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Welcome to the November 2008 Newsletter from Bavaria Yachts Australia and X-Yachts Australia. In this edition we have news of upcoming events, the latest owners to join the Bavaria family and much more.

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Enjoy the news and please don't hesitate to [contact us](#) for further information.

New Boats Handed Over in November.

Western Australia and Martin Box Marine saw a proud new member of the Bavaria family with Andrew Maffett taking possession of his new Bavaria 40 Cruiser on a fun filled day.

Andrew said: "...What a thrill to finally be behind the wheel of my own 40 foot dream boat!!! I was delighted with how she performed, both on the water, and as a party platform back at the yacht club(!) and are sure we will enjoy many

years of happy sailing!!”

Sydney saw the the Minkara Syndicate (four guys and a boat) trade up to their third Bavaria. From a 2003 Bavaria 38 they are now the proud owners of a Bavaria 40 Cruiser.

Paul Brassil, one of the owners, said: “...It was a very exciting sail down from Pittwater. Minimum was 20 knots of breeze, and peaked at 34.5 knots... The boat was rarely going less than 8 knots, and it took us just on two hours between the heads. The extra 1.5 tons really showed in how steady the boat sailed through the chop.

[In last night's race] We beat both of our main rivals over the line in a good wind of about 12 knots with plenty of reaching, and again the weight carried us through some marks when the wind disappeared at a critical moment. We don't yet know what adjustment the club has made to our handicap, but 5th place, still in front of our enemies, was a pleasant surprise.”

Pittwater saw Brian and Elizabeth Chard join the Bavaria family with a new Bavaria 38 Cruiser at Quays Marina. Brian recently took a turn around the race course in the Friday twilight series at the Royal Motor Yacht Club in Pittwater and competed very well in her first race outing.

Coming soon: Graeme and Carolyn Wilson will soon be taking ownership of their brand new Bavaria 43 Cruiser (currently being commissioned in Adelaide), and you'll be able to see this boat at the Melbourne Boat Show in January.

Later in December we'll also be welcoming Mal Hutton's new 40 Cruiser into Adelaide (another current Bavaria owner trading up) and Colin Mackie's new 34 Cruiser and Brian and Jenny Mitchell's new 43 Cruiser into Pittwater.

Proud new Bavaria 40 over from Perth,
Andrew Maffett right.
Below celebrating with friends.



Melbourne Boat Show – Jan 30 – Feb 01 2009

The Melbourne Boat Show is on in Melbourne Docklands from Friday 30 January to Sunday 01 February. Scott O'Hare and the Aussie Boat Sales team will be showcasing Bavaria Yachts for the Victorian yachting enthusiasts.

Friday Cocktail Party. Bavaria Yachts Australia and Aussie Boat Sales will be hosting an evening of drinks, food and entertainment for Bavaria and X-Yacht owners along with VIP guests. Invitations will be sent out in advance with details but please contact us if you would like to attend the evening function and meet the team.

Geelong Race Week

Aussie Boat Sales have been negotiating with the organisers of Skandia Race Week to maximise the enjoyment of the event by creating a "Bavaria owners zone" which will hopefully allow all of the Bavaria's entered to raft up together during the event. We have booked a corporate marquee to hold a "Breakfast with Bavaria" function including guest speakers and will be offering the "Bavaria Cup" which will be a handicap placement trophy exclusive to Bavaria yachts

sailing within the normal racing program. Other activities will be announced soon. X-Yacht owners will also be invited to attend all of the above but may not have enough boats to have their own trophy; hopefully things will be different in 2010.

If you have not already done so, you should get yourself entered for Skandia race week. All racing divisions are offered from Cruising spinnaker, Cruising Non-spinnaker and the usual racing categories – the event itself is the biggest yachting regatta in the Southern Hemisphere (this includes Hamilton Island) and is right on our doorstep. Apart from the racing, the socialising is brilliant and the organisers do a fantastic job with plenty of entertainment and land based activities. The spectacle of being on the water with so many yachts under sail and then rafting up at the end of the day is not to be missed! For information and to register get onto www.geelongweek.com.au or contact Dani in our office.
Go Team Bavaria!



European Adventures

Thinking of retiring and sailing the seven seas? Why not start in the Mediterranean.

Bavaria Yachts Australia has been helping adventurous sailors get started in the Mediterranean for some years now. From advising on the right specification for the region to having the boat delivered, commissioned and supported, we can help you get under way on one of the Seven Seas.

Andrew and Clare Payne have been sailing their Bavaria 39 *Eye Candy* throughout the Med for several years now and you can learn more about their adventures by reading their hugely entertaining blog here: <http://freedomandadventure.blogspot.com/>

For more information on getting started on a Mediterranean adventure, [contact us](#) and we can discuss the opportunities.

Bavaria Whitsunday Rally

For all those of you heading off on the Whitsunday Rally, we wish you wonderful weather, wind and er... wackiness? (Sorry, couldn't think of another W). Stewart and Shirley of Bavaria Yachts North Queensland are looking forward to another fantastic event showcasing Bavaria Yachts and the wonderful opportunities in the Whitsundays.



We shall report on the event in Decembers newsletter.



Bavaria Yachts International Youth Match Racing Regatta

Bavaria Yachts Australia is proud to continue its sponsorship of the Bavaria Yachts International Youth Match Racing Regatta. Held at the CYCA from Monday 24th November through to Friday 28th November 2008, this is the 7th year of this highly competitive international youth match racing regatta, now a well established and internationally recognised event.

The regatta is an extension of the CYCA's Youth Sailing Academy's long term policy of developing a high level of sailing skills, knowledge and teamwork in a new generation of young yachtsmen and women.

Sailed from Rushcutters Bay on Sydney Harbour, each of the ten teams will be assigned one of the clubs Elliott 6.0 meter keel boats from a daily draw for training and competing. The event has been certified as Grade 3 for the ISAF International Match Racing rankings and is by invitation to crews of three or four who have not reached their 21st birthday on or before 31 December 2008.

Bavaria Yachts is proud to be associated with grass roots sailing development. Bob Mulkearns, Managing Director of Bavaria Yachts Australia, said:

"The sailing industry in Australia has a strong future but only because it has strong foundations. We feel it is vital to support the development of good seamanship, competitive spirit and a genuine passion for yachting at the early

stages of sailing interest. This regatta is the very embodiment of Australia's yachting foundations and we are very proud to be a sponsor."

Go to www.cyca.com.au for further information on the regatta.



ATTENTION ALL POTENTIAL BOAT SHARE OWNERS!

Bavaria Syndicates are close the finalising on two, new, 5 member yacht share syndicates - a 3 cabin, single head Bavaria 35 Cruiser and a new 3 cabin, dual head Bavaria 43 Cruiser. Both yachts are to be self-managed by the owners and will be based in Pittwater.

For more details contact Matt Bromhead, National Syndicates Manager on 0408 408 227 or email syndicates@bavariayachts.com.au.

Service Tips of the month

Safe Boating – Flares and EPIRBs

In October, NSW Maritime issued a warning to skippers heading offshore from Sydney – “you must carry flares on board and they must be in date.” This followed a number of boats detected with expired flares - or no flares at all – during patrols offshore from Sydney in the previous few weeks.

In all, there was a disappointing 80 per cent non-compliance with the requirement to carry a minimum of two red hand held flares and two orange smoke flares. Many skippers were carrying the correct number of flares for their vessel type, however, the flares were not in date. All flares are stamped with an expiry date – after which they need to be replaced, or kept on board as back up.

Skippers can be given on-the-spot fines of \$80 for not carrying the appropriate safety equipment. This amount is set to increase soon with the implementation of new marine safety regulations. Being hit with an unexpected fine can take the gloss off what would otherwise be a great day out sailing.

You should also note that from February next year, 121.5 MHz EPIRBs are outdated – the 121.5MHz satellite system will be switched off. As it is mandatory to carry an EPIRB if you plan to venture more than 2 miles offshore, you should update to the 406 MHz Epirbs. A small investment for your safety in times of

emergency.

The big advantages of the 406 MHz EPIRBS over the old type are improved and more rapid satellite coverage, and relying to safety authorities, and the fact that they are registered to your boat so there is no confusion as to emergency signals.

If you need advice on your obligations as to safety matters, please feel free to contact the service division, who can offer a service to update your boat when it's next in for service.

Banish those toilet smells

Ever come back to your boat after it's been locked up for a while and found that the head area isn't exactly fragrant. In fact it smells like rotten eggs.

Well it probably does. Hydrogen sulphide (rotten egg gas) is a byproduct of a mild chemical reaction between salt water and brass or bronze (which contain copper). Guess what's in your toilet – sea water in contact with a skin fitting that's brass or bronze – voila. Also dying micronism's in salt water add to this unpleasant smell.

There's a simple remedy – before you leave the boat, pump a couple of bowls full of fresh water through. Also adding a few drops of vegetable oil helps lubricate all the seals as well. Close the inlet valve, and pump 4 to 5 litres of fresh water from the shower or via a bucket and dry pump leaving a little freshwater in the bowl. A drop or two of toilet conditioner also helps.

When you return, the head area should smell fresher than previously.

Sea Cocks

All inlet and outlet sea cocks should be regularly open and shut. If you are not in the habit of shutting your sea cocks when leaving the boat then every month you should open and shut them. This removes any growth from the stainless ball valve. Especially when the surface water temperature increases over summer and the dreaded white coral worm attacks any area of your hull that does not contain anti-foul in good condition.

Happy sailing.



Congratulations to MACH 1 won the 2008 Commodore's Cup Series for this years racing in Townsville.

Mach 1 also won the The Fixed Mark Series, and came second in the Inshore series.

Left is a photo of MACH 1 heading towards the finish in the The Townsville to Herald Island Race (the last race for the year).

Is your Boat Insurance due?

As an agent for Club Marine we are also able to offer insurance for your boat.

[Contact us](#) now for a quote.



Brokerage boat of the month: Bavaria 31 \$129,000

“Quite possibly the most fastidiously cared for charter boat in Pittwater, this superbly presented example ably demonstrates the renowned Bavaria values of rugged durability and ease of maintenance.

Offered to the market in full 2D and 4E survey, the yacht is the most popular in its current charter fleet and will offer a Pittwater berth, full maintenance program and substantial financial returns to the right buyer. To discuss opportunities including a full financial breakdown, please contact our Brokerage Manager Tom Edgington on 02 9998 9600 or tom@bavariayachts.com.au.

For full specification and photos [Click Here](#)