



# BLOWING IN THE WIND

CYC Keelboat and Dinghy newsletter  
*3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020*

Keelboats-Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March-Twilight-6.25pm

Keelboats-Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March-No Racing at CYC

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

Dinghies-Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March-Windward Series Race 3-10am

## KEELBOAT NEWS

Sailing Committee Meeting: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April

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.**

## MARCH

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| 04-Mar-20 | WED | 1825         | Twilight   |
| 07-Mar-20 | SAT |              | NO SAILING-See Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> March   |
| 08-Mar-20 | SUN | 1100         | *PFSYC-"Wally Pickford" Marathon Race<br>(Race 2 Tri-Club Series)                        |
| 11-Mar-20 | WED | 1825         | Twilight   |
| 14-Mar-20 | SAT | 1400<br>1400 | No racing at CYC-See 15 <sup>th</sup> March<br>SS22 Association Championship Heat 6-RPYC |
| 15-Mar-20 | SUN | 1400         | *COMMODORE'S CUP<br>(Race 3 Tri-Club Series)<br><i>Farr 9.2 Association visiting</i>     |
| 18-Mar-20 | WED | 1825         | Twilight   |
| 21-Mar-20 | SAT | 1400         | *CLUB START  |
| 25-Mar-20 | WED | 1825         | Twilight   |
| 28-Mar-20 | SUN | 1400         | *RIVER START<br>SS22 Association Championship Heat 7-CYC                                 |

### Roster Reminders

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March-Twilight-Duty Boat-Paprika, Todd Whitfield with  
Duty Starter-Wilma Poland

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March-Twilight-Duty Boat-Craig Feake with  
Duty Starter-Robert Jeffery

### 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

**PFSYC Wally Pickford Memorial Marathon Race - Sunday 8 March 2020**

**(Full details are in the Midstream)**

Please find attached the Entry Form for the Wally Pickford Memorial Marathon Race scheduled for Sunday 8th of March 2020.

Any completed entry forms can be returned back to Perth Flying Squadron Yacht Club by email to [reception@pfsyc.com.au](mailto:reception@pfsyc.com.au) no later than 5pm Wednesday 4th of March 2020.

Prizes and presentations will be held in the Club's Members Lounge on Friday 13th of March 2020 commencing at 7:00pm.

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards,

Julie Abelha  
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

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## **CYC Sailing Needs You**

If you can not sail at the moment, there are lots of ways to be involved in your club. Rob and Wilma always need extra hands in the start box, the Lloyd Anderson needs crew to provide support to the yachts - either skipper or as crew. It is also great to have the support boat out there with people willing to shoot some photos to capture the history of the club. If you are a skipper without a boat at the moment, we have Krista available as a club boat for use in training, racing or cruising (contact me for details).

The dinghy sailors are out on Sunday mornings for friendly (and competitive racing) and for a Wednesday morning cruise and welcome new sailors to try out on one of the club boats. If you have young kids that are keen to sail, the Optimist dinghies are available and can be taken out by members (small fees apply).  
Richie Boykett

**Ladies Skippers Race**

**Due to the re-scheduling of the Australia Day Race on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February, the Ladies Skippers Race was postponed. The new date for this race is Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March. So start getting your skippers organised and do a bit of training so they are ready for this date. Hopefully the winds will be quite calm by then.**

**View from the Poop Deck – 3/3/2020**

Hello Sailors

I hope everyone had a great long weekend and managed to get some time out on the water. Some of you may have got down to listen to the Highway to Hell, watch a Wildcats match or just out enjoying the post rain outdoors.

For the Boykett clan, we have not managed much time on the water but did enjoy some time in the water refloating the Jolly Roger. We then spent a week of fun times in and under the bilge with a caulking gun and a tub of antifoul giving her a touch up. Touch wood, so far all good and the hull is reasonably water tight again.



We hope to be back on the water in Beagle shortly and making the most of the autumnal weather.

Don't forget this Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March is the PFSYC Wally Pickford Memorial Marathon. Hopefully you have got your entry forms in but I am sure a phone call will have you sorted to enjoy a bit of inter-club rivalry. Some skippers have indicated that they are unable to do the Sunday sail – so suggest we hold a 'cruise in company' on Saturday afternoon. I will leave it to individual skippers to arrange and coordinate.

The following weekend, Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March, is the Commodores Cup. This is the premier race for the season and I hope we can see all Claremont boats out there supporting it. If the thought of lots of yachts is overwhelming there are lots of ways to get involved – start box, support boat, hanging off a bouy and cheering on – the goal is to enjoy the day and support the club! We will have music from 4:00pm and presentations about 5:30.

Later in March we have the Half Yearly General Meeting and it would be great to see the sailors of the club well represented at this to ensure sailing remains a key part of this yacht clubs activities and it is not lost in the rush to turn the club into a marina. There is also likely to be some changes to the Flag Officers (yours truly to VC and Todd to RCS). In other news, thank you to all those that made it down to the ASWA Information Night last week. Some challenging questions were put to ASWA about what they are doing for clubs like CYC for our contributions.

Anyway, lots to look forward to and I hope to see more of you and me out on the water soon.

Regards

RCS Richie 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: Racing Cancelled due to Storm front for manning the Start Box on  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February.**

Thank You to our hard working Starters for: Saturday 29th February for manning the Start Box. Thanks  
To: NO RACING DUE TO LONG WEEKEND

## 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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#### MARCH

08-Mar-20 SUN 1000 Windward Series-Race 3

15-Mar-20 SUN 1000 Club Championship-Race 6

22-Mar-20 SUN 1400 COMMODORE'S CUP

29-Mar-20 SUN 1000 Consistency

#### Dinghy Race Report for Sunday 1-3-20

I will start my report by apologising. It's probably going to be short! I have a fairly good idea of where I rank with the handicaps, and so often have a good idea of whether I'm doing well, or badly, in a race. If I'm doing well, I make sure to look around me, and see how the whole fleet are doing, so I have something to say. On reflection this distraction may be why I don't win often!

I was convinced that I was so far back in the fleet that I was safe; however, I forgot about the one confounding factor-my 4.7 sail! The pocket- handkerchief that I was flying helped me keep control of the boat in the gusty conditions, but on the flip side it brought my handicap down (or up, I never know how to phrase it). I would have had to sail backwards to lose with that handicap! When I'm sailing a 4.7 I have the worst (best?) handicap of the fleet!

Anyway, the point of that ramble was to explain that I was so sure I would not win and the punishment honour of having to write the story would go to someone else, that I didn't look about.

In the bar afterwards, Mal suggested writing a report in dot points. Mal is both an excellent sailor, whose advice I always take in the sailing club, but also a teacher. If he's given me advice on how to do my sailing homework I would be foolish to disobey, so here goes:

- It was very windy
- Wendy and I had our usual indecisive discussion over which sail to take.
- I made the wrong decision (see above about handicaps and punishment!)
- Ross made a wise decision and didn't sail.
- Will made a bad decision by leaving his 4.7 at home-"I didn't think it was very windy" he said!
- There were a few capsizes. I only saw one (again see above - I didn't look about much), however as I sailed past him I saw Andy having a real struggle to get the boat upright again. Didn't seem to hold him back though- he still caught me and beat me over the line.

- Wendy made a corker of a decision to gybe early on the last down wind leg and sail to port of the start/finish line. Apparently it was a hairy sailing by–the-lee leg, but she gained about 100metres on Andy and me by doing so.
- Disaster was narrowly averted on the start boat when the rocking caused by the windy conditions nearly caused a tea spillage.
- We all had a great day, and heartily thank the start boat and rescue boat crew, without whom we couldn't go sailing at all.
- Thanks also to Sean for helping me pull my boat over the seaweed at the end of the race!

Results were as follows

Fastest full rig: Nigel Paul

Fastest Radial: Mark Edwards

Handicap results

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|-------------------|----------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> : | Helen Ramsay   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> : | Wendy Campbell |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> : | Rob Weight     |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> : | David Joyce    |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> : | Mark Edwards   |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> : | Sean Brealey   |

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