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LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL THERE!



WHITTLEY CLUB NSW

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NEWSLETTER



Sad farewells to a great mate and boating friend!

It is with deep regret that the members of the Whittley Club NSW must farewell a favorite mate, Don Fraser.

Don was a member of the Victorian Family Motor Cruising Club, he then went on to join the new Melbourne Whittley Club and was elected President.

Don was heavily involved in the Victorian National Whittley Rally and he was proud to be one of the team leaders showing the interstate Whittley Club Members around his Gippsland Lakes.

As an avid boateie, Don enjoyed nothing better than cruising around the waterways of our country, so much so that he joined and had been a member of the NSW Whittley Club for some five years. When diagnosed with the BIG C three years ago Don was given under a year to live, his persistence and the battle he waged is testimony to our friends strong character. Instead of battling through chemo Don opted for a strict raw/organic food diet which undoubted proved to be the better option.

When ever a NSW Clubbie was headed to the Gippsland Lakes Don and Jan were the first on the scene as the Gippsland's was one of Don's great loves following Jan and his beloved diesel powered Whittley 700 "Waverider".



Don you will be missed!

NEW MEMBERS

ON BEHALF OF OUR COMMITTEE AND MEMBERS WE WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND TO ANY NEW MEMBERS SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER, A VERY WARM WELCOME.

OUR MOTTO IS COME ONCE, COME TWICE OR AS MANY TIMES AS YOU WISH YOU WILL ALWAYS BE WELCOME.

2010/2011 COMMITTEE

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 12th November 2011

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Presidents Report

Hello Fellow members, at last the warmer weather is on the horizon and we are all Looking forward to getting our boats wet again, some of us haven't been in the water since Easter.

While we are checking wheel bearings, oil levels, etc. don't forget to check the expiry date on the flares, and the weight of the gas cylinder that inflates the life jackets. (thanks milko)

With some members dropping out to seek other adventures, temporarily we hope, we need to build up our membership to be able to continue to have a working viable Club, therefore , i would like to ask you the members to hand out brochures to every Whittley owner they meet on the water, or if you see a Whittley parked in a driveway drop one in their letter box. These brochures were the brainchild of Roger, and they give a lot of information to Whittley owners who might like to have the adventures that we do on the many and varied waterways. We will have a supply of these brochures as well as "blueys" on HER WAY for any member that requires them.

I hope everyone is happy and well, and the First Lady and I look forward to catching up with all of you on the water in the near future.

All the best, and happy boating,

Herbert

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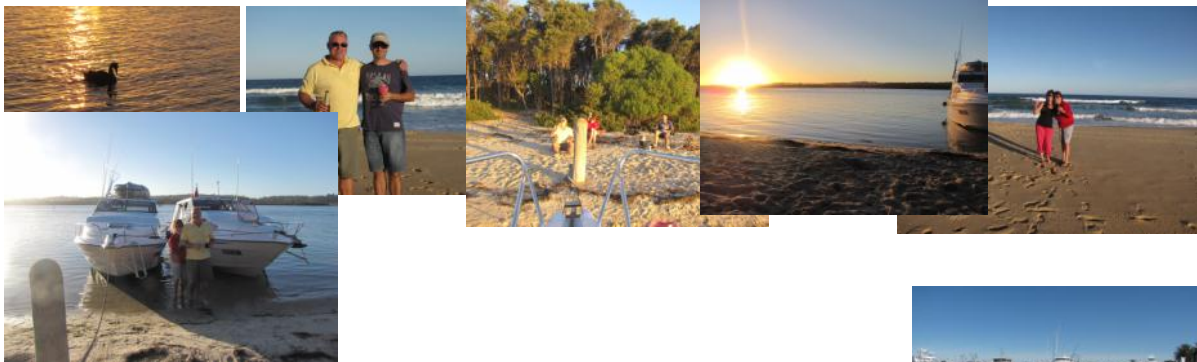
If anybody has any problems which they need solving please e-mail the newsletter editor Karen@hubsystems.com.au and we will publish the problem for people to solve. Fellow members who may have a solution will contact you directly.

Gippsland Lakes Easter

We arrived at Paynesville on Saturday night, put the boats in at the ramp and found free 48 hour berthing at the old Paynesville yacht club, where there are also hot showers, with a one dollar loyalty box provided.



We woke up to a beautiful day on Sunday, with the sun shining and strolled around Paynesville, visited some 'Kazbar' family and headed off to Barriers Landing where we watched the sun set from the beach.



The next day was another beautiful sunny day, we headed off for Lakes Entrance, where Stuart from a Melbourne Whitley Club came and introduced himself. We parked at the New Work's public jetty at the entrance, had some lunch and watched a trawler come in, and some large dolphins leaving through the entrance.

The next day we headed back to Paynesville to find some parts for the ever troublesome trailer, yet again! On the way past Raymond Island we were met by the small Paynesville dolphins. They were everywhere!

We left our boats at the free four hour berthing and connected to the free power available to us in Paynesville while Pat and I visited Jac's Hair Salon (cousin), saw Nanna and raided her photo albums, and then sat at the wine bar while watching the Raymond Island Ferry (see pic. opposite of my grandfather driving the old ferry). We waited 2 hours for fish and chips (very popular and well worth the wait).



Gippsland Lakes Easter cont....

We headed around to Duck Arm for the night and met up with Cousin Peter. On the way around we again met up with the dolphins. This is a beautiful place to watch the sunset and sunrise.



The following day we went over to Bunga Arm, AKA the Back Lake, and met up with Don, Jan, Peter and Tuppence.



The next day we stopped at the famous Metung Pub for lunch, (Metung was made famous by Slim Dusty). It was a beautiful day, however a southerly did come through in the afternoon, which is the one to watch for on the Lakes. We went into Boxes Creek and hid from the wind, right in front of one of the many facilities available on the Lakes.



Whilst there 'KazBar' Rob took our Dinghy around to rescue a stranded tinny which had lost its motor out on the Lake.



We headed off towards Lake Wellington the following day with a stop at the popular Loch Sport Pub for lunch. The wind came up in a

South Westerly direction, however the new and impressive public boat bay was well protected. We continued after lunch to Lake Wellington where we met up with cousin Peter and a few other boats for a bonfire on the beach. The next morning the Lake Wellington dolphins came over to greet us.

On Sunday 'KazBar' headed back to Paynesville for a luncheon with family while 'It'll Do' headed over to Bunga Arm. We later joined up for a lovely evening. The next morning it was time to leave and pull the boats out. The Paynesville dolphins joined us for breakfast, swimming past our boats and rounding up a feed of fish. We headed back out through the Aurora Channel disappointed that we had to leave, the Gippsland Lakes really did turn on the beautiful weather for us throughout most of the week. We were hoping to catch up with Don and Jan and some of the Victorian Club again, however it always seemed we were at opposite ends of the Lake!

KazBar



Gippsland Lakes - Feb. 2012

For those of you who are interested a few of us will be heading to the Gippsland Lakes in January/February next year. We will be taking a two week trip, however you are welcome to join us at any time. The itinerary will include putting the boats in at Paynesville where there is a double ramp and plenty of trailer parking, and heading up to Lakes Entrance to begin a tour down through the Lakes system, ending up at Lake Wellington, weather permitting. There is plenty of history to share and stories to be told about the Gippsland Lakes where I grew up.

Please let me know if you would like to join us. We plan to take two days for the trip there, staying overnight in Bombala. At this stage we are planning to leave on January 28th, 2012.

Please call Karen Buller on 0409809992 or e-mail: Karen@hubsystems.com.au

Gippsland Lakes - Easter

With work restrictions always hampering our ability to go beyond a 3 day trip, Pat and I took the opportunity to go along with Karen Buller and Rob Gardiner to visit the Gippsland lakes over Easter as our first trip now that we are semi retired..

Leaving early Saturday Morning (7am) we arrived there late (7pm) due to a bearing problem. (pays to carry spares on trips)

Nevertheless we got there. Sunday morning we woke to a beautiful day at Paynesville, were we stocked up with supplies.

Leisurely cruising along the Lakes, it wasn't long before a few locals came along from the Victoria Whittleby club (not sure which one on the day ,but both were there) to say hello. Every day was perfect to relax and enjoy the with so many options to stay the nights.

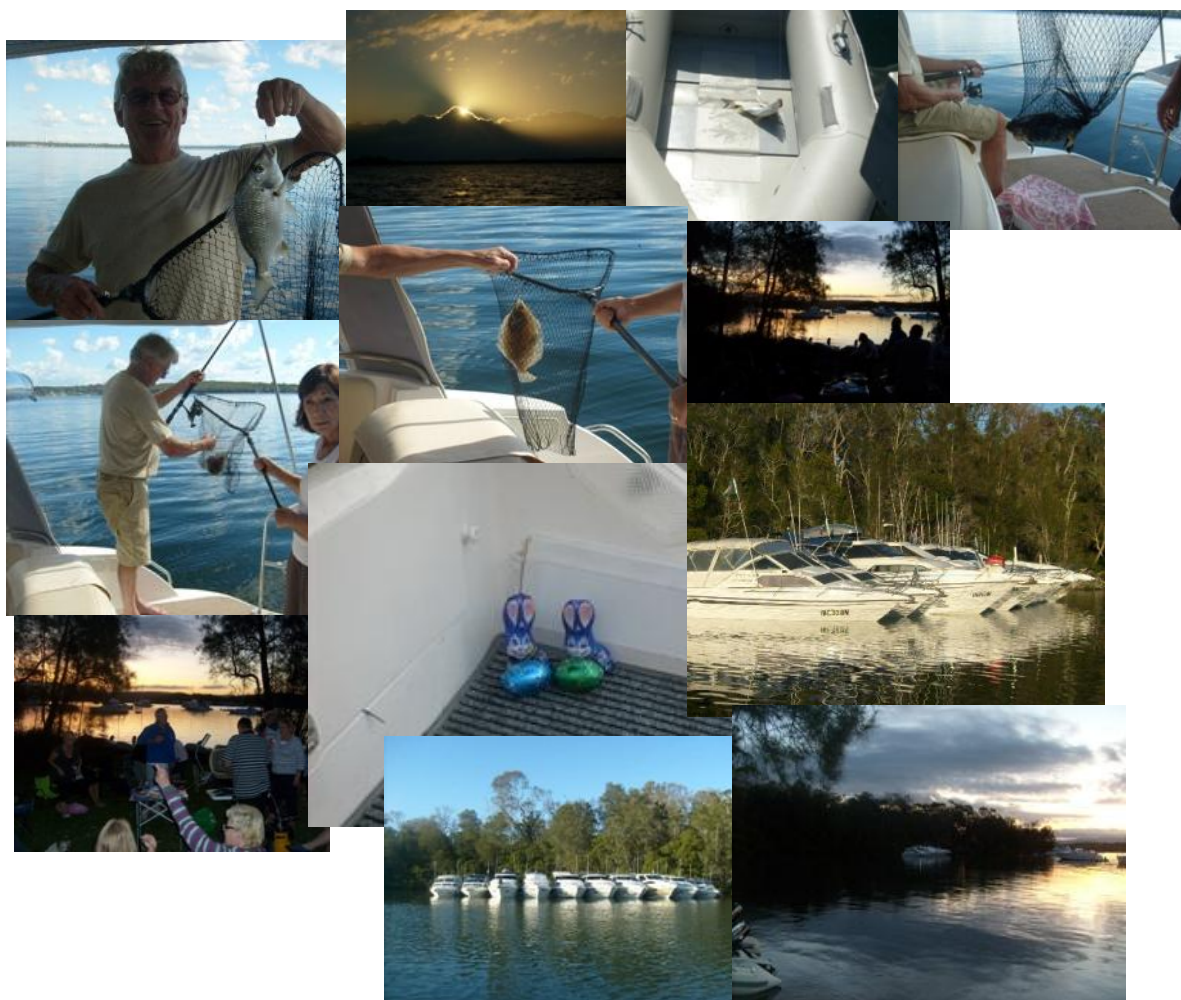


We also meet up with Karen's cousin Peter whom organized a warm Saturday night on the beach at the entrance to Lake Wellington with a large camp fire on the beach, that set the scene for some tails of the region.

We were amazed with the boat friendly environment throughout the lake system. The lake certainly caters for boaties.

Can't wait to go back.

Lake Macquarie - Easter



Gippsland Lakes - March

You will see in this newsletter Karen is planning a trip in Feb 2012 to the Gippsland Lakes. As we had enjoyed the Vic Rally there so much we returned last March for five nights. We spent time at Duck Arm, Bunga Arm and Metung. At Duck Arm we walked along the shoreline and discovered an abundance of mussels which gave us entree for dinner. Fires are no longer permitted in Duck Arm. Over at Bunga Arm there are several areas for boats to pull in to the bank where poles have been driven into the sand to tie up to. There are toilets and BBQ areas provided. (Bring your own wood). This is just a short walk through to the ocean and Ninety Mile Beach where fishing can be great.

From Bunga we went to Metung which has some good cafes and shops for browsing. It is a mecca for Melburnians on weekends. Lakes Entrance is the major business centre with again plenty of restaurants and shopping options. There are colour coded wharves to indicate where and for how long you can stay (up to 48 hours). Free hot and cold showers are provided at Paynesville, Metung and Lakes Entrance. As previously we overnighted at Bombala both down and back. The caravan park had been flooded a week earlier and there was still a lot of debris. We are looking forward to going a little earlier next year as it was a little cool to swim in March.

John and Anita Davis

Sydney Harbour - May 2011

Well folks what can I say another absolutely perfect weekend on Sydney Harbour, blue skies, birds a chirping, sun shining who could ask for more.

Pauline and I put the boat in on Friday and were joined by Herb & Tricia Porter, Ann & Peter Hewitt, Roger & Athena Gregson and Phil & Silvana Hawarth, we met at the bay opposite Anzac Bridge on the way into the Fishmarkets and spent a beautiful night on Friday night.

Saturday morning, after coffee & raisin toast at the fish markets, we headed out on a leisurely cruise in and out of quite a few bays to try to give Phil & Silvana a bit of insight into all the different spots you can eat and hide away on this great harbor in a calm atmosphere. We stopped for lunch at Rose Bay whilst our President & First Lady attended a Caviar Lunch with their high ranking doctor friends at their Point Piper residence whilst the rest of us were left to our sandwiches on the back of our boats. After lunch we proceeded to our favorite Sugarloaf Bay where we rafted up for a relaxing and enjoyable night as the good weather kept on coming.

Sunday morning after a few got up very late only the disturbance by Gary in his coffee boat, got the crew moving, we got our coffee and papers and sat back to read what was happening in the world around us. Not long after, Peter & Ann had to head off to get to Wollongong to celebrate Mothers Day, whilst Herb & Tricia loitered around before heading back to the ramp, Pauline and I eventually retreated to Cockle Bay for a luncheon in China Town with our family.

Later in the afternoon we were once again joined by Roger & Athena & Phil & Silvana for the night in Cockle Bay after they had finished their scenic tour of the Manly area. That evening our President & First Lady who had ventured back into the city after taking their boat home, indulged themselves in a large A La Carte meal on the back of Roger & Athena's boat at the expense of the rest of us and it is amazing how much wine our First Lady can consume in such a short period of time. Eventually when the wine ran out the President and the First Lady headed home and the rest of us also called it a night. Monday morning after Roger dropped Athena off for work, we waited for high tide and headed back to the wharf after what was another wonderful Whittley Weekend.

**CHATTAWAY TWO
ROD & PAULINE BROWN**

Club Website

www.whittleyclubnsw.com

RADIO LICENCE

Just a reminder that all owners of a VHF radio on board their boat,
need to have an Operators certificate.

Contact Maxine 0419 015 092

Lake Macquarie - June long weekend

We launched at Dora Creek on Thursday night, and tied up at a friend's wharf for the night Friday we met up with Good times, Loco, and To The Max at Point Wollstoncroft for the day.

Friday Night saw us on the marina at Wangi workers Club for a great night of Rock and Roll. This is the usual Friday night for Wangi workers.

Saturday "James D" and "It'll Do" headed off to visit friends on the lake, only to return when the weather turned bad.

Jenny and Phil (new members) arrived without their boat, to meet the "Whittley Club", and stayed for most of the evening.

After the Whittley Club won most of the meat trays, the D J started up and everyone danced till the club closed.

Sunday the weather was still bad, so we became "wharf rats" and stayed where we were. We still had a great time despite the weather.

Late Sunday evening the weather turned and came straight into the Marina, so Loco pulled out and went around to Styles point for the night, the rest of us rode it out.

Monday morning those of us left went and joined Loco at Styles Point, we stayed there for the night. We reluctantly pulled out before lunch Tuesday.

Herbert and Tricia, Herway.

P.S. A big thanks goes to Shazza for finding the lost cat belonging to Peter and Caroline!





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