

# MYC NEWS

SEPTEMBER 2016



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SPRING IS HERE!

### FIRE THINGS AND REBUILD DATE

We have been dealing closely with insurance assessors and Northern Beaches Council (Manly) and after a lot of to-ing and fro-ing we now have a work commencement date. This is for the building. The work outside on the deck will commence before moving into the ladies toilets. Our claim on our contents policy is still being determined.

### LIMPING ALONG WITH HALL HIRES IN THE INTERIM

The fire has had impact on our hall higher revenue stream, primarily on the need to discount current bookings to retain these bookings; and also those that have been inspecting the club for future events who have been turned off by the sight of our scorched club. The 25% discount offered to potential hirers for bookings before Christmas applies to club members' hirings for groups over 10. A special recognition for Sorrell Lambie who has been working tirelessly on trying to retain clients and convince potential customers all will be OK. One example was the club bought some fabric and Sorrell hand-made this into drapes to hide the burnt parts of the deck.



### CONSORTIUM BUY/MYC LEASE PLAN

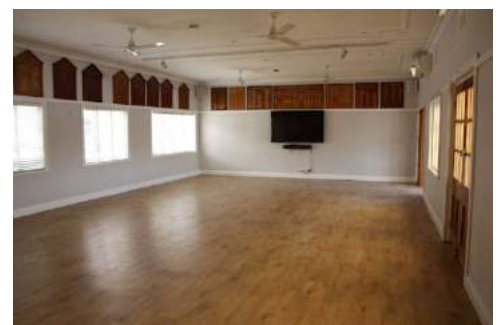
The club raised well over the required \$20,000 through the big BIC Fundraiser and private donations. The club was unsuccessful in its submission for a dollar for dollar Sport and Recreation Department Grant. We have bought one BIC from a private sale and so \$17,000 has been corralled while we seek alternate sporting grants for the club to purchase the 10 O'pen BIC boats.

These grants applications may take a while which will impact on our strategy for this season. As an alternative to purchasing only five O'pen BICs with these funds and lose the opportunity to gain double through a grant, a few MYC club members formed a consortium to buy nine BICs and lease these to the club until we are successful in obtaining the grants required for the club to purchase these BICs. This is a commercial deal but favours the club both operationally and financially. The depth of spirit shown by club members continues to move me.

### COMPLETION OF NEW FLOORING IN THE CLUB HALL

Those who visited the club in the last few weeks will have noticed our tired and stained hall carpet has been replaced with new timber-design vinyl planking. This was planned before the fire and it is a strategy that will help attract more hall hirings in the future. I'm sure the huge turnout for the first Twilight dinner after the race will see this huge change.

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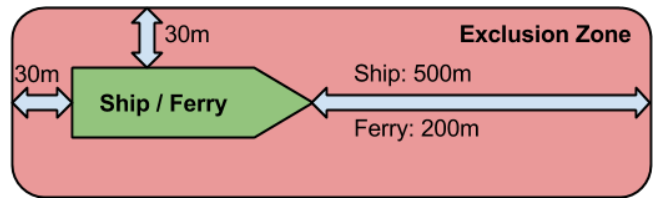
# COMMODORE'S REPORT



The new sailing season has started and we have a healthy fleet of entrants in most events.

The turn up for the mandatory safety briefing was great, and the video of the event can be watched by those who've were not able to attend. The important changes to our sailing instructions include:

- ➔ Yachts finish line pin will be a yellow barrel buoy.
- ➔ *Carlyle* may have two finish lines set: one to the yellow buoy for yachts and another to an orange buoy for lasers.
- ➔ The finish lines may now be either side of *Carlyle*
- ➔ If *Carlyle* is not on station in North Harbour, or if she is flying the yellow 'Q' flag, then yachts will finish on the club triangles.
- ➔ If the club flagpole is flying the 'C' Flag, then only the top triangle is used and the other end of the line is a yellow barrel buoy. This will be used if there are too many anchored boats in the start/finish area.



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## Whale and dolphin watching

Whale approach distances

Dolphin approach distances

Advice to skippers

- Go slow when within 300m of whales and 150m of dolphins
- No more than three vessels at a time should approach whales or dolphins. Wait for your turn and don't barge in
- Stare your approach at an angle of at least 30 degrees to their direction of travel
- If a whale approaches your vessel:
  - Slow down to 'no wash' speed
  - Move away or disengage your vessel's gears
  - Make no sudden movement
  - Minimise noise

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## COMMODORE'S PICNIC Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016

Save Saturday October 1st in your diary!

It is the **Commodore's Picnic**, which will again be held as a BBQ in Bantry Bay, which can be accessed by sail or walk. It would be great to get some junior boats there as well and we will investigate if a sail in from Roseville Bridge is possible.



## DISPOSAL OF OUT OF DATE FLARES

(no... not that sort!)



Roads and Maritime Services have launched a program to help boaters dispose of expired flares, with mobile collections set up along the NSW coastline.

The mobile units closest to MYC are:

- ➔ **BAYVIEW** - 19 January 2017, 8am-11am & 2pm-5pm
- ➔ **DAVIDSON PARK** - 28 January 2017, 6:30am-10am

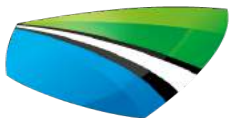
Further info:



<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/maritime/index.html>



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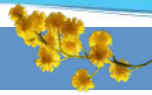


**Roads & Maritime**

**NEW LIFE JACKET RULES FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2016 ... see**

<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/maritime/safety-rules/safety-equipment/lifejackets.html>





## DUTY ROSTER CO-ORDINATOR



**A BIG THANKS** to all who have responded to fill a race committee place (or more) on the duty roster. We have had a great response but there are still places to be filled from October onwards so please check the duty roster on the MYC website and email [dutyroster@myc.org.au](mailto:dutyroster@myc.org.au) with your preferred duty dates and roles. The empty spaces are colour coded red and orange (thanks Greg!) so they can't be missed.

For those that might be thinking about being on a Race Committee but are not sure what they will be doing or are maybe new to the club, here is a short summary of the roles on the Race Committee.

### RACE OFFICER

The Race Officer or RO is in charge of the on-water activities for each race day. The RO will have checked the weather forecast and selected the most appropriate course to give the best days racing. For Sunday events the RO will select the position and length of the start line and the finish line. With his or her assistants the RO will start each race with an eagle eye for those that are just a little too keen to start before the correct time.

**For Sunday events** the RO and assistants will be on board "Carlyle" enjoying an afternoon on the harbour. The Sunday RO can usually expect to start two divisions of yachts and two Laser races.

**For the Friday night twilight events** the RO and assistants carry out their duties from the balcony of the club with starts and finishes being made from the Clubhouse Triangles.



### RO ASSISTANT

The RO will usually have two assistants. The role of the assistant is as directed by the RO but will generally include counting down to the start, helping watch the start line for boats that cross early, and recording the order and times of finishing boats at the end of each race. No experience is necessary to be an RO assistant and the role is great for potential RO's who want to see how it is done before stepping up to the RO role.

### ROBBIE R

"Robbie R" operates each Sunday event to support the RO and assistants.

Robbie R is crewed by a driver and an assistant. The first job for the Robbie R crew is to load up the gear that will be used on the day, buoys and anchors, fuel, safety gear etc. Robbie R then ferries the RO and assistants to Carlyle, and once they are underway follows them out to set up the start line. Under instructions from the RO, the Robbie R crew will position the buoys for the end of the start line and any other buoys that are required for the yacht and laser races. They will also position the buoy to mark the end of the finish line. At the end of the day the crew on Robbie R need to retrieve the buoys, and pick up the RO and assistants are return them safely to the club. The drivers of both Carlyle and Robbie R need to hold the appropriate licence from the RMS and have completed the MYC online course and exam, **How to Operate the MYC Support Boats**, which is accessible from training page on the MYC website. No experience is required to assist on Robbie R.

Volunteers for Race Committee positions are essential for the success of racing at the club. There are plenty of vacancies on the Duty Roster for those that wish to be involved. Participating on a Race Committee is not only a lot of fun, your fellow members will be grateful and you will feel great about doing your part in creating a successful season of racing.



### DUTY OFFICER

The role of Duty Officer operates each Sunday, and while not as high profile as the on-water roles, is arguably more important in some respects. The role of the Duty Officer is to monitor both the club telephone and VHF radio and to co-ordinate with competitors, Carlyle and Robbie R crews as required, particularly in the case of an accident or misadventure. The Duty Officer might also monitor for competitors withdrawing from a race and communicate this to the RO.



Shane Kelly – Duty Roster Co-ordinator

## RIO RACING AT MYC

Obviously you all watched the sailing over in Rio. If you didn't, you should be ashamed yourself. Through turd-infested waters, against all odds, our little treasures tacked and jibed their asses off. They brought home the bullion necklaces and they loved it. Our Aussie battlers sacrificed many things along the way, for that rare opportunity to stand upon the dais of Olympic competition.

Ask yourself what did they actually have to do over in Samba-land to race for Olympic Gold? What type of course? How many races? What start sequence? The list goes on...

Well, this is your chance to find out what it feels like to be a medal winner, as an Olympic style Mini Regatta is being held at MYC; same courses, same starts, same everything.

That's right, multiple chances in a day to snatch Gold. This will probably be the closest chance you'll ever get to be a sailing god; your day to live the dream.

As the Mini Regatta 'Chef wiv-da Mission', I invite all small to medium yachts to join this 2-day series (23<sup>rd</sup> October / 29th January). It will test the steel of your hardy crew and the resolve of any skipper up for this most noble of pursuits. All held on the near-mirror-image of the Rio course - Manly Cove - minus the turds!

This series also boasts a really great prize for the overall winner:

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## We are Celebrating our 25th Anniversary



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### So here's your official warning:

I will be calling all eligible skippers well before the event. No excuses will be accepted, as this is your only chance to don the green and gold while the Olympic cauldron is still warm.

Peter "Mad Dog" McDonald





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## WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST - OLD MAN'S HAT COMES TUMBLING DOWN...

Well not quite... another 100m East and it might have been a different story see ...

<http://www.boatpoint.com.au/editorial/news/2016/boating-warning-dangerous-sydney-rockfall-along-north-head-57372>



Image by Jim Nixon

### MARINE LIFE

Do you ever wonder what's happening, down there, under the MYC wharf?

Shoals of fish shelter in the dappled sunlight, safe under the 'No Fishing' sign.

Curious creatures such as the goggle eyed Porcupine fish nestles in the crevice of some debris, but beware, all is not benign in the 'Octopus's Garden'.

Teredo Navalis, the naval shipworm, continue their relentless feast on our timber piles.

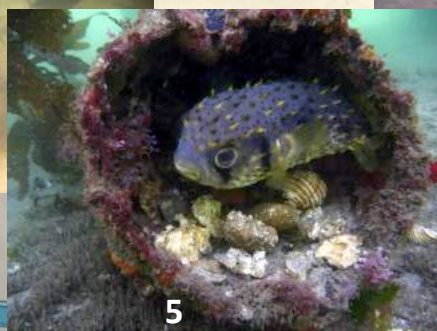
I hope someone is keeping a check on things?

Colin Cameron.

**THANK YOU FOR LOOKING  
AFTER US, COLIN**



Image by Colin Cameron



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT ... continued from page 1



### INVITATION TO COME BACK TO THE CLUB FOR A BBQ AFTER OUR RACES

The barbecue was destroyed in the fire and we'll need approval to rebuild as this is outside of the council's building works. In the interim, we shall be taking up a kind offer to use the Sailability barbecue and Barry Mifflin, our Club Manager has kindly lent the club a barbecue in the interim.

### NEW CLUB SECRETARY

I wish to announce the appointment of Norm Farrell as our new Club Secretary. Norm comes to the club with significant Board experience and I look forward to his counsel and focus on club governance.

The Club Championships have started, the juniors are getting out there, and our centreboarders have started their fantastic internal competition. Our spring season is up and away. I hope you all enjoy this season while your Club Board proceeds to get us back on track and then business as usual!

Cary Budd - President 



## First Wedding Since The Fire



## WHALES GALORE!

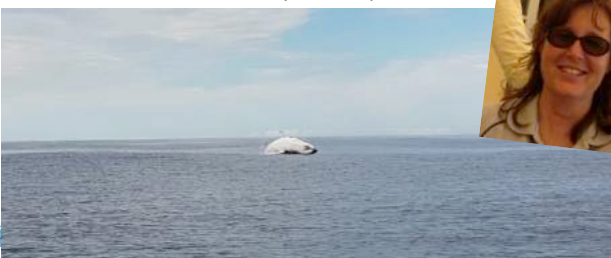
On a Monday not so long ago, Maz and Graham joined Greg and I bringing *Copernicus* back from Pittwater having had *Copernicus* newly antifouled at Quays Marina; what a fine sponsor they are.

The day was just beautiful, the sea the flattest I have ever seen it with a mirror like finish and no wind to be seen except that which we made ourselves motoring.

This was the perfect day for whale watching. As soon as we were outside Barrenjoey we spotted the first whale and her calf meandering along. We then spotted another calf that had taken a liking to an anchored fishing boat and was playing around circling the boat with mum and dad nearby. We stopped our boat a distance off and turned off the motor to watch. The calf got bored and decided that our boat was more fun so circled us for a while but we were watching out for Mum and Dad as they were carefully supervising their little one's entertainment.

Then we moved on to just past Long Reef where we had seen a whale breach from a distance. We found a pod of 5 adolescent whales feeding. Parking a good distance away we watched them for almost an hour. First slapping the surface of the water with their fins, circling in the water to herd the fish then coming up with their mouths open to feed, just fantastic. Then, when they were finished, one whale breached as if saying goodbye and we motored on to Sydney Harbour after a day we will never forget.

Leanne Zyner - *Copernicus*



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## IT'S ON!

Registrations are now open the NSW State Championship for the **O'pen BIC Association - the 2016 NSW O'pen Cup.**

Manly Yacht Club is delighted to invite all O'pen BIC sailors to Sydney Harbour.

We have a special event lined up for Saturday evening, which will give our young sailors the opportunity to ask questions of Olympic and America's Cup champions. So don't forget to book your dinner during the registration process to secure your place (it's easy, just select the number of children and adults, buffet choice on the night). Make sure you include the dinner option if you want to see our special Champions Q&A. Trust me, you won't want to miss this!!

For those intending to rent Club BICs this season, you'll need to wait until your boat is allocated in a couple of weeks so that you have the sail number.

**REGISTER HERE:**

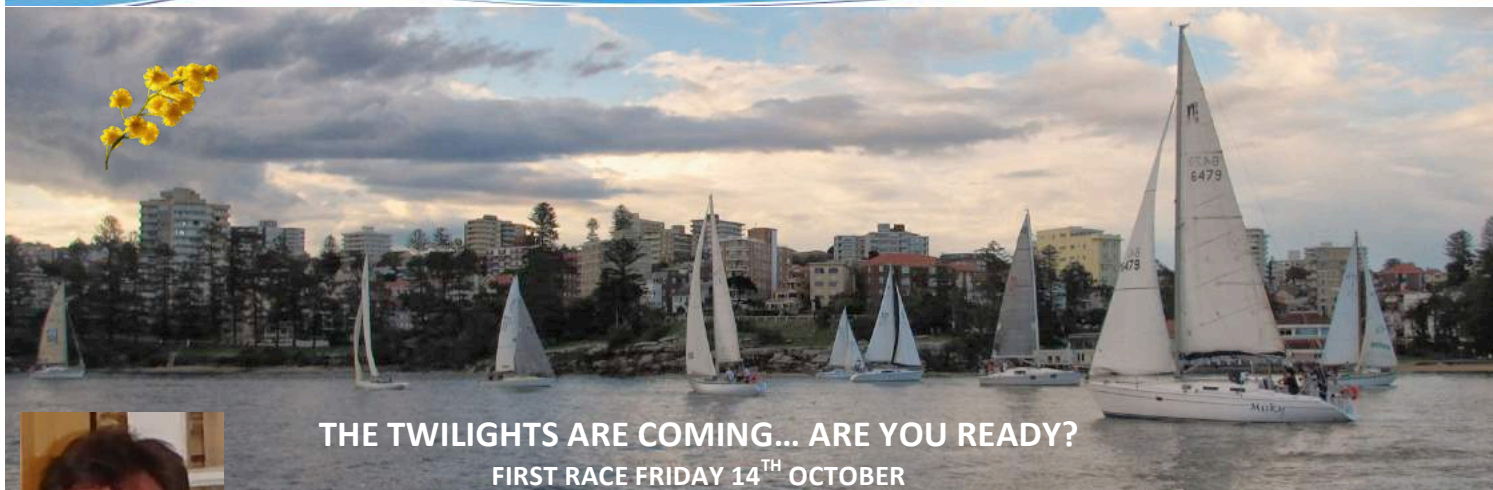
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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

ADULT MEMBERSHIP JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

Howard Gwatkin	George Frith	Ethan Harding
Beverly Gwatkin	Charlotte Cook	Danielle Chapman
Bevan McPherson	Daniel Hely	Ilsa Wickham
	Oscar McLelland	Jackson Lehmann
	Ewan Connet	





## THE TWILIGHTS ARE COMING... ARE YOU READY? FIRST RACE FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER



Hello to all twilight skippers, crew and volunteers. When I was asked by the Commodore if I could help out, a hesitant "yes" got a reply... "Great you can now be Twilight Race Director".

So with my training wheels on I have taken this challenge; but Greg is certainly a hard act to follow. I thank Greg for his past efforts and continued input.

As the largest fleet racing at Manly Yacht Club it is essential that we get some volunteers to step up and help out as Race Committee. This is no longer optional but a requirement under the new Sailing Instructions and you will be penalised heavily for not complying. As a boat you can do this in several ways...

- ✓ Pick a race when you and your crew are the whole race committee. You can do this early when you know half your crew are on holidays or your boat is on the slip etc.
- ✓ Organise a pool with other boats that can spare 1 crew and fill the volunteer positions over a few weeks.
- ✓ Or, do what I do ... sell the experience of volunteering. Free Wine and Dinner to non-sailing family members to fill the positions and still go Sailing. If you have non-sailing friends and family, they can still be part of this great club and Friday Nights at the Club is one of the best views in Sydney.

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### SAFETY

As a skipper you are responsible that your boat; crew and equipment are up to scratch. This includes nav lights, PFDs etc. Please make sure we finish the season with all our crew and boats in good condition and without incident.

If the weather is out of your comfort range, please err on the conservative side and relax at the club instead. It's not worth risking your crew, your boat and others in the race for whatever reason.

I also highly recommend carrying a hand held VHF and keeping it near the helm. They are very inexpensive; a great safety tool; as well as being in contact with the race committee, the rest of the fleet, and the support boats.

Also this year there has been some changes to the sailing instructions. In some races the finish line may be moved and you can ask the RC for clarification. This is allowed under the sailing instructions and is not treated as outside assistance.

### FINISHING

At the start and finish of the twilight series the days are short and recording finishing times is a bit challenging.


- ✓ Please light up your sail number with a bright torch.
- ✓ Record your own finishing time in case we missed you.
- ✓ Radio the club on channel 72 (on your handheld VHF) and tell them your sail number and you are finishing. You may or may not get a reply.
- ✓ Take note of the boat in front and behind you.

The start/finish line can be deceiving whilst on the boat; obstructed with boats on anchor, ferries etc. It is good practice if possible to look at the start line from the clubhouse and get reference to these obstructions.

### PRESENTATIONS PEPPER TREE WINES

Please be aware that the presentations will be in a slightly different format. The first (or next available) boat across the line will supply the master of ceremony. The prize giver may be chosen by an algorithm, from the race results. Hopefully this will boost the camaraderie amongst the fleet and share the volunteering load.

We are still working on catering and tender service for the Friday nights but you will not be left hungry or thirsty, so be sure to come back to the club and share your race stories and mingle with fellow competitors.

Garth Riley - Twilight Race Director 



## PEPPER TREE WINES

WINE TASTING  
AFTER FIRST TWILIGHT RACE  
**FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**  
COME BACK AND SAMPLE YOUR SPONSOR'S  
FANTASTIC WINE  
...EVEN IF YOU AREN'T SAILING!





- ✓ Sunshine
  - ✓ Blue Skies
  - ✓ Breeze
  - ✓ No Breeze
  - ✓ Chinese Jibe
- What more could you want?



Enough supplies?



Before the Chinese Jibe



Boat and Crew whipped into frenzy for first race ... hope we haven't peaked too early...



Strategy meeting – where are we going to walk?



Pensive returning from a race – yes, some racing was done...  
Congratulations 6<sup>th</sup> overall in her division



After the Chinese Jibe



This will do...



Meanwhile ... poolside ...



One relaxed Commodore?



# MYC SUMMER SERIES

FIRST RACE THIS SUNDAY  
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**THANK YOU TO OUR FABULOUS SPONSORS**



## AN OPEN INVITE TO ALL MANLY YACHT CLUB MEMBERS

IF YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS OUT ON SOME BEAUTIFUL WINES AT MYC CLUB MEMBER PRICES AND TO SUPPORT YOUR SPONSOR JOIN THE RIGHTEOUS SOCIETY TODAY  
details in this newsletter on page 18



PEPPER TREE WINES



## ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON AND AVID SAILOR DR DAMIEN RYAN WINS SAILABILITY ART RAFFLE

Orthopaedic surgeon and avid sailor Dr Damien Ryan on Saturday was announced the winner of the Sailability art raffle. The raffle, which was launched in May this year was drawn at Manly Yacht Club on Saturday by artist and keen sailor Lynnette Gould, wife of Manly Yacht Club president, Mr Cary Budd. The painting appropriately entitled 'Reflections on Time and Tide - Tide At Dusk, Middle Harbour' raised over \$2000 for Sailability.

According to Lynnette Gould "The inspiration for '*High Tide At Dusk, Middle Harbour*' was a still Autumn evening when the sun set over the Seaforth Ridge saturating the waters of Middle Harbour in a changing kaleidoscope of colours. The pools of reflected colour, meandered on the incoming tide. Only a gentle breeze snaked its way across the otherwise placid waters.

"Responding to nature, whether through creating art or sailing - at one with the wind - can rejuvenate us. Both creating art and sailing, require focusing our brains and tuning our senses in order to connect and respond. The aim of my art is to sooth and inspire others. I am thrilled that the response to my painting and the support for Sailability has been so wonderful.

'*High Tide At Dusk, Middle Harbour*' - reflects my journey; and is my 'way of sharing the beauty that I see. It is my way of saying thank you to Sailability for helping me to get back on the water'".

Lynnette Gould

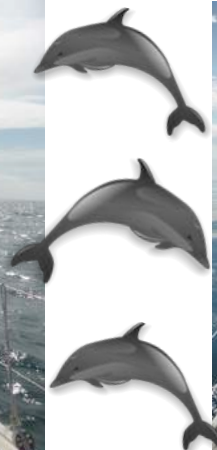


Eli draws the winner from the hat



## WHO LEFT THE PLUG OUT?

Low tide just down the coast from Dinard... makes a hull clean pretty simple but severely limits sailing time! San Toy crewmember, Nick



Pensive's crew returned to Mackay on Saturday and she departed the harbour on Sunday morning bound for Brampton Island, anchoring on the northern side in the lee of a strong south easter. The crew landed the inflatable near the disused resort and put on their walking shoes, using the poolside seats to tie up laces. The guests have long gone and the pool water has taken on a rather murky colour. The jetty was fatally damaged in a rare but severe northerly gale and the railway connecting it to the resort had its ballast washed away and now there are just long twisted rails joining the two.

The crew set off on foot past the old accommodation blocks towards the airstrip where the windssock offered very little help to pilots, but it did suggest a plane hadn't landed there for some time. Wallaby's scattered as the crew made their way across the grassy verge towards the now decaying National Parks sign promising guests



a wonderful walking experience. There was evidence of the parks staff attempting to close the track, but even these efforts had fallen into disrepair and the crew strolled across the now decayed barrier. It's hard to imagine why a track should be closed to those used to bush bashing.

Although the tourists now prefer resorts in Asia the birds have decided to remain at Brampton. There are the usual Sulphur Crested Cockatoos and many more like the Pheasant Coucal with it's beautiful tail. The skipper complained as usual about the excessively noisy bird song and the crew defended her avian friends.



After 40 minutes on the always ascending track, the crew reached the Hillsborough Lookout with its magnificent view of Cape Hillsborough on the mainland. From here and stretching north is an archipelago all the way to the Whitsundays. A little further on there is the Carlisle lookout of Carlisle Island. Both have well-built viewing platforms,

built to accommodate lots of tourists, but today like most days, there aren't any except of course, two old yachties who really shouldn't be there.

Next morning Pensive set a reefed main and headed north on a course toward the passage between Goldsmith and Linne Islands. Once through she passed to starboard of Coppersmith Rock and Silversmith Island. Then finally and triumphantly,

Pensive entered the Whitsunday group where she dropped anchor against the northern shore of Shaw Island in the lee of a building south east trade wind. The wind continued to increase in strength during the afternoon and evening reaching well over 30 knots and preventing crew making a shore visit. Pensive's anchor chain was extended in recognition of the increasing wind and she yawed from one side to the other, making cooking and eating problematic.

With the wind gusting to 35 knots from the south east Pensive sailed the 25 miles to Airlie Beach and the Abel Point marina. Her crew spent the next day at Coles, Cannon Vale buying tucker and drinks for the racing crew, due soon.





## A SHORT HISTORY OF SIGNALS... continued from August Newsletter

(SIGNALS is a monthly publication produced by Manly Sailability. The editor of the MYC Newsletter reprints articles from the publication for time to time with permission – although she sometimes forgets to acknowledge this... Ed)



Bringing our history up-to-date (Continued from July Signals...)

By 2008, Judy Cole was the editor. News items describing State Championships, and the development of the public ramp from the top section of East Esplanade to the bottom start to appear. The ramp was completed in February 2009 and opened by Jean Hay in March.

2009 was the year we entered the World Master's sailing to be held in Sydney. A strong team from Manly and Pittwater was seen every Sunday training on Manly Cove. This paid off, because we received a Gold (Greg Hyde); Silver (Judy Cole) and Bronze (for Tennis) (Jill Musgrove) in this series, sailed in appalling conditions at Dobroyd Aquatic Centre.

In 2010 we lost our Sponsorship of Signals from Warringah Council and Northbridge Travel offered to take this over. At the same time, Manly Council started to sponsor us for any expenses on *Charlie's Chariot*, and Jean Hay, Mayor of Manly took over from David Barr as our patron. Now, we seem to have different sponsors every year. We started a culture of Annual Events: the Australia Day Race; our Volunteer Thank-You evenings in May; Camp Sababa at the tail end of the year; and joining Manly Yacht Club in the Women's Challenge.

June 2010 saw us renewing the racking system for our boats, ensuring that we have space for 9 boats into our future.

In January 2011 Evelyn Shervington, who was our President at the time, became the Manly Citizen of the Year; a great honour for Evelyn and the whole of Sailability.

In 2012, *Signals* was presented in a most professional manner, by Audrey Johnson. Unfortunately, this did not last long, so Judy took it over again 2013. This was the year of the World Access Dinghy Championships at Middle Harbour, which Sailability Manly helped to organise, with people from our branch in many of the key roles. We took 8 of our boats over to Middle Harbour for the use of people who had arrived from all over the world to charter from us. Judy took leave of absence in 2014, so the editorship reverted to Eli Demeny for a few months and has now been taken over by Jae Schaefer.



### Invitation to Penrith Lakes Sailability to help with Transplant Games

Sailability Manly has been invited to help at the

**Transplant Games  
at Penrith Lakes Sailability  
on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September**

If you are looking for something to do that day, in one of the most beautiful picnic areas around Sydney, please join us there at around 1.00 p.m. If you are a sailor, or a helper in any other way please let Eli know that you would like to help with this. The games will finish at 4.00 p.m.

A most pleasant way to spend a Sunday afternoon...

Contact: [eli@manlysailability.com.au](mailto:eli@manlysailability.com.au) if you can help



## FUNDRAISER WINNER

Drawn on the deck at MYC  
12noon 10 September 2016  
Dr Damien Ryan

*I'm thrilled that Dr Ryan won my painting. He was extremely generous to Sailability. Dr Ryan is an extremely talented hand surgeon who has operated on my right hand five times and has rebuilt my left hand. He has given me back my hands so that I could continue to do the things that I love. Lynette Gould.*

## HISTORY ... JOTTINGS FROM THE PAST



### 1969

In 1969 the **Manly Yacht Club Newsletter** comprised two sheets of foolscap (if you do not know what that is ask an old club member) folded in half and fixed with a single staple. The senior membership fee was \$12 per annum, a junior was \$6 and a racing flag in the club colours was 35 cents.

In the **September issue** of that year the treasurer bemoaned the fact that "some 50% of members are still un-financial".

In the same issue under the heading **MYC Adventurers** was the latest communication from *Metung*, which was thought to be somewhere west of the Seychelles.

"Since competing in the last Sydney to Hobart Race *Metung* sailed across the Tasman to New Zealand. From New Zealand she sailed to Norfolk Island, thence to the Great Barrier Reef and on to Port Moresby; a spell in Moresby and then on to Thursday Island, Portuguese Timor, the Cocos Islands and Seychelles. From there she is sailing to Durban via Madagascar".

Under the report from the **Catamaran Division** reference is made to the new B2 design, the *Stingray*, which used to sail off the beach at East Esplanade and became a very important class at MYC. It was designed by club members Bruce Hitchman and Jim Rae with Geoff Clarke. The first *Stingray* in racing trim was trialled against Bruce Hitchman's highly successful *Mystic* and according to Bruce it outsailed and out pointed *Mystic*; a good sign for the new class. The Paper Tiger, a 14 ft catamaran from New Zealand, was also flagged as a new class. Many of the eventual Paper Tiger sailors built their own boats. They would kiln dry the plywood hulls and then add weights to the completed boat until it achieved the minimum permissible weight for the class.

The well-known Bruce Davis who began sailing in a Manly Junior upgraded to a Manly Graduate in 1969.

In 1969 it was assumed that virtually all the skippers and crews would be male and the language used in the newsletter reflects this assumption. So it was newsworthy when the November 1970 edition reported that Poppy Vermardoo and Mary Wade sailed a Fireball with some success.

### MANLY JUNIORS

During the late 60's and early 70's the Manly Juniors were at the height of their popularity. The **April 1971 Newsletter** reports that "A consistent fleet of 30 or more is out, virtually every Saturday, and the racing is competitive.

MYC won 7 out of 9 places in the zone heats for Division 4 in which 34 boats were entered. In the finals, at Woollahra, Robert Holdom from MYC gained the overall 3<sup>rd</sup> place."

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### NEW CLASSES

MYC was very good at promoting new classes of boat but often these classes did not stand the test of time. Over the years MYC has embraced divisions for Fireballs, Surfcats, Manly Graduates, 14 ft Skiffs, Paper Tigers, Stingrays, OK Dinghys, Cherubs, Moths and the famous Manly Junior which is still a very popular class today.

Nearly all these classes were made of wood and many of the Manly sailors built their own boats from a set of plans. They could all be transported on box trailers and there were numerous regattas, state and national titles all over Australia and the sailors were prepared to travel vast distances.

The **Opening Day 25 Sept 1971** had starting times for the various divisions as follows:

Catamarans	1.55 pm
Fireballs	2.00 pm
Cherubs	2.05 pm
OK Dinghies	2.10 pm
Yachts	2.15 pm
Manly Juniors	2.20 pm
Manly Graduates	2.25 pm

Starters, in those days, had a real tough job.

### CLUBHOUSE DRESS

An article from the **September 1971 Newsletter** states: - "As most members are no doubt aware the main club room, thanks mainly to the Ladies Committee, now sports a fine new timber floor. With this improvement the club has become a most comfortable place to relax in after a race and to entertain guests and visiting sailors. It would indeed be a pity if this situation were to be spoiled due to the carelessness of members.

To prevent damage to the floor or fittings **NO MEMBERS WILL BE PERMITTED UPSTAIRS INTO THE MAIN CLUBROOM WITH WET CLOTHES, OR SANDY FEET."**

The main clubroom, in the old Stuarts Boatshed, the one with the new floor mentioned above, was bigger than the one in the present clubhouse but it had an irregular shape. It was used by sail makers to layout and measure sails but maybe that was before the new floor was laid.

### MIDDLE HARBOUR REGATTA

Also in the 60 s and 70 s **The Middle Harbour Regatta** was billed as the biggest Regatta in the Southern Hemisphere and a blue ribbon event in Australia. MYC was proud to be associated with it and in 1970 Bob Adame from Manly came third over the line in *Kuruwa*. I bought *Kuruwa* from Bob in 1982 and sailed her for 10 years at Manly securing one Club Championship, before buying *Eos*. I do not know why the regatta ceased.

## COMMITMENT

What is remarkable is the fact that Manly boats were racing all over Australia and they always featured near the front of the fleet. At **Easter 1971 the NSW Fireball State Titles** were expected to attract "more than 60 boats" and 2 Manly boats travelled south for the **Victorian State Titles**. *Hustler* came third and *Dopey Dick* was 7th.

Five Manly boats made the trip to **Hobart for the National Titles at the Derwent Sailing Squadron**. Manly boats finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> behind a hot-shot crew from Adelaide. However all three were disqualified. I have no idea why. Manly boats travelled to **Lake Burley Griffin for the ACT / Monaro Zone titles**. The 71 / 72 titles were in Adelaide and the organisers were expecting to have elimination heats to keep the final down to 60 boats. There were 80 boats at Geelong.... And that was only the Fireballs.

## REQUEST

Many of the best known yachts from the past have no photo record at the club that I am aware of. Yachts like *Karen* (a Julie class) successfully sailed by D. Tristram and subsequently owned by ex President Gene Scott or *Meltimi* sailed by Bob Green or *Tangaroon* which apparently achieved 8 knots under bare poles in a southerly.

If anyone has photos of these or other old club yachts please let me know I will have them copied for the record and returned.

Contact Brian on 9949 1073 or  
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## A DAY IN THE LIFE OF OUR CLUB MANAGER

*(while we wait for various bodies to approve our repairs, Barry has been hard at work in an effort to tart up the fire damaged areas of the club for any upcoming functions ... Ed)*



- ✓ Today I scraped off the flaky paint on the outside wall, painted a sealer undercoat and then a topcoat so looks quite presentable now for functions.
- ✓ Tomorrow I will commence the paint out of the Ladies toilet - should take a couple of days - ready for the wedding this Friday.
- ✓ Marcus our plumber has installed a new instantaneous HW system downstairs along with regulators to limit the heat going to the downstairs showers.
- ✓ One of the latrines was leaking and has been repaired, one of the toilets was banking up - that has been fixed
- ✓ Ben our electrician did the electrical work to accompany the new HW unit
- ✓ We now have hot water downstairs, in the kitchen, in the toilets and the Bar.
- ✓ The Soft drinks fridge in the hall is now operating again.
- ✓ Five new BIC's landed at the Club today as well - a very busy day



## MEANWHILE...

Our hardworking **Club Captain**, while keeping wharves afloat and moorings labeled (*was that 7 trips to Whitworths, Colin ... Ed*), fending off requests for more storage space, is again working his magic to store the 5 new (soon to be 9) BICs plus a couple of new Optis so that the juniors sailing season can begin with a bang.



**THANK YOU  
BARRY AND COLIN  
FOR ALL THE THINGS  
YOU DO TO KEEP OUR  
CLUB RUNNING**



# MYC LASER RESULTS



Images: Colin Cameron

## MYC LASER RACE 1 - SP1 - 11/09/16

COURSE: 2	START: 14:05:00			WIND: ESE 5kts						
Sail No	Hcp	VY	Laser	Skipper	Finish	Hcp PI	Elapsed	VY Cor	VY PI	
210 201	0:05:30	114	2cheeks	Garth Riley	14:48:46	1	0:39:31	0:34:40	4	
208 331	0:07:00	114	Fragile	Gordon Lacey	14:50:01	2	0:38:01	0:33:21	1	
184 668	0:05:30	114	Tequila	Ben Thompson	14:51:37	3	0:41:07	0:36:04	7	
178 626	0:00:00	114	Po	Andrew Williams	14:51:40	4	0:46:40	0:40:56	12	
199 391	0:08:00	114		Marcus James	14:51:43	5	0:38:43	0:33:58	3	
148 665	0:05:00	114	SqWall	Cameron Wall	14:52:01	6	0:42:01	0:36:51	9	
176 158	0:05:30	114	Deluge	Tim Docker	14:52:20	7	0:41:50	0:36:42	8	
179 391	0:10:30	114	Sin Seal Eile	Phil Reid	14:53:34	8	0:38:04	0:33:24	2	
156 769	0:06:30	114	Grampage	Geoff Reid	14:53:35	9	0:42:05	0:36:55	10	
203 756	0:06:30	114		Dave Smith	14:54:17	10	0:42:47	0:37:32	11	
206 751	0:09:30	114	Salty Dog	Ian Saunders	14:55:13	11	0:40:43	0:35:43	6	
202 964	0:10:30	114	serenity now	Ed Wray	14:55:48	12	0:40:18	0:35:21	5	
123 247	0:02:30	114	Gumbaru	Roland Beck	14:56:02	13	0:48:32	0:42:34	14	
206 751	0:02:00	118.5		Nick Docker	14:56:08	14	0:49:08	0:41:28	13	
166 818	0:02:30	114	Tom Yum	David Holland	14:57:43	15	0:50:13	0:44:03	15	
101 475	0:01:30	118.5	Freytivant	Veronique Morgan-Smith	DUTY					
156 731	0:09:00	114	Seanile	Iain Cameron	DUTY					
203 758	0:06:00	114	Newman	Richard Lacey	DUTY					



## MYC LASER RACE 2 - CC1 (SP2) - 11/09/16

COURSE: 2	START: 15:15:00			WIND: ESE 5kts						
Sail No	Hcp	VY	Laser	Skipper	Finish	Hcp Cor	Hcp PI	Elapsed	VY Cor	VY PI
179 391	0:10:30	114	Sin Seal Eile	Phil Reid	15:52:17	16:02:47	2	0:37:17	0:32:42	1
199 391	0:08:30	114		Marcus James	15:52:55	16:01:25	1	0:37:55	0:33:16	2
206 751	0:09:00	114	Salty Dog	Ian Saunders	15:54:53	16:03:53	4	0:39:53	0:34:59	3
202 964	0:10:00	114	serenity now	Ed Wray	15:56:47	16:06:47	14	0:41:47	0:36:39	4
210 201	0:06:30	114	2cheeks	Garth Riley	15:57:59	16:04:29	6	0:42:59	0:37:42	5
208 331	0:08:00	114	Fragile	Gordon Lacey	15:58:33	16:06:33	13	0:43:33	0:38:12	6
156 769	0:06:30	114	Grampage	Geoff Reid	15:58:58	16:05:28	8	0:43:58	0:38:34	7
148 665	0:05:00	114	SqWall	Cameron Wall	15:59:08	16:04:08	5	0:44:08	0:38:43	8
184 668	0:06:00	114	Tequila	Ben Thompson	15:59:23	16:05:23	7	0:44:23	0:38:56	9
203 756	0:06:30	114		Dave Smith	15:59:35	16:06:05	9	0:44:35	0:39:06	10
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PEPPER TREE WINES



2016-2017 Club Championship Race 1 - 11 September 2016

Division: 1

PLACE	SAIL	BOAT	DESIGN	SKIPPER	FINISH	CODE	ELAPSED	PHS	HC TIME	BCH	CHC	POINTS
1	MYC32	ESPRIT	Archambault 32	Greg/Jan Wilkins/Bartel	15:20:05		2:20:05	0.968	2:15:36	1.027	0.980	1.0
2	AUS1161	WILDLIFE	Etchells	Bruce Davis	15:29:24		2:29:24	0.953	2:22:23	0.963	0.956	2.0
3	1919	LOST HORIZON	Archambault 32	Brett Hudson	15:33:32		2:33:32	0.935	2:23:34	0.937	0.935	3.0
4	KA16	PAM	5.5 Metre Class	Peter McDonald	15:39:51		2:39:51	0.900	2:23:52	0.900	0.900	4.0
5	MYC7	TENSIXTY	Radford 10.6	David Ashton	15:37:55		2:37:55	0.920	2:25:17	0.911	0.918	5.0
6	2306	TWILIGHT EXPRESS	Adams 10	Mark Stacey	15:44:19		2:44:19	0.895	2:27:04	0.876	0.890	6.0
7	MYC100	SHEAR MAGIC	Adams 10	M.Evans H.Sullivan	15:58:36		2:58:36	0.877	2:36:38	0.805	0.872	7.0
8	G445	ETRE JEUNE	Hanse 445	Nick Polin	16:03:12		3:03:12	0.892	2:43:25	0.785	0.886	8.0
9	4863	TWOCAN	Masrm 920	Stephen Teudt	16:18:12		3:18:12	0.870	2:52:26	0.726	0.865	9.0
	9006	BULLET	Bull 9000	Michael Rowe		DNC		0.988			0.988	12.0
	6227	COURTESY BUS	Hick 30	Scott McCarthy		DNC		0.962			0.962	12.0

Division: 2

PLACE	SAIL	BOAT	DESIGN	SKIPPER	FINISH	CODE	ELAPSED	PHS	HC TIME	BCH	CHC	POINTS
1	5830	CHEAP THRILLS	Ross 830	Barry Mifflin	15:08:48		2:18:48	0.780	1:48:16	0.805	0.786	1.0
2	6361	CZECH MATE	Beneteau 361	Phil Dressler	15:19:33		2:29:33	0.740	1:50:40	0.747	0.742	2.0
3	1255	MELODY	Swanson Dart	Jim Nixon	15:11:25		2:21:25	0.790	1:51:43	0.790	0.790	3.0
4	AUS4770	KAOTIC	J24	Matthew Miles	15:07:12		2:17:12	0.835	1:54:33	0.814	0.830	4.0
5	6295	RATTY TOOHEY	Northshore 340	Ian Dennewald Nicola Reade	15:29:52		2:39:52	0.745	1:59:06	0.699	0.740	5.0
	1152	BOKARRA	Santana 22	Colin Cameron		DNC		0.663			0.663	7.0

Great to see the laser fleet join the yachties for the sausage sizzle and prize giving.

Thank you Race Committee:

Peter B, Richard J, Iain, Graeme, Richard L, Veronique; also, "Barrel Boy" Greg, the BBQ team and RSA Maz.

Good Work new Club Champ RD Shari









## AN OPEN INVITE TO ALL MANLY YACHT CLUB MEMBERS

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CREW LOOKING FOR BOAT



**Name:** Karen Makransky  
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**Experience:** I have been crewing on J24s for the past 6 months learning to race at our Austin Yacht Club races and also did one J24 circuit stop in Dallas, Texas earlier this year. I've mostly been mid/pit - entry position, but have some main sail experience. I'll be in Sydney on holiday this December the 5th - 9th, and want to find out if you have any club races where you will need crew with my level of experience. If so, please have the interested skipper send me an email.



**Name:** Grace Enright Burns  
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**Phone:** 0455 511 750



**Experience:** My family have a 47 ft catamaran that I have helped sail in the Pacific. So I have a general knowledge of cruising, however not so much racing but would love to learn more and am very able to take orders!

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Call our Crew Coordinator  
On the crew link number 0400 269 148

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