

## Cruising 2011

After a long cold winter it's a relief to feel the sunshine and sea breezes, let's slip the moorings and cast adrift for some well earned time spent cruising.

We have some great trips planned and this newsletter outlines the key dates.

Download and print the PDF files register your interest and pin them on the fridge.

We will be sailing in *Darney* around to **Flinders** joined by *Wattle* in early January, like last year we are expecting a great time with, we hope a few new faces to share the fun with.

The *Storm Bay* will be making her biannual pilgrimage down to **Hobart**, already we have the *Torea* and *The Kathleens* confirmed with a few more talking about it.

The Cocktail party on Saturday the 12th of February is not to be missed!

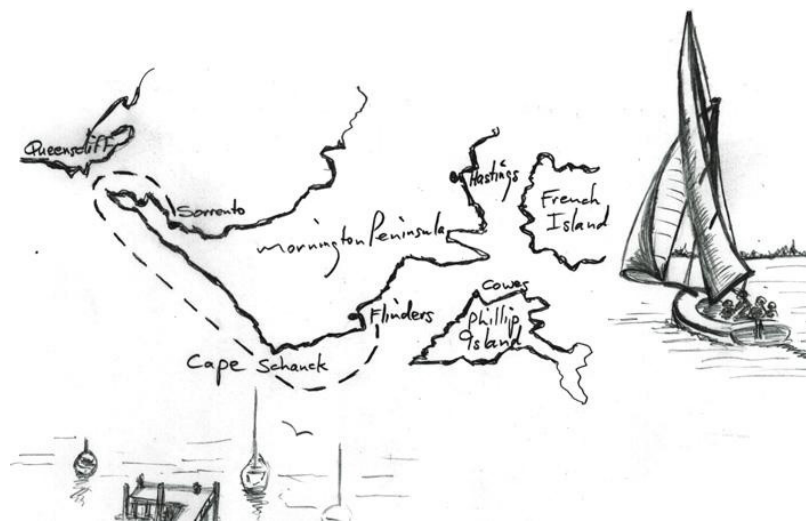
We expect to see you all at the **Queenscliffe Maritime Weekend**, this event caters for everyone. Check out the poster, our next bulletin will have a form to book for the dinner. Bring your wooden boat to be in the running to win a hand crafted half model of your own vessel.

## Flinders Cruise

11th to 15th January 2011

Ever hankered to set off on a sailing adventure? Join us and be part of the small flotilla on a passage cruise from Sorrento to Flinders.

With Flinders Yacht Club as your hosts, enjoy BBQs, fishing day, and twilight race. It's a casual affair, however helpful if you could let us know if your coming!



Check out the Flinders Cruise PDF poster for further details

[2011 Flinders Cruise poster \[PDF, 799KB\]](#)

## Hobart Wooden Boat Festival

11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> February

It is not too late to make the decision to join this great journey south to the 2011 Hobart Wooden Boat Festival.

Log onto the Hobart Wooden Boat Festival website to sign up for the event and register your interest with us for further details.



Do not Miss the Couta Boat Association Cocktail Party

12th February 2011 @ 6.30PM

Toledo Bar, Franklin wharf, Hobart.

Download the invite below.

[Couta Boat Association Cocktail Party invite \[PDF, 204KB\]](#)

Key dates (weather permitting)

28th, Jan- Leave Port Phillip

29th, 31st Jan-Kent group

1st, 2nd Feb- Killiecrankie or The Sisters

3rd Feb- Lady Baron

4th, 5th Feb- Wineglass Bay

6th, 7th, 8th Feb- Fortesque Bay

9th, 10th Feb- Nubeena, *Storm Bay's* Wharf

11th Feb- Sail in convoy up the Derwent River

11th, 12th 13th 14th Feb, Hobart Wooden Boat Festival

[www.australianwoodenboatfestival.com.au](http://www.australianwoodenboatfestival.com.au)

### **Queenscliffe Maritime Weekend**

A huge amount of planning and effort has gone into making the Queenscliff Maritime weekend a premier event. An accessible, interesting weekend for all, including wooden launches, classic yachts, even kayaks.

Free berthing at the fabulous Queenscliffe marina, free fish and chip lunch for the crew. All skippers who book for the dinner and bring their wooden boat to the marina go in the draw to win a hand made half model of their own boat, to be drawn at the lifeboat, in the museum during the presentation.

We have all bases covered, if your crew wants to return to Sorrento after the dinner we have chartered the Moonraker to take them home, if you stay the night you can tour the Queenscliffe market on the Sunday morning before the return sail home.

Booking is essential, so please download the poster, notice of race and booking form.

[Queenscliffe Maritime Weekend Brochure \[PDF, 375KB\]](#)

**We wish you all the very best for Christmas, and the New Cruising Year.**

The purpose of this newsletter is to encourage others to join us for cruising in company. It is not associated with any club or business activities. It's a great opportunity for using your launch or Couta boat!