

# COMMODORE'S CUP REPORT

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Lovely Autumn weather coaxed 22 yachts of varying shapes and sizes along with 12 lasers to enjoy a great day's sailing on the Swan River. The Farr 9.2 Associated presented 7 yachts for this heat of their season and because of their speed and dexterity they requested they do three rounds of the course. The advantage of this was clear air both at the start and finish. The first of these yachts to finish was R105 aptly name "Farrlap" in a time of 1 hour 32 minutes and 24 seconds. The last of this fleet to finish was R92 "Black Smoke" in a time of 1 hour 37 minutes and 18 seconds. The Winner of this fleet on handicap was R1920 "Lionheart". A time was taken for each yacht at the end of the second circuit of their race so that they be included in the final results for the Commodore's Cup. Association results were First "Lionheart", Second "Farr Farr Away", Third "Frenzy" and Fastest "Farrlap". Commodore's cup results for this fleet were - First "Lionheart", Second "Farrlap", Third "Elusive and Fastest "Farrlap".

Division 1 & 2 combined also had 7 yachts participate with N85 "Whip It" earning First and Fastest. It was great to see a former CYC yacht, now at RFBYC, RF126 "Avaganda" with Ross Dennis at the helm take part but unfortunately not winning a place. This fleet only did two circuits of the course. Division 1 & 2 results were First and Fastest "Whit It". Second "Tiger", Third "Renegade".

Division 3 & 4 consisted of yachts from Nedlands and Claremont. First and Fastest was N955 "Beyond Belief" with N200 "Accordando" second and C141 "Beaujolois" coming third. From the Commodore's Cup results the CYC yachts qualified for the "Deepdene" Trophy with "Beaujolois" being the winner.

Some 12 CYC Lasers were the last fleet to start having had a special course of their own they were all home within 15 minutes of one another. These little "Fellows" have a great time ducking and diving in between the larger yachts really keeping the start crew on their toes so it was "eyes" everywhere as they come home to cross the finish line.

Rear Commodore Sail Rob Boykett skippered the "Lloyd Anderson" rescue boat and with the assistance of Allan Austin and Alan Gibson they followed the fleet to be on hand should there have been any need for a tow home. The start crew for the day were Chief Starter Robert Jeffery assisted by Sarah Steinhardt, Peter Dear, Allan Austin, Wally Giles, John Ryan and myself. (Apologies to anyone I may have missed as that was not intentional) My thanks go to EVERYONE who assisted today for without you we would not have made it happen.

The Christchurch Jazz Band entertained the crowd on the lawn area and are a fine group of young musicians who, one day may even become another James Morrison or Don Burrows. Good luck and practice often, you don't know right now where this can take you.

Our great chef Aaron produced some lovely meals, of at least they smelt and looked great. I had the battered fish with salad and chips and Arthur had the steak which was cooked to perfection. Keep up the great work Aaron. The Bar staff with Damon and the girls also did a great job, serving drinks, food, clearing table etc all done very efficiently. Thank you.