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Girls, you're looking good

Margaret Burgess spreading the love



Karaoke Party RVMYC's Got Talent Friday 7 July

Amateur performers are invited to belt out a tune at our upcoming karaoke - Sonny & Cher are performing, you don't want to miss that! The office staff were privy to a few bars of 'Stand by your man' by a member who will be performing on the night. Yep folks, this will be a very enjoyable evening indeed, Prize on offer for best performance, so come along even if you're not performing - we need you to vote for your favourite star. Don't miss out!



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From the Commodore's Deck

Dear Members,

It is with much pleasure that I write to you for the first time as Commodore of the RVMYC. I feel very privileged to be in the role, but I'm also conscious that it comes with a great deal of responsibility.

I'm fortunate to be leading a great team in the new committee, with a good cross section of skills and backed up by capable and experienced admin staff. Together, we will be working hard, and in a transparent manner, to carry out the wishes of the members, in the best interests of the club as a whole.

I'm taking over the helm at a time when the club is in a good place. That's thanks, to Immediate Past Commodore Chris Ackerman and Commodores before him. We have a vibrant club, a membership that's on the rise, magnificent facilities and relatively low debt.

However, there is still much to do and your new committee has hit the ground running. We are negotiating with our landlord, Parks

Victoria (PV), to take up the 21yr option on our current lease. PV in turn wants us to sign a new lease incorporating the seabed, over which we currently hold a licence. That licence does not allow us to build a new marina. In the last month (June), we've had 3 meetings with PV working through the terms of a new lease, with still a number of hurdles to overcome. In the background we've also been working on options to increase the footprint of our current marina and had informal discussions with marina builders, discussing possibilities and options (at no cost to date).

We've also instructed our Architect to prepare plans and specs for the fit-out of the library, the committee room and re-designing a section of the yard to incorporate a smokers shelter, a new storage area for marina trolleys, rubbish bins and a bike rack. When complete we intend to make the designs available to members for their input and comments.

Increasing membership is high on the agenda and we had a stand at the recent Melbourne Boat Show held 16-19 June. That has proved fruitful; we've already had visits to the club by people introduced via the show. Thanks to Membership Chair, Dave Collins, Hon Secretary, Livio Andolfatto, Vice Commodore Paul Doherty, Sandy Ellul and Matt Wynn who manned the stand over the weekend.

We are also in the process of updating our CCTV system, which is an old analogue system and in terms of security, past it's use-by date. We are hopeful that we'll be able to incorporate the facility for members to log in to (some of) the cameras remotely from smartphones or tablets.

We also had our first social event, organized by the Mariners, last Saturday evening and that was a successful night of wine, food, good company and a complete sellout. The Winemaker, from Brygon Reserve Wines (Margaret River WA) did a fabulous job informing and entertaining us and some members continued on into the early morning.

That's just a small part of what's been happening, but as well as that, the club calendar of events is being finalized with the Boating and Mariners Subcommittee's liaising to co-ordinate events for the coming year and you'll find some tentative dates included in this Propeller.

Moving forward, the committee has a long list of items we are working methodically through and we'll try to keep members informed as much as possible with progress. More importantly however, we are here to carry out the wishes of the members and therefore the committee needs to hear your feedback. Whether it's good, bad or ugly, if you have an issue, suggestion, or god forbid, even to tell us we've done something right, send an email to committee@rvmc.com.au and it will be addressed.

That's it from me at this stage, stay safe out on the water.

John Zammit
Commodore




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Be our guest

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Empowering Members

To assist members re-set circuit breakers in case of an outage, the committee has re-assessed the current policy in regard to locked power boards on the marina. Member's keys will now allow access to the power boards.

Alma Doepel Lifeline

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18 June 2017

Chris Ackerman
Commodore
Royal Victorian Motor Yacht Club
260 Nelson Place
Williamstown VIC 3016

Dear Chris

Urgent lifeline for Alma Doepel: Invitation for Royal Victorian Motor Yacht Club to sponsor a hull plank

The Alma Doepel Project combines the unique setting of a historic tall ship with structured programs for young people that build resilience, leadership skills and combat depression and youth suicide.

The Alma Doepel is currently being restored in the Docklands and is half way through the restoration, with over \$1.7 million of the \$3 million restoration completed to-date. However, the project is currently under threat from multiple factors;

- The length of time the ship has spent out of the water is starting to create permanent and irreversible damage to the heritage timbers in the vessel. Without returning the hull to the water this year, much of the restoration work completed, and the vessel itself is at risk. The restoration site has a limited lifespan. Developers are currently moving down the wharf as part of the Docklands development and soon will require the restoration site.

How you can help: We are seeking your contribution to an urgent lifeline to return Alma Doepel to the water by the end of 2017. The costs to return the vessel to the water is \$795,000, which is around half of the total funds required to return her to youth development training. Our fundraising to-date has been effective, however at the current rate we simply cannot fundraise fast enough to save the project.

We are looking for support from all Victorian Yacht Clubs and their members. We would be most grateful if your club would consider supporting this campaign by sponsoring a plank for \$500. This will be recognised via our honour board. Once Alma Doepel is returned to youth development programs, we hope to continue working with you through providing youth in your Club the opportunity to experience the tremendous benefits of Tall Ship Sailing.

I have attached the following documents:

- A brochure which gives further information on the project, and demonstrates the vital role the youth programs play in today's modern and complex society
- An invoice for \$500 to sponsor a plank. If you're in a position to sponsor a more substantial part of the ship, please let us know. If you're not in a position to assist, please disregard the invoice.
- A paragraph which could be used in your Club Enews or Newsletter to let members know about this important project should they wish to support the project directly.

I, along with my fellow Board Members are available to discuss the project with you and show you around the restoration. I can be contacted on 0423117389.

Yours Sincerely

Cathy Moore
Director

Support this urgent campaign by sponsoring a hull plank for \$500. Contact Cathy Moore on 0423 117 389.

Williamstown Combined Clubs Progressive Dinner

Williamstown Combined Clubs

PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Saturday, 19 August 2017

6pm	Canapé	Royal Yacht Club of Victoria
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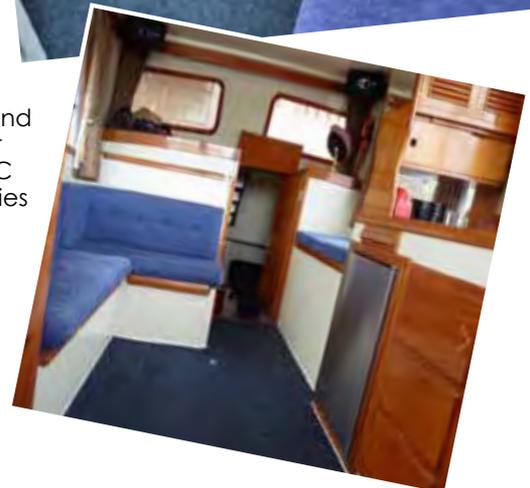
Tickets now available - \$75 per person, book now as this event will sell out, call the office on 9393 2888.

Jersey Journey

Story & Photos by Richard Edwards

Prue and I have always liked Tasmania and thought a property there would be great. I then thought a boat would be better! We don't live together, she lives around the corner. I started looking and found Jersey, near Hobart. The owner was shifting to Queensland for a year then returning. He didn't want to sell but had no choice. I checked the

boat Clippper 34, 2 cabin, 2 heads, 120hp. Prue was not involved in any way but she liked her. I was able to get a floating berth at the Motor Yacht Club of Tasmania. We have been down a few times and I am having some improvements done. MYCT is at Lindisfarne, close to the airport and public transport. Not as GRAND as RVMYC but with all the facilities including fuel and liftoft. The previous owner wants 1st option if I wish to sell after his return. 'SKIN' = Spend Kids Inheritance Now.



Kicking Goals for Charity

Dubai Dingoes Victorious

Story by RVMYC, Photos by Simon Mills

Club members Simon Mills and Sam Cutajar were victorious in a recent footy match, raising funds for the Jodie O'Shea Orphanage. The team, comprised of Australian expats, challenge sides from all over the world, 250 players. The teams play a round robin tournament in Canggu Resort in Bali, Sammy and Millsy represent the Dubai Dingoes. All funds raised are in aid of the 96

orphans from the Bali bombings in 2002. The Dubai Dingoes would like to acknowledge and thank **Mark Rindfleisch** in kindly donating 2 return airfares for



Sammy & Simon. The boys did us proud, playing in 3 divisions, the first on a Friday, advancing to the semi-final on Saturday and winning the championship 72-12 against the Taiwan Tigers.



Motoring for Motor Neurone

Story by RVMYC, Photos provided by Terry Toscas

The Club would like to acknowledge the outstanding effort of club member Terry Toscas, who recently organised a BBQ at the Club to raise funds for Motor Neurone Disease and his partner Angela, who suffers from the condition. Angela, a car enthusiastic, was told she was being taken for a leisurely drive around the beaches of Altona and Williamstown. When she arrived at a designated meeting point, BP in Laverton, a

convoy of over 20 vintage and custom cars were waiting for her. They motored past local beaches attracting much attention as they made their way to our club for a BBQ. Angela had a smile on her face all day; the highlight for Angela was a ride in her favourite car, a Ford XY GT. Over \$1500 was raised, a magnificent effort by all. Along with the funds raised, MND have provided

Angela with a new recliner, bedding material, bathroom equipment and much more. Terry would like to thank Immediate Past Commodore, Chris Ackerman and Committee.



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Hard and Yard Rules

Reminding all members when booking annual boat maintenance, there are several yard rules to be adhered to. Please refer to RVMYC Bylaws for further information. If you have any questions, please contact the office.



YARD RULES

- Every Contractor must sign the Log Book at the Contractors Box or Club Office each time they come into the Club Yard, and must have a **current and appropriate** Certificate of Insurance with **Public Liability** coverage of **at least \$10Million. Copy of Insurance to be submitted to the Office.**
- Every Contractor working in the Club Yard must provide **evidence of Workers Compensation Cover** for all its Employees working in the Club Yard.
- Owners must provide a copy of these yard rules to all contractors working on their boat.
- No work of a noisy or dusty nature on Special Days such as big functions or Opening Day or when Total Car Park is to be utilized.
- Sand or grit blasting of any nature is strictly forbidden in the Club Yard. Some improved methods of sanding, such as vacuum sanding, may be permitted but must have prior approval in writing from the Committee.
- Soda blasting is permitted under strict condition that the area be fully screened and the ground be covered as a means of collecting debris. All debris must be removed with nothing being permitted to enter the drainage system. Soda blasting requires specific approval from the Committee in writing. Correction or repair of any damage to Club or other Members' property resulting from soda blasting debris particles will be the responsibility of the Boat Owner.
- Use of mechanical grinders or spray painting is not permitted unless the work area is fully screened. **Spray painting requires specific approval in writing of the Committee.** Correction or repair of any damage to Club or other Members' property resulting from overspray or grinding particles will be the responsibility of the Boat Owner.
- **The dumping into yard drains of contaminates** of any nature such as paint chips, paint waste, oil, etc is **strictly forbidden.**
- **All rubbish and other waste** resulting from work in the Club Yard is to be swept up daily from the area around and under work area by the Boat Owner or his representative.
- **Rubbish bins** provided to each owner whose boat is in the Club Yard must be emptied into the Dumpmaster by the Boat Owner or his representative. The yard area occupied by the boat is to be left in a clean and tidy condition after the boat is removed from the Club Yard.
- **Contractors will be charged if the Club yard has to be cleaned up after them.**
- **The gates between Savages Wharf and RVMYC are to remain shut at all times** unless their opening is required temporarily for yard operations such as traversing boats.
- **Boat stands supporting boats must not under any circumstances be moved or altered except by Savages Wharf staff.**
- **Non compliance with any of the above Yard Rules**, may result in the Committee exercising its authority under the Club's Constitution Rule 39 ("Yards, Slipways, and Marinas") and By-Laws 22 – 28 ("Club Yard").
- **Contractors hours of work – Daylight hours only.**

I have read and understand, and agree to abide by, the above Yard Rules, Club Constitution Rule 39, and Club By-Laws 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, and 28.

Family Memberships

David Collins

I've received a couple of questions of late, regarding family membership, so I thought it would be a good idea to refer to the constitution, and the application process for the Family membership category. Also a brief update members on membership activities, but firstly the excerpt from the Constitution covering Family membership

(1) A person who is the spouse of a Full Member shall be eligible to be a Family Member.

(2) A Full Member may propose their spouse to be a Family Member.

(3) A candidate for Family Member shall be elected in the same manner as a candidate for Full Member, subject to both the Full Member and the Full Member's spouse having paid the fees and subscriptions payable in respect of their respective memberships.

(4) If a Full Member's membership expires at any time, the spouse's Family Membership shall simultaneously expire.

(5) If a Full Member advises the Club in writing that the Family Member has ceased to be their spouse, the Family Membership of the former spouse shall terminate immediately without any requirement to

refund any part of membership fees paid. Family membership of children will be retained unless otherwise advised by the Full Member.

(6) A Family Member who is the spouse of a Full Member shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the Club except the rights to vote or to nominate persons to the Committee or to become a member of the Committee or to apply for a Marina berth.

(7) A Full Member can nominate their dependent up to 25 years of age to be a Family Member. Such Family Member will be entitled to enjoy the Club Premises but be given no other rights or privileges

So, in summary, a spouse/partner may be proposed by a full member for Family Membership, or a child if there is no spouse, and go through the normal application process, with a \$203.00 membership fee, allowing the 'family' to enjoy the both the club's boating and social activities.

Any dependents under 25 are included, but still need to be 'nominated' by the Full

member, and 'dependents' 18 and over need to apply in the normal manner, but will not be charged the fee, thus complying with both our liquor licensing and constitutional obligations.

I hope this explains the process and benefits of Family Membership, but if there are any questions, you know where to find me.

The RVMYC had a stand at the Melbourne boat show this year, which was a great success, and I am sure we will convert some of the interest shown

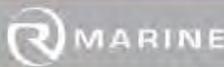
into new members over the coming months. The ability to talk to such a wide spectrum of boat owners was invaluable in understanding what people want from a club. Some of the beliefs expressed, be it organised activities or social events with like-minded members, were interesting as perceptions about the RVMYC seemed at odds with our reality.

As always, please contact me with any questions or suggestions regarding membership and remember to give some thought as to who you know that may be interested in membership to our club.

David Collins




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Border Watch Info Session 23 June

Story by Sandy Ellul, Photos M Cassetta

On Friday 23rd of June we were given an insight into Australia Border Force and the role we can all play while out in our boats and at marinas. A good attendance of members and guests listened to Border Force Officer Loretta Rigoni recount various stories of perpetrators attempting to smuggle contraband into and out of Australia. The most memorable story was that of a lady, while returning to her home country, our customs officers detected a squishing noise coming from beneath her clothing. Upon further investigation it was found she had many tropical fish in bags hidden on her body; apparently the odour was not pleasant. Loretta also urged us all to report anything that seems unusual such as boats left unattended for long periods and boats anchored in hidden areas. It was a short entertaining talk ending with Boarder Force floating keyring giveaways.





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RVMYCHAT!

Greg Miles

How long have you been a member of the RVMYC?

I was about to turn 50 and I wanted to buy a boat, I've never had anything to do with boats, ever, but because we lived nearby, I thought I've got to get involved. So, for my 50th birthday, Alison bought me a membership to the club. I came down and spent quite a few months coming to the information sessions they used to have, which were really fantastic in those days; they used to have guest speakers on a Wednesday night, they were really good.

So, I came to the club, met a few people and realised it was a really social club, initially I thought it would have been really blokey, but it was

mainly couples so I got Alison to come down. After about 1 year I purchased a boat. I wanted a motor boat so RVMYC was an easy choice, I came down, asked how I could join and signed up.

What do you like most about the club?

Boy, there are a lot of things I like about the club, principally I suppose it's the people, the camaraderie, the friendships and the fact we've been able to enjoy the club as a couple; Alison feels comfortable coming down on her own, meeting up with friends and having a drink at the bar, it's extremely friendly and it's

a safe place, it's not like meeting at a bar down the street with bogans and we're gradually learning about boating - it's giving us a lot of pleasure.

As you say, you didn't have a boating background, what drew you to boating?

It was something I always coveted but did nothing about. We holidayed at Yarrawonga on the Murray River and I thought of buying a speed boat, but never did as we were only



there for a few weeks at a time. When in Melbourne I didn't have time, I was so busy working. It was when I was approaching 50 I knew I wanted to retire and I thought if I don't have something to do, I'll go mad. I didn't have any hobbies and as early as I can remember I've always been fascinated with boats. I decided to do something about it. The best way is to learn first to avoid making mistakes and buying the wrong kind of boat. I probably skipped my first boat by coming down here and getting advice from people. **RVMYC: Who were some of those people?** Early days (I'll leave someone out for sure), the

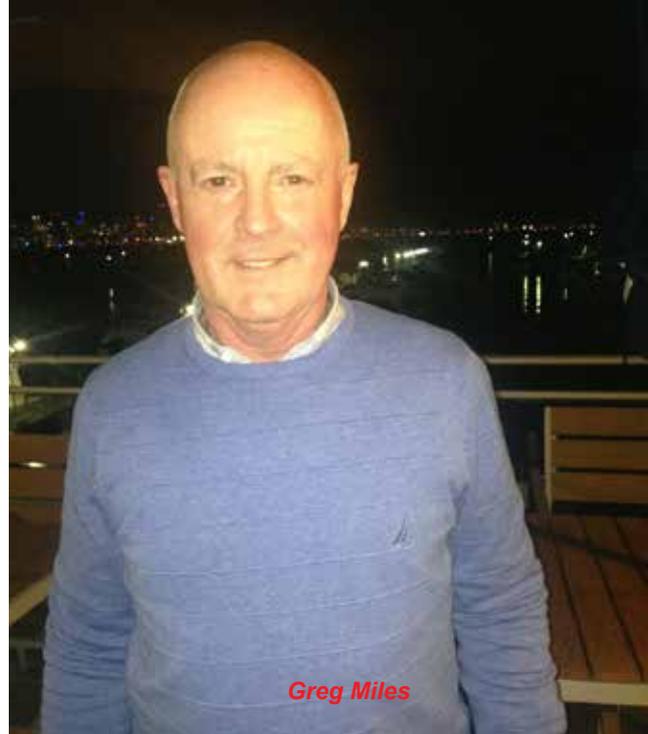
ones I remember most are Darren Keast, Frank was very helpful, Frank Wilkes, and all that kiwi crew including Tony & Lorraine, offered advice and there were a lot of others, I can't remember them all. I used to have, what I call, my 'book of dreams' I'd go through the internet and print off all boats which (a) were in my price range and (b) a reasonable kind of boat to do what I wanted to do, so I'd print them all off and come back to the bar on a Wednesday night and they'd go through them all. Eventually Frank and I went to Qld together and we went through 12 of the boats I had found on the internet and none of them were up to scratch for

one reason or another. We were there for 3 days and on the last day the broker we were dealing with from Anchorline, a guy called Andrew Fielding, said 'I think I found one'.

So, we went Newport, north of Brisbane, and as we crossed over the bridge to look at the marina, I saw one that I liked with a 'For Sale' and I thought 'gee I hope it's that one, I like the look of that' and it was! When Frank went underneath, he said 'this is the one if you like it'. So, that was how it happened.

You did mention, you'd been very busy throughout your life and that you hadn't had a hobby because of your career, tell us a bit more about that.

Well it's over now, it's a lot quieter than it has been over the last 37 years. Without boring you with a long story, I was enamored with horse racing from a really young age, I loved listening to the great broadcasters of the time Bert Bryant, Bill Collins and Joe Brown. Once I got on the race track I knew I wanted it to be in my life. From my late teens, I did all sorts of things trying to become a caller... I went out to the track with a tape recorder, went up to the back of the grandstands and started calling into the tape recorder trying to teach myself how to do it. Eventually I got a little bit better, sent some tapes to people, got some country jobs that were broadcast... slowly but surely, I got a foothold and before I knew it, Joe Brown had made a decision to retire and I was at the ABC at the time, working in the personnel



Greg Miles

department, and they said 'we'll give you a go'. That was 1980 and I ended up doing the Spring Carnival the following year, June of 1981 and I did 37 years, not all with the ABC, but that was my start. It's very helpful to be in the right place at the right time and I certainly was. If I hadn't been working at the ABC, especially the personnel department, then I would never have got the start I got. **RVMYC: But you must have made a good impression?** Yeah, they probably saw something. I made a lot of mistakes early too, but they persevered because the ABC are very much like that, they like to create one of their own, rather than go out and get one that has been made elsewhere, they're very big on fostering talent in broadcasting, well they certainly were in those days. I was the recipient of that, very lucky.

Did you have a mentor, someone who really took you under his wing, because I think you've been a mentor to Matthew who's stepped into your shoes?

I've had a few people who have helped me. It's really something that can't be taught, you've got to have some ability, I guess an innate ability to do it, and a lot of drive to stick at it because it doesn't come easily. You need to have a lot of belief in yourself to make it happen and then the mentors help. I had Joe Brown, he'd called 33 Melbourne Cups, he helped me a lot, along with Peter

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customer service.

Booth. He was a sports broadcaster and had a lot of interest in what I was doing, he loved his racing and knew what was happening. When he was retiring he saw me as a possible replacement so he was very helpful along with a guy called Dick Mason, two of those three have gone unfortunately, Dick was the sporting supervisor and it was on his watch and on his head that if I failed it was his fault, he had a lot of faith in me. They were probably the 3 who helped me the most in the early days.

And I'm proud I've been able to help Matthew Hill too. He's been to the club a few times. Perhaps we need to recruit him to get a new race caller into the club!

Having experienced this



Greg's first Lady

illustrious career, spanning all those years, you must have had an amazing experience?

On the racetrack, the highlight was calling Black Caviar, she was unbeaten in 25 and I think I called 18 or so of those. Makybe Diva winning her 3rd Melbourne Cup, that was probably the absolute highlight but I've been lucky to call a lot of great champions and have had doors open for me that are not normally open. I've been able to travel around the world, met some outstanding people, which wouldn't have happened if I'd had a different job.

You mentioned you'd worked in the personnel department at the ABC, what other jobs did you do?

My very first job was at Myer, I was selling perfume, ground floor in Bourke Street. I got sick of that after a very short time, that's when I got a job at the railways as a clerk, and that was probably the most boring 6 months of my life. I then applied for a job at the ABC and my first role was mail boy and then I got the job in personnel. It wasn't much of a career path, but I was only aiming to get to one place and I was lucky to get there as young as I did, I was 21, 22 when I did the Spring Carnival, so very young and very lucky.

It seemed you had a passion for horse racing from a very, young age, how was that interest fostered? Was it the lure of radio, at that time radio was a powerful medium, did that get you?

Yeah, it was. My folks didn't have any interest in racing at all. Dad used to go to the local pub and pick up the 4-place card from the illegal SP bookmaker and we'd fill it out on a Friday night and listen to the races on a Saturday night and that's what got me started, listening to the races and the excitement that was generated out of radio. I was like you, I loved radio, I used to fall asleep with an earpiece, listening to radio at night. I wanted to be in radio before I wanted to be a race caller, I wanted to do anything in radio. When I fell in love with racing, I thought if I could make racing and radio my job, I'd feel like I'd never had to go to 'work', so I was very lucky to have been able to do that.

What about your childhood?

I've had a happy childhood, I have an older sister, Julie is 2 years older than me and a younger brother Gavin and we were all born in



Living a dream

Williamstown. My folks are from Willi so we have a lot of history in this town, 4 generations. Very proud of that, I love this town. We were brought up mainly in Altona North and I couldn't wait to come back here where my grandparents lived. When Alison and I got married in 1985 we moved into Willi in 1986, we'll never move, we love it. We've got 3 children, Daniel is our oldest boy he was born in 1990, then Nicole in 1992 and Jonathan is our youngest he was born in 1996.

Favourite restaurant?

I don't really have a favourite, we come here very often, at least once a week, but we don't go out to many others. When we do go out, we try different places.

Tell me something about yourself that people would not be aware of?

We had a frightening experience on the river one day, we got caught up in a fog and really struggled to get home. We were following a little cutout boat that turned off into the warmies. I was really worried, we eventually (somehow) managed to find a little hole in the fog and found ourselves at Royals, amongst the yachts and managed to duck over. It was a once in a 30-year phenomena, covered the city in half an hour.

Favourite holiday destination?

I love going to London, and I've only managed to get there 3 or 4 times, we're going back again next year. Funnily enough my brother has landed a dream job in England working there for 2 years for the PRA (the refinery), he's posted in Southampton he's responsible for Norway, Belgium, Italy, Germany and Australia and elsewhere. So, I've got a base and staying for a lot longer than he expects!

Favourite wine?

I'm pretty adaptable. I like an Asahi beer and a good red. I like ones from the Barossa and Heathcote. The Elderton Shiraz is one of my favourite but there are plenty of others that I like.

You must have met some fabulous people throughout your career?

I reckon the most famous person I've met was "Scobie Breasley, I was invited to his 80th birthday, Scobie was one of the greatest... ahh, the greatest jockey who ever lived and this country has produced and...

RVMYC: Would Simon Mills agree with that statement? Even Simon would agree with that. How good was this guy... he was even on first name basis with the Queen, so there you go. He was an awesome man, probably the most important person I've met.

High seas, bay, river or lake?

I haven't ventured very far out, I love Port Phillip and that's probably because I haven't been overly adventurous so far. Alison is very keen to go up the coast and we'd like to go to Tassie. I have the time now so it's on the cards.



Greg & Alison

How, did you come to sponsor the Willi Cup with Darren Keast?

It was brain child of Darren Keast and myself. We were having a beer in the temporary clubhouse one day and talking about the Navrallies. We noted how it was the same people who figured in the placings, making it feel unobtainable for many of us. We came up with the concept of a handicap race. I went to the Melbourne Cup handicapper Greg Carpenter for advice. Darren and I are really pleased how the race has evolved. It has seen new people on the podium and made for really close racing. It's been wonderful how the club has embraced it. Let's hope it remains a focal point of the seasons racing for many years to come.

What motivates you?

In my work life, it was fear of failure. I'm more relaxed about a lot of things now and finding my way. I've got travel plans and am taking it easy for a while and not letting the clock and calendar run my life.



L-R Jonathon, Daniel, Greg, Alison, Nicole and her partner Ben

Diary update & classifieds

Fishing Licences

Fishing licences are available from the Club office or bar; 3 year licence \$96.70; 1 year licence \$35.70; 28 day licence \$20.30; 3 day licence \$10 Please see Terri at the bar. Members can use their accounts to pay.

NOTE: Seniors cardholders do not require a fishing licence

Members Draw!

- 5/6/2017 \$550 Ron Darker
NIA
- 14/6/2017 \$600 Harry Varelas
NIA
- 21/6/2017 \$650 Cherie Mitchell
NIA
- 28/6/2017 \$700 Warwick Heil
NIA

Calendar of Events 2017

- Friday 7 July
RVMYC Karaoke
- Friday 4 August
Trivia Night
- Friday TBC
St John's Defibrillator Demonstration
- Saturday 19 August
Williamstown Combined Clubs Progressive Dinner
- Saturday 30 September
Grand Final BBQ
- Friday 20 October
Fashion Parade
- Saturday 18 November (TBC)
RVMYC Progressive Boat Dinner in the marina
- Sunday 3 December (TBC)
RVMYC Christmas Party



MEMBERS BAR TRADING HOURS

Our normal trading hours are;

Wednesday - Bar open 5pm. Dinner from 6.30 to 9.00 bar snacks also available until closing time (approx 10.00pm)

Friday - Lunch 12-2.30pm, Bar open from 12pm. Dinner from 6.30 to 9.00 bar snacks also available until closing time (approx 10.00pm)

Saturday - Lunch and dinner 12.00 till 9.00 bar snacks available all day until closing (approx 10.00pm)

Sunday - Lunch 12.00pm to 2.30pm, Bar open till 7.30pm

RVMYC EVENTS CALENDAR

JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Karaoke					1 Winemakers Dinner
2 BAR / BISTRO OPEN			5 BAR / BISTRO OPEN - MEMBERS DRAW & RAFFLE	6	7 Karaoke	8 BAR / BISTRO OPEN
9 BAR / BISTRO OPEN			12 BAR / BISTRO OPEN - MEMBERS DRAW & RAFFLE	13	14 OPEN LUNCH & DINNER HAPPY HOUR	15 BAR / BISTRO OPEN
16 BAR / BISTRO OPEN			19 BAR / BISTRO OPEN - MEMBERS DRAW & RAFFLE	20	21 OPEN LUNCH & DINNER HAPPY HOUR	22 BAR / BISTRO OPEN
23 BAR / BISTRO OPEN		Trivia (TBC)	26 BAR / BISTRO OPEN - MEMBERS DRAW & RAFFLE	27	28 OPEN LUNCH & DINNER HAPPY HOUR	29 BAR / BISTRO OPEN
30 BAR / BISTRO OPEN	31					

AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Progressive Dinner		2 BAR / BISTRO OPEN - MEMBERS DRAW & RAFFLE	3	4 OPEN LUNCH & DINNER HAPPY HOUR	5 BAR / BISTRO OPEN
6 BAR / BISTRO OPEN			9 BAR / BISTRO OPEN - MEMBERS DRAW & RAFFLE	10	11 OPEN LUNCH & DINNER HAPPY HOUR	12 BAR / BISTRO OPEN
13 BAR / BISTRO OPEN			16 BAR / BISTRO OPEN - MEMBERS DRAW & RAFFLE	17	18 OPEN LUNCH & DINNER HAPPY HOUR	19 Progressive Dinner
20 BAR / BISTRO OPEN		Defibrillator Demo	23 BAR / BISTRO OPEN - MEMBERS DRAW & RAFFLE	24	25 OPEN LUNCH & DINNER HAPPY HOUR	26 BAR / BISTRO OPEN
27 BAR / BISTRO OPEN	28	29	30 BAR / BISTRO OPEN - MEMBERS DRAW & RAFFLE	31		



Dream Lover

Songs include Mack the Knife, Dream Lover, Beyond the Sea, Splish Splash and more. AMAZING seats available in the stalls, and they're DISCOUNTED. Contact the office to book your tickets.



BYO in the BBQ Area

The committee has determined this will be an ongoing arrangement. Bookings for large groups essential, please call the office on 9393 2888

Duty Officers

July 2017

- 1-2 S WARNER
- 8-9 D COLLINS
- 15-16 J ZAMMIT
- 22-23 P DOHERTY
- 29-30 T LAWLESS

August 2017

- 5-6 L ANDOLFATTO
- 12-13 P SKENE
- 19-20 G O'CONNELL
- 26-27 K RINDFLEISH

Visit the Members Dining room and try the new menu

