

BLOWING IN THE WIND

NEWLETTER FOR SAILING AND DINGHY SECTIONS OF CYC

25-4-17

KEELBOATS

Upcoming Events

Sunday 7th May-Frostbite Race-2pm start-Dinghy & Keelboat

Saturday 20th May-Combined Keelboat and Dinghy Prize Night

Sunday 21st May-Frostbite Race-2pm start-Dinghy & Keelboat

20-May-17 SAT 1900 Combined Keelboat and Dinghy Prize Night

"WINTER ""FROSTBITE"" SERIES 2017"

07-May-17 SUN 1400 Winter Frostbite Race (combined Keelboat/Dinghy)

21-May-17 SUN 1400 Winter Frostbite Race (combined Keelboat/Dinghy)

04-Jun-17 SUN 1400 Winter Frostbite Race (combined Keelboat/Dinghy)

18-Jun-17 SUN 1400 Winter Frostbite Race (combined Keelboat/Dinghy)

02-Jul-17 SUN 1400 Winter Frostbite Race (combined Keelboat/Dinghy)

16-Jul-17 SUN 1400 Winter Frostbite Race (combined Keelboat/Dinghy)

06-Aug-17 SUN 1400 Winter Frostbite Race (combined Keelboat/Dinghy)

20-Aug-17 SUN 1400 Winter Frostbite Race (combined Keelboat/Dinghy)

03-Sep-17 SUN 1400 Winter Frostbite Race (combined Keelboat/Dinghy)

17-Sep-17 SUN 1400 Winter Frostbite Race (combined Keelboat/Dinghy)

(note: all Winter Frostbite races only use twilight courses 15 and 16 - watch the flags)

DINGHIES

MAY

20-May-17 SAT 1900 Combined Keelboat and Dinghy Prize Night

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 all our hard working Starters, led by Chief Starters Robert Jeffery and Wilma Poland.

So in no particular order-THANK YOU- Sarah and John Steinhardt, Margaret and Colin Cook, Kingsley Porter, Andrew Caddick and Peter Dear (who helped out at the end of the season while his crewman was away)

Without these kind members, giving up their time on Wednesdays and Saturdays we would not be able to enjoy the racing and friendship and CYC.

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

KEELBOAT NEWS

Now that the Summer Sailing Season is over, don't forget the Winter Frostbites. The dates for these races are included in this edition of BIW as well as on the Club Website, under the Sailing section.

Races are the first and third Sunday of each month, starting at 2pm.

On the 13th May the Power Trialing season starts, so come down and get involved in the sail past and general festivities of the day OR volunteer to do a Check Point for the time trial. Just let the Office or the Rear Commodore for Power know and they will allocate you a check point for the day that you are available.

DINGHY NEWS

Dinghy Closing Day 23 April 2017

I haven't had to write one of these penances for having the audacity to win for some time. I shall blame this one on Nigel. Clearly the new (for me anyway) go-faster mast top section that I bought from him was responsible. Or maybe it was the 2 week holiday that I've just had so I didn't go around the course in my usual daydream.

I got out to the start line early today so thought I would try to put some tactics into my sailing and assess the line for bias. I decided the pin end was best, along with 3 other canny sailors (Rod, Graham and Don). It might have been a good tactic however the sight of the rest of the fleet bearing down on me from the other end of the line had me sailing in the wrong direction to get away and I missed the pin. The general recall was my first bit of luck.

It was a beautiful morning out on the water. The wind could have been a little stronger at times, but the wind shifts kept it interesting with a lot of changes of position down at the back of the fleet. Ross, Wendy and Will must be surprised I did so well as they will have noticed me sailing backwards at the bottom mark as they all streamed past. That, however, was a cunning tactic by me to confuse them and get some clear air- and it worked. You should all try it sometime next season.

I couldn't tell you much about what was happening up at the pointy end of the race- my eyesight's not that good, however I did notice Mal cross the line first, a full 2mins 40 secs behind the next boat- a very impressive lead. Congratulations also to Rod Stone as the fastest radial.

On handicap the order was:

- 1) Helen- Aquavita
- 2) Dom- Snap
- 3) Gaye- Spirited
- 4) Matt- Das Boot
- 5) Mal- Primal
- 6) Wal- Blue Vixen

Thank you to all the start boat crew, Jim, Alan, Wally, Judith and John Ryan, and to Bob, our fabulous course setter and rescue boat/tow boat driver.

And for John Van der Peyl who wanted two pages of rhyme- I'm sorry but I'm not that literate. Here's a little ditty from Spike Milligan to make up for my lack of verse.

"I must go down to the seas again, to the lonely sea and the sky

I left my shoes and socks there

I wonder if they're dry."

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