

WCV May Cruise Report

The weather gods were on our side for the May 2024 Port Phillip Bay Cruise.

It all kicked off on Friday lunchtime with Mark and Eva on Gattago arriving at St Kilda marina, closely followed by Art and Arnia on White Eagle and Rod and Mary Catherine (MC) on The Odyssey. We motored over Williamstown and then rafted up together and drifted slowly while we had a bite to eat.



We then headed onto Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron (RMYS) and found our allotted berths. Lo and behold, Jay and James Davis were there on James' boat Therapy, so of course we loaded onto his boat for happy hour and it was very happy indeed.





It was made all the merrier with the arrival of Peter and Caroline on Black Sheep. Some of us then headed to RMYS club rooms for a bite to eat. Special guests Renato and Domenica joined us for a bite and then back to Therapy for another round of happy hour.

Whilst all this was happening, David Zheng on Happy Time launched at St Kilda marina in the dark, motored to RMYS where he had never been before and managed to safely berth. He then drove home, picked up Fannis and came back to the Marina. A very busy night for him.

Saturday saw us head off to Wyndam Harbour for brunch and then a blast back to Cerberus to have either a fish, leisurely sun soaking session or as MC shows, a swim was in order.



From there we headed to Sandringham Yacht Club for the night and was wonderfully hosted by Chris Williams. He arranged docks, fob keys, marina tour etc. Naidene his wife then joined us for dinner. Chris also introduced us to the SYC Commodore and she was keen to see more Whittleys making use of their services. It is a fantastic club, with great food.



Sunday saw us all having breakfast at the open area of SYC using their BBQ facilities as well as the café located there. Chris then took us all for a great tour around SYC, including the rusted hull of the submarine, the Bavaria 44 yacht which Chris has crewed on and a tour of the old classic boat being restored.



All up, a fantastic cruise with great company, some special surprise guests and the perfect weather.