



Boating extravaganza draws 6,000 visitors

The Boating Extravaganza at The Marina Hindmarsh Island on Sunday the 27th of February was a huge success with nearly 6,000 visitors attending the only on-water boat show in South Australia in perfect weather.

Being the only interactive on-water event of its kind to be held in South Australia - boating enthusiasts were in their element at The Boating Extravaganza.

Exhibitors which included local brokerage businesses, South Coast Marine, Pelican Marine Brokerage, The Marina Brokerage Company and Knappo Boats through to Christies Beach Marine, Adelaide Outboard and Pacific Marine from Adelaide had a record breaking 56 boats on the water for visitors to try.

In addition to the huge

range of boats visitors were treated to a range of demonstrations from the Dragon Boat racing by the South Australian Dragon Boat Association - they even towed a skier through the amazement of onlookers.

Doug Chapman General Manager Marine Sales commented "I was going 4 knots as per the marina regulations when the Dragon Boat over took me", the local Sea Rescue Squadron also conducted demonstrations throughout the day from a very spectacular flare demo through

to practical radio lessons.

Visitors enjoyed fine local Fleurieu Peninsula produce and wines and were also treated to the cool sounds of live Jazz music performed by the Kim Mitchell Quartet Plus One.

The kiddies weren't forgotten with the marquee at the new playground area being very popular with 'Chuckles' the clown entertaining and face painting.

Adding to the day was a spectacular kite display and the sound of the heli-

copter constantly taking visitors on a memorable flight around The Marina Hindmarsh Island with views to the Murray Mouth, Goolwa and Hindmarsh Island Bridge.

Andrew Chapman, CEO of The Marina Hindmarsh Island was ecstatic with the number of visitors "We could not have picked a better day weather wise, each year this event gets bigger and better and proves that there is a huge demand for opportunities to view a range of boats in action on the water".



Tanya Flockhart - The Marina Hindmarsh Island, Michael Rylander - Bob Littler Agencies, Thomas Suursaar of Flagstaff Hill and Stuart Dinnison of Strathalbyn, trying lifejackets for size