professor Clements spoke of the cancer that is a disease and affects all ages with an increasing younger demographic being diagnosed each year and explained the research that is being undertaken to update the testing and diagnosis procedures.

Deputy Major of Whitsundays Andrew Willcox described Saturday's Shag Islet Cruising Yacht Club as the best event he'd attended in his position with the council saying 'Here in the Whitsundays we have good days and we have great days and today is a great day'.

About 700 people agreed with him, flocking to the event in the Gloucester Passage that over the course of its three days raised a record \$88,000 for Prostate cancer awareness and research. To date the total amount raised by SICYC is now \$258,000.

Professor Clements and founder of SICYC Ken Thackeray said their goal now was to spread the message beyond the Whitsundays, with the hope that on the last Saturday of August each year, other boating, fishing and surf lifesaving clubs might hold hands across the blue ahead of Prostate Cancer month in September.

SICYC is a not for profit association and now has over 4,000 members from 15 nations with the primary aim to create and maintain a social cruising network for cruising yachties. Every member is a Vice Commodore of a nautical location and are lifetime members, to become a member of SICYC costs \$60 including a polo and membership card.

For further information, join and support a great cause at sicyc.com.au

The Whitsunday Times

The Whitsunday Times Supported by our magnificent local sponsors ... produced a 5 page feature leading up to the Rendezvous and followed up with a front page story after...



BACK TO BASICS: Humble Shag Island in the Gloucester Passage is where the phenomenon now known as the SICYC Rendezvous began. On Friday a party was held there at low tide. Photo Sharon Smallwood

Parties fund a cause

Record \$82K raised for Prostate Cancer Foundation

"SICYC in the Whitsundays we have great days and we have great days and today is a great day," said Andrew Williams, who described Saturday's Shag Island Cruising Yacht Club Rendezvous as the best event he'd attended in three years of being deputy mayor.

About 500 people agreed with him, flocking to the event in the Gloucester Passage that over the course of its three days raised a record \$82K for the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia, and included a party on tiny Shag Island and fancy dress parties at the Moties and Cape Gloucester resorts.

SICYC founder Ken Thackuray said the generosity of those present was boundless, with people sharing their boats, selling costumes and even walking the plank in the name of charity.

As well as raising funds, the event was aimed at raising awareness of the disease that's as prevalent among Australian men as breast cancer is among women.

Queensland Chair of the PCFA, Distinguished Professor Judith Clements, who attended the symbolic "Hands Across the Blue" component on Saturday morning, said people needed to know prostate cancer wasn't a disease that affected only older men, with an increasingly younger demographic being diagnosed each year.

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Mr Thackuray thanked the event's major sponsors, Paul Carruzzel from the Abell Point Marina and Maria Dwyer from Geopline Marine Risks, deputy mayor Andrew Wilcock and Whitsunday MP Jason Costigan enjoying the SICYC Rendezvous on Saturday.

DISTINGUISHED QUESTS: Professors Judith Clements and Adrian Herington, Abell Point Marina owner Paul Carruzzel, SICYC founders Rhonda and Ken Thackuray, Lizzy Wickham and Maria Dwyer from Geopline Marine Risks, deputy mayor Andrew Wilcock and Whitsunday MP Jason Costigan enjoying the SICYC Rendezvous on Saturday.

launched a special boat insurance policy for SICYC members over the weekend.

"It's been a great roll-up of very supportive people and we've had 45 volunteers that have been working their butts off to make it a success," he said.

"We're a very lucky club."

MUSICAL INTERLUDE: Popular musician Pop Stenden entertained "Hands Across the Blue" participants from the back deck of Abell Point Marina owner Paul Carruzzel's boat. Photo Sharon Smallwood

Cruising Helmsman

Cruising Helmsman is growing its relationship with SICYC ... look out for the October issue for a complete coverage of the Rendezvous.



Now its over “Just chill out until next year”



Rendezvous 2016 will take place 25 to 28 August

The Theme “Jimmy Buffet PARROT HEADS”

Sponsors

To the ever growing number of Sponsors **THANK YOU** very much for your ongoing support

When you have time go to www.sicyc.com.au and view the list of sponsors We strongly recommend that you use their products and services .. to complete this fantastic family circle...



Cheers !!!!!



Take Care and Keep Smiling

Ken and Rhonda

"Vice Commodores" Raby Bay and Caves Cove

***Thanks to all of you fantastic people that make
SICYC what it is !!! It's about You !!!***