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**Newsletter of the
Wooden Boat Guild of Tasmania Inc.**
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Coming & immediate past events:

A.G.M Monday, 16th June, 2003

The Annual General Meeting of the Wooden Boat Guild of Tasmania Inc. was held at Mariners Cottage, Napoleon Street, Battery Point at 7.30 pm on the 16th June 2003.

The new committee was elected (see listing for membership). This cannot go without saying a big thank you to both Ainsley and Ros for the commitment of many hours to your work for the Guild over the last 3 years as the outgoing President. Your work and commitment are greatly appreciated Ainsley.

Annual reports and the minutes of the last AGM were received and accepted. Due to illness of the Auditor it was moved that the Guild seek the services of another Auditor. This has since been achieved with Peter Lindsay of Margate accepting the task and completing the same. Many thanks to Peter again!



Terralinna Sub Com.

For 2003 this committee is yet to be formed and meet. It is hoped that this will be decided at the meeting scheduled for 21 July 2003. However the Guild has submitted another application for funding the Terra Linna Project to the Australian Maritime Museum.

West Coast Piners Festival, October 2003

Piners Festival at Strahan. The Guild is anticipating some presence at the festival. Details to be advised later. ***Do we want to participate??***

Teepookana Working Bee Saturday, 21st June 2003 and proposed future working bees

The first working bee on the Teepookana was held on Saturday, 21 June, 2003 at Mariners Cottage, Napoleon Street, Battery Point. Many thanks to members and their families who gave generously of time to achieve the much needed maintenance. The bad news is that we will need to hold more working bees to ensure Teepookana is maintained in the way she is accustomed to appearing so we can confidently have her exhibited at festivals and functions in future. Some are bold enough to say we should have a working bee on the Saturday following each General Meeting. That will mean the next working bee will be on Saturday, 25 July, 2003.



Presidents Dinner

Winter has fallen and warm log fires and scrumptious winter cuisine wine, ales and other winter beverages can help us through to warmer sailing waters. Does this herald in the 10th year the Wooden Boat Guild of Tasmania Inc. has operated? The Dinner will be an agenda item at the next General meeting on 21 July, 2003.

Bon Voyage Andy

Andy has set sail on his Churchill Scholarship!! The Guild wishes him and Yvonne (drew the short straw running Waterman's Café in Andy's absence as well all the other tasks) safe sailing with a hint of the Irish sailor "may the winds be fair and at your back".

The Committee:

<i>President</i>	Peter Higgs	03 62491695
<i>Senior Vice President</i>	Millard Ziegler	
<i>Vice President</i>	Robin Singleton	0362369033
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Terra Linna Sub Committee:

Members will be advised after the next General Meeting.

Considered volunteering? It is a great Project to work on!

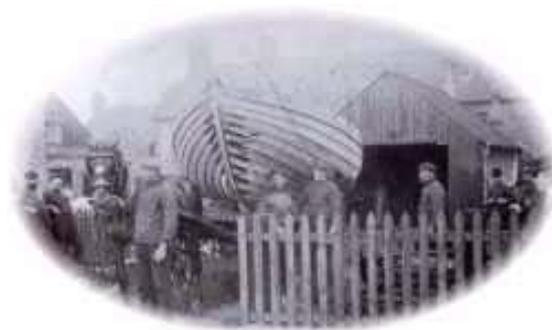


The Guild has recovered the Terra Linna from its last dry mooring at Battery Point. Taken off her lines, produced the drawings and history in accord with the Australian Maritime Museum funding requirements. Strategic and reconstruction planning are well in hand and we await suitable funding to proceed to the next stage as advised by John Philp for which we are most grateful. In the meantime we are seeking additional funding from the Australian National Maritime Museum to further develop educational and promotional material.



FROM THE STERN

Ainsley, the Guild takes this opportunity to thank you and acknowledge your sterling effort over the last 3 years as President of the Guild. Your guidance and leadership has seen the Guild reach its first 10 years of operation with many valuable achievements. Completion of the Teepookana Project, continuing involvement in the Australian Wooden Boat Festival and the launching of the Terra Linna Project amongst many other worthwhile achievements. You have navigated, through sometimes tricky waters, to a course that has placed the Guild in "fair sailing". Thanks again on behalf of all Guild members and friends and looking forward to your continued support and valuable contributions to our goals and objectives.



Teepookana Working Bee Saturday, 21st June 2003 and proposed future working bees

The working bee on the Teepookana was well attended and much was achieved. The past repairs to the garboards have been removed and preparation for repairs have begun. This will be achieved by routing out the split and then splining it with a piece of King Billy. Wedges have been cut to insert under the ribs at the garboards to restrict garboard movement in an attempt to stem continuing damage.



ALL HANDS ON DECK

Many hands made light work of scraping the inside of the boat and it was then turned over and cleaned out in preparation for oiling. The Guild has purchased Endeavour Oil for this task and it is hoped that it will serve Teepookana well.



SCRAPING HER OUT

Can We gather on a monthly basis to achieve our tasks a put Teepookana back in the briney looking a treat?



CLEANING THE HULL

Many thanks to Des for allowing us to store Teepookana in his shed after the working bee. This will enable work to progress despite the wintery conditions.



RUB A DUB DUB

Presidents Dinner

Well it is that time again for us to be thinking of the annual Presidents Dinner. This will be discussed at the next General Meeting so that we can book a date and venue and perhaps consider a theme.

Welcome home Millard and Amanda

After months of really hard slogging it through the UK, Europe, Canada and the States with a refresher stop off in Hawaii Millard and Amanda have returned home revitalised to face work in the Department of Education again and to re-vitalise Dad's boat and sail it from Smithton to Hobart for the summer season. Millard hopes to show slides and talk about his travels at the next Guild meeting.

In the workshop

Question:

In wooden boat building terms what is meant by "Soled"?

Answer:

This practice determines that planks of a greater thickness are required in these areas to achieve the desired curving but maintain the general plank thickness with the rest of the boats planks.

Bon Voyage Andy

As most of you may be aware Andy Gamlin has set sail on his Churchill Fellowship to study wooden boat building practices, schools and workshops. It is planned that he will bring back valuable information on wooden boat building and festivals that will translate into local practices in Tasmania. Andy's foresight in setting out to achieve his goals are to be commended as it has the potential to add tremendous value to our maritime heritage, training of youth and tourism outcomes.

He will take in wooden boat building sites and activities on both the east and west coasts of the USA and Canada. Travel on to Europe to visit France, Spain, Netherlands and the Scandinavian countries before returning via London. Fair sailing Andy.



Wooden Boat Guild of Tasmania stalwart Andy Gamlin with partners have opened the "Waterman's Café and Maritime Centre" on Franklin Wharf, Brooke Street, Hobart (adjacent to the "May Queen"). Andy and Yvonne invite all members down to "Waterman's Café" to enjoy lunch or their favorite coffee and cake whilst at the same time enjoying some of the maritime art and craft memorabilia on sale.

Next General Meetings

General Meetings
3rd Monday of each month, inc. public.

The next meeting of the
Wooden Boat Guild of Tasmania Inc.

Battery Point at
7.30 pm

Monday
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followed by the August meeting

18th August 2003