6 DAY MELBOURNE CUP CRUISE 2 – 7 NOVEMBER 2025 CRUISE REPORT

The cruise started at Canaipa Point, on Sunday, the day after the un-successful 2025 Goodwill Cup. 3 vessels had competed in the Cup challenge were then joined by 5 more vessels registered for the cruise. A BBQ ashore was a relaxed start to the cruise. Another vessel joined on Monday as the fleet was stuck at Canaipa due to strong northerly winds in the Bay.

18 SYC cruisers were transported to the RSL Russell Island for a fun Melbourne Cup lunch. Most of the people had dressed for the event. Everyone bought tickets in the sweepstakes successfully organised by the RSL. After the race the RSL judged and provided prizes for, the Best Hat, Best Female and Best Male, we are not sure whether the locals will allow us back next year as our group won all prizes! The RSL Manager also selected two prize winners from the remaining group, who won a bottle of champagne each from SYC.

Heading to Cobby Cobby on Wednesday on the high tide allowed all vessels to transit Canaipa Passage successfully, there are three areas of the Passage where caution is needed by deeper draft vessels due to shallowing depths of water. One vessel had to leave the group for another commitment. As usual, Cobby Cobby was calm and protected. Crews met on other boats for drinks and nibbles but the midgies came out fiercely at sunset as the Beaver super moon rose in the sky.

Eight vessels moved on to Dux the following day for a lunchtime BBQ where six people won bottles of wine in the Precision Marine Wine Draw. The unlucky ones were each given a bottle of wine provided by Spectrum Marine.











