



## Port Geographe Marina Murmurs

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### Hi Everyone,

Well the busy part of the year has been and gone and we passed some milestones on the way. The Christmas/New Year holiday period saw a record number of visitors to the Marina and the Bay. Then Race Week was upon us, numbers were down a bit this year however we did have a very successful event.

March again saw the arrival of the Riviera Variety Splash for a 3 day stay of fun for the owners. This year saw a variety of vessels all dressed up for the occasion.

Also making their way down to the marina during March was a fleet of Maritimo's. We look forward to seeing them down here again during the summer.

Well winter has just begun, but don't think you can hibernate for the next few months. We have the 3 Oceans wine/ Port Geo Winter series starting on Sunday 12/6/2011

Don't forget "Come along and say Hello to the team".



PS. Come down and we might be able to get you a ride on one of the competing yachts. There always looking for crew.

### The Deck.

The Deck Bar and Restaurant staff have been working tirelessly improving the ambience and creating a fantastic venue to have a few drinks and a good time out. The Sunday session has been growing each week with performances from Johnny Taylor and others from about lunch time onwards.

Also on the first Friday of each Month has been **The Casablanca Nights**. They have had two so far and it just keeps getting better. July Friday the

1st saw about 70-80 dancing maniacs strutting their stuff across the dance floor.

This month unfortunately see's the departure of John and Vanessa from behind the bar. They fortunately for them are off on some adventures of their own.

We would like to thank them for their excellent service whilst at the Deck and wish them safe travel and look forward to catching up upon their return.

The next **Casablanca Night** will be August 5th and then September 2nd.

Colin (head Chef) Arthur, Izzy, Jan, Grace, Connie, Lydia, Dale and Darren look forward to seeing you all here over the coming months. Don't forget to look out for the fantastic winter specials being offered

### Current Happenings

A few of you might have seen Sea Kestrel being lifted on to the hardstand to be anti fouled. Due to the vessel not being able to be lifted with the boat lifter. PGM had to call in Capel cranes who did a fantastic job lifting the vessel



### Boat Lifting

As we all know time is slipping away rapidly this year. To avoid any disappointment we suggest you don't wait for the silly season to lift your boat and get in now while there are spots available.

If you are looking for some work to be done on your vessel give Luke and Aaron a call from Geographe Marine Engineering.

### Security

Security is always an issue. We haven't heard of any problems but we urge all pen holders to please keep a look out for your own vessel and your neighbours vessel and report any suspicious activity happening while your at the Marina.

## Stormy Weather

PGM staff do dock walks daily but we do request you frequent your vessel on at least a weekly basis just to keep yourself informed on your vessels condition. We especially ask this of you when storm conditions are approaching.

Please check your mooring lines are of adequate size for your vessel ( see marina layout and mooring instructions handout)

In the last storm, a couple of weeks back some owners unfortunately suffered some wind damage to their sails and Bimini Covers.

## Twilight Sailing

Twilight sailing will resume once season starts in October. We will keep you informed.

## Rotary Expedition

Last Sunday saw the arrival of 2 RIB inflatable's. They were part of a Rotary fundraising expedition travelling around Australia raising funds for **Polio Plus**. We wish them well in the remainder of their trip and their fundraising efforts.



## Yacht Racing

The GBYC Port Geo / Spec Savers/ 3 Oceans Wine Winter series has begun with 3 races being held so far. The first race was held in a brisk 20 knot northerly . At the start of the race it looked like we would have about 10 yachts but a few poked their noses out of the heads and common sense told them to head back to the bar.

The second lot of races on 3 July where a lot more comfortable. Both races were held in flat seas and about 12 –15 knots of breeze. With 2 races held back to back, I am sure everyone had a great day on the water. Next race will be 7 August ( weather Depending)

## Electrical And Gas Compliance

Finally a couple of things have caught up to us . It is now a requirement to supply Marina staff with Electrical and Gas compliance certificates in order to stay at Marina's in Western Australia.

PGM will be sending out individual emails to pen holders requesting this information. When you receive a email from us we request you send in copies of compliance so we can file it.

If you don't have compliance certificates, PGM can get you in touch with relevant trades so you can get them issued.

It is **very important** to know that if you do have 240 volt and /or gas on board your vessel **with out** current compliance certificates you are giving your insurance company an immediate out if something goes wrong with the gas or electrical appliances

This also applies to your extension chords connected to shore power. Please make sure they are of correct size and are tagged correctly.

## Boats & People

We welcome any new pen holders who joined us since our last news letter. We have had a couple of new arrivals Sonja a Bavaria 41 and Prince Hal a S&S 30 . So if you see (Bob) from the yacht Sonja and (Stan) from Prince Hal make sure you say hello or even better buy them a beer at The Deck to make them welcome.

We also welcome back the winter boats who come in from Quindilup and Bunbury to get away from the winter storms.

Things you see when your walking along the marina at Port Geographe.

Photo by Craig Godridge

