



# BLOWING IN THE WIND

*CYC Keelboat and Dinghy newsletter*  
*14th January 2020*

Keelboats-Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January-Twilight-6.26pm

Keelboats-Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January-Australia Day Race-2pm

Dinghies-Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January-Consistency Race-10am

## KEELBOAT NEWS

**Sailing Committee Meeting: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February**

**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.**

## JANUARY

15-Jan-20 WED 1825 Twilight  
18-Jan-20 SAT 1400 \*CLUB START "Australia Day Race"  
22-Jan-20 WED 1825 "Australia Day " Theme Twilight  
25-Jan-20 SAT NO RACING AT CYC Due to Australia Day Holiday  
29-Jan-20 WED 1825 Twilight

### Roster Reminders

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January-Twilight-Duty Boat-Panache with  
Duty Starter-Allan Austin  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January-Twilight-Duty Boat-Hanover Girl, Richard Regan with  
Duty Starter-Robert Jeffery

### Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January

CLAREMONT YACHT CLUB: Combined Fleet: First, Beaujolais (A. Poland); Second, Paprika (T. Whitfield); Third, Theseus (K. Kiddey), Fastest, Kyzo Too (C. Hughes)

A warm easterly wind at 10 knots, along with a very low tide were the conditions greeting the four competitors on Saturday. They started their race in an easterly direction and zig-zagged their way to North Point Walter buoy and on to Dome under "patience and perseverance" conditions. A swing to the South Westerly and a boost to 15-18 knots gave everybody a good run home. 'Kyzo Too' was able to find its way back to the front of the fleet and crossed the finish line at around ten to four. The rest of the fleet all finished before four pm. 'Theseus' crossed next followed by 'Beaujolais' and 'Paprika' who reported a close encounter with a RFBYC Couta boat. A special thanks to the duty Start Crew of Margaret and Colin Cook for their devotion to the club as they are both in their 80s.

Robert Jeffery

## Views from the Poop Deck – 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Hello Sailors

For those of you who have been lucky enough to get out on the water – well done and I am very jealous. We have had some great sailing weather lately and hopefully more to come.

Saturday saw a small fleet of four boats out with Theseus taking the lead in the run down to Dome through some fantastic tactical racing and exceptional crew work (that was what they said). The wind started light before coming in strongly and



seeing the boats home in good time. On Wednesday the twilight had three boats out and there was some good wind to push them around. Both races looked fantastic from my viewpoint in start box with Wilma and the Lloyd Anderson.

Unfortunately, we had several interactions with boats from other fleets. If you come across this behaviour please let me know. The protest process is not easy but is one that we may need to consider as winning seems to be all some of these people care about.

Krista is in a pen and we are doing some checks now! Hopefully we can have a crew on board her for this weekend's Australia Day Race and the Australia Day Twilight too. I will let you know what jobs need doing or parts we are looking for in case you have some

spares lying around. We will be confirming the details shortly of how to book and use her.

As noted above, Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January will be the Australia Day Race. Up for grabs is the beautiful but very fragile trophy donated by Ann Caddick (photo: last year's winners). On Wednesday we will run the Australia Day Twilight. Dress your boat and crew up and prizes for best dressed.

Thanks all for going sailing and keep enjoying the Swan River. Fair Winds

Regards

RCS Richie



# 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** for manning the Start Box on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January.  
Thank You to our hard working Starters for: Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January for manning the Start Box. Thanks  
To: **Robert Jeffery, Colin & Margaret Cook.**

## DINGHY NEWS

### Dinghy Program 2019/2020

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

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#### JANUARY

19-Jan-20 SUN 1000 Consistency

26-Jan-20 SUN 1000 Consistency - AUSTRALIA DAY WEEKEND

#### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January

Hi All

Another beautiful Swan River morning greeted 25 Members for the CYC Windward Leeward series. The U Flag was flying and we were looking forward to three good races in building breeze.

Race 1 started in 5-7 knots. We got away from the line ok and went hunting for pressure. Trick is to start well and make good decisions. Last week when it was light and shifty I did neither and came stone cold motherless last so I was a bit anxious about staying in touch. I was trapped to leeward on the left and those that started boat end and tacked to port early got excellent lift. As usual the top mark was light and shifty. Rob Weight pinched and hit the mark, I was pinching, the breeze shifted and dropped and it was a choice of tack and T Bone or run the mark over, so I chose the latter. The full rig grey hounds took control. Brockis had a blinder. Mal was solid and John Fussell rounded out third. Ichabod skipped away in the Radial and Helen Ramsay sailed really well for second. Spirit rounded out third in the first race for the Radials. Of note in Race 1 was Vixen, who once again cut through like a hot knife through butter for a creditable 8th.

Race 2 started in about 7-10 knots. The fleet was bunching up around the start boat because those that tacked early to Port seemed to get clear air and height. There was a lot of calling for Up to get the boat end advantage. Mal and Nigel had quite a lead for such a small course but they sailed into an unforgiving hole at the Committee Boat and the next 8 boats pressed up quickly. Sailing can be

cruel. This meant mayhem at the bottom mark. It's just as well Dom clarified the 3 boat length rule and told us to look after each other because there were six boats around me overlapped. The fleet deal with it. Then three boats just ahead of me after the mark got seriously tangled. Not sure how, but they were sort of in irons and tangled with mains and tillers. This enabled myself and a couple of others to slip through and head for the line. Mal got the chocolates (and Travis, Dom and I reckon he should start eating them as well), Brockis slipped through again for second and Nigel rounded out third in the Full Rig. Ichabod was in control of the second, Helen racked up another second and Scott Francis rounded out third for the Radials.

Race 3 started in 8-12 knots and it was good to see some pressure arrive on time. The equation changes for the heavier sailors when its up and the Lithgo Flash asserted a bit of control. Trav reeled in from 10th, then 13th to first over the line in the third. Good stuff. Of special mention in R3 is Gaye Ryan who threw down the gauntlet in the breeze. Gaye had a blinder and finished fourth in the Radials, one second from third. Really good to see Gaye.

We missed Dom this week and hope he is back next week. Walter got the job done.

As always I will wait again for another beautiful Swan River Morning next Sunday. It's not all about the Racing. It's a good place where people really do look out for each other.

Sean

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