



Presidents April report—“Roscoe’s Ravings”

Last year on my return to Hobart from the Launceston Wooden Boat Rally I stopped off in Oatlands to check out the antique shops, as one does, once a second-hand dealer, always a second-hand dealer, much to Cheryl’s disgust! Anyway, a customer in one of the shops asked me about the *Tee Poo Kana* which was hitched to the back of my ute, he hadn’t seen a piner’s punt before as was very interested in their history.

He also noticed that I was in the boating business as indicated by the sign writing on the ute. After quite a lot of discussion on the second-hand boat bits market I asked him what he was into....”oh! I’m into boat bits as well” he said and then introduced himself as Craig Whitworth. The owner of Whitworths Marine and Leisure, a chain of discount chandleries all over Australia.

You might be asking what’s this got to do with Hobart and the Wooden Boat Guild, well I noticed in the pages of the Mercury the other day that Taylor Marine in Derwent Park are closing down and....guess what? Whitworths will be coming to that address soon....we don’t really need another chandlery in Hobart, there are already far too many in relation to the population but at least Whitworths have a very extensive product selection and their prices are very competitive. Might smarten up some of their competitors.

I have been able to find time of late to work on some of my boating projects...yes and some of Cheryl’s household/garden chores as well! There is no doubt about it, that a Wooden Boat Festival certainly encourages inspiration for boat owners both before and after a Festival. Work is progressing well on the *Terra Linna* now that Festival ‘distractions’ have settled down and although I haven’t been to any working bees of late, mainly because of work commitments I am there in spirit. The project appears to moving along nicely. We only have twenty one months to get her ready for the next Festival! More about *Terra Linna* progress from Peter later in this edition.

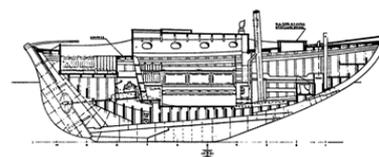
Unfortunately our last rowing day to New Norfolk was washed out but I’m sure the next one on April 26 at Shag Bay (don’t you just love the name?) will be alright as long as Brian has ordered a nice sunny day from ‘Hughie’.

And don’t forget that the **WBGT AGM** will be held at the Mariners Cottage on Monday 18 May 2009. As some officers on the committee have held their positions for three years, which is as long as one can hold

a position under our constitution, there will have to be some new faces elected. Notices of motion and nominations for officers and committee members must be with the Secretary 14 days prior to the AGM.

See you at the next *Terra Linna* working bee on Sunday 12 April and the monthly meeting on Monday 20 April and remember, friends and visitors are always welcome to the meetings.

Oh Cheryl....No, no, no, I wouldn’t think of spending Prime Minister Rudd’s stimulus package on anything to do with wooden boats....certainly not....(gulp!)



Roscoe

Secretary’s and Terra Linna report

We are now approaching the business end of the year for the Wooden Boat Guild of Tasmania Inc., that being the AGM of the Guild. The AGM will be held on Monday 18th May 2009 at the Mariners Cottage Battery Point at 7.30pm.

The Incorporated bodies articles require us to declare all positions vacant, call for nominations and then elect members to the following positions;

President

Sen. Vice President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Flag Officers from committee members (Skeg and WBGT Website)

Mess Officers from committee members
03 62439033

Committee members

With a maximum of 10 in all (E&OA)

However, for continuity of business with in the Guild it is preferred that senior positions stand for a 3 year period.

Call for nominations in this edition of the Skeg you will find a nomination form. This will enable you to nominate, with permission, fellow members for office positions, as stated above, within the Guild. Please consider this seriously and complete your nominations and submit them to the secretary in writing 7 days prior to the AGM. Two senior officers will retire at this AGM those being the President and Secretary who have both served 3 years in their current positions.

Also, members under the conditions of Incorporated bodies articles have the right to submit Notices of Motion. That is you have the right to inform the Guild of motions you want to make at the AGM. The motions could include management or general business items you want raised at the AGM. Alternatively you may raise a motion relating to changes deemed required in the Incorporated bodies articles.

On a lighter side letters have gone to local government bodies requesting consideration for the Guild to use Local Government property for the safe storage of Guild assets and records. We are in desperate need of additional space. So if you know of any property/ies in your local area that the Guild could possibly use for storage please let us know about them so we may follow them up.

Following our last Skeg mail out I was contacted by the editor of the Ash Breeze, the Journal of the Traditional Small Craft Association Inc. of the USA. Some of you may recall the visit TSCA member John Weiss made to the 2007 AWBF. Both John and the editor Mike Wick requested they be kept on our mailing list as it was great to have a relationship with an International body of like minds and actions. They have put a link on their web site for their members and asked we do the same for our members. So go to our website and keep up to speed with activities in the TSCA.

Terralinna Report

Editors error: The Terralinna working bee advertised in the Skeg for Easter Sunday was an error on my part. For any inconvenience caused I apologise. The working bee will be held at Noel and Noelene's home 51 Hill St Belterive.

Noel and Noelene, with some other members assistance, have continued their hard work and there are currently 4 plus planks on either side of the Terra Linna. As well they have been re-fitting floors as work progresses.

In the mean time work has progressed with the quotes for rigging, sails and spars. One issue that has required resolving is that the main mast diameter on the drawings we have come into question. To resolve this it was recommended that we seek the professional advice of Murray Isles. Murray has calculated our needs to find the main mast was considerably undersized on our drawings.

The spar builder of these components will provide estimates to cover this discrepancy so we may settle on the successful tenders and work may proceed on the building of spars, sail making and rigging.

The following are figures from *John Leather's "Gaff Rig"*. Show the Topsail, Gaff hardware we will use but not including the Gaff saddle.

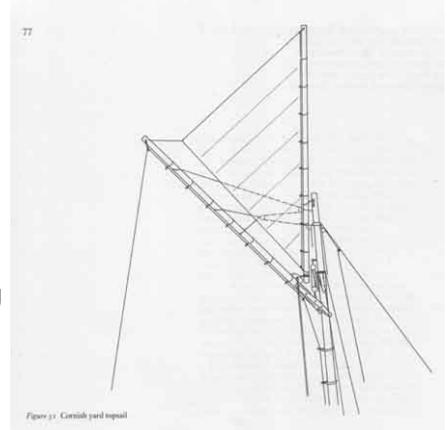


Figure 13 Carriah yard topsail

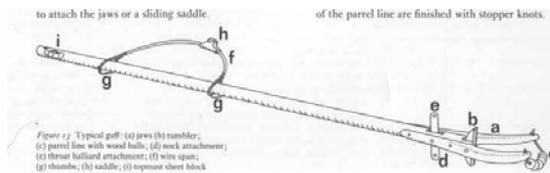


Figure 12 Typical gaff: (a) jaws (b) tumbler, (c) parrel line with wood balls, (d) neck attachment, (e) thimble ball attachment, (f) wire spars, (g) thimble, (h) saddle, (i) support sheet block

Murray is doing a great job to ensure we are as close to the c1880 style as possible.

We are now possibly at a point where we can make a decision about the sail maker from our submissions as they will require time to order cloth in. However whilst Murray is still doing some calculations and design work on the spars and the rigging we will have to hold off on that decision.

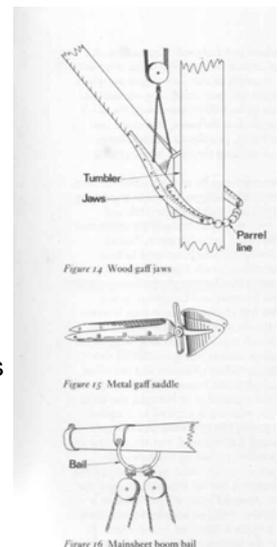


Figure 14 Wood gaff jaws

Figure 15 Metal gaff saddle

Figure 16 Mainsheet boom ball

New Norfolk 22nd March 2009 - Come along and enjoy the Autumn turn of colour! Report.

What a turn of colour!!

Some one kept mentioning what are we going to do if the typical New Norfolk day dawned. That is a day bitterly cold, foggy and drizzling rain! We have had 3 scheduled rowing days in New Norfolk with two of them being held very good conditions.

When this years Rowing day at New Norfolk dawned it was raining heavily and cold. I checked BOM and the forecast was for the day to continue with rain and potential fogs!!! I rang the President and indicated I would probably call the event off. In keeping with common

sense I called off the rowing day and phoned around as much as I could with members agreeing to call others of the news.



Photos by Peter Higgs of the previous New Norfolk Rowing Day 2007.



It can be very beautiful on the Derwent at New Norfolk!

I then jumped in the car and drove to New Norfolk just in case anyone arrived without being informed. As I waited I read the "Ash Breeze" journal of the Traditional Small Craft Association Inc of USA. How embarrassing, there was an article in it that recorded "Winter Sailing in Maryland where TSCA members celebrated the Winter Solstice with a pleasurable, if frost bitten, day sail on the Sinepuxent Bay!" All photos depicted good boating in obviously very cold conditions.

As I read this article at New Norfolk the fog lifted to show excellent water conditions and the drizzle disap-

peared L . It will take a lot for me to make an "only fair weather sailing" decision again!

Peter & Dallas Higgs—Trip Leaders

Classifieds

Wanted: 2003 AWBF boat plaque. Contact Charles Burns wk 62311575

Notice is hereby given that the AGM of the Wooden Boat Guild of Tasmania Inc. will be held at the Mariners Cottage at 7.30pm on May the 18th 2009.

- To confirm the minutes of the last preceding annual general meeting and any of general meetings since that meeting.
- To receive from the Committee, auditor and servants of the Guild reports upon the transactions of the Guild during the last preceding financial year.
- To elect officers of the Guild and Ordinary Committee
- To appoint the auditor and determine his remuneration.
- To receive notices of motion

Notices of motion and nominations for officers and committee members must be with the Secretary 14 days prior to the AGM.

Potential Dinner venue and menu's

Given the difficult task of finding suitable venues and menus for our diverse and disbursed membership I could not help but respond to a request from the Drysdale Training restaurants when they sent out request for interested groups to enquire about their dinners. The following is their response and for your consideration. Firstly the dates and menu rotation we could have at our function at Drysdale, Collins St Hobart;

The two menus (see page 4)are rotated throughout the year, the menu your function will have will depend on the date you are holding your function.

Menu 1: 22/04/09, 29/04/09, 06/05/09

Menu 2: 13/05/09, 20/05/09, 27/05/09

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Menu 2: 22/07/09, 29/07/09, 05/08/09, 12/08/09

Menu 1: 07/10/09, 14/10/09, 28/10/09

Menu 2: 04/11/09, 11/11/09, 18/11/09

2009 FUNCTION MENU ONE

Entrée

*Pinot Gris / Chardonnay**

Salad of Smoked Trout,

with apple, juniper and sunflower shoots

Main

*Merlot / Shiraz**

Char Grilled Breast of Chicken,

with coq au vin sauce and caper and walnut salad

Roasted Porterhouse of Prime Tasmanian Beef,

with Burgundy, mustard and shallot sauce with crispy potato galette and pesto butter beans

Dessert

*Iced Riesling / Petridis wine**

Belgian Chocolate Tart

with hazelnut praline

Warm Apple and Ginger Upside Down Pudding

\$35 for 3 Course Menus \$40 for 4 Course Menus (Soups available)

Selection of cheese

Individual plates at \$ 8.00 per person

Share plate at \$ 7.00 (min 4 people)

2009 FUNCTION MENU TWO

Entrée

*Chardonnay, Light Pinot Noir**

Bacon Thyme and Potato Tart,

with fresh pear salad

Main

*Frogmore Creek Pinot Noir**

Roasted Atlantic Salmon

with Parisian potato gnocchi, wilted greens

and Dijon mustard hollandaise

Char grilled Prosciutto wrapped Pork fillet

with cumin spiced pumpkin paste, rosemary labneh and wild rocket

Dessert

*Fortified Wine**

Prune, Apricot and Almond Tart

with clotted cream

Chocolate Meringue

with butterscotch parfait and espresso anglaise

\$35 for 3 Course Menus \$40 for 4 Course Menus (Soups available)

Selection of cheese

Individual plates at \$ 8.00 per person

Share plate at \$ 7.00 (min 4 people)

**Recommended wines not included in menu price*

Disclaimer

As this is a Drysdale training function, please consider that students are learning and may be unfamiliar with some situations that arise; we appreciate your patience and understanding.

Calendar 2009

- 19th April TL Working B & 20th WBG meeting (NOTE date change due to editor error last SKEG)
- 26th April Shag Bay (Geilston Bay) trip leader BM
- 10th May TL Working B & 18th WBG AGM of the Wooden Boat Guild of Tasmania Inc. will be held at the Mariners Cottage at 7.30pm on May the 18th 2009.
- 24th May Huon River/Pt Huon TL & location to be advised
- 7th June TL Working B & 15th WBG meeting
- 21st June rowing day TBA
- 12th July Working B & 20th WBG meeting
- 26th July rowing day (Confirmed) Marieville Esp TL Bryan Walpole
- 9th August Working B & 17th WBG meeting
- PH to pursue a trip on the *MV Egeria* for members.
- September rowing day Orford trip leader DG

Trip Leaders responsibilities; the Trip Leader is to confirm meeting paces and times (including maps) for the Skeg edition prior to the event. Skeg closing time is 1st Monday for text and 1st Monday for photos every month. Following the event the Trip Leader is to provide a short story and up to 12 photos, sized appropriately, of the event for inclusion in the following Skeg.

Members wishing to submit articles & photos: All members articles and photos are most welcome as contributions for the Skeg or other publications. For the Skeg, articles are preferred to be in MS Word with no formatting. Members are asked to restrict their photographic submissions to 6 in total per month and to have resized the photos to the following specs. No PDF's please! (I have not got this wrong, I am not talking about PFD's)

400 Pixels wide X 300 Pixels high, or

5.7 cm wide X 4.2 cm high, with a resolution of

180—250 pixels per inch

If you can not size a photo your system probably has a function that enables you to save it for email. This is also probably quite a good solution.

We are getting an incredible number of photos so many thanks to all the enthusiasts but apologies if I do not put your favourite picky in the Skeg. We do have to have room for some words also.

All SKEG articles must be with the editor in a digital form by the 1st Monday of the month.

General Meetings are on the 3rd Monday of each month, inc. public holidays, but not in the month of January.

The next general meeting of the Wooden Boat Guild of Tasmania Inc. will be held at the Mariners' Cottage, Napoleon Street, Battery Point commencing at 7.30 pm Monday 20th. April 2009

There will be a committee meeting held prior to the meeting commencing at 6.00pm

Guest Speaker, 20th April 2009

The April meeting will be seeking a speaker/demonstrator for the meeting.

Skeg articles by the 1st Monday of each month. If the deadlines can't be kept the SKEG will be out late!

1. Skeg photographs by the 1st Monday of each month.
2. Speaker/demonstration (it can be a demonstration of a wooden boat building activity or problem) for next month are always needed so get your name and topic in.

Try this link to our Web site to check our next function and the weather!

<http://www.maritimetas.org/taswoodenboatguild/>

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**Wooden Boat Guild of Tasmania Inc.
Nomination Form**

Forward form to the Secretary 7 days before AGM

I,

Nominate

Asof the Guild

For the AGM to be held on / /

Signed by Nominee.....

Signed by person making nomination.....date / /

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26th April Shag Bay (Geilston Bay) Rowing Day. Brian Marriott Trip Leader.

Meet at the Gielston Bay Boat Club, de Bomford Lane Gielston Bay at 10.00am and

Bar-B-Q site to be confirmed on the day



Another beautiful day at New Norfolk late 1990's photo Peter Higgs