

BLOWING IN THE WIND

NEWLETTER FOR SAILING AND DINGHY SECTIONS OF CYC

14-2-17

Upcoming Events

Twilight-Wednesday 15th February starting at 6.25pm

Saturday 18th February-River Start-SS22s visiting -Keelboats

Sunday 19th February-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.

Reminder to Wednesday Duty Start Box Crew, this week 15th February is Wilma Poland with "Windspinner" and Crew

FEBRUARY

15-Feb-17 WED 1825 Twilight-"Pirate Theme"

**18-Feb-17 SAT 1400 RIVER START
SS22 Heat CYC**

22-Feb-17 WED 1825 Twilight

26-Feb-17 SUN 1400 CLUB START

MARCH

01-Mar-17 WED 1825 Twilight

05-Mar-17 SUN NO SAILING AT CYC - Long Weekend

08-Mar-17 WED 1825 Twilight

11-Mar-17 SAT 1400 CLUB START
SHORT COURSE RACING-(MAXIMUM 3 RACES)

15-Mar-17 WED 1825 Twilight

18-Mar-17 SAT No racing at CYC-See 19th March
19-Mar-17 SUN 1400 **COMMODORE'S CUP**
Farr 9.2 Association visiting
22-Mar-17 WED 1825 Twilight
25-Mar-17 SAT 1400 CLUB START
29-Apr-17 WED 1825 Twilight

DINGHIES

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FEBRUARY

19-Feb-17 SUN 1000 **Consistency**
26-Feb-17 SAT 1000 Club Championship-Race 5

MARCH

05-Mar-17 SUN NO RACING AT CYC-LABOUR DAY WEEKEND
12-Mar-17 SUN 1000 Consistency
19-Mar-17 SUN 1400 COMMODORE'S CUP
26-Mar-17 SUN 1000 Club Championship-Race 6

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.

The Duty Starter for Wednesday 7th February was Robert Jeffery, assisted by Georgie Crew.

Thank you to all our hard working Starters for Sunday 11th February-Robert Jeffery, Wilma Poland and Andrew Caddick. Thank you very much for the time that you put in at CYC to enable us to go sailing.

KEELBOAT NEWS

Saturday 11th February

There was a brisk 18 knot ESE wind waiting for the six participants in this Season's Harry-Laurie Memorial Race. Flight, Panache, Theseus, Beaujolais, Serana and Hydrowitch ventured out on this Saturday, a couple with reefed mains, a couple only two up. Serana used

the good handicap and the good winds to speed away to the front of the Fleet, where he stayed all afternoon. Courageous crewing and a clean bum saw them across the line first. A navigation oops saw Flight drop from Second to Last across, but he was Fastest across the course. Panache with his reefed main and two up crew came across Second and Theseus was Third.

Robert Jeffery

DINGHY NEWS

Safety Boat Volunteer

Claremont Yacht Club (CYC) is looking for a volunteer to assist in the safety boat for their dinghy racing events.

Sailing is held on Sunday mornings with racing starting at 1000.

No prior experience is initially necessary as this is an assistant role and all training will be provided eventually through the Australian Sailing run "Safety Boat Course" and a Restricted Skippers Ticket. However any of these qualifications and or prior sailing experience will be an advantage.

CYC has a very friendly sailing group and a welcoming volunteer group in support. To find out how you could help out please contact;

Walter Reeves Rear Commodore – Dinghies 0434 336 998

Or contact the club on (08) 9384 8226

5/2/2017 – Consistency Series Race 15

THERE was movement at the boatshed, for the word had passed around: Cheeky Shiraz was going to start on port tack from the pin end and cross the entire fleet.

And so he did.

In the first of two short-course races, 20 of us had lined up in a 10-14 knot sou'easter and the congestion at the boat end of the start line was enough for me to roll the dice at the pin. A favourable slant in the breeze at the gun didn't do any harm, either.

With clear air and clear water I was within a couple of boat lengths of Mal McKercher who led at the first mark. But there was much better news than that. Immediately behind me was a wily veteran who was most deserving of my Karrakatta Mantra: "Follow me, Nige!"

Nigel Paul obliged on the reach but had gained an inside overlap on reaching the wing mark. He demanded so much rounding room that I had to sail into a different postcode. Even the Queen Mary could have slipped inside both our boats.

Anyway, Nigel powered away and that was the ball game. Mal, Nigel and I held station and finished in that order. To be honest I don't know what was happening behind us ... when you're at the pointy end you tend to look ahead much more!

Race two provided a more familiar scenario. My pitiful attempt to try a port-tack start again failed miserably and I finished ninth over the line. I had a good duel with Rod Stone in his pesky Radial and Rob Heyes (Who is that Masked Man?) was also going well with his pesky rig.

Up ahead, the likes of Justin Rose, Nigel, Mal, Mark Edwards, John Fussell and Andy Brockis were fighting for the spoils . . . Well done, guys ... been there, done that!

Handicap results were not available at the after-race gathering, so thanks to Walter Reeves for sorting that out in the absence of John Ryan. Those results revealed that the two Full Rig cruiserweights – yours truly and Dom Papaluca (Is Dom, Is Good) – had sewn up the handicap quinella.

Thanks also to the Start Boat team, Alan Gibson for ensuring everyone has signed on pre-race, and SpongeBob OrangePants for laying an excellent course with good length in each leg.

RESULTS (combined times)

6. Patrol Boat (Justin Rose)
5. Infinity (Rob Heyes)
4. Vitamin Sea V (Nigel Paul)
3. Limitless (Rod Stone)
2. Snap (Dom Papaluca)
1. Cheeky Shiraz (Steve Fox)

Fastest Full Rig: Vitamin Sea V (Nigel Paul)

Fastest Radial: Ichabod (Mark Edwards)

Full details: <http://www.claremontyachtclub.org.au/page.aspx?ID=350>

Steve Fox

Cheeky Shiraz 202811

Laser Race report 12/02/17 Club Championship Heat 4

Only 9 boats faced the starters in what was to be a rather pleasant sail in a fairly steady easterly despite the gloomy outlook from the shore.

6 of the fleet sailed radials which was a wise move but sadly no 4.7s ventured out.

It was a day to stay conservative, especially downwind where a few swims were encountered.

Mal decided to use a shiny new mainsheet on the old Yagan but it seems they are a little slippery for the first few outings/swims.

For my part I chose to stay left upwind purely because the water was a little flatter and each time nearer to the top mark my decision seemed to pay off.

Johnny showed us the way again and was never headed and after 4 Club heats he is the one to catch in the full rig however the radial fleet is still wide open although the ever improving Rod is my tip if conditions go his way .

Thank you to the start team and support boat for setting a great line and course and also to those that helped pack away after the day's sail.

results

Handicap		Club Heat	Full rig
6	Mal Yagan	1	Johnny Black Duck
5	Matt Das Boot	2	Mal Yagan
4	Rod Limitless		
3	Andrew Asterix	Club Heat	Radial rig
2	Johnny Black Duck	1	Mark Ichabod
1	Mark Ichabod	2	Andrew Asterix
		3	Rod Limitless
		4	Matt Das Boot
		5	Duncan Jack M
		6	Walter Blue Vixen

Mark Edwards Ichabod

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

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

OR membership@claremontyachtclub.org.au

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