Whittley Club Qld

Christmas in July - Coochiemudlo Island

DINNER: WEAR YOUR CHRISTMAS DECORATED JUMPER AND/OR HAT

19 - 21 July 2024

Trip Contact details:

Tony Mob 0428 904 635
Kim Mob 0414 336 346 (more likely to answer)
Email kimmpullen@hotmail.com
channel VHF 72

Our July event is the much anticipated, annual Christmas in July function. This year we will be trying a new location. Coochiemudlo will have the added convenience of allowing our landlubbers to attend and give us a backup via ferry in the case of inclement weather. Remember we are a boat club, so a boat is preferred!!!

Launching and Retrieval location: Options are many, Manly, Raby Bay, Victory Point (tide dependant), Horizons etc. If you would like to travel with another boat, please let us know and we will try and pair you with another crew.

Anchorage: The Southern side of the Island and East of the passenger ferry jetty (this is also in front of the Beach Bar). See diagram

Friday: For the early arrivals, Happy Hour will be onshore from 4pm and then you can either join us for a pub dinner or self-cater on your boat

Saturday: Do your own thing or participate in one of the items below, but be ready for pre dinner drinks on shore at 4pm where we will then move off to be seated at the restaurant by 5pm

Ideas

- BYO BBQ breakfast ashore with Tony or just join him for a chat
- Bring out your Matthew Flinders and walk to circumnavigate the Island. Did you know that on 19 July 1799, Matthew Flinders landed on Coochiemudlo Island in his search for a navigable river in the southern part of Moreton Bay). This is almost 225 years to the day.
- Check out the real estate: there may be an open house on (Tony's nerdy suggestion)
- Beach games: there is a lovely grassy area, we will bring Kubb and Croquet if anyone is interested in a game
- Introduction to "Sequence". The club board game, for those who have not been initiated and for others who want to hone their luck. Grab a picnic table on shore
- The golf club can do 9 holes for \$15 per head, and can supply clubs, if anyone is interested. And the bar is open.
- Just relax, no need to join anything except the dinner

The main event:

- 5pm 8pm Curlew Cafe (BYO alcohol)
- Wear your Christmas decorated jumper and/or hat (prize to be given)
- Attached flyer explains the menu
- As this is a small business and the owner will be largely cooking on his own so we need to give him advanced notice of selections. We have negotiated the menu and won't be able to provide

alternatives. The club has also provided a generous subsidy for members, If you are bringing children or have a necessary dietary requirement please contact Kim for alternatives.

- For the comfort of those around you please drink responsibly!
- RSVP is by way of payment to be made to Whittley Club QLD and email to kimmpullen@hotmail.com with your menu choices. The Club subsidy makes this real value at \$40.00. Due Wednesday 10 July

Account: 484-799 BSB: 007361131

REF: Your boat name and surname

Sunday: This is Flinders Day. It looks like a great fun day. There will be a re- enactment of the landing and there will be market stalls. Stroll and enjoy and at your leisure return to your launching site. More details in the following link

Flinders Day

Things to note:

- When approaching and leaving Coochie be aware of the ferries and barges they are very frequent.
- Bring the mozzie spray just in case there are a few around.
- Monitor radio on channel VHF 72.
- We will <u>not</u> be running a secret santa this year, there will be a new activity!!!!

Please feel free to call for any further information.

Trip Coordinators:

Tony and Kim Pullen



Anchorage



<u>Christmas in July venue</u> – also a good breakfast option





Park with BBQ and toilet facilities



Beach Bar – Optional Friday night dinner



Flinders re- enactment - Sunday



Markets - Sunday



Walking track – 1 hour walking time



Christmas in July menu

Remember to wear your Christmas Decorated Jumper and/or Hat

\$40/head

Please pay and send menu selection of main and dessert to kimmpullen@hotmail.com by Wednesday 10 July

Starters

A selection of Garlic bread and Bruschetta will be supplied on the table

Mains

SPAGHETTI MARINARA – Selection of seafood panfried in garlic, white wine in a napoli sauce topped with parmesan cheese, or

COTOLETTA DI AGNELLO – Marinated fresh trimmed lamb cutlets served with vegetables and rustic mash potatoes, or

SCALOPINI CON FUNGI – Tender panfried veal fillets medallions cooked with mushroom, garlic with white wine in a creamy sauce served with vegetables and rustic mask potatoes

Dessert

Sticky Date Pudding, or

Tiramisu