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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

INTRODUCING THE 2030 STRATEGIC PLAN

I am delighted to share with you the Manly Yacht Club 2030 Strategic Plan, which sets a clear vision for the next decade of our club's growth, development, and community engagement. After thorough review and discussion by our committees, we are now seeking feedback from all members to ensure this plan truly reflects the aspirations and needs of our community.

OUR CORE STRATEGIC PILLAR - BUILDING BELONGING: A MEMBER-FIRST APPROACH

At the heart of the 2030 Strategic Plan is the commitment to foster an inclusive and vibrant sailing and water sports community. Our goal is for every member, volunteer, visitor, and guest to feel valued, connected, and inspired to participate. Every initiative outlined in this plan is anchored in delivering meaningful experiences, strengthening our community, and ensuring the long-term sustainability of the club.

2030 VISION

We envision a Manly Yacht Club where engagement, inclusivity, and participation are at the centre of everything we do, providing pathways for sailors of all ages and backgrounds while enhancing our facilities, governance, and volunteer culture.

STRATEGIC GOALS TO 2030

1. Members - Build an Engaged and Diverse Membership

- Achieve a 70%+ youth and adult membership retention rate.
- Increase female participation in sailing and membership to 35–40%.
- Develop inclusive initiatives to attract LGBTQIA+ members and foster measurable year-onyear diversity growth.
- Deliver targeted engagement programs integrating new members and promoting intergenerational connections.

2. Facilities - Redevelop the Wharf to Future-Proof the Club

 Secure funding and complete a phased wharf redevelopment by 2030, improving safety, functionality, and access for all members.

3. Sailing - Establish Clear Development Pathways

• Implement structured sailing pathways from beginner to competitive levels for youth and adults, with a strong focus on youth development and female participation.

4. Governance – Embed a Culture of Safety and Compliance

 Achieve 100% compliance with all maritime and safety regulations through a club-wide Safety Management System, reviewed annually.

5. Volunteers - Build and Sustain a Skilled and Motivated Volunteer Base

- Establish a formal volunteer training and accreditation program.
- Maintain at least 50 active, trained race officers and mark-laying volunteers annually.
- Expand volunteering opportunities across all areas of club life.
- Recognise and celebrate volunteer contributions through annual awards and ongoing appreciation initiatives.

6. Community Partnerships - Expand Participation Through Partnerships

- Build strong connections with local organisations such as Sailability, Saltwater Veterans, Diggers, Dragon Boating groups, and other water sports organisations.
- Deliver at least three collaborative programs annually to increase community access to the water
- Position MYC as a community anchor organisation, welcoming partners, families, and diverse user groups into our facilities and culture.

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REVIEW & ADAPTATION

The Strategic Plan will undergo an annual review every July, ensuring goals remain relevant to member needs, community expectations, and funding opportunities.

We encourage all members to <u>read the full 2030 Strategic Plan</u> and provide feedback. Your insights are invaluable to ensuring that our club continues to thrive as a place where everyone feels they belong.

Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to the Manly Yacht Club community.

RETURNING

Stuart Hely

WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

ADULTS
Erik La Hei
Louise Sinclai
Zoe Silver
Vilius Skrinska
Colin Bristow

JUNIORS
Samuel Jones
Miles Chadwick
William Tisch
James Tisch
Karla Prince

Darren Nicholson

Lisa Callaghan - President



PAID POSITION

MYC TENDER DRIVER FOR FRIDAY TWILIGHTS



Manly Yacht Club is looking for a Tender Driver to assist during Friday Night Twilight Races. If you have a friend or relative who meets the criteria, please pass the message along.

DETAILS:

Hours: Fridays 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm (occasionally until 8:30 pm if the race runs long)

🌢 Pay: \$40 per hour + super

Location: Manly Yacht Club, East Esplanade, Manly

REQUIREMENTS:

- Current Coxswain Grade 2 NC (or higher)
- NSW Boat Licence
- Reliable and safety-conscious, with good communication skills

DUTIES:

- Operate the MYC tender to transport sailors to and from their yachts before and after racing
- Run basic tender checks and follow safety procedures

If you're interested, please contact our Commodore on 0411 262 121.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



CLUB RACE OFFICER WANTED!

Manly Yacht Club is looking for an experienced and qualified Race Officer (with a boat licence) to join our Sunday racing team!

What it involves:

Yachts typically start from 12:30pm with either a scratch or allocated start. Oversee a dozen yachts racing around the AS marks, while also managing our ILCA 6 & 7 fleet, who sail two short races during the afternoon.

Yachts finish on the starboard side of the start boat.

When: Sundays (afternoons)
Where: Manly Yacht Club



Enjoy operating from our brand new, spacious start boat, custom-built for MYC — complete with a bathroom!

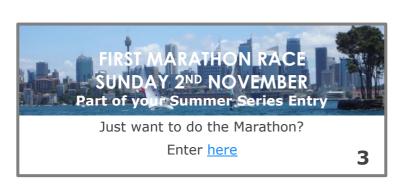
Why you'll love it:

- Join a community-focused club where passion for sailing comes first.
- Experience a competitive but friendly culture — safety is always our first priority.
- Be part of a volunteer team that is valued, adored, and politics-free.
- Lunch provided
- Sail, socialise, and share the best vibes on the water with fellow sailing enthusiasts.

If you're keen to volunteer and make a real impact on club racing, we'd love to hear from you! Email president@myc.org.au to join the MYC Race Crew.

Congratulations









MYC SPRINT SERIES RACE 1-3 (CCSS2-4) - 12 OCT 2025

The Manly Sprint Series is part of the Combined Clubs Sunday Series. David Staley, on board Jack Stenning reports on the CCSS race...

MHYC provided race management for the first Sprints Day of the 2025-2026 Combined Clubs Sunday Series this afternoon and it was held in conjunction with the annual Waitangi Cup -NSW versus Victoria in Adams 10s.

The breeze was variable all day through north and west and from light to strong, presenting some real challenges for the race committee and the competitors. Just two of the three



scheduled races were completed with the third race abandoned when the wind began gusting to almost 40 knots. Many thanks to the race management volunteers for a testing afternoon!

Best of the MHYC boats across the two races were Neil Padden's Wailea in Division 1 and John Crawford's Innamincka in Division 2.







The Manly Sprint Series was contested in trying conditions. All credit to Steve Tucker and his team on the MHYC race committee. After a long postponement and several shifts for the first start line and top mark, racing finally got underway at 12:20.

The first race had *Mondo* over the line first followed by *San Toy* and *Absolut* in division 1. On handicap, *San Toy* first followed by *Mondo* and *Sirius*. In division 2 *Kia Kaha* had a blinder coming in ahead of the 3 x J24s who were "duking it out". On handicap, *Kia Kaha* first, followed by *Kaotic*, then *Ace* and *Stock Car* in equal third spot.

By race 2, the westerly was settling in and of the 10 boats that started, only 2 from division 1 and 3 from division 2 made it to the finish line.

Race 3 was abandoned!

In the series results :division 1 *Sirius* then equal second *San Toy* and *Khaleesi*; division 2 *Kia Kaha*, *Kaotic* and *Ace*. Next Sprint Series racing: 8 February 2026

Photos by David Staley.

CCSS race results are at https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/27/results/series/4929/races
MSS race results are at https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/23/results/series/4929/races







Only a couple of boats came back to the club; Mondo and San Toy; which was disappointing. No prizes were handed out so these will jackpot to races in the coming weeks.

Thank you Seven Miles Coffee Roasters, Harts Automotive and Clarity Cru Wine Merchants, for your support.





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Well, well what a day on the harbour with total carnage from a very fresh Sou-Sou Wester for heats 3 & 4 of the Club Championship.

Hoppo going into the event as the leader on 3 points closely followed by Sammy on 5 and Gordon on 6 points. Hoppo trying every tactic to not sail and gather average points.

During the rigging the deck was calm and you could feel the excitement building as the breeze started to kick in. Tim Docker was on race duty with a couple of brave volunteers Nicole Kofkin and Rolf Stockburger who did an excellent job given the conditions.

The first race got underway at about 14:30pm as we did not have the official start boat and *Robbie R* had to dash to rescue Danielle who lost her mast luckily close to the clubhouse. The first casualty of the day.

The first race started about the same time the wind peaked at what must have been 30+ knots (obs at Sydney Harbour at 14:30 W 17 gusting 23 /obs at 14:36 W 20 gusting 32! ... Ed). Out of the 12-boat fleet somehow 9 boats crossed the line and made their way toward Grotto Point where the top mark was positioned.

In an amazing performance Ian Saunders managed to finish the race in 1st place, no doubt the only skipper to finish a race on Sydney Harbour that day.

12/03:30pm

The second race was abandoned and all that was left to do was get back to the clubhouse. I was back early so had the pleasure of watching ILCA after ILCA land back at the Club.

As the SW breeze now gusting well above 30 knots (one recording at Wedding Cake was 44 knots), made it very challenging to get home. As each ILCA arrived off the moorings and waited for the right moment to navigate into the shore, it was both exciting and frightening.

Sammy ended up under Manly Wharf yet managed to survive wondering if she would be featured on Creatures of Manly social post. Iain Cameron

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None of the weather models showed strong wind warnings or higher for this period

snapped his boom and ended up at Little Manly.

All in all, it was an exciting day, and everyone got back safely. It will be remembered for years to come I think. Something that both Phil's would have enjoyed yet are still overseas post ILCA Worlds travelling. It was great to see Dave Walton back on deck after his campaign in Italy.

Gianni was on catering and with the help of his parents put on a great BBQ to celebrate everyone making it home. Next week Lloyd is on duty with Garth on catering for the Short Course Series. Even Garth had a war story trying to berth *Sirius* on her mooring and was dragged off the deck after hooking the mooring sending the yacht toward the beach. He managed to survive that and the boat somehow.

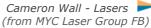
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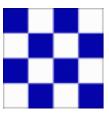
Seen from the Caddy's Crow's Nest - The Manly Yacht Club's regular Sunday race for the ILCAs on Sydney Harbour took an interesting turn when the westerly got really willing yesterday afternoon!

Just how much racing had actually happened by that point wasn't clear from our view; but the fleet seemed to enjoy a solid and early blast back to base - with a few spills - as the club's safety boats shadowed the boats home.

Thanks Crosbie and Dale for the images.









TWL 1 - 17 Oct 2025 WEATHER WATCH BY THE RACE OFFICER



16/10/2025

16:00 First serious look at the Friday evening forecast. Consult 3 different wind models for wind strength and timing of arrival of change.

22:00 Check wind models after latest weather update



Wine tasting rescheduled for 31 Oct 2025

17/10/2025

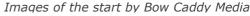
- 06:45 Check 04:00 weather forecast update & models.

 Based on forecast consider 75% chance race will be abandoned.
- 11:00 Phone call between RO and Race Director after 10:00 weather forecast update. Discuss timing and wind strengths and the likelihood of abandoning the race. Heads up to competitors now with a final decision to be made at 16:00.
- 13:00 RO checks BOM for location of change and wind strengths, comparing the position with the wind model forecast positions.
 - Regular checks of BOM observations south of Sydney, confirming position & strength relative to the model forecasts.
- 14:30 RO documents following weather summary.
 - The change has progressed northwards as forecast
 - Gusts have exceeded 30knots in some areas on the leading edge of the change. (e.g. Jervis Bay Airfield)
 - The change will most likely arrive just before or during the race period.
 - The BOM forecast still contains (reconfirm 16:00) a strong wind warning for this evening.
 - Based on the BOM forecast and the uncertainty associated with this change, race will most likely be abandoned.
- 15:40 On 167 Manly Bus, RO receives phone call from RD. RD confirms Severe thunderstorm warning. RO discusses the previously documented weather summary. Decision is made to abandon race. RD to notify competitors, Robbie R & tender drivers and Manly Boatshed. RO and Maz alight bus. Maz notifies RSA, kitchen staff and balance of the Race Committee of the decision and we walk home.
- 17:48 Wind 21 knots, Gust 33 knots
- 18:00 Wind 25 knots, Gust 33 knots
 - ... and then it got stronger!

JOB DONE! ALL GOOD!!



Meanwhile... the CYCA Tollgate Islands Race start time postponed for 2 hours to let the storm pass. Sail Safe Jupiter, Kanreki and the rest of the fleet!









SUMMER SERIES RACE 2 - 19 OCT 2025



The nor'easter was honking in at 20-26knots for the race duration and most boats went around the course reefed - Magician V and Cheap Thrills, opting for more thrills, flew their kites! Course 2 was the course of choice, selected by the race committee for the fewest number of jibes.

So, up to the top mark at Manly before a screamer down to Shark and then Clarke before a duck into Rockie and Edwards and home. As I've always said... it pays to read the Sailing Instructions! While one boat started on the triangles, another tried to finish on them. Not so good for the first boat; better results for the second who was advised by a fellow competitor that the finish was at the boat.

The starters prize was closely contested with *Ratty Tooey* closest to the start at 4 seconds and *San Toy* at 5. The rivalry didn't stop there ... *San Toy* finishing first across the line with *Ratty Tooey* a minute behind, but not good enough for the handicap win - *San Toy* 8 seconds ahead of *Ratty* on handicap. *Magician V* crossed the line 4 seconds behind third across the line, *Absolut*, but managed to claim 3rd spot on handicap. Well done, all!

Fastest around the course - Mondo, who also managed to field a race committee- woo hoo!

Lisa, as RO on the race committee promised pizzas back at the club, so the deck was buzzing as she cooked up a storm of mini pizzas ably assisted by *Mondo* foredeck, Belinda. Lisa's angling for the lasers Caterer's Cup award but I'm not sure she is eligible.

Thank you *Mondo* race committee, race director David, RSA Greg and Peppertree Wines for their continuing sponsorship.







Results here:

https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/23/results/series/4911/races

















MR5-MR8 - 19 OCT 2025

After a very fresh breeze last Sunday we had a solid and nervous wind from 25 knots to 5 knots and back to 25 knots, tested an experienced fleet. Down the harbour it was a solid 25kn and heaps of chop, so the race was positioned in more subtle (sic) Cove where it was still gusty yet flat water.

Lloyd was on duty and ran 4 heats of the Micro Regatta Series. We had nine contenders with Iain Cameron holding a commanding lead on 6 points and Ian Saunders not far back and then Geoff Gill in 3rd.

After last week only Dutchy was brave enough to don the Standard rig which turned out to be a stupid decision, finishing in the bottom 2 in every race.

The racing was tight with Iain Cameron finishing the day with three 2nd's and a bullet and Ian Saunders with three bullets and a 2nd; Tim Docker sailing well to bag a 2nd and a 3rd. Iain retains the lead in the series and also raced in the Port Jackson Championship the day before.

Dave Walton stepped up and covered catering providing a choice of beef sausages or, for the vegetarians, chicken sausages. Well done Dave.

Next week is 4P Series and the all-important Point Score with Geoff Gill on duty and Shaun O'Reilly on catering (although there could be a swap in there).







RESULTS: https://laser-scores.myc.org.au/main

COMBINED CLUBS RACING

CCIS RESULTS: https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/27/results/series/4857/races
CCSS RESULTS: https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/27/results/series/4929/races
SHWKS RESULTS: https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/27/results/series/4929/races

Images by Marg Fraser-Martin







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You can support our newest community partner by purchasing some raffle tickets. Follow this link for more details.

1st Prize - MAZDA2 Automatic Hatchback - valued at \$27,271*

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2025 SPRING FIRE SAFETY NEWSLETTERS

Spring clean for fire safety

Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) is encouraging the community to spring clean responsibly to help reduce the risk of fire on their properties.

When it comes to spring cleaning, keep you and your family safe from fire by:

- ☐ Clearing out any rubbish, old newspapers, cardboard boxes and any other unused materials that could fuel a fire.
- Rolling, not folding electric blankets when putting into storage. Folding can damage the wiring. Check the hose and connections on any LPG-fuelled barbecues before use.
- Clear leaves and litter from gutters.
- Making sure you have a working smoke alarm.
- Most importantly, if a fire does occur, get out, stay out and call Triple Zero

Fire and Rescue NSW encourages residents to book a safety visit. Local firefighters will come to your home to conduct a fire safety inspection and will install a working smoke alarm, free of charge, if required.





For more tips on keeping fire safe visit www.fire.nsw.gov.au







A FAREWELL FOR HELEN - BY CLARE ARCHER



The wake for Helen Hendry took place on Thursday, October 2nd at the Manly Skiff Club, attended by more than 50 of her family, friends and members of Sailability. The event was a simple and heartfelt gathering, just as Helen had requested, with no fuss or formality.

Helen's eldest son Peter shared a touching eulogy that reflected on her life, describing her as a loving, kind, and selfless presence.

He also recounted anecdotes from Helen's younger days when she spent time living and working Europe. While working with the Australian High Commission, she was sent to Scotland and, to her surprise, was introduced by the local mayor as "Miss Australia"—a playful ruse that everyone in the town happily went along with in those pre-internet days.

Following Peter's words, Eli from Sailability Manly spoke about Helen's decades of dedication to the organisation, after being introduced to it by her husband. Helen duly acquired her power boat licence and spent many a morning behind the wheel of Charlie's Chariot, and later took over the role of membership secretary.

In a fitting tribute, Warwick announced that Sailability Manly would be naming their new boat *Helen Hendry*, in her favourite colour yellow - ensuring her legacy sails on in the community she loved.



SKYE FITZPATRICK - OUR SUN-CHASING VOLUNTEER



It seems our very popular and long serving Irish volunteer Skye FitzPatrick is a sunseeker and spends the winters as a member of Sailability Whitsunday, one of 15 Sailability clubs operating in Queensland.



Sailability Whitsunday is based at the Whitsunday Sailing Club, situated on the Point in Airlie Beach, and enjoys unbridled views of Pioneer Bay and Iconic Whitsunday Island – what a perfect location for sailing!

Skye joined Sailability Whitsunday in July 2021 and sails every available Tuesday morning while she's up north. Boats are stored in a shed on the grounds of the sailing club, and a quad bike is used to tow the boats from the shed to the jetty.

So, when Skye goes missing from Manly during the colder winter months remember that this girl from bleak Ireland has gone chasing the sun and the warmth.

(MYC Editor's note... Skye is also a member of Manly Yacht Club and sails regularly at MYC and MHYC)





Race 2 of the twilights threatened to be a repeat of race 1 as RO and RD watched the weather down the coast - very difficult to do with the new B.O.M. website, and that's how the frustration started. Then, the bus didn't arrive, so an Uber was called!

Upon arrival at the club, still unsure whether to call it, or not, the RO was confronted with no power (no ... not Lisa overriding the RO's decision; no electrons running though the office!). That meant no computer, no camera! Swapping out power boards didn't help so eventually a lead into the kitchen sorted out the problem.

With the breeze looking to ease in the south, the short course 1 was selected and the racing got underway. A few skippers were a bit rusty with the rules. Stay out of the start area before your 5-minute warning and stay out of the ferry lane were the 2 biggest no no's. A lot of skippers were a bit rusty with the starts - up to 3 minutes late!!! However, 2 boats nailed it ... Knotty but Nice and Stock Car, but you have to be on the deck to collect your prize and James from Stock Car was!

Frustration didn't stop there! The loss of power also meant no twilight finish lights, but the fleet all managed to finish correctly.

Following Lisa's email about a "top gun" award at each race, the finish was hotly contested by the first 7 boats who all finished within 2 minutes - Tomas from *Moonraker* claiming the prize; with Kia Kaha 15 seconds behind claiming second spot and a dead heat for *Magician V* and *Solace* in equal third place.

Back on deck the Kieser team, Holly, Kaelia, Christian and Yanni were setting up to test the fitness of our sailors, while Karrie, Kinvara and Henry handed out

meals and Brea tended the bar.

Leanne and Graham checking results against the camera



Thank you race committee, Graham, Ken, Maz from San Toy, and Leanne and Greg (past owners of Copernicus and donors of the new twilight camera). We were impressed with the camera which really aided our double checking and correcting of results.

Thank you on-water photographer ,Peter Manahan for the images from *Mondo* and deck images from Maz.

Thank you Peppertree Wines and the Peter Wilkins Trust for our race prizes.





"Top Gun" Tomas (Moonraker), Xav and Grant (Solace & Magician V), James (Stock Car)





PEPPER TREE WINES

CC results: https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/23/results/series/4908/races
CCSS results: https://app.sailsys.com.au/club/27/results/series/4929/races

With a weak north predicted, course 8 was selected for Club Champs Race 2, incorporation Combined Clubs Sunday Series Race 5. There was quite a nice white patch on the marine and ocean model in the race time which may have accounted for only seven boats turning up to race - one was late (GCR 7.10.8) so only 6 boats started and finished.

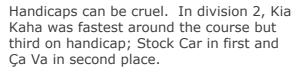
Starting at Camp Cove, course 8 took division 1 upwind to Manly West and East, then Lady Bay, Cannae, Eastern Channel, back to Manly West and East before a final loop to Lady Bay and then



home to North Harbour. Division 2 headed to Cannae on the shorter course and then matched the division 1 AS marks.



Khaleesi, fastest around the course in division 1 was also first on handicap with Esprit and Mondo coming in second and third on handicap.













THANK YOU

Thank you RO Albert and team Ten Sixty on the race committee; stand-in RD Lisa, Yankee-Aussie Bob at the bar; Marg Fraser-Martin for her great photos and our fabulous sponsors Peppertree Wines.



4P5*/4P6 - 26 OCT 2025



RESULTS: https://laser-scores.myc.org.au/main

Some of the laser legends who will be doing battle with the other clubs in **THE BATTLE OF THE SOUND**.























Thank you RO Albert and team Ten Sixty and Geoff Gill from the ILCA fleet on the race committee;

Marg Fraser-Martin for her great photos and our fabulous sponsors Peppertree Wines.



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Presented by the Boating Industry Association Ltd (BIA) in partnership with Mulpha Events, the show will feature more than 150 luxury vessels on display at a purpose-built marina in Cockle Bay. From high-end motor yachts and power cruisers to sailing yachts and cutting-edge marine technology, visitors will be able to browse, buy or charter



vessels; explore the latest equipment; and discover the best in marine innovation.

Onshore, the action continues with a festival precinct spanning Palm Grove, Tumbalong Boulevard and Tumbalong Park. At the heart of it all will be the new Discover Boating Festival Hub, where visitors can enjoy boating displays, product launches, interactive activations, roving entertainment, live music, and an array of gourmet food and wine experiences.

A standout feature of the Discover Boating Festival Hub and tickets for the <u>Wine Selectors</u> <u>masterclasses</u> are an additional \$15 for a 30-minute session, with four curated wine tastings included.

Right in the heart of Sydney, Darling Harbour offers exceptional accessibility. With convenient parking, easy pedestrian access, ferries, buses and direct transport links from Town Hall and Wynyard stations, getting to the event is effortless. Travellers from interstate and overseas are also just a guick 20-minute trip from Sydney Airport by car or train.

The show's extended hours, 10am to 7pm Thursday to Saturday and 10am to 6pm Sunday, mean guests can enjoy the glow of spring twilights while experiencing the best of Australia's boating lifestyle.

BOOK TICKETS NOW!





SUNDAY 26 OCTOBER 2025:

HMAS Warramunga steams into Sydney Harbour carrying precious cargo.

The first Elliot 7 for delivery to Saltwater Veterans Sailing Program - congratulations!







I haven't written much about the *Crux* double-handed campaign this year, and I'm planning to fix that. One of the reasons for the radio silence is that I've spent far more time on boat preparation than sailing. In June, *Crux* was fitted with a new state-of-the-art autopilot system. Leading up to the start of the season—and during almost every race so far—we've had to deal with major issues such as hull leaks, battery charging problems, and fuel line faults.

Nothing, however, compared to the disappointment of having to abandon a race for the first time ever since we began racing double handed. In the last Tollgate Island Race *Crux* participated in (2022), we achieved our most successful result yet. So, when the forecast predicted a wild mix of weather conditions, I was excited—these are exactly the conditions in which Peter, *Crux*, and I thrive.

While the forecasted heavy upwind racing is not the most comfortable, to say the least, *Crux* loves it. She climbs like no other boat I've sailed before. The mixed conditions make for a navigational challenge I truly enjoy, and the frequent sail changes and deck work transform Peter into what I like to call a deck-handling virtuoso.

That evening, the start was postponed by two hours to avoid the electrical storm expected to accompany the southerly buster. Shortly after leaving the dock at MHYC, the engine died on the way to the start line at Point Piper. Suddenly we had a boat with no engine, no sails rigged, and 30+ knots of wind—with gusts reaching 40 knots during the ordeal.

We looked at each other and instantly knew what to do. Peter single-handedly rigged the J4 and began sailing *Crux* toward the start line. At the time, we were still off Clontarf and had to tack all the way to Point Piper. Meanwhile, I dove into the engine bay, determined to bring the engine back to life. Wearing full wet-weather gear and armed with a toolbox, I wedged myself beside the engine as the boat heeled and pounded through 30–40-knot gusts. With every tack, I had to re-secure myself and the tools in a new position.

Long story short, after debugging and disassembling the fuel line—and ingesting a small amount of diesel along the way—I discovered the fuel pump was damaged beyond repair.

We kept sailing toward the start line for several minutes, brainstorming ways to stay in the race. Could we improvise a gravity-fed fuel system above the engine to bypass the pump? Every idea was too risky. Eventually, we made the painful decision to send the dreaded message to the race committee: *Crux* would not be starting. B

ut the challenges weren't over. It was getting dark—and we had no engine. We called Marine Rescue Sydney, located near MHYC, and asked for assistance. They had no personnel on the water at that time in those conditions but assured us the Water Police could reach us in about 45 minutes. I reeked of diesel and was starting to feel nauseous, so we decided not to wait and instead attempt to reach the pontoon under sail.

Fortunately, this wasn't our first time approaching a pontoon under sail. We had engine issues after finishing the Cabbage Tree race in 2021 and had to approach the pontoon at Davis Marina at 2am under sail. This was different though; the wind was raging still. We made one practice turn away from the pontoon, worked out our timing, and went for it. We nailed it on the first attempt. Peter, with long lines ready, jumped onto the pontoon with precision while I dropped the sail immediately.

"First Light" also retired from the race. Peter noticed they'd made several failed attempts to approach another MHYC pontoon under power, so we ran over to catch their lines.

The main reason I wanted to write this was the message Peter sent me later that night after we got home. Despite the disappointment of not racing, he said he'd have great memories from the evening. He pointed out that we both knew exactly what to do—and what the other was doing—without needing to speak. In fact, during the whole ordeal, we said very little.

In a simple yet beautiful way, his message reminded me why we do this: friendship. Thank you Peter!



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