



COMMODORE'S REPORT

The Audi Sydney Harbour Regatta, held on the first weekend in March each year, was again supported by Manly Yacht Club with 11 yachts in 7 divisions participating, as well as providing 2 race management teams for this classic 2 day regatta. Kaotic missed out on a series win on a count back; Occam's Razor managed a 3rd place, also on a count back from 2nd place; but Bokarra was a clear winner in her division (you couldn't wipe the smile of these faces). Other club boats on the water included Melody, Ratty Tooley, Eos, Esprit, Runaway Taxi, Moonraker, who were shorthanded but learnt a lot and had a lot of fun, and Top Odds. By all accounts the sailing, and the partying at MHYC, was good. Graham, Ken, Pam, Bruce, Howard, Judy and I were on the start boat and Robbie R for the Ocean Passage Series, while the 3 Steves plus Mark were in a different area of the harbour, also starting races. Club members Felicity and Alex were on their boat Sequel, while Penny and Julian were on the 80ft Brindabella. Unfortunately for Penny and Julian, they did not see much racing from this yacht as it sustained a torn mainsail offshore while standing by Ginger who had lost a man overboard. A bit of drama but Ginger raced again on day 2. Congratulations to everyone who entered the regatta which is the largest held on Sydney Harbour with over 300 boats competing. Commiserations to Bokarra for not winning the Audi but I think Iain, Colin and Marg had great fun at Eastern Creek driving the cars anyway. I'd encourage other boats to train up for next year's regatta – and if you race on Sundays, the entry to the Audi Sydney Harbour Regatta is free, so I expect entries for the 2011-2012 Club Championships and Summer Series to come rolling in. Your next car could be

an Audi!

Enough of the past... our next big event is the Helly Hansen Women's Challenge. Ivana has passed the mantel to Karen Petersen as Race Director of this event and Karen has secured a great new sponsor – Helly Hansen. If you haven't entered yet – it's not too late. If you need a spot on a boat or a boat is looking for a female helm, please get in touch. We can't rival the Audi Sydney Harbour Regatta in boat numbers but maybe we can give it a bit of a nudge. Entry forms, NOR and SI are on the web page ... enter NOW! If you can help setup, take down or sell raffle tickets on the day please contact Karen or myself, thanks.

By the time this newsletter hits the stands, there will only be one more twilight race left for the season. This is big series which requires a lot of organisation. Thanks to Race Director Anne and her race committee for the enormous effort put in each week. I've been on the deck at starts and finishes and this series is run very professionally. Sometime, when you are not racing you should come and take a look.

For those twilighters who would like to take the next step, may I suggest a casual or series entry to the Summer Series. This series is just like the twilights except it's on Sundays – not every Sunday; just 8 races, timed starts, no spinnaker if you don't want to fly one, scattered through the season. The last race of the Summer Series is the Marathon on 3rd April, which can take you all the way under the Harbour Bridge and around the islands of Sydney



Colin and crew collect their trophy



Arthur of Kaotic



Dave of Occum's Razor

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Harbour.

The last twilight race will be followed by the Summer Ball – this event is for everyone – not just those of us who sail in the twilights. This event is always great fun and I encourage you to come.

Shortly after, Easter is upon us and that means the Offshore Race to Pittwater on Good Friday. Boats looking for crew or crew looking for boats should contact Offshore Race Director Al Thomson.

As you can see, there is always a lot going on. Please help our committees by showing your intention EARLY to participate in our events. We are all busy people; all volunteers; all ready to do our best but not happy to be taken for granted.

Thank you to the members who showed up on the last working bee. A lot was achieved on the day ... many hands make light work?

Special thanks to Brian, Ian, Matt et al for our new bathrooms – they look great.

Thanks also to Penny and the members of this club who volunteer to make up the race committees so that the rest of us can race, including the competitors who may forgo a race now and then. And to the RSA members who assist in the shop so that we can have drink after a hard day's sailing.

Maz

Competition RESULTS



ANSWERS FOR COMPETITION IN FEBRUARY NEWLETTER:

Jim N : "it's the bloody handicapper on an Adams 10 the Rascally Radford in Hobart last century! He should be institutionalised for sailing an A10 to Hobart!"

Ian D : "Busranger Radford....I think at Constitution dock in O'bart Town ... I recognised the boat not Graham."

The bottle of wine goes unclaimed as both members reckon they had inside knowledge ... MAZ

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WOMEN'S CHALLENGE

REMINDER

Time is running out! Get your entries in now for the 2011 MYC Helly Hansen Women's Challenge, Sunday March 20. Great prizes and a 25% discount on HH purchases for competitors.

Access World Titles – April 2012 from Middle Harbour Yacht Club

Sailability Manly member and Paralympic contender Greg Hyde, fresh from a successful regatta in Port Phillip Bay, took the helm of “Fergo” for a sail up Middle Harbour. In the guest seat was Genevieve from Sailability Perth who had also been competing in Melbourne in the Liberty class.

They were keen to check out the course area for the Access World Titles being staged out of Middle Harbour Yacht Club in April 2012, with a view to mounting a campaign.

This is very exciting news for our members, as we will have the opportunity to be involved as competitors and volunteers both on and off the water, and spectators from the shore.

The high standard demanded means that only those who've proven their skills at State level will be eligible for entry, and is one reason why you'll see us practicing our racing skills on a more regular basis.



Hally Hansen Women's Challenge

The full fleet of seven Access 303s will take to the water on Sunday 20th March, helmed and crewed by female Sailability members, competing for the coveted one-design trophy.

Defending their title will be Alyse Saxby, Special Olympics competitor, with Helen Cregan as crew, and former winners, Jackie Morgan with Jessika Kelderman, and Jude Cole with Lynette Gould/Budd.

Competition will be strong with Pam Davis and Deanna Smyth also in the line up.



Partnership with Cromer Golf Club

We're delighted to announce that our proposal to Cromer Golf Club that Sailability Manly be a beneficiary of their Charity Golf Day in August has been successful. Depending on funds raised on the day, we're confident “Fergo's” running costs will be covered by the donation, and may run to badly needed new sails.

We're grateful to their board members who see the benefits of supporting a local community based charity, and proudly look forward to carrying their logo.

SUMMER SERIES 6

Here are the results of SS R6. It was an awesome day with the predicted 12 building to 17 turning out to be 20's all day long with gusts well over 25!

Small turn out, but those that came had a blast! I didn't know what to do about prizes and the sunday prizes cupboard was empty, so just took 2 bottles from kitchen stock and left an IOU in the till. I only gave 1st prizes for each div and starters prize (which I one, so it went back in the cupboard anyway).

There is something actually wrong with the recorded results as Bokarra finished well behind Esprit, but her finish time is 5 minutes before us? Our time is spot on, as I'm recorded ours, so Bokarra's must be wrong. Oh well, we are not in the running for the series so didn't bother protesting. Bokarra were only 3 up and did pretty well, so they deserved the bottle of wine (which jackpoted as Good Intent and Bella) were not at the club. Bella is going really well now, or at least liked the conditions today.

MYC Summer Series - Race 6 - Result Sheet - 13-02-2011									
Div	Sail	Boat	Start	Actual	Start	Late	Finish Time	Elapsed	Place
1	MYC820	Good Intent	12:30	12:30:10	0:00:10		15:03:26	2:33:26	1
1	1152	Bokarra	12:37	12:37:08	0:00:08		15:18:43	2:41:43	2
1	A73	Top Odds	12:47	DNC					
1	MYC6	Aida	12:58	DNC					
1	1255	Melody	13:00	DNC					
1	KA55	Atalanta	13:00	DNC					
1	6681	Bella	13:09	13:09:15	0:00:15		DNF		
1	MYC100	Shear Magic	13:23	13:23:12	0:00:12		DNF		
1	MYC32	Esprit	13:28	13:28:05	0:00:05		15:23:57	1:55:57	3
1	MYC7	Ten Sixty	13:31	13:31:19	0:00:19		15:31:34	2:00:34	4
1	6689	Copernicus	13:38	DNC					
Div	Sail	Boat	Start	Actual	Start	Late	Finish Time	Elapsed	Place
2	MYC28	Kestrel II	12:38	12:38:22	0:00:22		15:02:10	2:24:10	1
2	5231	Esra Tew	12:58	12:59:57	0:01:57		15:27:41	2:29:41	2
2	MYC79	Pompadi	13:00	DNC					
2	MYC33	Lautrec	13:12	13:12:14	0:00:14		15:31:38	2:19:38	4
2	6361	Czech Mate	13:24	DNC					
2	6421	Pohono	13:27	13:27:37	0:00:37		15:28:18	2:01:18	3

fun finger food dancing raffle

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SUMMER BALL

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Let the games begin...

TROPICAL RACE WEEK BOOKING NOW



Its time to start planning your Tropical Racing Season with Manly Sailing.

Airlie Beach Race Week - 12th to 18th August 2011
Hamilton Island Race Week - 19th to 27th August 2011

After a very successful campaign at the tropical regattas in 2010 – a 3rd at Airlie Beach Race Week and a 5th at Hamilton Island Race Week - Manly Sailing have exciting news regarding Airlie and Hammo 2011. This year we are leaving our dear old KAT at home for a well earned rest and taking a Sydney 60 to Airlie Beach and Hamilton Island Race Weeks.

Our Sydney 60, Eureka II was built to compete in the Sydney to Hobart and is a beautiful full on racing yacht that has been modified for comfort and speed. She is competitive yet comfortable and we expect great things in our results. Being a large race yacht there are plenty of roles on board for everyone to get involved. She has berths for 12 people with two private double cabins.

The Manly Sailing Crew goes to these regattas with one aim in mind – to have as much fun as possible, both on and off the water. Ask members of the club who have joined us in recent years about their experiences.

You can be part of the Manly Sailing crew aboard Eureka II in 2011 at either Airlie Beach Race Week or Hamilton Island Race week for \$1475.

THE PRICE INCLUDES:

Your place in the race crew for your chosen Race Week.

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Breakfast provided.

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Linen & Pillows

Crew Cap and Shirt

Local tactician

Two days of training pre Airlie Race Week (Optional)

Boat transfer to Hamilton Island on August 19th (Optional)

And of course your friendly skipper - Captain Chris!

For those that do not want to stay on board we can arrange local accommodation at discounted prices.

Crew places are being snapped up already so get in now to reserve your spot.

As always with these regattas the earlier you book, the cheaper flights will be so now is the time to lock it in by contacting Anne at Manly Sailing.

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ANTARCTIC ADVENTURE

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I have just completed 3 weeks on Orion a small ship of 100 passengers & 75 crew from Dunedin to Antarctica & back via Enderby Is, Macquarie Is, Mawsons Hut & Campbell Is. Good weather most of the way (for Antarctica) air temp from 10 C to -1.5 C wind 35 to 65 knots & the ship handled everything extremely well. Difficult to dance on a rolling deck.

Full Antarctic kit includes 20bucks Bunnings gumboots, 3prs of thermal socks, thermal underwear top to toe, skivvies, ski pants, Orion red jacket & 3 prs of gloves all worn at the same time a la Michelin Man waddling along the snow imitating penguins! We did perform a full Cha Cha routine for the crowd on the Ship. 2 magic days in Commonwealth bay visiting Mawsons Hut, Lands End, John O'Groates, & being confronted by 100's of seals & 1000's of inquisitive penguins of various types.

At Macquarie Is we walked among the Seal Bulls Cows & calves, 5 metres distance is the rule but the seals would often come closer & one has to be careful around bulls fighting over their harem. The NZ Dept of Conservation does a wonderful job of preserving the natural environment, building walkways & developing programs to eradicate introduced species such as rats & rabbits. The seals were annihilated by the hunters in the 1800s but have now returned & fully recovered their numbers.

The penguins were something else again. Standing still the penguins would often waddle up & sniff & occasionally peck cos they are inquisitive little people & have no fear of human beings as we have not been



their predators for many years. Mawson's Hut was something else again - Walking into a hut that had been vacated 100 years ago & everything is exactly as it was left, just like the Marie Celeste & is maintained & slowly being restored by the Foundation.

The experience at Cape Denison with all the ice, penguins, seals Antarctic birds was a truly magnificent one - it exceeded all our expectations. To be inside Mawson's Hut 100 years after being vacated and to witness that eerie silence, his lone pillow and chair was awe inspiring.

It was only 1 degree below zero which initially surprised us, but it is summer there and warmer temps are to be expected... The midnight sun was romantic and reminded us of the Northern hemisphere with its long nights.

Only 100 people at one time & 750 people per annum are permitted to land on the Australian Antarctic peninsula and quite often the weather stops them from landing. However, we were extremely fortunate in that all factors were aligned and we had perfect



conditions-calm, sunny, clear weather for great zodiac landings and we managed 2 full days at Mawson's Hut. We were in 7th heaven.

Shore expeditions were conducted by a team of 9 scientists & environmentalists including those well known Antarctic sailors Don & Margie Macintyre & an Antarctic exploration leader Di Patterson all of whom gave daily lectures in their specialist fields. The team made sure there was no cross contamination & all clothing was sanitised on leaving & reboarding the ship.

Finishing the excursion with a 5 day car trip from Dunedin to Christchurch via Queenstown, Twizel where we happened on an exquisite Farm B&B overlooking Mt Cook (the highest mountain in NZ & still covered in snow in the Summer) Lake Tekapo & finishing in the seaside village of Akaroa.

John & Margaret Malins



AUDI SYDNEY HARBOUR REGATTA



Amazing MYC Team on Start Boat "Hotel", with Robbie R in the background. Don't know how the Audi Regatta would have coped without us starting the offshore passage race from Shark Island, and finishing at Watson's Bay.
Maz, Bruce, Pam and Jude on the start boat, with Graham and Ken on Robbie R. and also help from Howard
Judy cole



Working bee on 26th February

We had a great turn out and Thank you to all the volunteer members attending, including Margo, Carmel, Alex, Iain, Ian, Roland, Steve, Ken, Scott, Adrian, Nick, Peter, Howard, Peter, and Lesley

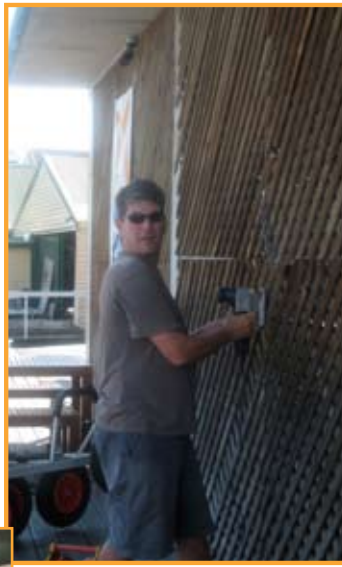
In addition to all the working bee cleaning and painting, it is a pleasure to report most of the racking and tender storage layout is near finished and the down stairs area is looking great.

Lastly, could those few members with tenders remaining in their original position (pad-locked) contact me, to organise the relocation to their planned spots.

Carmel and friend - Garbage area
Ian D - wall lining around door
Howard, Peter, Lesley (sailability) - bolts under jetty?

Alex - New Notice board
Iain C, Roland, (centre board guys), Scott, Adrian, Nick, Peter, - heaps of jobs that were done
Greg W - lattice repairs
Steve - wire over windows
and Ken T !

Matt



AUDI SYDNEY HARBOUR REGATTA



The Audi Sydney Harbour Regatta, now there's an intimidating event to be considered by a wee yacht called 'Bokarra', but the large and the small were all accomodated for an extremely enjoyable weekend of sailing, on the 5th and 6th of March 2011.

Manly Yacht Club was well represented by Kaotic, Melody, Taxi, Esprit, Eos, Occums Razor, Top Odds, Moonraker, Ratty Toey and Bokarra. 326 boats competed in 26 divisions. Occums Razor placed third in HPS Div 4, Kaotic was just squeezed into second position in the J24 Div and Bokarra came 1st in HPS Div 5, which qualified them to compete in the Audi Drive Off, at Eastern Creek. Iain and Colin were the designated drivers, but Margaret, our trusty crew, also managed a spin in an Audi D8. Ear to ear grins all round.

Monday the 7th saw the presentaion night at Middle Harbour Yacht Club, who were the regatta organisers. Trophies were received, champagne was sipped and the fantastic Manly Yacht Club cheer squad made their presence felt as they kicked their heels up on the sand. Seemingly it's a MHYC tradition and who are we to disappoint them. No major prize of an Audi A1 this time, but be encouraged to have a go next year as it is a great sailing event.

Colin Cameron.



DIARY DATES

	Yachts	Juniors	Centreboards	Sailability
MARCH				
11	FR	TWL-19		
12	SA	Safety Boat Induction	Training	
13	SU	SS-7	APS-6	
18	FR	TWL-20		
19	SA		Training	BIRDS, General
20	SU	MYC Womens Challenge		
		MWC	MWC	MWC
23	WE			CAPS Forestville, Sunnyfields, CAPS Pymble
25	FR	SUMMER BALL	SUMMER BALL	SUMMER BALL
27	SU	CC-9	APS-7/CC-9	
28	MO	Sailing Committee Meeting		
APRIL				
2	SA			Hornsby Lifestyles, General
3	SU	SS-8	APS-8	
5	TU	Board Meeting		
9	SA		Training	
10	SU	CC-10	APS-9/CC-10	
12	TU	Training - Intro to Buoyage		
13	WE			SCSHP, Achieve
16	SA		Training	BIRDS, General
18	MO	Sailing Committee Meeting		
22	FR	Pittwater Race OS-5		

Please check the 2010-2011 Handbook Duty roster crew contact: Penny Meakins 0416 357 357
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MYC SUMMER BALL

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- A delicious seafood meal at Garfish (value \$100)
- A meal at fully licensed Greek restaurant Ouzeria (value \$100)
- Voucher for drinks and food at Manly Wine, part of the Gazebo Group located at South Steyne (value \$100)
- Voucher for meal at Whitewater Restaurant (discount voucher of 25% off the total bill to a value of \$50.00)
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Looking forward to receiving all your news and pictures but please don't leave it until the last minute!

Carole