

# BLOWING IN THE WIND

NEWLETTER FOR SAILING AND DINGHY SECTIONS OF CYC

13-3-18

## 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 14<sup>th</sup> March**

**Keelboats- Commodore's Cup Race-2pm Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March**

**Dinghies-Commodore's Cup Race-Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March**

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)

### **MARCH**

14-Mar-18 WED 1825 Twilight

17-Mar-18 SAT No racing at CYC-See 18<sup>th</sup> 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

Don't forget to go online to nominate for the **Commodore's Cup Race** that is being held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March. This is one of the biggest days racing that CYC runs every year and we have a visiting fleet of Farr 9.2 boats as well as other visitors from EFYC, NYC and PFSYC. So let's get as many CYC boats out on the river for this event to make it a spectacular day on the beautiful Swan River. The Club is also running another "Sunday Session" with live music playing for our fellow club

members and guests while we are out sailing. Culminating in the presentation of results at approximately 5.30pm.

**Further details are listed in this flyer. Please click on link to CYC Website.**  
<http://www.claremontyachtclub.org.au/113th-commodores-cup/>

### Reminders:

**Rostered Starter for Twilight for Wednesday 14th March is: Robert Jeffery.**  
**Rostered Boat: "Flight"-Peter Tate**  
**Rostered Starter for Twilight for Wednesday 14th March is: Wilma Poland.**  
**Rostered Boat is: "Theseus"-Kevin Kiddey**

### Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March

A brisk Easterly greeted the competitors on Saturday. FreshwaterBay was relatively calm so the 6 participating yachts had an easy easterly start. 25 minutes in and Beaujolais appears back in the bay, does a couple of circuits of the spit posts and packs herself away. Second Wind was next, followed by Theseus and Andalusia. Only Kyzo Too under just a headsail and Don O'Doherty on Shee Rua steamed thru the finish line. The reports were that the winds were much bigger in Melville Waters and discretion was the order of the day. Everyone got a sail, everyone came home OK.

Robert Jeffery

## 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 7<sup>th</sup> March-Wilma Poland with Fred and Alma.**

**Thank You to our Starters for Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March-Robert Jeffery, Andrew Caddick and Joan Austin.**

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.

Dinghy Program will be included in the Booklet which will be available on Club Opening Day on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October

Here is the first month of racing for you to put into your diaries prior to the season starting when you will receive your booklet.

### MARCH

18-Mar-18 SUN 1400 COMMODORE'S CUP

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

## Lasers Sunday 4 March Consistency

A very enjoyable day of sailing experienced by the 5 full rigs and 5 radials who took advantage of the beautiful Autumn day.

After an interesting start with some confusion as to who had broken the line, with Nigel and Will recrossing the start line, but the real culprit was Andrew. The fleet soon split with the full rigs up the front jostling for positions and the radials doing the same behind.

The wind was easterly 8-12 knots fluctuating in both direction and strength. As a result the lead was changing regularly and you always felt you had a chance to recover if you were on the wrong side of the course for the shift or gust.

Mal McKercher took honours in the full rigs 5 seconds in front of Nigel, wonder if it would have been different without the return at the start, a further 8 seconds to Graham. Wendy Campbell was fastest in the radials 22 seconds ahead of Gaye.

On Handicap Ross Campbell was sixth, Graham Lithgo fifth, Don Page fourth, Helen Ramsay third, Wendy Campbell second and Gaye Ryan in first position.

Many thanks to the volunteers who once again set a great course.

Gaye Ryan

## Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March

Consistency, Sun 11<sup>th</sup> March

The day started very blustery with seabreeze showing a 20- knot easterly with 25-30 knot gusts on Melville water while we were on the beach rigging. It was a bit more sheltered near the club, but the white caps gave a hint to the conditions on the water.

There were 11 boats at the start, with many full rig sailors opting to downsize to radial, and me downsizing to a 4.7. Nigel was the brave soul singlehandedly representing the full rigs. Unfortunately for him he was also the one who broke the start this week, but having mistakenly thought he was the culprit last week he decided not to go back this time. He went for a swim instead, hoping that a dunking would suffice as penalty. Back at the clubhouse he suggested that the unnecessary circling back last week could be held in reserve and used this week. The referees were not sympathetic, so for the first time that I can remember there were no full rigs to complete the race.

My race went very well this week. Just goes to show that size isn't everything! The smaller sail was much easier to control upwind. I even managed to overtake Andrew on the second upwind leg but he didn't leave me in front for long. The course was a great one, with the upwind leg well set, and everyone commented on how much fun the reaches were. Even with my pocket-handkerchief of a sail I got to bounce across the water like an out of control hoon.

The weather led to a few casualties, with Rod breaking his mast, and most people having a few swims. We all had fun though, and it was a great mornings sail. Of the 11 starters there were 3 DNF and one DSQ leaving 8 to finish.

The order was :

6<sup>th</sup>: Graham Lithgo

5<sup>th</sup> Don Page

4<sup>th</sup> Andrew Brockis

3<sup>rd</sup> Rob Heyes

2<sup>nd</sup> Mark Edwards

1<sup>st</sup> Helen Ramsay

Thank you to all in the start boat and rescue boat. We all had a lot of fun this morning and couldn't do so without you.

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