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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



to the 2020/2021 Sailing Year!

This is always my favourite time of the year where we kick off the first races of the season for the yachts, lasers and juniors' program and it's wonderful to see all the fleets with lots of participants. I want to welcome the 16 new members we have had join our club last month including 2 juniors, 1 laser and 13 yacht sailors. I look forward to welcoming you in person at our...







NEW MEMBERS NIGHT on NOVEMBER 11TH











THE BEEHIVE

Manly Yacht Club has been a hive of activity over the last month with a number of projects being completed or close to. Bruce Davis and Graham Radford are close to completing a huge fit out of the Juniors Storage area and its looking fantastic. This will improve the process of getting the Open Skiffs in and out, reducing the wear and tear on the dinghies.

Sailability have also made significant improvements with new storage cages for their life jackets and other equipment. The new laser racks have been installed and already been filled with two members' lasers. The storage facility for the new Club Tenders is completed, securing our new tenders.

28 Solar Panels have been installed on the roof and the club is now powered by the sun. We are actually putting electricity back into the power grid. The \$4300 a year we will be saving in electrify will be redirected back into the club facilities.

The new SeaBin has been installed and launched by MP Zali Steggall. This is expected to collect 4.2kgs of waste per day from in front of our club.





The new 4.7 laser fleet completed its first training session and race. We now have a complete pathway that starts with the Opti, to take sailors from 8 to 80 years old. In the absence of finding a head coach our Senior Instructor Ollie has step in as Acting Head Coach supported by a Juniors Committee of Geoff Gill, Chris Dudfield and Bevan McKavanagh.

It's just been an incredible month only possible by the tenacity and generosity of our members who plan, organise and implement these projects. I am just incredibly proud and can't thank everyone enough.

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WANT TO ENTER THE MARATHON FOR FREE?

If you've entered a **Sunday** series like the Summer Series or the Club Championships, then why not enter the Marathon Series, too.

HOW?

On the payment screen for the Marathon online entry , choose "Club Payment" and enter your boat name - no payment details required.

Don't try to cheat though ... Jan will catch you if you haven't already entered the Club Champs or Summer Series

FIRST RACE
29 November 2020



Like us on Facebook, share experiences and help promote club events like Women's Challenge + Mini Regatta. $\underline{www.facebook.com/ManlyYachtClub}$

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THERE IS STILL MORE TO COME...

- OCTOBER 20TH First training session hosted online by our Handicapper Greg Wilkins on the Racing Rules of Sailing. This is a must for every member.
- OCTOBER 24TH & 25TH Helly Hansen Women's Challenge. Manly Yacht Club's biggest yacht race. Please enter in the female helm or all female divisions. We love promoting female sailors and have done so for 25 years. We were trailblazer in this area, and we are very excited to be celebrating our 25th Anniversary.
- **NOVEMBER 11**TH New members night to share the history and story that is MYC and provide an opportunity for new members to meet existing members and really feel part of the club from Day 1.
- **NOVEMBER 13TH** Juniors @ Twilights. It was such a successful event last year we are doing it again this year. This is where our Twilight Skippers host one of our Juniors and a parent for the race. It's a great way for juniors to get an experience to race on a large boat so they know when they grow out of dinghies, they are confident to step on to a yacht.
- **DECEMBER 5TH & 6TH** Manly Cup / NSW States for Open Skiff. This year we are launching our inaugural Manly Cup. A 2-day regatta open to all Open Skiff sailors. This year the regatta will also double as the State Championships. We will need lots of volunteers, so I encourage members to get involved. We are hoping to get 50+ entries.

PARKING AT MYC

I understand that parking is the number one issue for most of our members when visiting the club to race or post-race presentation so the news that our parking permits have been slashed from last year is not only disappointing but also a real problem for a number of members who really can only drive to get to Manly. The new permits of which we have only 8 will be reserved for the Race Director, Race Committee and Deck Captain on Sundays. These parking permits will be handed out by the Race Director and <u>MUST</u> be returned before the Race Director leaves.

I have started investigating for those affected some alternative options.

HOP, SKIP AND JUMP BUS

The Hop Skip and Jump bus is a free community bus that runs 3 routes around Manly, 7 days a week. It runs every 30 minutes and you can wait for the bus at an existing bus stop or pick a spot where the bus can safely and legally stop and flag it down. The route can pick you up from the Fairlight/Balgowlah area where there is all day parking and the last bus would pass the club at 5:46pm on the weekends. Manly Map Route & Timetable here.

COVID-19 LATEST

Thankfully our community transmission rate is at very low levels and as such we are cautiously recommencing our post-race presentations with changes. Sunday presentations for the Summer Series, and the Club Championships will recommence with BYO food and drinks from Oct 17th. We are planning to recommence Twilight post-race presentations and dinners in November, but this is subject to the continuation of very low levels of community transmission.



MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

Here's a list of members celebrating some special milestones this year. Thank you for your dedication to sailing and supporting Manly Yacht Club.

10 YEARS Scott McCarthy
Marike Koppenol
Alison Wakefield
David Wright
Craig Mennie
Duncan Stirling
Lyn Coleman
Stephen Coleman
Rhoslyn Humphreys

15 YEARS Barbara Jones Veronique Morgan-Smith

20 YEARS Maz Radford Graham Radford David McEwan Sorrell Lambie

25 YEARS

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Jack Morrison

See you on the water,



PROJECTS AROUND THE CLUB



SEPTEMBER 2020

- Solar Panels
- Tesla Battery
- Power Source for Sea Bin
- Tender Storage
- Laser Racking
- Inner Boat Storage Room

A ton of sparky activity downstairs at the club with the installation of a mile of wiring; a new inverter and the new Tesla battery.

Pretty impressive stuff ...







Located at the bottom of the stairs



Solar panel project in full swing, panels installed and commissioned. Down the track we'll have some staff training on the storage and usage etc.





The lines of panel holders attached to the roof

... ET VOILÀ



THANK YOU **BARRY AND NORM**

For all the hard work getting the grant, getting the quotes and getting the job done!







... AND THERE'S MORE PROJECTS AROUND THE CLUB

TENDER STORAGE

SEPTEMBER 2020

TIP RUN





Another minor milestone reached ... the new Tender Storage facility completed.



What do you do when it's gusting 35knots on the weekend? - you do a tip run.

Over half a ton of junk removed from the back of the Club.



Excellent job paid for itself with the 5 new laser racks created where the old tenders used to be located.

Sailability's dinghy is secured on the outside is which allows easy access for them during the week.

The row of life jackets marked the start of junior sail training down at the Club this week.



LASER RACKING





STORAGE ROOM

Still a way to go with this reorganisation! The storage shelf has been installed, the sail racks, dolly racks and wheel racks have been painted and installed, and the centreboard and rudder boxes completed - thanks Graham for the design, build and install - but the painting of the western wall and part of the northern wall needs to be finished off before we can move the MJs to their new position so that we can manoeuvre around the room just a little better.



There's been a reshuffle in the outer boat storage room as well...

No more cracking your shins on lasers poking out!

New laser racking added, and Nigel H takes a step to the right.





To all of you who have contributed to making this happen, especially Bruce, Barry, Finn, Graham, Juniors Parents, Laser sailors, instructors... thank you



SEABIN PROJECT

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... AND THEN SOME!

Ben, our sparky, has set up the new power post that will allow the SEABIN to operate.

The cabling to our main switchboard has been run under the wharf using a dinghy at low tide. The new

power post has been installed with two outlets (one for the SEABIN and a spare).

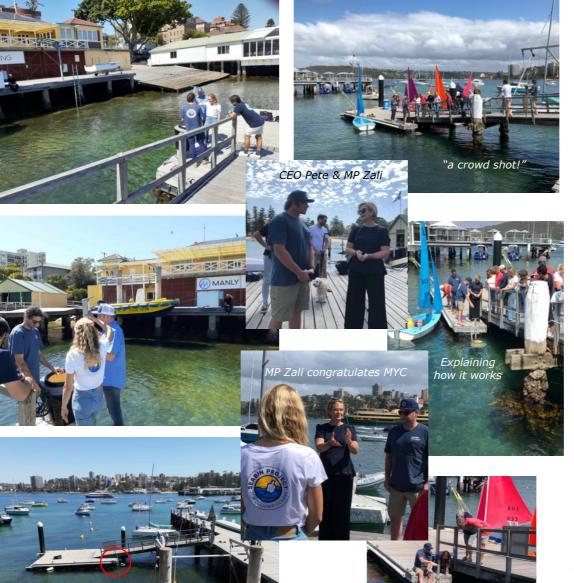
Ben will be in contact with Dale from SEABIN this week to run the power to the designated SEABIN location on the floating pontoon - ready for the "official" commissioning

for the "official" commissioning - probably before this newsletter goes to press.



INSTALLATION

COMMISSIONING



EACH **SEABIN** HAS THE CAPABILITY TO CATCH



90,000 PLASTIC BAGS PER YEAR



35,700 DISPOSABLE CUPS PER YEAR



16,500 PLASTIC BOTTLES PER YEAR



166,500 PLASTIC UTENSILS PER YEAR



Lisa gets personal tuition while Jason and Norm look

MYC TRAINING NIGHT

Tuesday, 20th October 2020

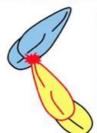
2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing come into effect on 1st January 2021

MYC is conducting a

Racing Rules of Sailing Quiz and Updates for 2021-2024 night on

Tuesday 20th October

16 - Changing Course





16.1 When a right-of-way boat changes course, she shall give the other boat *room* to *keep clear*.

Do your Homework...

RRS Rights and Limitations: https://youtu.be/TIeZIxutMEQ RRS Marks and Obstructions: https://youtu.be/9YfR0zyf7s0

COMMODORE'S REPORT

Welcome one and all.

Manly Yacht Club is an important member of our local community and we take our environmental and sustainability responsibilities seriously.

We have recently installed a new Solar installation on the Western side of the clubhouse. This will help MYC to lower our Carbon footprint - we are now generating about 7kW and feeding what we don't use back into the grid. Thank you, Barry and Norm for managing this process, which included obtaining a grant. We look forward to welcoming James Griffin, Member for Manly and Parliamentary Secretary for the Environment and Veterans, to commission the installation.



Wednesday saw the commissioning of the new SeaBin by Federal Member for Warringah Zali Steggall OAM. This initiative will help us to reduce the amount of plastic in the water near our club. Check out on the floating pontoon.

Turning to Sailing: the 'Pointless Pointscore' in September was a lot of fun. It enabled us to enjoy Spring sailing without disadvantaging those unable to compete due COVID

restrictions (being out of area). These have now eased, and we are back to the full sailing program. Friday sees the start of our Twilight season. Get your entries in if you have not already done so. We would like to see a big



FIRST RACE 16 OCTOBER



Need last minute crew? join <u>MYC CREW FINDER</u> on WhatsApp.



Contact dutyroster@myc.org.au to help



In other news, club boats Moonraker, Mondo, Blackwattle and Enigma headed off on a 'Cruising in Company' excursion to Pittwater over the long weekend. It offered a taste of offshore sailing for those who usually only sail in the harbour, and provided an opportunity to practice rafting up, mooring and anchoring. It was a lot fun and we look forward to running a similar event again soon. Do send your expression of interest to me.

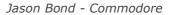


El president Lisa being rescued by Nadine after testing her submersible bathtub



Sundowners on Enigma





MYC SUMMER SERIES

RESULTS: https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/23/results/series/582/races



Attendance was muted in **Race 2** of the 2020 MYC Summer Series, with several crews attempting to stay dry, avoiding the heavy rain which fell to within an hour of the first start time.

The popular course 4 was picked again... Rocky, Edwards, Rose Bay and ALL the marks for this course with the weather improving as the day went on.

Only 7 boats made it to the start line and only 6 finished ... (an adjective used in reference to something striking or remarkable) got *Mondo* lost and DNF. The boat evidently had all 3 owners, several crew and at least 2 charts of the marks of the harbour on board. Unfortunately, they consulted the wrong map on this occasion.

While the *Mondo* crew did avoid the rain, they did not all stay dry. One fell overboard. Once it was ascertained that everyone was safe and sound, this, as always, provided amusement for the other boats in the series and a brief distraction from the reality that next week, without due attention, it could be any one of them.





Synergy and Alliance (a boat from another fleet)

The front following the rain provided some genuinely exciting conditions with gusty winds up to 29 knots and some chop in the waves coming through the heads to challenge tacticians. (From the pics it looks like enough boats decided it was time to reef ... Ed).

The new handicapping process is obviously working well with *Cheap Thrills*, *Kaotic* and *Ratty Tooey* all within heckling distance of each other, for most of the race.

Barry made his yellow spinnaker into glassware (wine?) attempting to sail the angles required to turn the Course 4 Northerly less shy, never quite overcoming its bashfulness.

Congratulations *Kia Kaha* 1st across the line and 1st on handicap - a repeat of the last race. Second on handicap was *Kaotic* with *Cheap Thrills* in 3rd place although across the line Barry only pipped Catherine by 5 seconds.



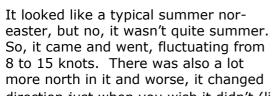
Thanks, as always to the Race Committee and Handicappers – apparently working from Italy at the moment – for a safe and well-orchestrated, if slightly wet and wild, race.

Neil Aitken (Ratty Tooey)









direction just when you wish it didn't (like every time you tried to get around the \$!\$#&@!! top mark).

With the boat end of the line heavily favoured, 15 lasers set off on four short, hard and fast races.

The inconsistent wind strength and direction seemed to translate into the results of most of the fleet, with good placings mixed in with bad – for example Tim following a 13th with a 3rd.



SEPTEMBER 13: Club Championships 1 & 2 (SPS 3 & 4)

RESULTS: https://sites.google.com/myc.org.au/lasers/results

For the first race, Dave and Peter on Carlyle had the unenviable job finding a wind direction where there was absolutely none. Nevertheless, after countless laps of the line off Little Manly, the gun eventually went and the fleet of 17 drifted its way towards the top mark at Dobroyd.

Iain drifted faster than the rest of us and by the time a gusty WSWester sprang up, he was home and hosed in the 1 lap race. Hot on his heels were Phil, Ian, Bevis and Garth. Ian Saunders deservedly also took the Spring Point Score points with Richard and Bevis 2nd and 3rd respectively.

The second race began in a much steadier 10-12 knot WSWester and everyone jumped off the line this time. Again, it was Iain with a bullet, a mere 1.9 seconds in front of Phil. I was next, followed by Ian and Tim. I happily took handicap honours, just in front of Tim and Phil.

It was great to finally get some breeze and also have such healthy numbers so early in the season. The club boat was sailed by a New Zealand visitor with the scary surname of Coutts. If he sails with us again, I'm sure he will be on the podium soon. You're welcome, Matt.

Thanks to Dave, Peter and the other rostered guys, especially those on Robbie R who had to lay quite a few courses before the wind made up its mind. And to Tim who, as I write, has got the new results system up and running with just a little more ironing out to do.





However, the cream still managed to rise to the top with Iain, Phil and Ian with the best results of the day. A bullet each to Iain and Ian, and two to Phil. They will go into LMR2 leading the series. Snapping at their heels and next most consistent finishers were Bevis, Garth and Mike. Fine sailing.

It's a great and unforgiving format whereas Gordon says, "One mistake...". Particularly in the races of only one lap.

Thanks to Veronique and the race committee for starting and finishing us. And a warm welcome to legend Lloyd Harrison who had his first day racing with us. Cheers.

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It is so good to know that we are continuing to sail on our routine days, with members of households, and people we are training to be able to take their participants as soon as NSW is ready to take the next huge step in Covid-19 regulations. Please be patient with this, the longer we take, the safer we will all be.

VOLUNTEER TRAINING DAY

12 September 2020

This was the most perfect morning ever with a fabulous clear blue sky, and a perfect northerly breeze, fluctuating from 5 to 10 knots.

15 of our energetic volunteers gathered at Manly Yacht Club, not all at the same time, so that we had 4 303's on the water, swapping and sharing skippers, as well as *Charlie's Chariot*, with a skipper and observer/photographer. A few family members came down to share space in the 303's, and we were very happy to have Peter, Dad of Ben, come down for some sailing lessons so that he can take Ben for a sail as soon as possible.

Helen was in charge of the day, with constant reminders of hand sanitising, dunking lifejackets, and wiping surfaces with disinfectant. Wilma proved a great help with this, doing the final dunking of lifejackets, and storing away in the life-jacket trolley.

John brought wife, Kerrie as well as his daughter and granddaughter who share the house. Denis was busy teaching Peter technical aspects of sailing, before he had his practical session on the water. A few more mornings of practise, and he will become able to take his son sailing. Ken was on the radio, and later went on *Charlie's Chariot* as observer/photographer.

Crosbie had the best morning he has had in a very long time, using his time on the water to test the boat, as well as take some incredible photos. Ivan, back with his new toy... a pacemaker, had a lovely short spell on the water, testing his newfound freedom with a short sail.

Jennie came down for a chat, but elected not to sail today, then Michael and Jim took to the water for an extended time sailing solo. Helene and David W were the last to arrive, Helene to go for a sail, and David simply to help us to get everything stored away.

A short discussion after sailing made it clear that all are happy to go on practising in this way until the dreaded virus, COVID-19 allows us to go back to our core business, taking everyone for a sail.

Footnote: a few more training sessions for the volunteers and the start of training sessions for the carers were undertaken in September ... by the end the Sailing Coordinator said "... the job was so easy because everyone just worked together and we got everything done, including hand sanitising and the boat sanitising at the end of the morning".





This morning we received the very good news that Northern Beaches Council has awarded us a grant which will almost cover the costs of having a radio in every boat and giving us the training to use the radios.

Having the radios in every boat enables us to let *Charlie's Chariot* and the shore personnel know when support is needed, as well as alerting other sailors in the area to someone in need of support.

Such a generous donation will ensure the safety of our sailors, however experienced they may be, and allow more pleasure and freedom on the water for all of our sailors.

Hopefully, we will be able to purchase the radios, and organise the training early in 2021.







The First Aid Practical tests will take place in October, staggered because of the limited number of people who are allowed to work together for this. The staggered groups have been advised of the dates for these.

MYC CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

RESULTS: https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/23/results/series/564/races



PEPPER TREE WINES

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP RACE 1



It was a difficult start to the season ... a combination of COVID and not a lot of wind. Aren't we glad it wasn't a point score! What a fluky day.

Thank you to RO Peter B and your race committee for making a good call so that we at least got a bit of sailing in. Two legs of Course 5 and well past 3pm before all boats crossed the shortened course finish line at Cannae Point AS Mark.

Peter's comments the following day ... "Yes, it was a good effort by the whole race committee team. I admit that abandoning the races was very much on my mind, with everyone waiting such a long time for the wind to have some strength & direction. So, it was great that both the yacht and lasers fleets managed to eventually race.

The wind was very much "variable" until after 3pm when Lasers had a worthwhile 2nd windward/leeward race into a strengthening Westerly wind. The team on "Robbie R" did a sterling job of laying & then quickly relaying marks for the Lasers."



Congratulations Shear Magic and Bokarra -Division 1 and 2 winners respectively.



Khaleesi and Corum knew what they were doing before the start of the race ... get all that weight out of the boat!



MYC CC1 13 September 2020: Swan Lake/The Nutcracker

Our first CC of the season proved to be a bit of a challenge, with the absence of any appreciable wind, which turned our beautiful Harbour into a veritable, breathless, "Swan Lake".

Now Ballet isn't really my forte, but Miread, my crew, is a Salsa dancer, and so perhaps there's hope of a reasonable "pas de deux".

Peter, our canny starter, choreographer and composer postponed the start for almost an hour before setting us off "adagio" to Rocky Point ...and Bokarra entertains... with a couple of "pirouettes" in the breathless moments. But miraculously, a zephyr lifts us past the Bombora marks and we gently "glissade" towards a "corps de ballet" of junior boats, which we negotiate, with a "entrechat-dix".

The wind is now filling in and Rocky Point is rounded; the spinnaker is hoisted and we "chasse" in pursuit of the fleet. But how are we going to gybe? No worries mate! The course has been shortened and I'd say we performed rather well.

Did I say the breeze was freshening? "It's not all over till the fat lady sings"! It can be tricky mooring in Manly Cove, when a fresh Westerly is blowing and somehow, we managed to miss the buoy pick up, and fouled our tender painter on our rudder.

Yours truly had to take the plunge and clear the tangle.

It started as "Swan Lake" but ended as "The Nutcracker"! Thank you, "Mr Tchaikovsky".









SEPTEMBER 27: 4P 3 & 4 (SPS 5 & 6)

RESULTS: https://sites.google.com/myc.org.au/lasers/results

This particular Sunday was the coldest day of the week. After a few days in the late 20's, race day maxed out at bone-chilling 18.

To drop the apparent temp even further was a solid 15 knot SSEaster which at times was gusting well over 20. This boded well for a lot of fun on the P series reaching course and naturally, some spectacular capsizes in the 14-boat fleet. It was the season's first real test of boatmanship and stamina.





It was Evie who taught us a lesson in both, by winning both races - on scratch and handicap. Hat's off to her class. On a rare moment I was close enough to witness it - the way she worked her Laser to windward, constantly shifting her weight and sheeting in and out with the gusts and waves was remarkable.

In the first race on scratch she was followed by Iain, Phil and Dad (Ian). And it was good to see Ben back racing with a solid fifth, just in front of Tim who, on handicap, finished behind Evie and in front of Ben and Ian.

The wind wound up even more for the second race and Iain came in a mere minute behind Evie and 30 seconds in front of Ian. Special mention must go to Richard who followed a DNF with a solid sixth. On handicap Ian finished just behind his daughter and in front of Iain and Richard.







Well done all for making it back in one piece. And thanks to the starters and finishers with Shaun on duty and looking after us appropriately with an esky full of 50 Lashes. Thanks Squire.

Thanks Cameron, roving reporter, on the shore to take images for the newsletter.

Thanks also to the Race Committee. It can't have been Comfortable on Carlyle!

Geoff Reid - Lasers







Welcome to the new families to Manly Yacht Club's Juniors program for the 2020-21, and welcome back last year's sailors. It will be a lot of fun this year as the program has been tweaked a little.

Race Fleet A and the Laser 4.7 fleet will be racing on Saturday afternoons and the new kids for this season in Race Fleets B & C will be racing on Sundays.

Thank you, Chris Dudfield for volunteering to write and maintain the roster. It's not an easy job so parents, please check through your diaries now and let Chris know when you are unavailable. She is a very nice person and we need to make life easy for her.











UPCOMING EVENTS

- Working Bees ... there's always a working bee.
 Lots of work has been done to the boat storage area but there is always more to do.
- Helly Hansen MYC Women's Challenge -Saturday 24 for centreboard fleets. Any mums want to give an O'pen Skiff or laser a go? What about crewing on a yacht on Sunday 25?
- Juniors Twilight Invitation November 13
- MYC O'pen Skiff Regatta / State Championships
 December 5 & 6... VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
 FROM ALL MEMBERS FOR THIS EVENT.





WHAT WERE YOU DOING 20 YEARS AGO?

According to the Journal of Manly Yacht Club Issue No. 3 Oct 2000 ...

Sydney 2000 - What an Olympic Experience!! (Extracted from the Journal...)

Everyone in Sydney seems to have a great Olympic experience to tell and MYC is no exception. MYC members were out in force as spectators of the Olympic sailing on the many free vantage points around the Harbour.

As well as being spectators, seven MYC members were volunteer assistant measurers, in the Finn and Soling Classes. This required starting work the week prior to competition and then, as luck would have it, the measurers were required to man the measurement boat and conduct on water measurement activities and random measurement after each race.

So, what did our MYC members think of their Olympic experience?

Ivan Fitzgerald (President of the NSW Australian Soling Association) was rapt, as you will read below.

Paul Glasser (President of the Australian Soling Association) was in awe. He told MYC News that it was a real pleasure to meet the best of the Soling sailing talent in the world. And there was some talent present at this Olympic Games.

David Parle (Secretary, Australian Soling Association) made the most of the opportunity to get some fantastic photos of the Solings.

Bruce Davis (*MYC Commodore*) commented that the organisation of the Olympic regatta was incredibly detailed, involving thousands of people and it all went to plan - just like MYC!!

The alternative view to incredible details is of course restrictive bureaucracy and Bob Buchanan (*Rear Commodore*) got a little tired of all the checks and the officials. He did however make a great VIP Official on the VIP boat on the last day of sailing!

John Corby was clearly inspired as he was seen sailing his Finn on the first Sunday that we could reclaim our Harbour. The on-water measurement tasks were clearly to blame - being able to follow the fleet on the course and see the hotly contested mark roundings, must have been all the inspiration John needed to get out on the water.

And for me, well over the last two years I have met the world's best Finn sailors ... young, fit, friendly, handsome, clever, talented. It was such a chore!! The action on the water was terrific, the racing was close, but the medal ceremony was something else. I have never seen anyone so delighted to receive d medal as silver medallist, Luca Devotti from Italy. Sailing is full of great characters.





Tales from an Olympic Soling Measurer

After rubbing shoulders for two weeks with some of the best Soling sailors from around the world, I thought I should get a souvenir of my memorable experience. I know - the signatures of the medal winners on my brightly coloured uniform shirt, have it framed and hang it in a deserving place like the MYC new foyer?

Great Idea!

Although no medals had yet been decided, there were only four boats left in the match racing and I felt confident I could pick the top three. Roy Heiner from the Netherlands was my first victim. He was consoling himself with a beer after just losing a chance for a gold medal playoff. I knew he could take out bronze the next day! Yes! One down, two to go.

Next morning, I arrived early to target my victims. Jochen Schumann was in the Athletes lounge with his crew... great, another signature. Jochen was in the gold medal match with Jesper Bank, so at worst I had the silver medallist and the bronze.

One signature to go... now where was Jesper Banks? Oh no! There he goes out on the water. I'll have to get him after racing.

The match racing was just fantastic. The bronze medal was decided and went to Herman Horn Johannsen from Norway and Roy Heiner came fourth.

Oh no! What about my shirt? I know, I'll get the top 4... perfect!

The gold medal match went down to the wire with Jesper Bank winning GOLD 4-3. Great! I have silver and fourth on my shirt.

It was impossible to get close to Jesper after racing. Every camera crew at the marina surrounded him. Maybe later, I hoped.

Walking to the train station that afternoon I felt disappointed that the end of my Olympic experience was drawing to a close (not really, it was the fact I only had 2 signatures). Just then Herman Johannsen walked around the corner, fantastic, three signatures.

I never did get that elusive gold signature, but if anyone is going to Denmark and has Jesper's address, please let me know.

Ivan Fitzgerald



HOW TIME FLIES... R

A day at the Sydney Olympic Games, with the **Camerons** Sydney 2000

(More, extracted from the Journal...)

With our family's passion for sailing Lasers it was only natural that we should take in the gold medal day 29 Sep 2000. A guick check on the internet confirmed course "C" for the day's sailing and off we dashed to Chowder Head, through the scrub, with Iain on crutches, courtesy of snowboarding, Robert carrying the radio for trusty ABC Olympic updates, Colin rucksacked, with binoculars, camera, snacks and drinks. Our vantage point was a natural amphitheatre, a beaut Sydney sandstone rock shelf high above the course.

RACE 1: Michael Blackburn our "Aussie Hero" clawed his way through the fleet in fresh NE-N winds from 19th to 4th place to put his stamp on the Bronze Medal with the Swede finishing 1st. His supporters were rapt and could be heard shouting across the water, "Go Sveeden", please excuse my Scandinavian accent.

RACE 2: Just before the start the wind swung to the West. With the change of course we had to speed to Bradleys Head for a closer view of the new course. We no longer had our rather exclusive box seats but enjoyed the company of an international group of enthusiasts, as well as "Lizzie" the water dragon who decided to sit beside us.

Go Paralympians "Set No Limits".

A dramatic tactical battle ensued between Great Britain and Brazil, for the Gold Medal, with Ben Ainslie shadowing and hounding Robert Schiedt from well before the start, pushing him to the back of the fleet. Our Aussie kept ahead of his main rival Portugal, with Belgium the winner of the final race.

At the close of proceedings anxious Poms tuned into steam (sic) radio for the commentator's verdict. Subject to protests Gold to GN, Silver to Brazil and a "Bronzed Aussie".

The Stadium, Superdome etc were spectacular venues, but for me the shores and waters of Sydney Harbour were the grandest arena, how lucky we are, and to further gladden a Scotsman's sporran we had "A" class tickets on a golden day, free!

> Thank you, Olympians. From Colin Cameron

More of the "fun" things Colin likes to do...

Colin for looking after our wharf.





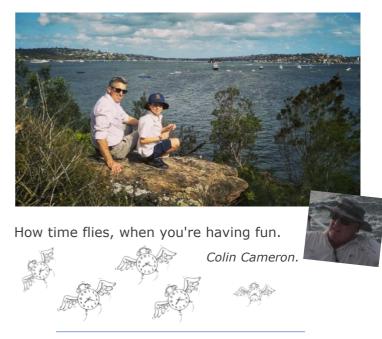


It's 20 years since the Sydney 2000 Olympics and looking back to an article I wrote for the "Journal of Manly Yacht Club. Issue No:3 October 2000'"... "A Day at the Olympic Games, with the Camerons." What a magical time.



Robert Schiedt BRA, Ben Ainslie GBR - 2000 Sydney Olympic

Amazingly we're still watching Ben Ainslie's skills, on our beautiful Harbour. (The February 2020 Sailing GP). See photo of Iain passing on his enthusiasm to son Hamish.









FIRST REGATTA for OKAVANGO DELTA

FOR NEW OWNERS Lyn Humphreys and Janette Syme



Seven boats from Sydney Harbour ventured up to the Gosford Sailing Club for the **J24 Spring Regatta** over the long weekend. This included three Manly Yacht Club boats Ace, skippered by Dave West, Kaotic, skippered by Garth Riley, and Okavango Delta, skippered by Janette Syme.

Eleven boats battled it out for the prize on the beautiful Brisbane Waters with 4 races completed on the first day taking advantage of the fresh breeze followed by 2 races on the Sunday. After day one Kaotic and Okavango Delta were both on 19 points with Kaotic 3rd on a countback.

In the overall One Design result David West won on Ace followed by John Crawford on *Innaminka* in second place and Shaun Kirkjian in 3rd.

Garth Riley was in 4th place on *Kaotic* also taking out 3rd in the PHS and Okavango Delta winning a respectable 5th in One Design and 2nd in PHS on their first regatta outing for new owners Janette Syme and Lyn Humphreys.

All the boats and crew are looking forward to the State Titles to be held at RPAYC at the end of the month.

Catherine Rofe



Owner Lyn's account...

Okavango Delta (Janette Syme, Rob Richardson, Catherine Rofe and Lyn Humphreys) and Kaotic (Arthur Crothers, Garth Riley, Bret Hudson and Seb went up to Gosford on Thursday for a J24 Regatta.

They were joined by other locals such as Innamincka and Ace and three boats from Pacific Sailing School. In total 11 boats.

Kaotic and Okavango Delta were neck and neck after the first day of great conditions and four windward leeward races. The second day there was quite a delay, waiting for the wind to come in but when it did, we had two more races. The final score was *Kaotic* 4th on scratch and 3rd on PHS; Okavango Delta 5th on scratch and 2nd on PHS; Ace and Innamincka tied first, but Ace won on count back.

Kaotic and Okavango Delta raced back at first light to Sydney, on Monday, with Okavango winning first through the heads.

OKAVANGO DELTA Janette looking pretty comfortable Lyn in red hat keeping a good watch Lyn, Catherine and Rob

Thanks for the great images Marg Fraser Martin.

On the following weekend Ace, Innaminka, Kaotic and Okavango Delta had a rematch at the MYC Mini Regatta Day 1. (see images elsewhere in this newsletter ...Ed)

Lyn Humphreys



A typical Sydney NE breeze was all that was needed to make it a competitive race. After a quiet sailing winter everyone was keen to blow away the cobwebs and enjoy sailing again in a top field fleet.

The race was so much fun for all. 12- 15kts of breeze made for a pleasant days sailing. This was the first of 8 races in this series and is bound to be a harbour favorite for years to come.

If you haven't yet entered, there is still time to join for the rest of the series with the second and third race scheduled for November 14' hosted by MYC and running through summer on Saturdays.

Phil Dressler - Ca Va

What a top day to go sailing and with over 90 yachts entered it was bound to exceed anyone's expectations!

This series has been developed after the Harbour clubs joined forces under COVID rules to whet the appetite of all sailors. It gives everyone a chance to compete on courses, and against boats, that we are not always familiar with.

MYC has joined MHYC, RSYS, RANSA and RPEYC in this inter club series.



SYDNEY HARBOUR WOMEN'S KEELBOAT SERIES

Manly Yacht Club is proud to be a part of the inaugural 2020-21 Sydney Harbour Women's Keelboat Series bringing together female sailors from across Sydney Harbour.

Four races will be run by Manly Yacht Club, Middle Harbour Yacht Club and the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia, incorporating both Helly Hansen Women's Challenges coming up in our calendar.

Crews will be able to compete in full female crew or female helm divisions as well as nominate spinnaker or non-spinnaker racing.

EVENT DATES:



Sunday, 25 October 2020 MYC Helly Hansen Women's Challenge



MHYC Sunday, 15 November 2020

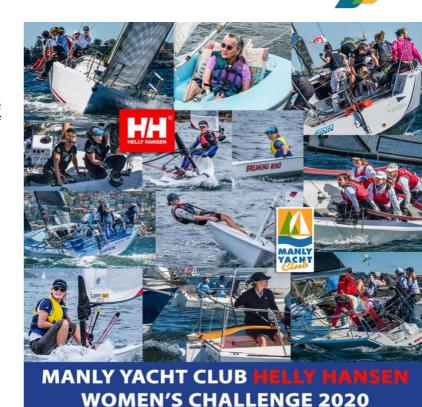


Sunday, 28 February 2021



Sunday, 28 March 2021 MYC Helly Hansen Women's Challenge

For more information and online entry click here.



INVITING SKIPPERS AND THEIR CREW TO ENTER THE 25th ANNIVERSARY

MYC HELLY HANSEN WOMEN'S CHALLENGE 2020 SATURDAY OCTOBER 24: LASERS, HANSE303, JUNIOR CLASSES **SUNDAY OCTOBER 25: YACHTS**

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From all reports the competitors had a great day out on the first of the Mini Regattas. Blue sky, 5-10knt N-NE breeze, course 5 all day.

View from the start boat: the starts comprised a group of participants who were enthusiastic and prepared to have a go and pleasantly not aggressive. There was only one OCS and by the end of the day there were plenty of bows on the line as the flag dropped. While there was a good fleet there is room for more yachts to engage this short and sharp sailing

In the first 3 races the breeze was favouring the right on the bay which required a course from Forty Baskets to Manly Wharf. At the end of race 3 the breeze shifted left significantly with a course now between Reef Beach and Manly. The start area was located mid bay to fit within the triangle used by the Skiff Club for their junior fleets. And given the limited area in the bay we endeavoured to have minimum interference between our fleets and trust this worked out ok for them.

Provisional results have *Ace*, *Jabberwocky* and *Innaminka*, 1st, 2nd and 3rd on handicap respectively with *Sirius* fastest around the course in each race (no prize but well done!). Congratulations to all competitors. Next Mini Regatta -14FEB2021 - hopefully we can all meet back on the deck afterwards.

Thank you, Seven Mile Coffee Roasters and Pepper Tree Wines for the "day" prizes, and Pittwater YHA for the grand prize to be "drawn from the barrel" after Day 2 results.







MINI REGATTA
HOW GOOD WAS DAY 1?
Sponsor says "How good to be
involved with such a well-run regatta
both on and off the water. 5 races on
well laid courses. Results back to
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and start team. I can attest to it
being a great day out."

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regatta - 3rd place scratch - Sailpac

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Need last minute crew? join <u>MYC CREW FINDER</u> on WhatsApp.



The "old" Club in 1947 when it was still called the Manly Sailing Club and 14ft skiffs were the order of the day. A bunch of blokes with not a female to be seen.

How things have changed!

Thanks, Cameron for digging this up... Ed









MYC SROS Juniors Development Program What is a SROS?

Short Rig Open Skiff

Manly Yacht Club is building its Junior Sailing fleet with 9 additional **SROS**s. This is an excellent, fun class of boat giving kids the thrill of sailing at an entry point to our juniors' development sailing program.

Introducing 9 new **SROS**s means some 70 juniors can experience the enjoyment of sailing with other like-minded children, progressing together through our juniors' development sailing program.

The total project cost for the new **SROS** boats is **\$26,500**.

We seek your support to give our next generation of sailors the opportunity to participate in a fun outdoors family orientated sport in the beautiful sailing waters surrounding Manly.

Your donations are tax deductible.

https://asf.org.au/projects/manly-yachtclub/

ANYBODY ELSE MISSING "MADDOG"?

Peter "Maddog" Mac - still in the northern hemisphere with the lovely Tannis is employing his boat building skills on these fine coffee tables and objet d'art



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