

## EQUIPMENT COMPLIANCE DAY.

A lovely day for the inspections and as a result thirty four boats were checked and all but one passed as complying. One or two made some adjustments to their gear during the morning and as a result were able to have their form signed off ready for the upcoming season. Congratulations to all successful owners and their representatives.

The Sailing Committee would like to thank all the inspection auditors who gave up their day to complete the task. Bruce, Jim, Steve and Andy your efforts are much appreciated.

Next year we hope to be able to implement an improved system so that, especially the Cat.3 and 4 boats, don't have to wait around too long before an auditor is free to check off their boats and forms. This delay was not the inspectors fault.

To help speed up this process we would once again ask that when your boat is presented for inspection the two forms are fully completed, including each item ticked or signed off in the appropriate "owner" column and the gear neatly laid out so that it is visible and easily checkable. Quite a lot of valuable time is wasted while forms are being filled in and equipment is searched for somewhere down in the bilges or in an inaccessible compartment.

## MORE RACING RULES

### AT MARKS.

**FUNDAMENTAL RULE** - Give way to a boat on the inside.

If not overlapping before the 2 boat lengths circle then no right to the inside. If overlapped at the 2 boats circle the overlapping boat has the right to inside at mark.

Inside boat has to be given room to negotiate mark in a seaman like manner.

At the windward mark the rounding rule only applies when boats are laying the mark.

**RULE 18.3** - Inside the 2 boat lengths circle - no tacking.

**FINISH MARK** - keep proper course as 2 boat rule applies.

### AT START.

Give way is only applicable when going for the start. (Before start give way so that start boat and pin buoy aren't involved).

There is no proper course before the start.

"Water!" - the caller must avoid the outside boat or the outside boat can call "you tack" then the outside boat must avoid the other one.

At the starting line a boat can drift backwards. The rear boat is at fault. Sailing backwards (by pushing the boom out to slow the boat down at the start) the front or windward boat is at fault.

Start line - between start boat flag and windward side of pin buoy.

Finish line - start boat flag and leeward side of pin buoy.

## NEED GOOD CREW?

The following people would love to help as crew on your boat. Nearly all have done a course with Penguin Sail and can be recommended as willing and able. There is no order to the list below but some Christian names are in alphabetical order.

Al Beecham	0414701236	Cathy Gadd	0404871491
Anna & John	0404616461	Ian Charlton	9976 0191 (H)
Carmilla Brindley	9976 0191 (H)	John Greig	0403094882
		Julian Bedford	0414779246
		Nino Pannino	0418103975
		Lee & Elanor	0405422804
		Liam & Lindsay	0418227899
		Mark Walker	9976 3147 (H)
		Michelle & Pierre	9977 3319 (H)
		Phil Crawford	9948 6056
		Sally Stone	0421052071



MYC  
Creative  
Exhibition  
All Welcome

## DIARY DATES

17 - 18 - 19 Sept	MYC Creative Exhibition
Sat 18 Sept	Sailability General Sailing
Sun 19 Sept	Fun Day
MJ's	Centre Board SPS 2
Yachts Div 1	SPS2 & CC1
Yachts Div 2	SPS2 & FL1
Tue 21 Sept	Sail Trimming Course 1
Sat 25 Sept	Due date for Entry: Off Shore Race 1
Sun 26 Sept	Cumberland Cup 1
Mon 27 Sept	Sailing Committee Meeting
Tue 28 Sept	Sail Trimming Course 2
Sat 02 Oct	Sailability National Champs Belmont
Sat 02 Oct	Off Shore Race 1
Mon 04 Oct	Labour Day Long Weekend
Sun 10 Oct	Centre Board SPS 3 & CC 1
Yachts Div 1	SPS 3 & CC 2
Yachts Div 2	SPS 3 & FL 2
Mon 11 Oct	Board Meeting
Tue 12 Oct	St John Ambulance First Aid Course 1
Sat 16 Oct	MJs
MJs	Training & State Championship General Sailing
Sailability	
Sun 17 Oct	Centre Board SPS 4
Yachts Div 1	SPS 4
Yachts Div 2	SPS 4
Tue 19 Oct	St John Ambulance First Aid Course 2
Wed 20 Oct	Sailability - Fisher Rd

**DUTY ROSTER CREW:**  
Call Ann Webber on 9948 6724.  
Please double check your 2004-2005 Handbook

## DEADLINE FOR THE OCTOBER ISSUE

Friday 10th October.  
Please email all items of interest and photos to :  
margaretlucas@bigpond.com  
or phone Margaret on 9977 1611



# MYC NEWS

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2004 Season

## President's Report

Thanks to all of those people (including some dragon-boaters) who turned up to the last working bee to assist with a general clean-up and some spring cleaning. Colin Cameron took an overloaded utility and trailer to the tip and there is still more rubbish to be cleaned up. The Club needs constant attention and there are always repairs to be done. I did not recognise the oar store - it is quite big without the junk! It would be nice to see some new faces helping so if you did not help last time then try to make it next time.

The Forte agreement has been signed and Forte are now managing hall hire and event management. This should reduce risk to the Club from hall hire activities.



We have had numerous problems with people leaving the Club open. Before you leave, please lock all doors. The Club should be kept locked at all times other than scheduled race days. Also, if you set off the intruder alarm, please phone the security monitoring company.

Their phone number is on the sticker at each key pad. If you do not have a phone, the security company will first phone the Club. Answer the phone in the centre corridor at the top of the stairs. If you don't, the security company either sends out a guard at our expense or phones me.

This is happening too frequently lately. If you set off the alarm and you don't phone security and don't answer the phone then don't be surprised if I am a bit cranky when I come down to check things out - particularly if it is at night! Every member must take responsibility for Club security.

Tyrrell's Wines has decided not to sponsor our Twilight Series this season so we are on the look out for a new sponsor. We have some good leads and hope to have a new sponsor in place soon.

It is great to see the new season starting and the increased activity at the Club. Thanks to our safety auditors who did a great job again with the safety audits.

The design of our new hardstand is progressing slowly. The area has been surveyed and we hope to present the design to the next Board meeting.

The Try Sailing Day will be held on Sunday 7 November 2004 and as usual we will need all the help we can get to organise this event and to run it on the day. It is an important day for the Club and has brought in many active and valuable members so any help will be appreciated.

## Keith Woodward President



Aussie Rules  
Try Sailing Day 2003



## Sailability

We had a most successful Training and Orientation Day day on 28th August, with lessons in rigging and derigging, use of the radio, and how to use the hoist. Many heartfelt thanks are owed to Elke Van Ewyk for organising this most informative and pleasant morning. Following the training sessions, and a barbecue lunch, we held our A.G.M. for the coming year.

Our President is Des Carmody,  
Treasurer: Terry Kennedy,  
Volunteer Coordinator:  
Evelyn Shervington, and  
Secretary: Eli Demeny.

Our first Sailing Day for the season was held on 5th September. This turned out to be a very pleasant day, with 9 volunteers and 9 sailors with a disability. Training given the previous week in use of the hoist, efficient rigging and derigging was well used and greatly appreciated.

All who wanted a sail were able to be accommodated, including the new volunteers. Welcome to our new members and our new volunteers. Next Sailing Day is 18th September.

ELI DEMENY



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## Spring Into Action.....

### 1. SPRING POINT SCORE

**YACHTS DIVISION ONE:** Even if you missed the first race of the Spring Point Score, there's still time to enter and stay in the hunt for some silverware.

This year there will be two discards for the eight-race series - and that means **YOU ONLY HAVE TO TURN UP SIX TIMES** between now and Xmas to stay competitive. Call **Jim Nixon** on **9977 0132** for more information

### 2. SENIOR FIRST AID

Commencing 12th October at 7pm at the MYC To enroll contact: **Stephen Garmston 9971 0757**

### 3. DUTY YACHT ROSTER

**DUTY YACHT** If you've been rostered as the Duty Yacht, you're in for a **FUN DAY!**

Duty Yachts are asked to provide two people to help the race officer volunteers (wo)man the starter and support boats and are responsible for the bar after the race (hic... hic...).

Appendix L in the handbook lists the date you and your crew have been rostered. If for any reason, you are unable to participate on your scheduled day, it is your responsibility to find another boat with which to swap. To help, or are willing to swap, you may write a note on this list to see if anyone else is in the same boat (get it?!)...

If there are no takers, you'll just have to beg, borrow or bribe. Thanks, **Ann Webber**



### 4. SAIL TRIMMING COURSE

- Tuesday 21 Sept - Course 1
- Tuesday 28 Sept - Course 2

To enroll contact: **Steve Teudt 9907 9111**

### 5. OCEAN RACE SERIES 2004-2005

**Invitation** Manly Yacht Club will be conducting **FIVE** offshore races using performance based handicapping system. It is anticipated that competitors will enjoy a mixture of fun racing and will be able to cruise and enjoy the surrounding waterways at the end of the series.

**RACE 1. SATURDAY 2ND OCTOBER 04**

**DUE DATE FOR ENTRY 25 SEPT 04**

Notice of Race - and dates of other 4 Ocean Race Series for 2004-2005

Web page: [www.myc.org.au](http://www.myc.org.au) or Contact **Steve Teudt 9907 9111**



## Hitchhiker Guide to the Barrier Reef - Part 3

The story so far: Two very old yachties have some how made it as far as Gladstone!

There are four main ways of getting in and out of Gladstone Harbour. We came in through the bathroom window, not the main shipping channel. Our choices for leaving were the Narrows (very shallow but the shortest distance) or the Eastern channel which would be quite long because we would have to head off in a southerly direction almost down to the main shipping channel and then short cut just a little. We chose the NorthEast channel, which required a tide height of your boats draft. This is not such a big ask as the tides up here are huge, but so is Pensive's draft.

Our stay at the marina was very pleasant and even Peter Mu would be very impressed at the way the Gladstone Port Authority ran things. They had showers, toilets, laundry, office, chandlerly and more but impressively they were all sign posted with perfectly mowed lawns and paths leading from one to another.

On a rising tide we left Gladstone Harbour without incident, crossing the shallow point in the northeastern channel a few minutes before high water and once again entering the Coral Sea. Between Gladstone and Mackay lies the Shoalwater Bay region. This is a ragged bit of coastline which pokes out to the east of

the general run of the shoreline. It was given to defence forces some years ago as a training area. Johnny Howard has recently been saying that the Yanks would also like to use it. We found it to be very remote and sort of place that you can go ashore and not find any footprints in the sand. It has lots of rocky headlands and sandy beaches with fairly sparse vegetation. There are two big harbours and a few sheltered headlands to shelter from the SE trade winds.

In one of the harbours (Island Head Creek) we were sitting on the beach and we noticed a disturbance in the water. It turned out to be a small Dolphin. Dolphins were not uncommon but one this tiny was unusual, but then we noticed its mother which was more the normal size. They were swimming within just 10 metres from the waters edge and over a sand flat that was dry just an hour before. Suddenly a furrow appeared in the water and we realised mum had turned back on her track and with amazing speed swum 30 meters to catch a fish and then within seconds rejoined her young and continued on as if nothing had happened.

Pearl Bay is just a blip on the chart, but in reality is a Mecca for yachties. It is just the normal sort of headland with a beach hooking around on its north side, which provides shelter from the south easterly. This bay is a little special because there are a number of islands scattered across the bay which eat up any swell and stop the nor easters.

Progress has been slow. We stop too often and go rowing or walking. We have only swum a few times as it still quite cool. From Island Head Creek we set sail for the Percy Island. This was a 45-mile trip and accomplished under spinnaker with a SE wind pushing us along. We have been told by experienced reef cruising people that the SE winds are fairly light this year and it is true we seem to have copped quite few NE winds.

South Percy has lovely sandy beaches separated by small headlands and bits of coral reef. Walking ashore revealed some beautiful stand of Sheoaks and under them some birds had built nests in the sand. The hilltops were made of stones and covered with short grass and the views were stunning.

Middle Percy is much bigger and has the famous A frame shed where for many years yachties have carved their boat names into the beams. There were many well-known names from years gone by and we decided that Pensive would need to perform some daring future adventure before we could justify carving her name into a beam.

We walked the 4-kilometer up the foot track to the house where earlier owners had a coffee plantation, beehives, sheep, goats and nicely laid out ground with dry stone walls. Although the goats still roam around and the bees make honey which is sold at the A frame every thing else has gone or is crumbling away. The house and surrounds are set in a dry rainforest and still



has a nice ambience. The tenants asked us into the house and made coffee while we sat on the verandah and looked at the view. The sun moved across the sky but we felt that time had actually stopped.

With a late start the next morning we sailed to Digby Island and an early start the next morning onto Mackay Harbour and its time to fly home and pay some bills.

**BRUCE AND PAM**

## MYC RESULTS

### THE CENTREBOARD WINTER SERIES

Crew name	Boat Name	Sail No	Class	Race 1	Race 2	Race 4	Race 5	Points	Place
Blue Robinson	Mickey Finn	Aus 21	Finn	1	1	1	1	4	1
Jules Lawson	Gumbaru	123247	Laser	2	DNS	2	3	24	2
Kate Pinnock/R Donaldson	Golden Syrup	796	Tasar	DNF	3	5	4	19	3
Sam Pack/N. Donaldson	Ulti	1193	F 11	DNF	DNS	6	DNF	26	4
Kerry Beatty	BT Boat	346	MG14	DNC	DNC	4	2	32	5
Rod/Angus McKenzie Wills	Sonic	69	Laser	DNC	DNS	3	5	34	6
Oskar Johanson/C.Mott	Kookaburra	103623	Laser	DNF	2	DNC	DNC	35	=7
M. Troy/ R. Southwood	Kartoffelpuffel		Laser	3	DNC	DNC	6	35	=7
Rellie Mott	Tarzan		Spiral	DNF	DNC	DNC	DNC	48	=8
Joe Meagher	AWOL	128646	Laser	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNF	48	=8
Jackson Dyer	Junk Maxi		F11	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	52	9

#### RACE 3 WAS ABANDONED DUE TO WINDS EXCEEDING 30 KNOTS

Apologies for the late printing of the Centreboard winter series results. Spring series is underway with the first race having already been sailed.

Put the following dates in your diary to make the start line on time -

19th Sept  
10th Oct  
17th Oct  
31st Oct  
14th Nov  
28th Nov  
12th Dec

Sign on sheets and laminated course sheets are available in the blue folder on the Penguin office shelf, as well as a booking and logging out system to secure a club boat for a race. Please do not forget to complete a race/series entry form and deliver it to the race office before the start (on the website or available from the office) paying the nominated fee. Buoyancy aids must be worn whilst afloat. Don't forget to invite other sailing friends with boats to participate so that the fleet can grow and provide more competition.



FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT

JULES 0401 311665

## MYC RESULTS

For recent race results please check the MYC web page:  
[www.myc.org.au](http://www.myc.org.au)

Race results, will also be publish in the October issue, sorry for any inconvenience.

### Manly Juniors

After a few training sessions Manly Juniors will enjoy a Fun Day on Sunday September 19th before the State Championships and the Spring Point Score starts with some keen competition.



### New Members Guidebook

The Board has prepared a Members Guidebook for all new members which explains the policies and procedures of Manly Yacht Club. It outlines what members of the Club can expect in terms of facilities, operations, racing and volunteering. It is the first time that a publication of this type has been produced. The Guidebook will be updated from time to time as needed.

Of course, while being helpful to new members it will also be a useful reminder to all existing members as to what happens at the Club. You can view and download the Guidebook from the Club's website: [www.myc.org.au](http://www.myc.org.au). If you can't access the Internet write to the Secretary, Manly Yacht Club, PO Box 22, Manly NSW 1065 and request a copy be collected or mailed out to you.

CHRIS SHEAD



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Names of each race entry will be entered into the draw, with one extra name for third place in a race for each division, two extra for second and three extra for first. Race 5 will have two names in the barrel for each entry and double the number for each place as indicated above

**GRAND PRIZE DRAW SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER 2004**  
**YOU MUST BE ON DECK AT MYC TO CLAIM THE PRIZE**

**Could you ask for a better Christmas present?**

**Remember – you can't win it if you're not in it**

This is not a Notice of Race. Please refer to the 2004-2005 MYC Handbook for the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions or call Race Director Hector Lambie on 0408 283 214 for further details.