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# Report for Waterwomen

Waterwomen have been meeting on a regular monthly basis to share personal adventures, welcome women new to sailing, celebrate women's solo achievements locally and worldwide and improve knowledge of all things related to water activities, mostly sailing.

Sessions have included amongst other things, motor maintenance both inboard and outboard, winch servicing, nautical knots, racing strategies, and very entertaining sea shanties.

WW have been particularly active on the water over the past 12 months. Up to 16 committed women competed in the PCSC twilight races, many on boats both skippered and crewed by women. Thanks go to Lillian Peri for sharing her lovely Hood 23, Periwinkle and stepping onto a very steep, challenging learning curve so that she could skipper in the twilight races. Also appreciated were the hours Ginny spent mentoring and preparing Periwinkle's crew.



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Thanks also to Bob, Judy and Alison for the introductory lessons that launched the Soling crew into the races

Chrissie once again stepped up to the mark and brought CA VA into the Twilight fleet.



The next goal is the Women's combined clubs keelboat regatta and training for this will start mid August for women who have already expressed their interest.

The Dover regatta again saw another strong contingent from Cygnet WW. Boats included Orzel , CA VA, Shannon and Digga.



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Endra, long term Waterwoman [redacted] participated in, the 2025 Raid from Recherche Bay to Hobart. We were also pleased that she agreed to do a presentation of this experience in the July meeting. A fantastic effort Endra!



Five of our WW have so far reached out to assist Julie an experienced paraplegic sailor to enjoy day sails on Orzel, Louise's Contessa 26.



Ginny's interest in mentoring women or just sharing her lovely boat Spirit (SE), a 44 foot King Billy pine custom yacht continues, and a good foodfest is always guaranteed.



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In March this year three WW set off on Spirit to explore the waters from Southport through the Channel and over to Norfolk Bay.



In addition to sailing, WW adventures have involved Endra's 18' abalone tinnie powered by an 60 hp outboard. Waterwomen took off into Storm Bay to watch the competitors in the 2025 Sydney to Hobart Yacht race. This venture was similar to another such trip, the year before when they went to cheer on Kirsten Neuschafer who eventually won the Golden Globe solo non stop around the world race.



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Finally a bon voyage to Judy who is heading off to Brittany with Bob for the Dragon World championships and then off to Malaysia for the Raja Muda yacht regatta. No stopping this incredible couple. Good luck!



As you can see it has been a pretty busy and fun filled year for the WW with still lots of plans for the future. There has certainly been an upsurge in participation this year and looking forward to it continuing that way.

