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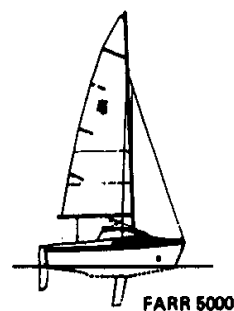
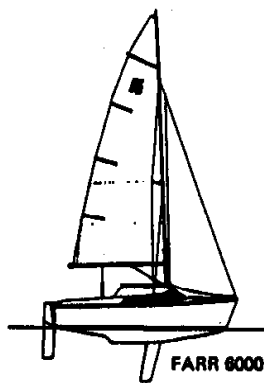
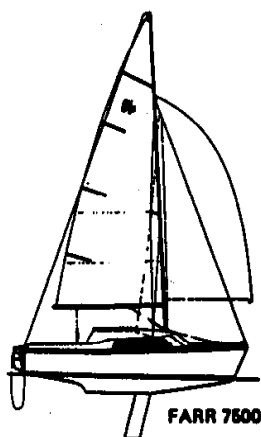
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DIARY DATES

**MARCH 20 & 21 FARR REGATTA GOOLWA REGATTA
YACHT CLUB. BBQ SATURDAY NIGHT.**

**APRIL 9 RENMARK CRUISE SEE DETAILS IN THIS
NEWSLETTER.**

**MAY 22 CRUISE TO SAILS RESTARUANT CLAYTON FOR
DINNER 7 – 730**

**Other Easter Options
Coffin Bay Don & Patricia Sweeney are going.
GRYC cruise to the Coorong.**

*** HAVE YOU PAID YOUR SUBS? IF NOT SEND THEM TO THE
TREASURER JOHN McKENZIE.**

DO NOT FORGET TO CHECK THE FARR WEBSITE FOR FURTHER
INFORMATION & PHOTO'S OF MILANG TO GOOLWA RACE –

www.farrsa.com

MILANG – GOOLWA 2004

This year's race was one of the more frustrating ones for some of us. The wind was light at the start and slowly diminished till we were all drifting on Lake Alexandrina, boats heading in different directions. The trick was to stay on or get as close to the western shore as possible so that when the sea breeze came in the boat is in the box seat (hopefully).

Those in the middle were still waiting for the breeze. Once the breeze came in we all had a great sail to Goolwa. It was great to see so many boats at Clayton waving to us all. All the FARRS did well they are such a good-looking boat.

STOP PRESS: SEE YOUR BOAT - PHOTO'S ON www.farrsa.com

The Farr results for the first Farr 5000, 6000, 740SP and 7500 in the divisions are as follows.

Division 2	Beta Bi Farr	740 sport	T Colliver
	Buccaneer	7500	B Hawkes
Division 3	Tanya	5000	J Kerr
	Waituna	6000	P Roodhouse
Division 4	Talisman	7500	B Fynnaart
Division 5	Farr Aweigh	6000	B Offler

Congratulations to being the first Farr in your division. Prizes will be presented at the Farr Association AGM in July

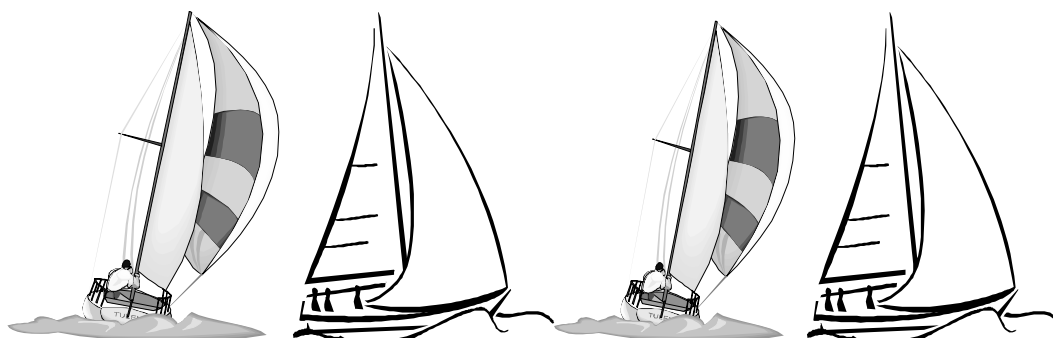


Waituna at Clayton

OCEANS OF STORIES QUIZ.

Courtesy of Bob Walsh maritime artist and member of the Cape Horners Association.

1. Who wrote Robinson Crusoe?
 2. Robinson Crusoe was inspired by the adventures of a real sailor who was actually marooned on Juan Fernandez Island for four years and four months. Who was this sailor?
 3. What is the only ocean that circles the world without being stopped by land?
 4. How much of an iceberg is below the water, a) 40% b) 60% c) 70% d) 80% e) 90%?
 5. A famous English clipper ship was named Cutty Sark. What is a Cutty Sark? (Clue: answer can be found in a poem by Robert Burns).
 6. What is the Gulf Stream?
 7. What is the name of a well-known pirate who was born in Wales and became Lieutenant Governor of Jamaica?
 8. Sir Francis Drake was forced to execute one of his men for plotting against him. Who was this man?
 9. Who wrote Moby Dick?
 10. What is the Sargasso Sea known for?
 11. What are the twin pillars of Hercules?
 12. What was the first ship from England to arrive in the South Australian Colony in 1836?
 13. What are the Doldrums?
 14. Who invented the Plimsoll line and why was it introduced on ships?
 15. C.S. Forester wrote the Hornblower series. He also wrote a story that was recreated in a film starring Humphrey Bogart and Katherine Hepburn, what is the title of that story?
 16. Who was the Viking that sailed to the American continent?
 17. What does the term Weigh Anchor mean?
 18. Who wrote The Rhyme Of The Ancient Mariner?
 19. What was Blackbeard the Pirate's real name?
 20. Who was the first Englishman to circumnavigate the world?
 21. In which direction does the wind blow in the Roaring Forties?
 22. Is an Iceberg made of freshwater or saltwater?
 23. What is the difference between Flotsam and Jetsam?
 24. A famous poem was written about one of Sir Francis Drake's possessions. Who was the poet and what was the possession?
 25. What is the purpose of singing sea shanties when aboard a ship?
- Answer in the next newsletter or on the web www.farrsa.com



Farr Easter Cruise 2004

<u>Where</u>	Upstream from Renmark
<u>When</u>	Easter. From Good Friday, for as long as you wish.
<u>Start</u>	Renmark Riverfront Caravan Park. Launch and leave cars and trailers for \$1.00 per day.

We will go upstream from Renmark into Chowilla Creek then on to the Customs House and into NSW and Victoria.

Features:

- **Beautiful scenery and cliffs**
- **Lovely creek areas to explore with dinghies**
- **Riverbank walking and campfires**
- **Chowilla Station and the Customs House**
- **Pancakes, and mulled wine!**

Take:

- 2-3 stakes-hammer
- 2 Hessian bags
- plank
- rubber boots
- hooter to give 3 blasts when entering lock
- plenty of pegs -they get lost
- bucket and soap for washing
- stretch straps to make clothes line between spreaders
- extra fuel tank to carry fuel
- extra water container
- BBQ equipment
- folding chairs & table
- gaslight
- tarpaulin to cover boom-rain or sun
- paper for fire starting - matches
- long ropes for reaching trees
- porta potti & solution & shovel
- back up battery if required
- fishing equipment
- wood

General Information

In one week we used approximately 40 litres of water, 35 litres of fuel and 2 bottles of methylated spirits.

Upstream from Renmark - NO SHOPS - except for fuel and basic supplies (including good ice creams!) at the Customs House at the Victorian border. Fuel pumps are at the river edge.

Can get River Murray Pilot books- usually at newsagents.

(If you plan to continue downstream below Renmark, there are bridges at Paringa, Berri, Murray Bridge, so masts need to be lowered and you will need a mast step and pulley.)

There are many good places to pull in, depending on the current water level. There are many places to go walking and to use a dinghy.

If cold take beanies, gloves, scarf, wet weather gear etc. If hot take shorts, hat, sun cream etc.

We did little sailing -the wind was usually in the wrong direction! We occasionally put up the jib - did not need the main.

When out of shopping range take an esky with everything frozen for 2-3 days hence and use ice-box/esky for current needs.

Good places above Renmark

Can take a dinghy into creeks about 582 k marker 2 k's west of Ningle Nook Bend at 365 m sign.

At 372m sign can take a boat into creek, which we call 'Little Hunchee' Creek NOT the Hunchee Creek marked in the Pilot.

Can go well up into Chowilla Creek - very wide - and tie up at posts along the way - National Park.

Above Renmark the river is less populated with more banks and wood for fires.

Rosemary & John McKenzie hope these hints may be of use when planning your trip.

**Please contact Peter Roodhouse if you are coming with us.
Phone 8278 3439 for more information.**

Farr Christmas Luncheon The Christmas luncheon was attended by about 40 people at the Goolwa Yacht Club. Father Christmas came and gave out presents. The weather was fine the food excellent and everyone enjoyed themselves. Thanks to everyone that helped to organise the day.

Notice of Race

Farr Trailer Yacht Association Regatta
To be held at the Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club
March 20th & 21st. 2004

The series will consist of 4 races sailed in the Goolwa area.
The regatta is open to Farr 5000, 6000, 740sp and 7500 three boats are required in each class to constitute a start. The entrants must be financial members of the FTYA.

Entries will be accepted on the 20th March by 9-00 am

Entry Fee \$10. For further information contact Peter Roodhouse,
Tel 8278 3439.

This is a fun weekend with a BYO BBQ on Saturday night. Berths are available so come and make a weekend of it

Hints and Tips

Waituna has had to buy a new thunderbox. It was interesting reading the instructions on the new one. Maintenance if the blade is getting hard to open and close clean it and the lubricate with Olive Oil (not sure wether it is Extra Virgin or not) Ed. Note never use Vaseline or vegetable oil these may cause leakage. If the toilet is not to be used for a long period coat valve blade seal with Olive Oil. (Information from the Porta Potti manual).

Bilge Access



John Beveridge of the New Zealand Farr Ass supplied the above photo and information. It shows where you can put a 100mm inspection hatch into the floor to access the bilge (as pictured this is on the earlier Farr 6). When cutting the hole just behind the centrecase be aware that there is a wooden stiffener in the floor, this must be well sealed prior to fitting.


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