



# BLOWING IN THE WIND

CYC Keelboat and Dinghy newsletter  
26<sup>th</sup> November 2019

## Upcoming Events

Keelboats-Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November- Twilight-6.25pm

Keelboats- Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November- River Start

including SS22 Assoc. Heat 3 at CYC-2pm

Dinghys-Consistency Race-Sunday 1st December-10am

Christmas Twilight-Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December-6.25pm

## KEELBOAT NEWS

Sailing Committee Meeting: Monday 2nd December

Please check the Sunday Times and Mondays West Australian for  
CYC Keelboat results in the Sports result section

# Sailing Program for Season 2019/2020

Sailors, here is the Sailing program so you can make note of these dates in your calendar.

You can also find the full program on CYC's website.

Books will be available from Opening Day. Please see starters or Sail Committee members.

**\*DENOTES A CYC CONSISTENCY RACE- Yachts sailing in outside Association Events on these dates can apply to Starter/Handicapper for average consistency points for the event that they are away from CYC.**

## Roster Reminders

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November-Twilight-

Duty Boat-Vagabond-Robert King with Duty Starter-Wilma Poland

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December-Twilight-

Duty Boat-Paprika-Todd Whitfield with Duty Starter-Robert Jeffery

## **NOVEMBER**

27-Nov-19 WED 1825 Twilight

30-Nov-19 SAT 1400 \*RIVER START  
SS22 Association Championship Heat 3-CYC

## **DECEMBER**

04-Dec-19 WED 1825 Twilight

07-Dec-19 SAT 1400 \*CLUB START

11-Dec-19 WED 1825 Twilight

14-Dec-19 SAT 1400 \*CLUB START

18-Dec-19 WED 1825 **"Christmas" Twilight**

21-Dec-19 SAT NO RACING AT CYC

25-Dec-19 WED NO RACING AT CYC

28-Dec-19 SAT NO RACING AT CYC

*Swan River closed until 5-1-19*

## Tri-Club Series

This season CYC is combining with Perth Flying Squadron YC and Nedlands YC for a 3 race series, one held at each Club. Consistency Points will be awarded to yachts competing at PFS and NYC for these events so we ask that you participate in these events, as the members from these

Clubs have been supporting our Commodore's Cup Event for some time now.

Race 1 NYC-HMAS Perth Memorial Regatta-Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February

Race 2 PFSYC-Wally Pickford Memorial Marathon Race-Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March

Race 3 CYC-Commodore's Cup Race-Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March

### Twilights

Where are all the CYC Twilight Sailors??? We have been very unlucky, with the weather for the first 3 twilight sails, but last Wednesday it was a beautiful breeze and only 2 boats brave enough to come out to play. So thanks to Beaujolais and Aeolian for going out for a sail.

The only boat that gets a pass is our RCS Richie Boykett who had an operation on his ankle on Monday. (Get well soon Rich)

But for the rest of you-come and join us it is only going to get better and better.

Ann Caddick

### Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

With a strong South Westerly blowing five Yachts ventured out across what turned out to be a rather congested Freshwater Bay. RFBYC was conducting their ICR Dinghy Regatta with around 130 craft ranging from Lasers, Mirrors, 420's, 29ers, Optimists, and Nacra 15's to mention a few. In light of this Course 7 was chosen as this goes all the way down to Dolphin West leaving just the very start, College and North Point Walter and then at the end Mosman to Suicide and Burnside where it necessary to avoid the "picket fence" of dinghies. It was also decided to cut off the twist around the sticks of Karrakatta bank and finish by crossing the line from Burnside Spit making this the shortened course version of Court 7. With only one mishap, Theseus who managed to get a small tear in her headsail and so decided at the last minute to retire and not go to Mosman and Suicide, the other four boats finished within 10 minutes of one another with only 4 minutes between them after handicap adjustment. A great result from the Handicapper! Results are Beaujolais (Arthur Poland) First, Andalusia (Chris Cochrane) Second and Fastest and Kyzo Too (Colin Hughes) Third.

My grateful thanks to Joan Austin and Margaret and Colin Cook for their assistance today. Arthur would also like to thank Allan Austin for his help on Beaujolais today as Ann was checking out some of the wineries in the Swan Valley.

A reminder that Twilight races have resumed but as yet the weather has not been great but I shall be in the Start Box on Wednesday evening and hope to see a few yachts taking part. There is also a great buffet in the Bayview Room, served from 6.30pm till around 8pm so you don't need to go home and start cooking as Aaron produces what Arthur and I consider to be one of the best buffet meals that CYC has on offer.

Happy sailing

**Wilma Poland**

### Views from the Poop Deck

Hello landlubbers

Well just a short one from me this week as I have been stuck on the solid stuff for three weeks now and starting to go just a little crazy. Hopefully we are getting closer to a return to the water.

It sounds like it was a good long course last weekend with a great course to get the fleet out of Freshwater Bay and the swarms of dinghies that were sailing out of RFBYC. I trust everyone slept well that night and woke up refreshed. A great crew in the start box with Wilma joined by the Cooks and Joan Austin.

This weekend we are hosting the Spacesailor 22 Association state heat. Regardless of the type of boat you are on we will be out there racing and ensuring that we show the visitors what a great club CYC is and hopefully drag a few more yachts into marina to enjoy sailing up our end of the river. With luck we will have more than just Todd up on the dias to collect a flag (come on Chris, Craig and Arthur).

We have a couple of events coming up. Kids Christmas part on the 15<sup>th</sup> December and the Christmas Twilight and Buffet on the 18<sup>th</sup> – book early this one is always a sellout. Richard, Aaron and the team in the House have been setting a very high standard and their Christmas feast is a great chance to enjoy this with fellow club members.

If you are after crew or need some assistance for a weekend, we have a number of former crew who are keen to be involved on a casual basis to fill in and be involved. These are all people who have various levels of experience and may be just the ticket to allow you to get your boat out of the pen and into the fleet.

I look forward to seeing you all out there soon for more fun and to flex the sails.

Fair winds

RCS Richard Boykett

## 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.**

**Thanks to Twilight Starter: Wilma Poland and Theseus Crew for manning the Start Box on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November.**

**Thank You to our hard working Starters for: Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November for manning the Start Box.  
Thanks To: Wilma Poland, Joan Austin, Margaret & Colin Cook**

## DINGHY NEWS

### Dinghy Program 2019/2020

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#### DECEMBER

01-Dec-19	SUN	1000	Consistency
08-Dec-19	SUN	1000	Club Championship-Race 3
15-Dec-19	SUN	1000	Consistency – Handicap race 1
22-Dec-19	SUN		NO RACING AT CYC-CHRISTMAS

29-Dec-19 SUN

NO RACING AT CYC-NEW YEAR

## **Dinghies Laser Fleet Race Report –Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November**

Hi All

Another beautiful swan river morning greeted the fleet with the prospect of 20 knots for Championship Heat 2 and all the cracks had gathered for the fray.

Our start boat did a great job of diplomatically marking territory between the two other courses set for the International Classes regatta across the bay. They nudged the top mark into an agreeable spot and then set the bottom mark deep into Claremont Bay. It was an excellent track. It was going to be a test to stay up right and to finish was going to be an accomplishment.

Our illustrious Rear Commodore was first off the beach to do pre start speed and wind direction testing. The rest of us were double checking rigs and saving energy.

The start was less interesting this week with the majority of the 15 spread across the line. Boats around me hit the line on time and bow down. The drag race was on, along with our vang, outhauls, cunninghams and anything else that could be pulled tight.

As we rounded the top mark the usual leaders asserted control with Nigel Paul the first to release the vang. He was closely followed by Mark Edwards, Mal McKercher, Rob Weight, Andrew Brockis and a couple of others (sorry guys). I rounded with Helen Ramsay and Dom right on my hammer who both proceeded to roll me on the reach to the wing. Helen was going well. Flat and fast.

Not sure why I am so slow down wind. Andrew Brockis sailed through me three times down wind. Once by sailing inside me, the second time by planing past me like I was sitting still and the third time with overlap at the mark. Thank God he kept going left up wind.

As we hurtled towards the bottom mark the fleet was compressing up. The leaders couldn't get to Nigel Paul. He kept his nose just in front. There wasn't much in it and to stay in front you would need to sail exceptionally well.

The first major beat was a drag race to the right in front of the club. Most boats my side were watching the leaders and trying to stay in phase. As we laid the top mark for the second time we had to reach around the Optimist Start Line, something we had to do three times, but that's ok, that's the rule. The drag race on the right was the place to be this week. It was all going on out there. The leaders came from the right so I don't really know what happened on the left. I had a bit going on at the time.

As I sailed past Nigel coming down wind you could tell he was sailing well. He put a little bit of distance in his lead. I could sense his determination. Mal and Mark were on his Hammer. Rob was trying to cut through and Helen and Dom were closing in mid fleet where I was.

Days like this can be a war of attrition and capsizing plays a big part, especially as we tire on the final run. It was just a matter of time. Rob Weight hooked up and went in just in front of me and we managed to reel him in. It seems that capsizing is the only way I can get to Rob.

The wind was now gusting to 20 and it was game on. Helen continued to sail well and caught right up and didn't even look like going in. Full credit right there. The leaders were on their way to the line and Nigel Paul was simply too good. I

heard he led the whole way which is a tremendous effort. Guys like Andrew, Mark and Mal need only the slightest chance to be all over you like a rash.

Then, as it happens, it was my turn to foul gibe and in I went on the bank. As I was righting Helen sailed past and then Rob went in again. It was a circus. Then the three of us, with Dom just behind, charged the bottom mark. Dom threw the kitchen sink at us and Rob was on a mission to make good. Like most Springboks, he just doesn't give in..

As we rounded the bottom mark to head for the line I was just in front of Rob Weight and I thought for the first time in a very long time that I had him. But it wasn't to be. My quads wouldn't cooperate and hiking hard was an issue. Capital K knackered. Helen was covered. Rob hiked like his life depended on it and sailed over the top of me to cross by 4 seconds. Helen was 6 seconds behind me and Dom just behind her.

All in all it was a good and testing day. One to remember, including the members on the beach helping the back markers pull their boats to the lawn. Full credit to our starting and rescue committee. Good stuff guys, and as always, thank you for your efforts. We cant sail without you.

Next week the forecast is for 16 knots calming to 12 in our window for the Consistency so hopefully we can stretch out for a few days, re group and go again, same place, same time.

All the best guys

**Sean Brealey**

#### **CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS**

Full Rigs

- 1<sup>st</sup> Nigel Paul
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Travis Lithgo
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Mal McKercher

Radials

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mark Edwards
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Helen Ramsay
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Wendy Campbell

#### **HANDICAP RESULTS**

- 1st Sean Brealey
- 2nd Dom Papaluca
- 3rd and Fastest Radial Mark Edwards
- 4th Helen Ramsay
- 5th and Fastest Full Rig Nigel Paul
- 6th Travis Lithgo

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