

BLOWING IN THE WIND

NEWLETTER FOR SAILING AND DINGHY SECTIONS OF CYC

27-2-18

KEELBOAT NEWS

This year we have been able to get our sailing program booklet printed. This booklet includes the

Upcoming Events

Twilight Race-6.25pm-Wednesday 28th February

Keelboats-NO RACING-Saturday 3rd March

Dinghies-Consistency Race-10am-Sunday 4th March

Commodore's Cup Race-2pm Sunday March 18th

Keelboat Sailing Instructions, Courses and program.

These documents are also available on the Club Website in the Sailing section.

Here is the first month, so you can put these dates in your diary prior to Opening Day (when you will receive this booklet)

FEBRUARY

28-Feb-18 WED 1825 Twilight

MARCH

04-Mar-18 SUN NO SAILING AT CYC - Long Weekend

07-Mar-18 WED 1825 Twilight

10-Mar-18 SAT 1400 CLUB START
SHORT COURSE RACING-(MAXIMUM 3 RACES)

14-Mar-18 WED 1825 Twilight

17-Mar-18 SAT No racing at CYC-See 18th March

18-Mar-18 SUN 1400 COMMODORE'S CUP
Farr 9.2 Association visiting

21-Mar-18 WED 1825 Twilight

25-Mar-18 SUN 1400 CLUB START

28-Mar-18 WED 1825 Easter Theme Twilight

Save this Date-18-3-18

Please note the Commodore's Cup Invitational Event is programmed for Sunday 18th March starting at 2pm. Further details are listed in this flyer. Please click on link to CYC Website.

<http://www.claremontyachtclub.org.au/113th-commodore-cup/>

Reminders:

Rostered Starter for Twilight for Wednesday 28th February is: Robert Jeffery.

Rostered Boat: Ross Campbell

Rostered Starter for Twilight for Wednesday 7th March is: Wilma Poland.

Rostered Boat is: "Hanover Girl"-Richard Regan

Sunday 25th February

1 st and Fastest	Kyzo Too	Colin Hughes
2 nd	Beaujolais	Arthur Poland
3 rd	Paprika	Todd Whitfield
4 th	Second Wind	Kingsley Porter
5 th	Serana	Boykett Family

With a rather hot and humid day and only a light breeze to push them along five yachts set sail for an enjoyable afternoon on the beautiful Swan River. Course 15 was selected, even though this is normally reserved for twilights it took the yachts deep into Melville Water West without going to Dolphin West. Beaujolais lead the fleet across the line being only one second from actually breaking the line! By the time they all got to Resolution spit the fleet had split up with Kyzo Too in the lead. Lovely to see the Todd Whitfield in Paprika joining in the days sailing and that she now proudly shows her CYC number being C290. Beware all you sailors because Todd has had sailmaker Peter Carstens check Paprika's sails and carried out a few repairs, so Paprika could be a force to be reckoned with in the future! No damage, no incidents and all yachts returned home with Serana coming in last at 4:16:09. Results on Handicap were: First and Fastest – Kyzo Too – Colin Hughes and crew. Second Beaujolais – Arthur Poland and Ann Caddick (Jacqui is on holiday in New Zealand). Third Paprika – Todd Whitfield and the gang. Fourth Second Wind – Kingsley Porter and John Steinhardt and Fifth Serana - Rear Commodore Rob Boykett and the Chiefs of the Boykett Clan.

My thanks to Chief Starter Rob Jeffery for standing in as Colin and Margaret Cook were unable to make it today. If anyone knows of anyone who would like to join the start crew please ask them to contact me on 0407 089 016 (leave a message if I don't answer – I might be driving!!). The start is the "Busy time" when extra hands are needed so if you can spare about an hour on race days that would be great. One person can generally handle the finish but the start needs some extra hands. Rob and I will teach you and you may even get to really like it. Tea and coffee and home baked muffins or carrot cake provided!!

Wilma Poland.

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 our Starters for Wednesday 21st February-Wilma Poland.

Thank You to our Starters for Sunday 25th February-Wilma Poland and Robert Jeffery.

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.

DINGHY NEWS

This year we have been able to get our Dinghy program booklet printed. This booklet includes the Dinghy Sailing Instructions, Courses and program.

These documents are also available on the Club Website in the Dinghy section.

MARCH

04-Mar-18 SUN 1000 Consistency – Labour Day Weekend

11-Mar-18 SUN 1000 Consistency

18-Mar-18 SUN 1400 COMMODORE'S CUP

25-Mar-18 SUN 1000 Club Championship-Race 6

Not Plain Sailing

Sunday the 25th of February 2018.

Sunday morning was warm and muggy with the threat of a thunderstorm.

I arrived early, but somehow, I was still rigging up as others were launching their yachts.

Justin and I were the last to leave the shore, but Bad things happen in threes, don't they?

Well, I tried to launch my yacht, but the wheel fell off the trolley and I had to call out to Justin to help me, which he kindly did.

So, with only a few minutes till the start of the race, we wended our way to the start line and while I was trying to adjust the sails and work out where the wind was coming from the siren sounded. Ten minutes I thought as I sailed away from the start line. A minute later the siren sounded again. S..t that was the 4-minute gun, head for the line Ross, but S..t which end? Where is the wind coming from NE or NW or E. Graham seems to have found some clear air I'll follow him, which I did.

I am now last over the line by a long way and my four nemesis, the Radial sailors, were well in front of me with Rod further ahead of the other three, a mere dot on the horizon. Oh well! I'll just follow them all around the course and see what happens.

Top mark, Wing mark, phew made it, Bottom mark, I'm still last, although I might have caught up a little. Graham has gone to the west of the course, so I'll follow him again (mind you he is a mile in front of me). The nemesis four went to the east. Wow a good breeze on the west side, thank you and I think I have caught the radials, apart from Rod rocket. Yes, around the top mark and I'm ahead of all except Rod Rocket, now to stay in front of Willie who was just behind me, (get out of my way, stop trying to go over the top of me Willie, and let me be).

We had a great tussle and as Matt got between both of us on the way to the finishing line it was Willie's turn to ask why doesn't he get out of my way ... and so I was able to hold him off. (Thanks Matt that is one I owe you)

Oh, by the way there were some full rigs out there too! I must admit I was not really aware of their tussles, but I do know that Nigel followed or was hemmed in by Willie at the start and had a hard job trying to catch the lead pack.

My sentinel, Graham, had a little issue with the start line I'm told. Is that correct Graham? Please write 100 times "I will not cross the finishing line until I have finished the race"

The race was run in variable conditions with large wind shifts, blustery periods followed by light breezes just to test our mettle and our skills. Oh! And the wind turned south too.

The results for the day are:

6th on handicap, Matt Read, 5th Willie Nunn, 4th Rod Stone, 3rd Rob Heyes, 2nd Don Page and Ross Campbell 1st.

The speedsters were Mal McKercher Fastest of the Full Rigs and Rod Stone Fastest of the Radials.

On a sad note there was a tragic accident on the Fremantle to Bunbury and Return race with the loss of two sailors Paul Owens and Rob Thomas.

Rob Thomas was known to several of us at CYC. He was a very experienced sailor having sailed his own yacht in several Sydney to Hobart races, cruised the Pacific in amongst a lifetime of sailing in blue water events off the Western Australian coast.

Rob was a local business man owning Supa Valu Swanbourne before moving to the Captain Stirling Supa Valu, which he operated until he retired.

Rob was Vice Commodore at Fremantle Sailing Club and well known as a fine administrator.

Rob Thomas was a true gentleman and will be sadly missed.

Vale Rob Thomas and Paul Owens

Ross Campbell

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Please note articles need to reach Ann Caddick by Monday 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