

BLOWING IN THE WIND

NEWLETTER FOR SAILING AND DINGHY SECTIONS OF CYC

11-10-16

Upcoming Events

First Twilight-Wednesday 12th October starting at 6.25pm

Saturday 15th October-Club start race-Keelboats

Sunday 16th October-Consistency race-Dinghies

KEELBOATS

Please note that the Sailing Program booklet will not be available for Opening Day and so here is something to keep you informed about what is happening until they are available. The program is available on the Club website.

OCTOBER

12-Oct-16 WED 1825 Opening Twilight Race

15-Oct-16 SAT 1400 CLUB START

19-Oct-16 WED 1825 Twilight

22-Oct-16 SAT 1400 CLUB START
SHORT COURSE RACES-(MAXIMUM 3 RACES)

23-Oct-16 SUN 0900 National Discover Sailing Day

26-Oct-16 WED 1825 Twilight

30-Oct-16 SUN 1400 CLUB START

NOVEMBER

02-Nov-16 WED 1825 Twilight

05 Nov-16 SAT 1400 Windward/Leeward-YWA run event
NO RACING AT CYC

06 Nov-16 SUN 1400 CLUB START

09-Nov-16 WED 1825 Twilight

12-Nov-16 SAT 1400 CLUB START
16-Nov-16 WED 1825 Twilight
19-Nov-16 SAT 1400 HANDICAP START
23-Nov-16 WED 1825 Twilight
27-Nov-16 SUN 1400 CLUB START
30-Nov-16 WED 1825 Twilight

DINGHIES

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OCTOBER

16-Oct-16 SUN 1000 Consistency

23-Oct-16 SUN 1000 Windward Series Race 1
National Discover Sailing Day

30-Oct-16 SUN 1000 Consistency

NOVEMBER

06-Nov-16 SUN 1000 Club Championship-Race 1

13-Nov-16 SUN 1000 Consistency

20-Nov-16 SUN 1000 Consistency

27-Nov-16 SUN 1000 Club Championship-Race 2

THANK YOU



Without our volunteers we would not be able to go out and enjoy the sport that we love. So it is important to thank these people.

Thank you to Wilma Poland, Robert Jeffery, Sarah Steinhardt and Andrew Caddick for manning our Start Box for our Opening Day Race. They were also assisted by John Steinhardt and Kingsley Porter.

Thank you very much for the time that you put in at CYC to enable us to go sailing.

KEELBOAT NEWS

Opening Day 2016/17-Saturday 8th October

Well finally, winter is over and we have now started our 2016/17 Sailing season. The weather on Saturday morning wasn't looking very nice but we all trooped down to the Club and listened as our Commodore, David Bovell and Past Commodore, Steve Scott officiated the Opening ceremony. So we all headed down to our boats, to rig up and head out for the Sail Past before starting the race about an hour later. We headed out of the pen system and were getting organised, putting sails up and making sure everything is ready for the start of the race. So I went onto the cabin top to tie a flapping rope on our mainsail. I tied one rope but was having trouble with the other one as it was further out on the main and I was having trouble reaching it. I asked Arthur to pull the main up the traveller so I could reach this rope. It was pretty blowy by now, but I reached the rope and was trying to tie it off when we took another gust. The next thing I knew there was nothing under my feet and I was trying madly (and in vain) to hold onto anything that would keep me on the boat. It didn't work. I took my first dip in the Swan River after 25 plus years of sailing. I wasn't very happy, and I remember yelling out "I want to go home". Big thanks to Serana crew who saw me fall in and enquired if I was OK. Huge thanks go to my Skipper Arthur and crew mate, Jacquie who did a perfect man over board drill, by turning the boat around, throwing the ladder over the side of the boat and swung round to pick me up. The water was very cold and I was struggling to tread water with my leather deck shoes, so I was very grateful that they came for me so quickly.

So I would like to remind all skippers and crew, to have a talk about what you would do should there be a man overboard on your boat. You ALL need to know where the equipment is stored and how you will do the pick up of the soggy person. It could be the skipper in the drink, so everyone needs to know what to do. And also, on thinking about it later, we probably should have all been wearing life jackets (PFDs) with the wind conditions that happened on Saturday.

I was not hurt in anyway, but it could have been a lot worse and if I had put on my PFD I would have been more comfortable waiting for Beaujolais to come back for me. If they had, not got it right the first time I am not sure how much longer I could have tread water, as it was very cold.

I surprised the starters, when I came stomping along A jetty towards them. My husband Andrew, had been on the end of the fueling jetty taking photos of the boats in the Sail Past and he wasn't sure where Beaujolais was. Arthur dropped me off and they went back out to start the race, and I went home for a much needed shower and dry clothes.

Opening Day. What a DAY!!!!!!!

Ann Caddick

BIW Report 8/10/2016

Opening Day 2016

A grey, un-inviting day with the threat of rain and thunderstorms was what was promised for Saturday 8th of October 2016, and it delivered. A sprinkling of rain-drops during the Opening Ceremony turned into a full blown squall as the start time approached. It held off during the Sail Past by the Power-boats and Yachts. Glimpse of "Happiness" when the motor launch 'Il Flags' passed the official party on the jetty with the Happy feet of 4 'penguins' taking the salute. On the downside our Past Rear Commodore Ann Caddick found herself without a solid stance and plunged in to the briney prior to the Sail Past. Her skipper deposited her back on the jetty and at her urging continued the Start. That nasty squall arrived about now and 'Beaujolais' withdrew from racing leaving Theseus, Georgie, Joy, Serana, Andalusia and Dale II to race on. 'Joy' found herself way behind and was next to head to home. The rest of the fleet enjoyed a rain free afternoon, finishing around 4pm. 'Georgie' was across the Line first followed by 'Dale II' only 1minute later. 'Andalusia' crossed next, then 'Theseus' and 'Serana', with three Brothers Boykett and their Papa aboard finish at the end of the Fleet. Uncharacteristically there were NO Laser sailors apart from the ones manning the "Lloyd Anderson" support boat.

Robert Jeffery



DINGHY NEWS

ARTICLES FOR THIS WEEK-

The dinghy opening day race on Sunday 9th October, saw a very blustery SW 15 to over 20 knots and very shifty. Never the less 18 intrepid boats took to the water. I thought that before the start I'd better practice a gybe or two given the conditions. Well that worked a treat as I ended up in the drink before the race even started. Even so that was good practice for what was about to follow.

The start didn't actually work out how I expected but never the less ended up in reasonably clean air which made up for being further down the start line than I intended. Made good time to the windward mark and then Don Page capsized in front of me as I was making a particularly good rounding. So I ended up sitting on the bottom of my hull (all the holes are gone Mal) watching the fleet sail past me down to the wing mark. I must add at this point, that thanks to the late winter training facilitated by Mark Edwards I had made some minor adjustments to my boat which meant my centre board was much more positively held in place even though the boat was completely upside down for ages and ages. I finally coaxed my sail out of the water and headed off in pursuit. Being last at this early stage of the race is somewhat dispiriting but I have learnt that it is worth sailing on as you never know what is going to happen. So low and behold I approach the wing mark at the speed of sound and there are boats and bodies strewn everywhere. I figured I needed to do something different to make it around the mark and not end up like everyone else. I ended up doing what I have

since learned is a "chicken gybe". I don't mind the use of the word "chicken" as it worked a treat (chicken treat) and I left them all for dead as I sailed off down a very thrilling reach run.

I was no longer last, so how come I crossed the line last when I was very happy with how I sailed the rest of the race and don't remember them passing me? The answer is 18 boats started the race but only 9 finished such were the conditions of the day. This is further demonstrated in that Nigel Paul crossed the line in 37.29 minutes to be fastest full rig, without a motor.

Andrew Brockis was first radial across the line and the Opening Day trophy went to a very excited (or cold) Travis Lithgo. Well done Travis.

Big thanks to Jim, Wally, Alan, Bob and Graham for braving the elements on the rescue and start boat, but it must have been far from boring this week.

Link to Dinghy Results on Website is <http://www.claremontyachtclub.org.au/page.aspx?ID=350>

[Click here for a few photos of the day!](#)

Please send articles to: annandrew@inet.net.au

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Please note articles need to reach Ann Caddick by Sunday evening for your article to be included in that weeks BIW. If you are sending them to the Office please try to do it by Monday otherwise send straight to AC. Thanks