

History

Sunshine Coast Yacht Club Inc.

Yacht Clubs

SCOR TODAY

SCOR was revived by the Sunshine Coast Yacht Club in 2014 and is now well on its way to becoming a thriving sailing event once again. SCOR 2017 will be the fourth year of the revived event and the Committee of the Sunshine Coast Yacht club is looking forward to welcoming both local and visiting competitors.

IN THE BEGINNING

In 1974/75...

Plans were made to conduct the inaugural racing classic - then known as the Sunshine Coast Off-Shore Racing Series. SCOR at that time was the richest off-shore race in Australia. The series was set for mid-August with seven events spread over fourteen days. The 1975 Inaugural Series was backed by Bell & Howell. Prize money was set at \$3000. SCOR was designed to attract national attention and to create yachting history on the Sunshine Coast, to give it a leading role in the yachting world.

In August 1975, the first SCOR series was conducted with entries from Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane. As a lead up, the Queensland Cruising Yacht Club conducted a race from Brisbane to Mooloolaba one week prior to SCOR then the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron hosted a race back to Brisbane at the conclusion of the SCOR Series.

In 1976 Bell & Howell again sponsored the series with a contribution of \$3000. The 1976 series was a success and the 1977 Series recorded 39 entries. The 1978 series saw the replacement of Bell & Howell as sponsors with a number of local and national supporters. This sponsorship totalled over \$2000.

In 1979, there were three entries from Southport Yacht Club which was evidence that SCOR was becoming widely recognised as the boat competition venue for the winter season. Names of the more familiar yachts that sailed in the 1979 series included Christina, Seaflyer, Tyrant, Apollo, Sequana, Amberjack, Bellman and Incredible.

The 1981 Series was sponsored by the Sunshine Coast Newspapers. The features of the Sunshine Coast Newspapers future sponsorship of SCOR were- A three year sponsorship- \$2,000 in 1982; \$2500 in 1983 and \$3000 in 1984;- Australia-wide promotion by a committee of executives of the Sunshine Coast Daily.

The 1981 Series was a success while in 1982, delays in dredging extinguished any hope of having any berths ready for SCOR. In May 1982 the sponsorship by the Sunshine Coast Newspapers was replaced by Medley Ford Caloundra. The event was a success with the entry of 30 boats.