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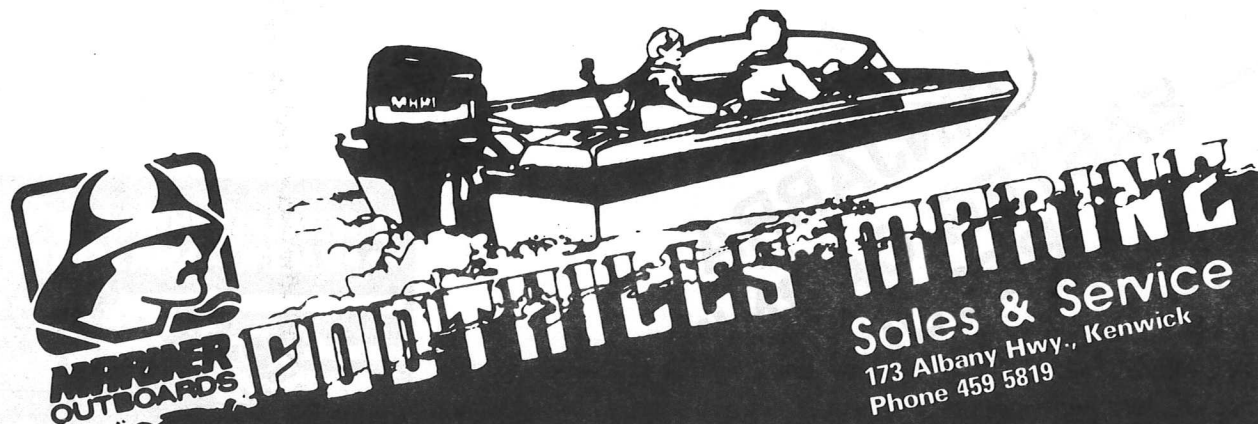
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## Commodore's Comment

The question of Competition Licences has been virtually resolved. The Sub-Committee has now proposed a firm set of procedures which I'm sure will adequately cover the issue and find satisfaction with all members — whether they are concerned with safety, promotion or both.

The 1987/88 Calendar of Events included in this issue is without doubt the most ambitious programme attempted since the sport's inception. Apart from Albany and Bridgetown all the venues arranged for racing are reasonably close to Perth. This should help to contain the costs of racing. Another feature is the number of venues we will be using for the first time. Our country members have certainly been given a much fairer share of the action under this programme.

The subject of membership increase seems to be a constant point of comment. I'm happy to report that it is still increasing, so much so that the Committee is again faced with a backlog of

applications to process. With the purchase of our new computer keeping track of who's where and what's happening should be a lot easier.

The recent rains have put a bit of water in the creeks and rivers and will no doubt spur a few of the less active racers to brush the cobwebs off their rigs and get out on the water. It is always about this time of the year that the complaints about speeding and entering prohibited areas start from the public and the respective departments. It's also about the time we occasionally hear of "rogue races" — races run without approval and in prohibited

areas. If you are approached to enter one of these races, please heed one bit of advice — don't!

Please help get the season off to a good start and support the forthcoming events — the first three are all new competitions. Round 1 of the Formula 8/Tub Championships at Centenary Park will hopefully continue the interest generated by the Pinjarra Easter Carnival. The Murray Sprint will be a short, sharp race full of excitement. Single seater racing at Northam (in the Avon Descent start area) will be a first, and will provide an excellent venue and facilities.

Good racing.

KIM EPTON

## ASSOCIATION SCENE

Members are reminded that practice in the Upper Canning River (upstream of Riverton Bridge) is not permitted. Be aware that with the Avon Descent not far away the authorities are ready and waiting to catch YOU.

If a complaint is received about your actions on the water it is normally your Race Number that is reported. As it is in our interests to co-operate with the Department of Marine and Harbours a list of A.P.D.R.A. Race Identification is submitted to them on a regular basis. Don't jeopardise the Association's good reputation (and your own hip pocket nerve) by getting caught doing the wrong thing.

The Team of Rob and David Whitney were disqualified at the Frederickstown Dinghy Cup on a technical matter. There was **no intention** on the part of the Team or the person who worked on their motor to deliberately break the rules. However, all racers are warned to be careful when rebuilding their motors. In brief, the Whitneys ordered a replacement carburettor for their 1974 model Mercury motor. They received a superseded carburettor which is correct **according to Marine Power Australia** (distributors of Mercury and Mariner).

However, **according to the A.P.D.R.A.**

**Specifications**, it was incorrect. Outwardly the carburettors are identical. The problem encountered was that the carburettor supplied by the dealer contained a large jet (instead of a smaller jet) and a small venturi restrictor (instead of a larger restrictor). To reiterate, the carburettor supplied by the dealer was correct according to Mercury specifications. You are reminded that the sport of power dinghy racing **does not** operate on manufacturers' specifications. Motor specifications are wholly contained in Appendix C of the Manual of Power Dinghy Racing. **Read your Manual.**

Good sportsmanship is showing out in the new Association with Paul Tregurtha and Peter Street winning the Frederickson Cup on a borrowed powerhead from rival competitors in Ray Meagher and Brad Pitcher. Peter Street then racing at Easter on a borrowed powerhead from Dudley Cummiskey and then due to the generosity of Rob Ironside, was able to continue racing Formula 8's after losing a steering wheel in a collision during the days racing.

It's great to see this happening in the Association and assists in making the A.P.D.R.A. bigger and better over the years to come.

### AUSTRALIAN POWER DINGHY RACING ASSOCIATION



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# Albany Action

## The Frederickstown Dinghy Cup

A record number of power dinghy entries highlighted the running of this years Frederickstown Cup held on the March Long weekend.

The annual event this year attracted 24 entries, 19 of these from Perth with entries also received from Busselton and Bridgetown all congregating at Albany to challenge the local racers.

The increase in crews travelling to Albany for this event proves that this race is becoming a major event on the A.P.R.D.A. racing calendar.

The course held over 44 km started about 400 metres up stream of the Upper Kalgan River bridge and proceeded down the length of the Kalgan River and into Oyster Harbour.

The field then had to round a buoy (when you found it) moored near Emu Point Channel back along the Western side of Oyster Harbour and into the King River.

From there a run up the length of the King River had to be negotiated. The mouth of the river plagued with sandbars (a bit of local knowledge and practise came in handy here for certain members).

A restart was held in the King River with the slowest boats heading for the finish at the Kalgan River Caravan Park.

### START

Approximately 800 metres from the start of the race crews were fronted by a strip of rocks forcing a long drag for all crews. It became very obvious that there are not too many fit people racing dinghies after the Xmas break.

Tim Kelly and Rod Mora were up to their usual standard by damaging a



It wasn't all plain sailing at Albany.

gearbox just after the portage (don't worry Rodney you'll get to a finish line in a dinghy one day). After the rock haul there was a drag race to Oyster Harbour with Gary Butt and Mario Ambrosino gradually hauling back entries in front of them while Paul Tregurtha and Peter Street, re-combining to run standard class, were picking up boats as they approached the harbour.

Oyster Harbour was fairly kind to all boats with only a gentle wind making things slightly bumpy. Steve and Wayne Palmer struck transom trouble in the harbour and lost time making a few repairs as Bruce and Barb Wilson gradually forced their way through the field with Overstone, Berloth and Haynes, all fighting for a place in sports class.

The standard class was developing into a battle between Tregurtha, Cox and Meagher/Pitcher entry followed by the Albany entry of Geoff Ferry and Michael Bolt in their first race.

The finish of the first leg saw the Wilson entry leading followed by Steve and Wayne Palmer with the standard boat of Tregurtha and Street arriving third followed by Butt and Ambrosino who lost their lead after taking a wrong channel at the mouth of the King.

By this stage four entries were forced to withdraw with Overstone, Snooks, Kelly and the Busselton boat of Dymock and Harries all out with mechanical problems.

The race back to the Kalgan River Caravan Park gave few troubles apart from the odd crew who decided to cut across sandbars instead of following channels and found themselves with a little walk to deeper water.

The event was followed by circuit racing in dinghies and Formula 8's where Lyn Berloth proved that she will be a strong competitor, in the forthcoming season, by demonstrating her ability to beat her male competitors in the Formula 8's.

Following the day's racing the organisers provided a barbeque and drinks for all competitors and support crew. The trophy presentation was held in conjunction with this and a video of the day's racing, taken by Graeme Olsen of Albany, was shown for everyone's entertainment.



Steve and Wayne Palmer chase Bruce and Barb Wilson up the King River.

Congratulations to Bruce and Barb Wilson and all those who assisted on the weekend for organising one of the best events on our racing calendar.

(A special thanks to Bruce Wilson and Kenny Thompson for staying up most of Sunday nights and ensuring that there was no beverage and food wastage).



Justin Ferguson and Brett Cummiskey, two of the juniors who are starting to show the experienced racers how to handle dinghies.

## FREDERICKSTOWN DINGHY CUP RESULTS

### 8 H.P. SPORTS

- 1st Bruce - Barb Wilson, Boat 198 — Time 1.11.27
- 2nd Steve - Wayne Palmer, Boat 118 — Time 1.13.57
- 3rd Gary Butt - Mario Ambrosino, Boat 169 — Time 1.20.05
- 4th Frank Berloth - Gordon Adams, Boat 124 — Time 1.21.23
- 5th Peter - John Haynes, Boat 151 — Time 1.21.33

### 8 H.P. STANDARD

- 1st Paul Tregurtha - Peter Street, Boat 139 — Time 1.24.19
- 2nd George Cox - Don Haynes, Boat 191 — Time 1.30.43
- 3rd Ray Meagher - Brad Pitcher, Boat 182 — Time 1.31.17
- 4th Geoff Ferry - Michael Bolt, Boat 149 — Time 1.32.59
- 5th Geoff Bullard - Glen Skewes, Boat 117 — Time 1.33.15

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|   |                              | (b) A black square and circle.   | (b) |
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|   |                              | (c) Flames on a vessel from a burning tar barrel, oil barrel, etc.   |     |

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# PINJARRA EASTER CARNIVAL



Formula 8 action on the Murray over Easter.



Turn left just past this tree. Les Simmo & Rummo, circuit racing at Pinjarra

## PINJARRA EASTER CARNIVAL RESULTS

### PEEL INLET CIRCUMNAVIGATION

- 6 H.P. SPORTS**  
 1st — B. & C. Walker  
 2nd — S. & C. Foster  
 3rd — K. Wake & C. Dodd

- 8 H.P. STANDARD**  
 1st — R. Meagher & B. Pitcher  
 2nd — J. & P. Haynes  
 3rd — B. Hastings & J. Doran

- 8 H.P. SPORTS**  
 1st — G. Butt & M. Ambrosino  
 2nd — B. Cummuskey & J. Ferguson  
 3rd — P. Bevan & R. Dorizzi

### MURRAY RIVER CIRCUIT RACING FORMULA 8 — STANDARD CLASS

- 1st — J. Haynes  
 2nd — D. Hindle  
 3rd — R. Haynes
- FORMULA 8 — SPORTS CLASS**  
 1st — G. Butt  
 2nd — W. Palmer  
 3rd — G. Rumsey

- BATHTUBS**  
 1st — B. Cummuskey  
 2nd — A. Bullard  
 3rd — F. Berloth

- POWER DINGHIES  
 8 H.P. SPORTS CLASS**  
 1st — B. & B. Wilson  
 2nd — R. Wilson & G. Tanner  
 3rd — C. & B. Walker
- 8 H.P. STANDARD**  
 1st — L. Simpson & G. Rumsey  
 2nd — R. Meagher & B. Pitcher  
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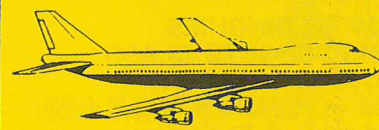
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|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Mon, May 4, 1987   | <i>Committee Meeting</i> |                      |   |                   |                               |                     |                               |
| Mon, May 11, 1987  | <i>General Meeting</i>   |                      |   |                   |                               |                     |                               |
| Sun, May 24, 1987  | F8s — Centenary Park     | Round 1 F8 C/ships   | Geoff Rumsey                            | Sat, Oct 24, 1987 | Tubs — York                   | Round 3 Tub C/ships | Colynn Rowe                   |
| Sun, May 24, 1987  | Tubs — Centenary Park    | Round 1 Tub C/ships  |   | Sun, Oct 25, 1987 | F8s — York                    | Round 3 F8 C/ships  | Colynn Rowe                   |
|                    |                          |                      |   | Sun, Oct 25, 1987 | Tubs — York                   | Round 3 Tub C/ships | Colynn Rowe                   |
| Tue, June 2, 1987  | <i>Committee Meeting</i> |                      |   | Tue, Nov 3, 1987  | <i>Committee Meeting</i>      |                     |                               |
| Sat, June 6, 1987  | Commodores Ball          |                      | Mario Ambrosino                         | Mon, Nov 9, 1987  | <i>General Meeting</i>        |                     |                               |
| Mon, June 8, 1987  | <i>General Meeting</i>   |                      |   | Sun, Nov 15, 1987 | Marina to Marina              | Round 5 PDR C/ships | Bill Hastings                 |
| Sun, June 14, 1987 | Murray Sprint            | Round 1 PDR C/ships  | Steve Foster, Kevin Wake,<br>David Dodd |                   |                               |                     |                               |
| Sun, June 28, 1987 | F8s — Northam            | Round 2 F8 C/ships   | Kim Epton                               | Sun, Dec 6, 1987  | Herridges Lake Carnival       | Round 4 F8 C/ships  | APDRA Race Committee          |
| Sun, June 28, 1987 | Tubs — Northam           | Round 2 Tub C/ships  | Kim Epton                               | Sun, Dec 6, 1987  | Herridges Lake Carnival       | Round 4 Tub C/ships | APDRA Race Committee          |
|                    |                          |                      |   | Sun, Dec 6, 1987  | Herridges Lake Carnival       | Round 6 PDR C/ships | APDRA Race Committee          |
| Sun, July 5, 1987  | Comp Licence Test Day    |                      | Competition Licence Committee           | Tue, Dec 8, 1987  | <i>Committee Meeting</i>      |                     |                               |
| Tue, July 7, 1987  | <i>Committee Meeting</i> |                      |   | Mon, Dec 14, 1987 | <i>General Meeting</i>        |                     |                               |
| Tue, July 13, 1987 | <i>General Meeting</i>   |                      |   |                   |                               |                     |                               |
| Sun, July 19, 1987 | Avon Scrutineering       |                      | David Dodd                              | Tue, Jan 5, 1988  | <i>Committee Meeting</i>      |                     |                               |
| Sun, July 19, 1987 | Comp Licence Test Day    |                      | Competition Licence Committee           | Mon, Jan 11, 1988 | <i>General Meeting</i>        |                     |                               |
| Sun, July 19, 1987 | Power Boat Trials        | Licence Holders only | Steve Palmer                            | Sat, Jan 23, 1988 | Peel Inlet Derby              | Round 7 PDR C/ships | David Dodd                    |
|                    |                          |                      |   | Sun, Jan 24, 1988 | F8s — Pinjarra                | Round 5 F8 C/ships  | David Dodd                    |
| Sat, Aug 1, 1987   | Avon Descent             | Round 2 PDR C/ships  | N.A.D.A., Steve Palmer                  | Sun, Jan 24, 1988 | Tubs — Pinjarra               | Round 5 F8 C/ships  | David Dodd                    |
| Sun, Aug 2, 1987   | Avon Descent             | Round 2 PDR C/ships  | N.A.D.A., Steve Palmer                  |                   |                               |                     |                               |
| Tue, Aug 4, 1987   | <i>Committee Meeting</i> |                      |   | Tue, Feb 2, 1988  | <i>Committee Meeting</i>      |                     |                               |
| Mon, Aug 10, 1987  | <i>General Meeting</i>   |                      |   | Mon, Feb 8, 1988  | <i>General Meeting</i>        |                     |                               |
| Sat, Sep 5, 1987   | Moore River Sprint       | Round 3 PDR C/ships  | Brian Kelly, Shane Kelly                | Sat, Mar 5, 1988  | Collie Run                    | Round 8 PDR C/ships | Robin Judd, Steve Palmer      |
| Sun, Sep 6, 1987   | Moore River Sprint       | Round 3 PDR C/ships  | Brian Kelly, Shane Kelly                | Sun, Mar 6, 1988  | F8s — Collie                  | Round 6 F8 C/ships  | Robin Judd, Steve Palmer      |
| Tue, Sep 8, 1987   | <i>Committee Meeting</i> |                      |   | Mon, Mar 7, 1988  | Tubs — Collie                 | Round 6 Tub C/ships | Robin Judd, Steve Palmer      |
| Mon, Sep 14, 1987  | <i>General Meeting</i>   |                      |   | Tue, Mar 8, 1988  | <i>Committee Meeting</i>      |                     |                               |
| Sun, Sep 20, 1987  | BC 250 Scrutineering     |                      | David Dodd                              | Mon, Mar 14, 1988 | <i>General Meeting</i>        |                     |                               |
| Sat, Sep 26, 1987  | Blackwood Classic 250    | Round 4 PDR C/ships  | Blackwood Classic 250 Committee         |                   |                               |                     |                               |
| Sun, Sep 27, 1987  | Blackwood Classic 250    | Round 4 PDR C/ships  | Blackwood Classic 250 Committee         | Fri, Apr 1, 1988  | F8s — Albany                  | Round 7 F8 C/ships  | Frederickstown Dinghy Society |
| Mon, Sep 28, 1987  | Blackwood Classic 250    | Round 4 PDR C/ships  | Blackwood Classic 250 Committee         | Fri, Apr 1, 1988  | Tubs — Albany                 | Round 7 Tub C/ships | Frederickstown Dinghy Society |
|                    |                          |                      |   | Sat, Apr 2, 1988  | Frederickstown Cup            | Round 9 PDR C/ships | Frederickstown Dinghy Society |
| Tue, Oct 6, 1987   | <i>Committee Meeting</i> |                      |   | Sun, Apr 3, 1988  | F8s — Albany                  | Round 7 F8 C/ships  | Frederickstown Dinghy Society |
| Mon, Oct 12, 1987  | <i>General Meeting</i>   |                      |   | Sun, Apr 3, 1988  | Tubs — Albany                 | Round 7 Tub C/ships | Frederickstown Dinghy Society |
| Sat, Oct 24, 1987  | F8s — York               | Round 3 F8 C/ships   | Colynn Rowe                             | Tue, Apr 6, 1988  | <i>General Meeting</i>        |                     |                               |
|                    |                          |                      |   | Mon, Apr 11, 1988 | <i>Annual General Meeting</i> |                     |                               |

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# PINJARRA EASTER CARNIVAL



The Tohatsu boys spent half of Easter either sinking boats or putting out fires.



More Formula 8 action on the Murray.

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Rear Commodore's Signature.....

Commodore's Signature.....



Get Ready Boy's (and Girls) it's nearly here!

11th Avon Descent all set — "WESTRAIL RIDES THE AVON" to run



**Where to watch and when**  
 The 11th Avon Descent, one of the world's classic whitewater events, will start at 10.30 am on Monday, August 1st, at the mouth of the Avon River in Perth. The descent will follow the river through the city and into the bush, ending at the mouth of the river in the Indian Ocean. The event is open to all ages and abilities, and is a great way to enjoy the outdoors and the beauty of the Avon River. For more information, contact the Avon Descent Committee on 321 8181.

**THE SUNDAY TIMES**  
**WHITE WATER FURY!**  
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**The record-breakers**

There's never been as much water over rocks and rapids as there is now. And the publicity about the Avon Descent is at a fever pitch. It's the first time in the history of the event that there have been more than one record-breaker. The winners of the Avon Descent are: Steve Palmer and Peter Street (1st place), Tim Kelly and Dudley Cummskey (2nd place), and Gary Butt and Brad Pitcher (3rd place). The winners of the women's race are: Kathy Woewodin (1st place), and Mary Ambrosino (2nd place). The winners of the children's race are: John Adams and John Kelly (1st place), and Phil Tully and Dennis Hinkle (2nd place).

**Descent practice ban is lifted**

THE ban on competitive descent practice on the Avon River was lifted today, after a period of closure to allow for the construction of a new dam at the mouth of the river. The ban had been in place since the start of the descent season in 1982. The new dam will improve the flow of the river and make the descent safer for participants. The ban was lifted today, allowing for the start of the descent season on Monday, August 1st.

**Descent practice**

Antonio Crispoldi manoeuvres their canoe through the rapids.

Antonio Crispoldi and his partner, Silvia, are seen manoeuvring their canoe through the rapids. The pair are competing in the Avon Descent. They are seen in the middle of the descent, with the river flowing rapidly around them. The pair are seen in the middle of the descent, with the river flowing rapidly around them.

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**"A CRABBY WEEKEND"**

Late February a group of A.P.D.R.A. members camped at Waters Edge Caravan Park, south of Mandurah, for a weekend's crabbing. We had an excellent turnout of crabbers, most of whom stayed for the entire weekend to enjoy the great weekend of crabbing, barbeques, camping and a couple of quiet drinks. The weekend was very quiet and uneventful apart from a few humorous and some not too humorous events. Following a days tutoring by Kim Epton to David Dodd on how to engulf bourbon a lesson in boat fastening was given by both. Their boat was later sighted drifting towards Mandurah with a slight problem, no-one on board. Two certain gentlemen, no names mentioned (they race boat 117 under

the Jennings banner and are not known as the lightest crew on the water) underestimated their boats capacity to engulf fuel and were at one stage slightly short on for power. Paul Tregurtha coasted onto his moorings also on an empty tank whilst John Haynes gave us a display on how some new motors refuse to start. Steve Palmer and Peter Street decided to avoid any problems and went for a run in Wayne and Daniel Palmers runabout to ensure that a previous problem had been sorted out, however, a slight tapping noise in the motor turned into a loud rattle bringing the boat to a halt. (Mass panic — no esky) another tow job while listening to a disgruntled Wayne Palmer. The night's barbecue consisted of crab cooking and a lesson from David Dodd on crab eating. (If you have seen David Dodd eat a crab you will never eat one again). During the night one of the Jennings

ladies was attacked by a boat trailer and supported a nice bruise for a few days later (no arrests were made). Meanwhile Ray Meagher was deciding whether to drive home or stay the night. The main problem was that by this time he wasn't sure where he was anyway. A great weekend, and yes we did catch some crabs!!

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Congratulations to the new members of the A.P.D.R.A. W.A. Branch committee elected at the Association's 1987 Annual General Meeting. A special thanks to retiring Committee members who have worked hard this year to bring the Association to where it is today. The new Committee members are as follows:  
**Commodore:** — Kim Epton (re-elected)  
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# SUPER SCOOP

Congratulations to Denise and Rodney Mora on the arrival of their new daughter — Jacinta-Anne (PS. you haven't sent her application form in yet Rod!)

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National and Fosters have combined to enter a team in this year's Avon and we should see Russell Wilson and Garry Tanner joining the National boys.

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John Goodbody has left the National team and we may even see him running under the New Cement banner.

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## A.P.D.A. RULINGS March 1, 1987

The following Rulings have the same authority as the Specifications.

1. Non-standard bolts, studs, washers and/or nuts may be used throughout the Outboard Motor, excluding internal powerhead components.
2. Any bolt, stud, washer and/or nut on the Outboard Motor, excluding internal powerhead components, may be replaced during a competition, without penalty.
3. Non-standard spark plugs may be used in the Outboard Motor.
4. The Outboard Motor shall not be fitted with non-standard swivel-clamp brackets. Strengthening only of these parts is permitted.
5. A non-standard cowl (motor cover) may be used provided it is of similar shape to the manufacturer's original cowl. The cowl does not have to include any standard manufacturers' parts, fittings or decals. Holes may be drilled through the cowl.
6. An electric start transfer port cover may only be used on a powerhead if an electric starter motor is used.
7. The carry handle of the Outboard Motor may be removed.

There are a couple of glass boats recently built by non-Association members who will be doing some quick times down the Avon this year.

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I'll believe it when I see it, but "Flying" Frank Berloth is talking about running a 6 HP down the Avon.

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It was great to see Julie Cikoja show the boys the way by winning a Formula 8 heat in her first outing.

(We may have to change the rules. The ladies are becoming too competitive).

Lynn Berloth, Deanne McAlinden and Julie all put in some excellent racing over Easter.

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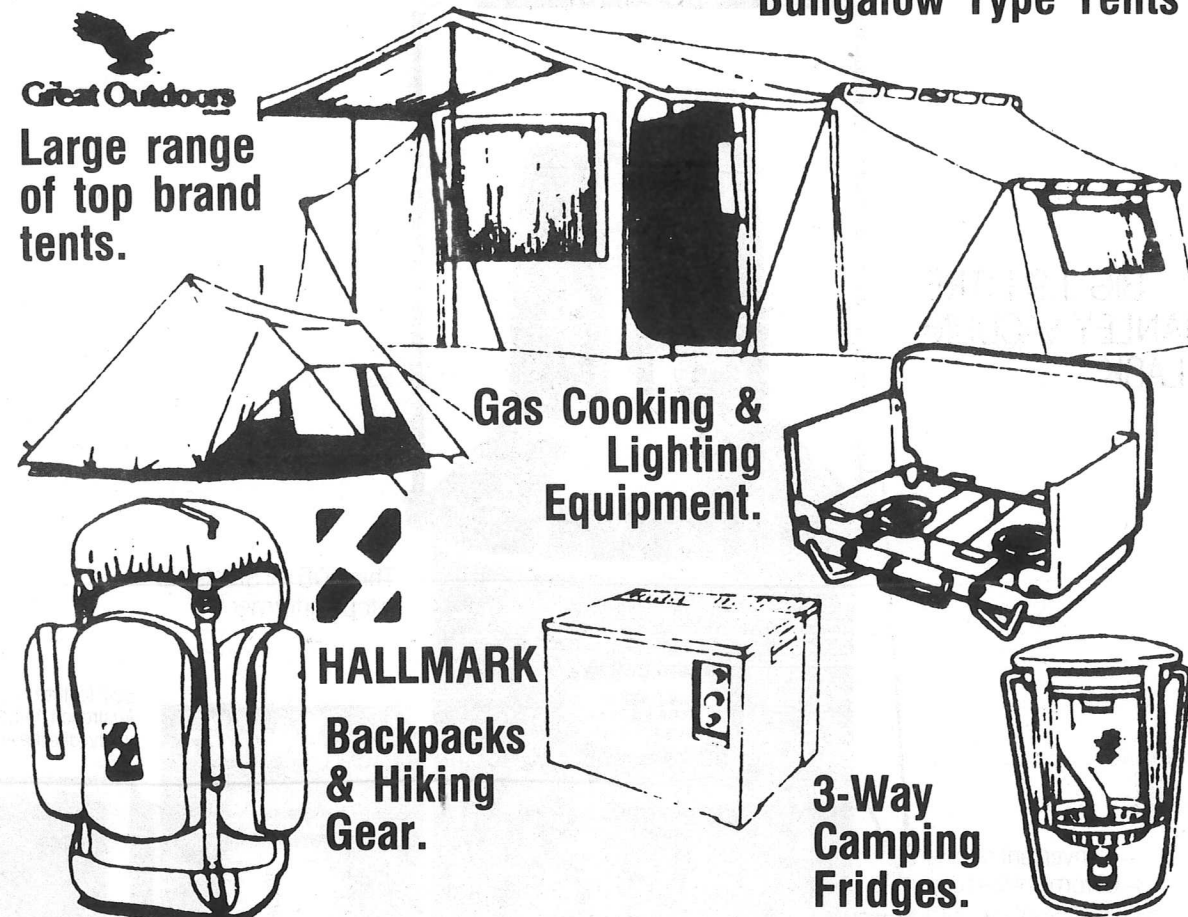
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13. A non-standard water inlet tube guide sleeve shall not be fitted to the Outboard Motor (e.g. Mercury part number C-23-31792).
14. "Two-ring" pistons shall not be used in Mercury "large port" powerheads.
15. A sleeve may be fitted over the carburettor throttle lever on a Mercury powerhead (part number A-86213).
16. The trim cover may be removed from a Mercury motor.
17. The bearing carrier assembly in a Mercury gearbox may be wired or tied to the gear housing assembly.
18. Beachlandings are not permitted in any competition.

### STILL TO BE DECIDED

- \* Displaying of Race ID Numbers on boards mounted centrally on a craft.
- \* Is the drilling of holes in any casing/bracket permitted.
- \* By what means may a water pickup be legally attached to the gearbox housing.
- \* What constitutes a legal gearbox guard/cover?
- \* The use of detuned 9.8 hp blocks as 7.5 hp blocks.

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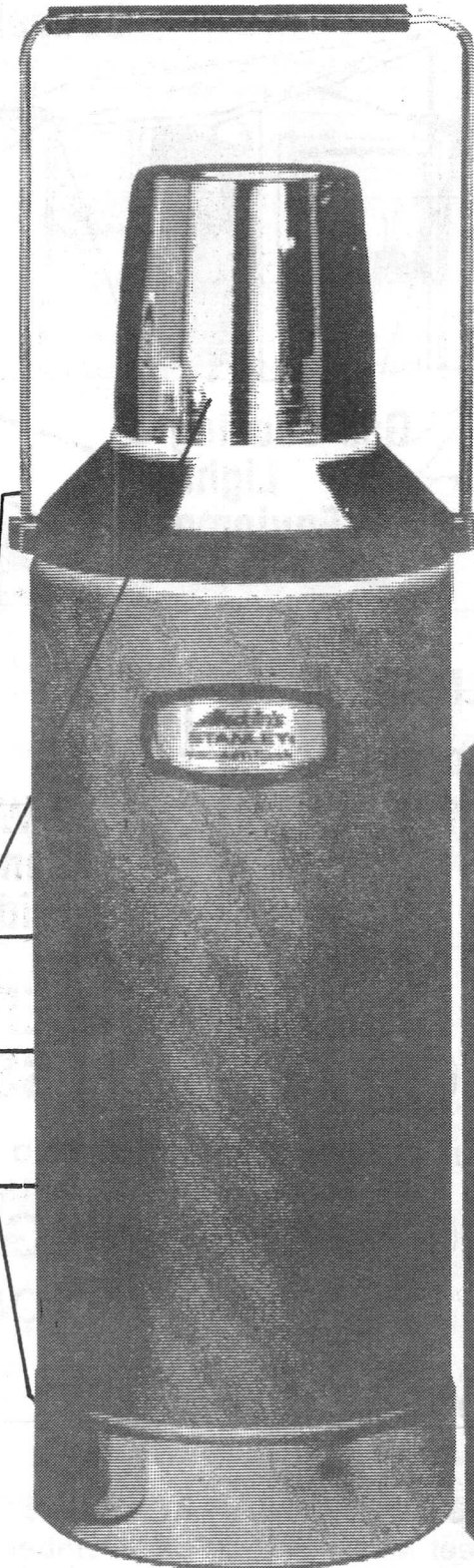
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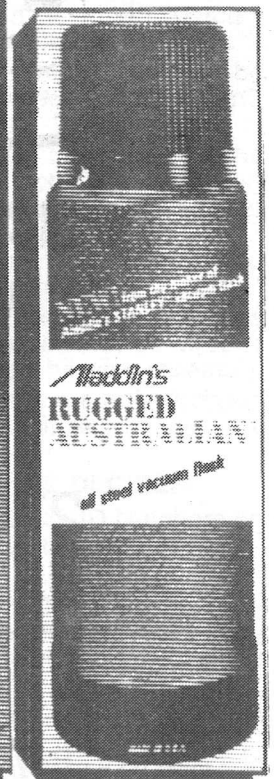
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