

# The Traverse Board

Newsletter of the Friends Of The Paul McGuire Maritime Library Inc

May 2013

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## News From The Friends

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT MAY 2013



Greetings to you all;  
Autumn's almost done, better  
start bracing for winter.

There is not a lot to report,  
but I can say that the good  
ship *One And All* is  
undertaking a few short  
voyages (one or two days)  
this month, working up to  
readiness for the big trip to  
Sydney later in the year.

Our last meeting, in March included a showing of the film on the search and discovery of *HMAS Sydney*, a great demonstration of what can be achieved when the right people get involved in a project, with some sympathetic backing. Almost by coincidence I have just read the book, "Cruiser", by Michael Carlton, the story of *HMAS Perth* (from her commissioning in Portsmouth to her sinking in the battle of Sunda Strait. It tells of the heroism and humour of her officers and crew in action in the Mediterranean and closer to home, and in captivity after the sinking; altogether a book very hard to put down.

Please do come along to our next meeting on WEDNESDAY, May 29th, once again to be held at the Railway Hotel Port Adelaide. We will have the pleasure of catching up with life member Valmai Hankel, and it promises to be a most enjoyable and interesting evening.

So until then, stay warm, I look forward to seeing you all.

Regards, Julian.

### Next Meeting

A get-together with Valmai Hankel retired librarian and a founder member of the friends.

Date: Wednesday **May 29th 2013**

Time: Dinner 7:00pm – meeting 8:00 pm

Venue: **Railway Hotel, Port Adelaide.**

Cost: **Donation**

**Please book for dinner on 8447 1527.**

### International Fleet Review

This will be held in Sydney from 3 - 11 October 2013. It is being held to commemorate the centenary of the first entry of the Royal Australian Navy's Fleet into Sydney. It is anticipated that approximately 40 visiting warships and 17 tall ships will participate in this historic event. The IFR is planned to be similar in scale and public impact to that experienced during the RAN 75th Anniversary in 1986 and the Bicentennial Naval Salute in 1988.

The Ceremonial Review will take place on Saturday 5 October 2013. The Review will include a moving line of seven RAN ships to further symbolise the 1913 entry. The day's events are also likely to feature formation fly-pasts by fixed and rotary wing aircraft, naval displays and demonstrations, naval gun salutes, dragon boat races and naval band performances, and will culminate in a spectacular evening pyrotechnics and light show on the harbour.

The program will also include: a tall ships parade; warships arrival; ceremonial fleet review; aerial acrobatic displays; ships open to visitors; combined naval march through the streets of Sydney; military band concerts; Freedom of Entry parade in Parramatta; religious and memorial services; and sporting competitions.

You can follow this event on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/TallShipsAustralia2013>.

Some of the photos are spectacular!

Inside are some notes about 3 Dutch tall ships coming to Australia for this event.

THE RAILWAY HOTEL, PORT ADELAIDE  
ESTABLISHED 1856



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## Tall ship One and All finally back on the water after 18 months

Pamela Brombal  
Portside Messenger  
April 08, 2013 12:45PM

MORE than 400 students are on a waiting list to sail on the One and All, which has resumed youth trips after an 18-month hiatus.

About 800 students from across Adelaide were expected to set sail on the One and All over last week and this week, learning about the replica 1800s ship and life during the 19th century.

SA Maritime Museum education manager Colleen Decenkelaire said the organisation was surprised by the strong demand, with the group planning another series of journeys later in the year for about 400 students on a waiting list.

"Teachers really see the learning potential of their students on the ship because they get to take part in an authentic experience onboard a replica 1800s ship," Ms Decenkelaire said.



"The students tend to remember more of what they are learning from being on the ship, as it's a totally different experience to learning something in the classroom."

The One and All was built by volunteers at North Haven in the 1980s, but was based on the rig of an 1850s brigantine.

During three-hour journeys, students learn about the living conditions on the ship in the 1800s, the food the crew ate, how to navigate and steer the ship and raise and lower its sails.

The program is run in conjunction with volunteer group, Friends of the One and All, which is making the ship available for community activities in the absence of a full-time operator.

The ship's future has been unclear since its previous operators went into liquidation in July 2011.

The State Government has been searching for a new operator ever since, with more than 2000 signatures last year collected on a petition by Greens MLC Tammy Franks, to get the ship back in the water.



The State Government is still in negotiations with two local groups - The Australian Fisheries Academy and Adelaide Ship Construction - to take over the One and All's management.

AdelaideNow is seeking a comment from the State Government on when a contractor will be decided.

### The One and All is planning to go to the Tall Ships events.

The proposed schedule is -

- Adelaide to Melbourne (1-8 Sep)
- Melbourne to Hobart (15-21 Sep)
- Hobart to Sydney (25 Sep - 3 Oct)
- Sydney to Melbourne (10-17 Oct) (possibly via Wilson's Promontory or Flinders Island)
- Melbourne to Adelaide (20-27 Oct) (possibly via King Island).

If you are a past crew member or are interested in becoming a paying trainee contact Stan Nowakowski the trip coordinator.

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The Dutch barque *Europa* which will be here next August on the slip at Cape Town, South Africa. Photo: Klaass Gaastra



This is an almost iconic view of the Cape Willoughby lighthouse at the eastern end of Kangaroo Island.



Ethel Beach in Innes National Park has two visible shipwrecks: the barque *Ethel*, wrecked in January 1904 and the steamship *Ferret* wrecked on the 14<sup>th</sup> November 1920.

The *Ferret* had an interesting history. It was owned by the Highland Railway based in Inverness in Scotland and traded for that company to the more remote settlements in Scotland.

Then in 1880 it was stolen and traded through the Mediterranean before making a voyage to Port Melbourne, where, as luck would have it, was a policeman originally from Inverness and who recognised the ship and its history.

It was seized by the Victoria Police and sold to the Adelaide Steamship Company for duties in South Australian waters where she met her end on Ethel Beach.

It was, coincidentally, the first vessel to attend the *Ethel* when that barque was wrecked.

## Three Dutch Tall Ships To Visit Australia

The Dutch tall ships 'Oosterschelde', 'Europa' and 'Tecla' left Santos, Brazil on the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2013 for an around the world voyage.

The voyage brings them from Cape Town, South Africa to Mauritius, sailing in the area of the sardine run.

They will cross the Indian Ocean from Mauritius to Perth, Australia for a 12 day expedition telling the story about the 'Batavia', which was wrecked on Morning Reef in the Houtman Abrolhos.

That shipwreck was a prelude to an extraordinary tragedy.

In Adelaide, Melbourne, Hobart and Sydney they will take part in various tall ship events and festivities.

On October 4th, 2013, the ships will represent the Netherlands during the International Fleet Review of the Australian Navy, commemorating the centenary of the first entry of the Royal Australian Navy into Sydney.

After this event the ships will do their utmost to get good results in the Tall Ships Regatta to Auckland, New Zealand.

In Auckland they start preparations for the long journey around Cape Horn late November 2013. The Falklands, South Georgia, Antarctica, Ascension Island and Horta (Azores) are some of the destinations 'Oosterschelde', 'Europa' and 'Tecla' will find on their way home to the Netherlands via Santos.

The vessels will take part in tall ships races from Melbourne to Hobart, Hobart to Sydney, and Sydney to Auckland.

They are scheduled to be in Adelaide on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2013.



### Tecla

'Tecla' was built in 1915 in Vlaardingen, to plunder the rich North Sea fishing zones of herring.

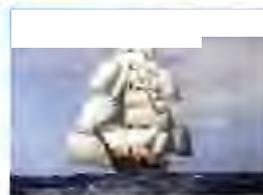
Under the name *Graaf van Limburg Stirum*, she fished as one of the last true commercial sailing vessels for 10 years before being forced into early retirement in Katwijk Harbour, Holland.

In 1935 she was sold to Denmark and sailed the coastal waters of the Denmark transporting heavy grain, stone and turf between the Danish islands.

'Tecla' returned to Holland in the 1979 to be re-fitted as a charter sailing vessel. In 1989 she started sailing and has explored Irish, French and British waters and after sailing a Tall Ships Regatta in 2007 the owners got addicted to sailing the Tall Ships' Races.

Together the family of Jan, Jannette, Gijs and Jet, muster 65 years of traditional charter sailing experience.

### Europa



The Dutch three-masted bark 'Europa' (1911) has travelled the oceans following the Trade Winds since 1994 and in this time has developed a reputation as a ship which "really sails".

The 'Europa' is powered by canvas and co-operation, with a professional crew of 14 and a maximum compliment of 48 voyage crew-members of all ages and nationalities.

Towering above the deck are the three lofty masts carrying 12 yards.

Tall ship lovers, even without seafairing experience, can help the permanent crew by taking the helm, assisting with navigation, hoisting and furling square-sails on the yards.

### Oosterschelde



The three-masted topsail schooner 'Oosterschelde' is the largest restored Dutch sailing ship, and is a monument for Dutch shipbuilding and maritime navigation under sail.

'Oosterschelde' made several impressive journeys since her restoration in 1992. For example, she sailed an earlier journey around the world (finished in 1998), made several expeditions to Spitsbergen and sails to Cape Verde in wintertime. But the ship is also in use in domestic and foreign ports for presentation and promotion activities.



The *Oosterschelde* in Irish waters, 1996  
Photo: Monno Rienks,  
<http://www.oosterschelde.nl>



The *Oosterschelde* in the Roaring Forties, southern Pacific Ocean, November 1997.  
Photo: Malvina Artheau Duval  
<http://www.oosterschelde.nl>

More information is available online at [dutchtallships.com](http://dutchtallships.com).

## May Meeting

Join founder member Valmai Hankel for dinner and a natter.

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2013**

Dinner from 7:00pm

Railway Hotel

275 St Vincent Street

Port Adelaide.

## July Meeting

Join Dr James Hunter from Flinders Uni for dinner and a talk on his current project, documenting remnants of the South Australian colonial warship HMCS Protector with 3D laser and structured-light scanning technologies.

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2013**

Dinner from 7:00pm

Railway Hotel

275 St Vincent Street

Port Adelaide.

### River Murray Fishermen



Forget TV's *River Monsters* – this Murray Cod is just bait fish.



PS *Mayflower* at Renmark



Crew of the PS *Kelvin*

### Jack Curtiss

Our November 2011 speaker, Jack Curtiss, has recently undergone surgery to remove a non-malignant tumor pressing against his brain stem.

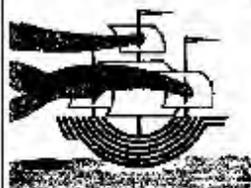
This appears to have gone well and he is resting at his daughter Tiffany's home in Seattle, Washington.

We wish him a speedy recovery.



Jack and Tiffany

Membership subs are now due. Please return the form below to the treasurer at the address shown. Alternately he will be only too glad to receive your subs on 25<sup>th</sup> March. You can renew online: <http://www.fpmml.org.au/membership.shtml>.



## The Friends Of The Paul McGuire Maritime Library Inc.

### Membership Renewal

Ordinary Memberships are all due for renewal in January each year. Please send your \$20 to

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