



President's report

Firstly to bring those who were not at the last of the Winter Series presentations up to date, Brian Wilson has received life membership of Manly Yacht Club, he joins a very small and select group of people who over the years have made enormous contributions to the club and have shaped it into what it is today. The vote was successfully taken at the AGM and all the members and friends present managed to keep it a secret until the presentation. Congratulations Brian !

The end of series dinner after the last of the Winter Series races was a huge success and just drives home the great camaraderie we have at MYC. It was a last minute decision to have the dinner and over 60 members and friends had a great night. Thanks to Margo, Maz, and all the volunteers for jumping in and helping out.

Good luck and safe sailing to all those heading north for the Airlie and Hamilton Island Regattas, as I write this Copernicus has just finished the Brisbane Keppel race on her way to the regattas. There are countless other members flying in to sail on a number of boats. Chris and Anne



Stockdale from Manly Sailing have chartered the Sydney 60 (Eureka) and are planning on taking on the likes of Condor and Hammer of Queensland, there should be some great stories, and if there is time, photos in the next newsletter.

The revamped juniors division is off and running thanks to the efforts of Greg Taranto, Michael Troy, and Bruce Davis, to ensure we continue to improve this vital part of MYC we need some more dingys. To this end we are seeking sponsorship from members and businesses. Over the years I have found getting support comes from knowing the right people in the right places, if you or someone you know works for a company that might be in a position to sponsor a dinky, or part of a dinky please contact me on 0417 412 305 or on the interweb at ian@austekmodels.com.au, not only are we doing something positive for the kids today but think about the crew we will have in a few years time? If you are interested in or know of and kids that would be interested in sailing the boats please email us at manlyjuniors@myc.org.au

A big thank you to David Harris (Atalanta) and Steve Frith (Pompadi) from Magic Door Industries (96993799) for donating and installing a new roller door, the door is between the dinky storage area and the main club and means we can now lock off the boat storage area. David helped remove the old one at the last working bee and said he and Steve may be able to supply and install a new one. Before we could blink it was in.

We are having another 3 piers replaced on the wharf in the next couple of weeks so if you are around the club or wharf please be careful around the barges and equipment.

That's it from me, it is only a few weeks now until the weather starts to warm up and those north easters start rolling in again.....sailing in Sydney.....can't wait !!

Cheers Ian D.

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GO UNDER THE BRIDGE TO START THE SAILING YEAR!



Marathon race

It is time to iron out those sails and go through your first aid kit. As an incentive and a reward for passing your safety inspection on Sat Sept 3rd, you are invited to enter the first race of the new sailing season which will be, for the first time in our club's history, a Marathon race, on Sunday Sept 4th. The race is part of the Summer Series, however, I would like to encourage anyone who wants to start off the new season sailing one of the best courses in Sydney Harbour to join in. As an added incentive, any yacht that has not done a scratch start before and competes in the Marathon will receive a gift from the Race Director during the presentation. And to all you Twilighters; how about stretching yourself a little, this is really just a longer version of a Twilight race!!

Hope to see you all on the 4th with a huge BBQ to follow.

thanks Greg Zyner

Racing rules recap

Rule 17 - Above your proper course???

In the WS-2 race there was a polite dispute between two yachts regarding an overlap and proper course. In other clubs that may well have ended up in the protest room, but at MYC it was discussed at the BBQ instead. As we've been "denied" a protest to learn more about the rules, I thought that I'd instead turn to the ISAF CASE BOOK - INTERPRETATIONS OF THE RACING RULES OF SAILING to see how the rules could have been interpreted. This book is a great resource as it has real protests complete with diagrams, interpretations and rulings (google it!).

The situation was common enough, an overtaking boat to leeward wanted to sail higher than the windward boat and there was a resulting hailed discussion about proper course and opportunity to keep clear. The right of way rule at play here is

Rule 11 "when boats are on the same tack and overlapped, a windward boat shall keep clear of a leeward boat".

However this right given to the leeward boat is constrained by general limitations:

Rule 14 "A boat shall avoid contact with another boat if reasonably possible"

Rule 15 "When a boat acquires right of way, she shall initially give the other boat room to keep clear ..."

Rule 17 "If a boat clear astern becomes overlapped within two of her hull lengths to leeward of a boat on the same tack, she shall not sail above her proper course ..."

An important aspect of these limitations are that the obligation to give the windward boat room to keep clear is only an initial obligation and not ongoing. So in the absence of an immediate collision, the interpretation of these rules really comes down to what is a proper course

"a course a boat would sail to finish as soon as possible in the absence of the other boats..."

In case 14, two boats became overlapped on a run along the shore against the tide. The overtaking leeward boat (L) believed that the fastest course to the next mark was to go inshore out of the tide, while windward boat (W) thought it better to stay out for better wind. L hailed the windward boat to come up, but W replied that L had no rights to luff. The discussion continue for some time during which L continued to slowly come up until there was contact and a protest. The protest (on appeal) found that L was sailing her proper course under rule 17 and that as the leeward boat had right of way under rule 11. Further that she had given W ample opportunity to keep clear under rule 15. Due to the contact, L had broken 14, but as the right of way boat she is exempt from penalty in rule 14 since no damage or injury resulted. The finding was that W broke rule 11 by not keeping clear and rule 14 by not avoiding a collision, so W was disqualified.

The summary of case 14 states:

"When, owing to a difference of opinion about a leeward boat's proper course, two boats on the same tack

converge, the windward boat must keep clear. Two boats on the same leg sailing near one another may have different proper courses."

This case highlights that a boats proper course is subjective and that two boats may have different proper courses due to different designs, sails or strategies. In other comments I have found on similar cases, it was observed that if there is a disagreement on the water about what is a proper course, then the windward boat cannot dispute this on the water. They must keep clear and their only recourse is to protest and try to establish after the race that the leeward boat was sailing above her proper course (and being first to the next mark is not sufficient proof). Note also that the right of way boat can actually slowly nudge a give way boat while asserting her rights and avoid penalty!

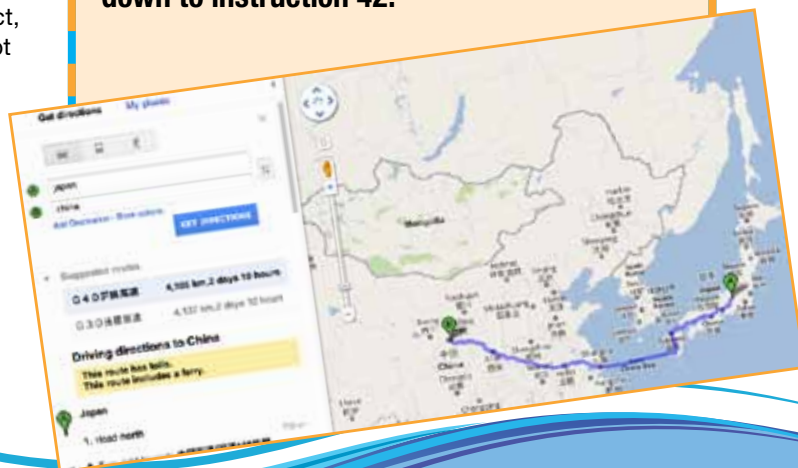
So in the case at hand, I think the cases suggest that the windward boat, once overlapped, should have immediately started taking action to keep clear. Under the interpretations (case 24) of rule 15 she is entitled to do so in a seamanlike way, so that probably means that she did not need to luff up and blow her spinnaker back through her spreaders. However she should have taken some action, even if that meant dropping the spinnaker, then coming up and protesting. Since windward did not sail up, the leeward boat could have protested and could even have gently touched windward boat.

But these interpretations are indicative only and we'll never know how the actual circumstances would have played out in a protest hearing. I look forward to the occasional (friendly) protest to learn more about the rules.

Greg Wilkins

An IT nerd's instructions for adventurous sailors

Step 1. Open Google maps. Step 2. Type Japan as your starting point. Step 3. Type China as your destination. Step 4. Scroll down to instruction 42.



WINTER SERIES RESULTS

The Space - Winter Series
Race 3 - 3 July 2011

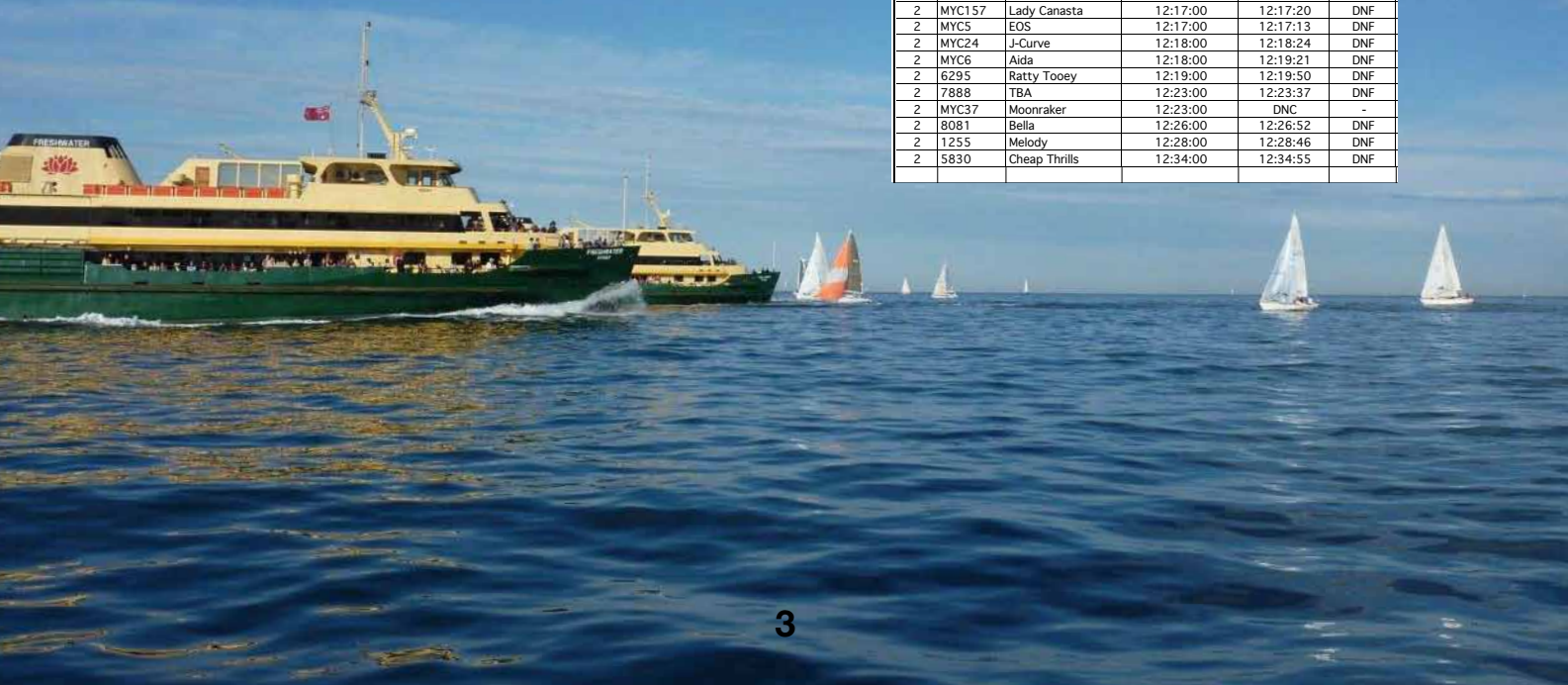
Div	Pos	Sail No	Yacht Name	start time	actual start time	finish time	penalty	adjusted time
1		6776	Dances with Waves	12:32:00	12:32:18	14:24:00		14:24:00
1		557	Occam's Razor	12:11:00	12:11:05	14:24:40		14:24:40
1		AUS1161	Wild Life	12:30:00	12:30:08	14:28:25		14:28:25
1		MYC7	Ten Sixty	12:23:00	12:23:10	14:28:50		14:28:50
1		MYC32	Esprit	12:31:00	12:31:26	14:30:59		14:30:59
1		MYC12	San Toy	12:28:00	12:28:03	14:31:36		14:31:36
1		NH1	Old Habits Never Die	12:16:00	12:17:24	14:45:52	0:05:00	14:50:52
1		AUS147	Okavango Delta	12:18:00	DNS	DNS		DNS
1		5527	Polaris of Belmont	12:18:00	DNS	DNS		DNS
1		1236	Local Hero	12:33:00	DNS	DNS		DNS
2		KA55	Atalanta	12:06:00	12:06:05	14:10:29		14:10:29
2	1	MYC6	Aida	12:14:00	12:14:40	14:11:49		14:11:49
2	2	MYC33	Lautrec	12:07:00	12:07:10	14:06:57	0:05:00	14:11:57
2	3	MYC34	Sip Ahoy	12:17:00	12:17:49	14:14:04		14:14:04
2	4	7888	TBA	12:23:00	12:23:09	14:15:40		14:15:40
2	5	MYC157	Lady Canasta	12:17:00	12:17:45	14:17:56		14:17:56
2	6	1255	Melody	12:22:00	12:23:00	14:18:51		14:18:51
2	7	MYC79	Pompadi	12:01:00	12:01:14	14:19:07		14:19:07
2	8	MYC27	Esra Tew	12:01:00	12:01:15	14:19:09		14:19:09
2	9	6295	Ratty Tooley	12:19:00	12:19:20	14:19:48		14:19:48
2	10	MYC1	Aussie Rules	12:15:00	12:15:18	14:21:36		14:21:36
2	11	6361	Czech Mate	12:17:00	12:17:29	14:26:00		14:26:00
2	12	1620	Kryptonite	12:06:00	12:06:12	14:26:59		14:26:59
2	13	6421	Pohono	12:20:00	12:20:44	14:27:36		14:27:36
2	14	8081	Bella	12:24:00	12:24:31	14:28:51		14:28:51
2	15	5393	Runaway Taxi	12:12:00	12:12:08	14:30:18		14:30:18
2	16	5830	Cheap Thrills	12:36:00	12:35:53	14:25:47	0:05:00	14:30:47
2	17	MYC25	Topaz	12:15:00	12:18:30	14:32:08		14:32:08
2	18	MYC37	Moonraker	12:27:00	12:28:34	14:32:08		14:32:08
2	19	73	Top Odds	12:13:00	12:13:08	14:32:49		14:32:49
2	20	MYC202	Isea II	12:00:00	12:20:04	14:49:12		14:49:12
2		1152	Bokarra	12:09:00	DNS	DNS		DNS
2		MYC820	Good Intent	12:10:00	DNS	DNS		DNS

The Space - Winter Series
Race 4 - 17 July 2011

Div	Pos	Sail No	Yacht Name	start time	actual start time	finish time
1		6689	Copernicus	12:27:00	12:32:20	14:34:58
1		6776	Dances with Waves	12:38:00	12:39:48	14:39:25
1		AUS1161	Wild Life	12:32:00	12:35:30	14:40:20
1		MYC32	Esprit	12:31:00	12:32:05	14:44:19
1		AUS147	Okavango Delta	12:18:00	12:19:10	14:46:54
1		NH1	Old Habits Never Die	12:14:00	12:16:52	14:50:41
1		4863	Two Can	12:19:00	21:21:48	14:57:12
1		MYC7	Ten Sixty	12:23:00	12:23:53	15:04:02
1		557	Occam's Razor	12:15:00	12:16:52	DNF
1		5527	Polaris of Belmont	12:18:00	DNC	
1		MYC12	San Toy	12:26:00	DNC	
1		1236	Local Hero	12:33:00	DNC	
2		1255	Melody	12:22:00	12:25:17	14:45:36
2		8081	Bella	12:22:00	12:27:04	14:49:12
2		MYC33	Lautrec	12:09:00	12:45:42	15:00:00
2		73	Top Odds	12:11:00	12:15:44	15:02:50
2		6295	Ratty Tooley	12:19:00	12:21:29	15:05:32
2		MYC25	Topaz	12:13:00	12:18:08	15:07:58
2		5393	Runaway Taxi	12:10:00	12:10:32	15:08:52
2		MYC79	Pompadi	12:01:00	12:05:35	15:11:19
2		MYC6	Aida	12:18:00	12:19:10	15:11:27
2		6361	Czech Mate	12:17:00	12:20:00	15:12:18
2		MYC34	Sip Ahoy	12:17:00	12:18:00	15:12:44
2		KA55	Atalanta	12:12:00	12:14:58	15:16:14
2		MYC202	Isea II	12:00:00	12:05:11	15:22:52
2		6421	Pohono	12:18:00	12:24:13	15:23:36
2		MYC37	Moonraker	12:25:00	12:45:24	15:27:27
2		MYC27	Esra Tew	12:01:00	12:13:15	DNF
2		1620	Kryptonite	12:04:00	DNC	
2		1152	Bokarra	12:09:00	DNC	
2		MYC820	Good Intent	12:10:00	DNC	
2		MYC1	Aussie Rules	12:15:00	DNC	
2		MYC157	Lady Canasta	12:17:00	DNC	
2		7888	TBA	12:23:00	DNC	
2		5830	Cheap Thrills	12:34:00	DNC	

The Space Winter Series Race 5 Starters Sheet - 31st July 2011

Div	Sail No	Boat Name	Start Time	Actual Start	Finish
1	NH1	Old Habits Never Die	12:12:00	12:12:51	DNF
1	557	Occam's Razor	12:15:00	DNC	-
1	4863	Two Can	12:17:00	DNC	-
1	AUS147	Okavango Delta	12:18:00	12:18:22	DNF
1	5527	Polaris of Belmont	12:18:00	DNC	-
1	MYC7	Ten Sixty	12:21:00	12:21:11	DNF
1	MYC12	San Toy	12:26:00	12:26:04	DNF
1	MYC32	Esprit	12:31:00	12:30:53	DNF
1	6689	Copernicus	12:33:00	DNC	-
1	1236	Local Hero	12:33:00	DNC	-
1	AUS1161	Wild Life	12:34:00	12:34:01	DNF
1	6776	Dances with Waves	12:42:00	12:42:35	DNF
2	MYC202	Isea II	12:00:00	12:16:25	DNF
2	MYC27	Esra Tew	12:01:00	12:01:22	DNF
2	MYC79	Pompadi	12:01:00	DNC	-
2	1620	Kryptonite	12:04:00	DNC	-
2	1152	Bokarra	12:09:00	12:09:05	DNF
2	MYC820	Good Intent	12:10:00	12:11:30	DNF
2	5393	Runaway Taxi	12:10:00	12:10:18	DNF
2	KA55	Atalanta	12:10:00	12:10:31	DNF
2	MYC33	Lautrec	12:11:00	12:13:40	DNF
2	73	Top Odds	12:11:00	12:11:56	DNF
2	MYC25	Topaz	12:13:00	12:13:57	DNF
2	MYC1	Aussie Rules	12:15:00	12:15:25	DNF
2	6361	Czech Mate	12:15:00	DNC	-
2	MYC34	Sip Ahoy	12:15:00	12:15:47	DNF
2	6421	Pohono	12:16:00	12:15:55	DNF
2	MYC157	Lady Canasta	12:17:00	12:17:20	DNF
2	MYC5	EOS	12:17:00	12:17:13	DNF
2	MYC24	J-Curve	12:18:00	12:18:24	DNF
2	MYC6	Aida	12:18:00	12:19:21	DNF
2	6295	Ratty Tooley	12:19:00	12:19:50	DNF
2	7888	TBA	12:23:00	12:23:37	DNF
2	MYC37	Moonraker	12:23:00	DNC	-
2	8081	Bella	12:26:00	12:26:52	DNF
2	1255	Melody	12:28:00	12:28:46	DNF
2	5830	Cheap Thrills	12:34:00	12:34:55	DNF



WINTER SERIES



OVERALL RESULTS FOR 'SPACE' WINTER SERIES

PLACE	Boat Name	Helm	RACE 1	RACE 2	RACE 3	RACE 4	RACE 5	TOTAL	Drop	FINAL TOTAL
	Two Can	Stephen Teut	DNC	DNC	DNC	c	DNC	0.0		
	Copernicus	Leanne Zynier	DNC	c	DNC	c	DNC	0.0		
1	Dances with Waves	Jim Thomas	3	4	1	1	8	17	8	9
2	Wild Life	Bruce Davis	1	7	3	2	8	21	8	13
3	Esprit	Greg Wilkins	2	3	5	3	8	21	8	13
5	Okavango Delta	Julian Mcpherson	6	1	11	4	8	30	11	19
4	Ten Sixty	Phil Vidler	5	5	4	6	8	28	8	20
6	Occam's Razor	Stephen Garmsten/David Fairclough	7	8	2	11	11	39	11	28
7	Local Hero	Peter Moseley	4	2	11	11	11	39	11	28
8	Old Habits Never Die	Brian Shilland	8	9	7	5	8	37	9	28
9	San Toy	Graham Radford	11	6	6	11	8	42	11	31
10	Polaris of Belmont	Chris Dawe	11	11	11	11	11	55	11	44



DIVISION 2 ENTRIES

PLACE	Boat Name	Helm	RACE 1	RACE 2	RACE 3	RACE 4	RACE 5	TOTAL	Drop	FINAL TOTAL
	Isea II	Matt Collis	DNC	c	c	c	c	0		
	Moonraker	Muir Watson	DNC	DNC	c	c	DNC	0		
	Eos	Brian Wilson	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	c	0		
	J-Curve	Jack Morrison	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	c	0		
1	Melody	Sorrell Lambie	2	4	7	1	19	33	19	14
2	Bella	Scott McCarthy	3	2	15	2	19	41	19	22
3	Sip Ahoy	Murray Bailes	4	6	4	11	19	44	19	25
4	Czech Mate	Phil Dressler	5	1	12	10	22	50	22	28
5	Atalanta	David Harris	7	11	1	12	19	50	19	31
6	Ratty Tooey	Ian Dennewald	10	12	10	5	19	56	19	37
9	TBA	Stephen Coleman	6	10	5	22	19	62	22	40
7	Pohono	Andrew Williams	9	5	14	13	19	60	19	41
8	Lautrec	Helen Ebeling	20	16	3	3	19	61	20	41
10	Aida	Bill Spence	20	13	2	9	19	63	20	43
12	Cheap Thrills	Barry Mifflin	1	7	17	22	19	66	22	44
11	Topaz	Graeme Gaggin/John Malins	20	3	18	6	19	66	20	46
13	Pompadi	Steve Frith/John O'Brien	20	17	8	8	22	75	22	53
14	Runaway Taxi	Matt McKenzie	20	14	16	7	19	76	20	56
16	Lady Canasta	Edward Peck	22	9	6	22	19	78	22	56
15	Top Odds	Chris Stockdale	20	15	19	4	19	77	20	57
17	Kryptonite	David Wright	8	20	13	22	22	85	22	63
18	Estra Tew	Jackie Morgan	20	22	9	15	19	85	22	63
19	Bokarra	Iain and Colin Cameron	20	8	22	22	19	91	22	69
20	Aussie Rules	Gene Scott	20	20	11	22	19	92	22	70
21	Good Intent	Peter Bennell	22	22	22	22	19	107	22	85



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**NEWS FROM PETER AND TANNIS MCDONALD
WHO ARE LIVING IN FERNIE BC, CANADA**



Leave it to Peter McDonald to find Nantoria, a glorious 5.5 metre class yacht in Toronto, Canada. She was built in 1961 by the Ohlson Brothers in Gothenburg Sweden; alongside Peter's beloved PAM. The new owner picked Peter's brain on fitting her out to go fast. She is now restored and is racing in the lake district just north of Toronto



Take a look at what turned up at Peter and Tannis McDonald's bird feeder in Fernie, BC, Canada.

TWILIGHT SAILING ... on a ship of the desert



Do I have your attention (I'm on the sixth camel from the end).

Each year Anne Stockdale and Stephen Teudt have been fantastic Twilight Race Directors. Each year there is more improvement for the smooth running of this series and consequently more work than one person can handle. This year Anne and Stephen have agreed to be joint Race Directors (small errata in the handbook – sorry Stephen to have left you of the contact list), however the job is bigger than both of them.

So, I'm asking for ...

1. Volunteers to assist in the Race Committee duties on a Friday night. This consists of starting and finishing the fleet, recording times, and producing results. The "pay" is pretty good ... beautiful sunsets, free dinner and a glass of wine.

We need 3 members of the Race Committee on deck for each of the 20 races in the season. If you are racing but your partner, wife, husband, brother, sister, uncle, aunt or second best friend are not, or you are not racing yourself, please contact me or put them in contact with me – 9938 1296 or maz@radford-yacht.com.

2. A volunteer or volunteers to manage the Race Committee roster.
3. A volunteer or volunteers to see that the race results are published and the new start times are calculated and published.

There will be a training session and BBQ for the Twilight volunteers before the first race of the season - and you get to use the "really cool" telescope! So please contact me if you are interested in joining the team. Remember- no race committee, no racing!
Maz

SPONSORS NEEDED



Manly Yacht Club is relaunching it's junior program and is in need of sponsorship and support to purchase 8 new Optimist dinghys.

If you know anyone, or know of any businesses that may be able to help please contact Ian Dennewald (0417 412 305) or Marike Koppertol (0434 692 294) and put us in touch.

We can tailor packages to most budgets

We also need kids to put in the boats; if you are interested in sailing or helping please email us at, manlyjuniors@myc.org.au

MYC Race Management Planner

MYC races are conducted by a race management team, consisting of a Race Officer, a power boat driver, and three assistants.

These teams are made up of MYC members, and all MYC family, senior and associate members are asked to contribute to at least one race management team during the season. No skills are required, but MYC runs race management courses that are a great source if information for all skippers and crew.

The race management planner has been sent out with the MYC handbook. This lists all the races that are run and everyone should review it and nominate three dates they are available to take their turn on the race management teams.

First in will have a better chance of getting their preference. Send the forms to MYC as soon as possible.

Just a reminder – we can only race if we have people to start the races, and we all love to race. Make sure you make a contribution to the club's sailing program!

Evelyn Ciocco
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SAILING - MANLY JUNIORS

MYC is committed to developing and promoting youth sailing in the community and attracting the next generation of families into the club.

To do that we need a growing and attractive juniors programme. As a result, this summer we are relaunching the Manly Juniors Sailing Program. Many MYC committee members and parent volunteers have been chipping away all winter at making sure we start the program on the front-foot come October.

Also, the club has decided to make significant investments in more dinghies and a qualified coach to supplement the volunteer-run outfit. We are currently



recruiting for the coaching role – if you know someone who might be interested please take a look at our advertisement on the MYC home page.

Manly Juniors is a Learn-to-Sail Program aimed at making the sport of sailing accessible, safe and fun for families with or without a background in sailing. It is provided through a partnership between Manly Yacht Club and the club's approved sailing school - Manly Sailing.

Kids brand new to sailing are taught the basics of dinghy sailing by Manly Sailing. As soon as kids have reached a Basic Level 1 proficiency they can join the club's MYC Juniors team.

Manly Sailing run school holiday sailing camps and Saturday morning classes during Terms 4 and 1. They also provide courses for adults so

Mums and Dads don't have to miss out on the fun.

MYC Juniors provides coaching to develop kids from beginners to racing ability and runs on Saturday afternoons of school Term 4 and Term 1. It is run by a sailing instructor and parent volunteers.

All kids from 8 to 15 years are welcome. More information: <http://myc.org.au/racing/mj/mj.shtml>
For further information and to register interest for your child/children please email manlyjuniors@myc.org.au or call 0412 426 584 and talk to Greg Taranto



VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

New Sailing Calendar

The summer season of sailing is coming and this year there are a few changes to the MYC sailing calendar. The race schedule has been built around a 3 week cycle, so that one week there will be a Summer Series race, then a Club Champ race the following week and then either an offshore or other special race on the third week of the cycle. The Summer Series is a handicap start series and is an excellent intro to Sunday racing for boats from the twilights. The Club Championship is a scratch start series with courses that are designed to be more wind aligned.

There are now 2 marathon races, scheduled for months that should have wind (Sep 4 & Jan 8). While the marathons are part of the Summer Series, any boat entering another MYC series is given a free casual entry to these great races. There are now also centerboard regattas to be held on the Marathon days. The schedule for Mini regattas have been moved to be earlier in the season (Sep 25 & Jan 22) so are fun days to get your racing crew on top of their form.

You can see the calendar in the handbook or online at <http://myc.org.au/calendar.shtml>. The online calendar is a google calendar and can be synced to a smart phone or configured to send email/sms reminders for each event. Please help the race directors by getting your entries in early!

Try Twilight Racing Day

To help out new boats coming to the club, a Try Twilight Racing Day has been scheduled for the Friday evening before twilights start (Oct 14). We will provide an experienced mentor for each boat that wants an introduction. The mentors will take the yachts through a simulated race sequence: getting a start time, identifying the triangles, entering the zone (within 5 minutes), starting, basic racing rules, rounding a mark, finishing and most importantly of all, how to eat a BBQ after a race. If you

know any yachts interested in racing, but cautious because they don't know how, then please tell them about Try Twilight Racing Day. If you want to be a mentor, please contact me on gregw@wiltel.org

Try Crewing Day

In addition to Yachting NSW's Try Sailing Day, we have been invited to participate in their Try Crewing Day. Unlike Try Sailing Day, which is very much an open day for all comers, Try Crewing Day is only open to adults who have booked a week in advance to try crewing for a race. It is anticipated that skippers will need to take out only 1 or 2 groups on the day. It is scheduled for Sunday 11 September, the day after the Lion Island race, so many boats will not be racing that weekend and the event represents a good opportunity for boats to meet potential crew. If you are interested in making you boat available for Try Crewing Day, please contact Murray <murraybailes@inet.net.au>

AMS Measurement

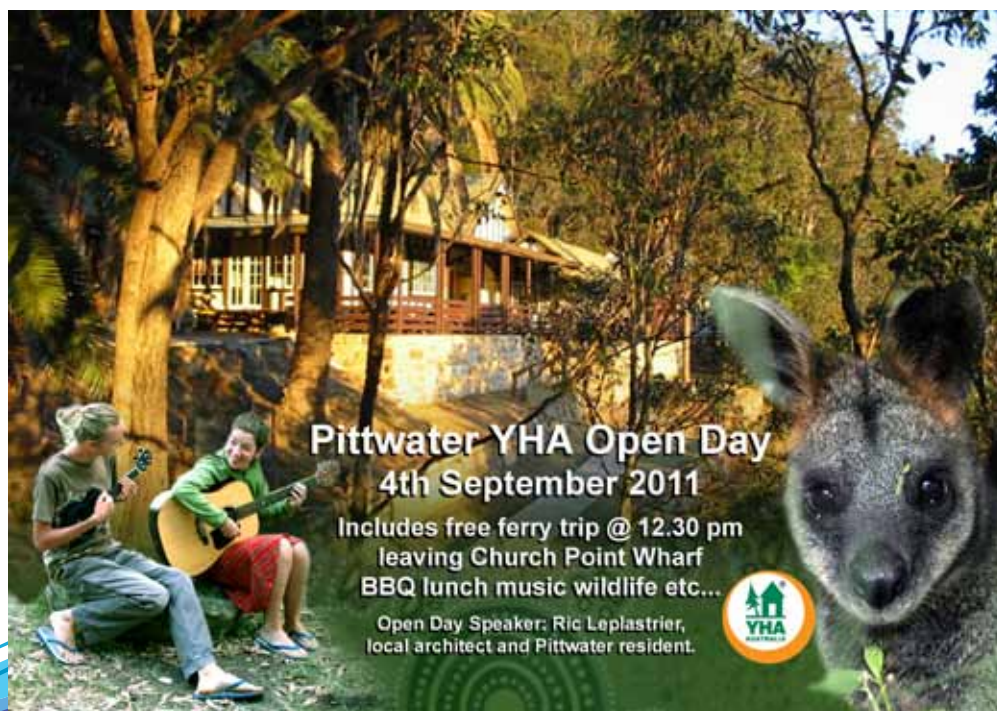
This year the club will be running informal Australian Measurement System (AMS) race series in parallel for all scratch start races (Club Champs, Offshore and Marathons), so boats entered in those races can be given results under both PHS and AMS. AMS is an affordable alternative to IRC and racing under a measurement rule adds an extra element to your racing as boats have a fixed yardstick to sail against and must consider outright speed as well as consistency. Ten members attended an AMS training day and we have scheduled a measurement day for Sunday August 28, the week before safety inspections.

To have your boat measured under AMS costs \$55 per year. The first year the boat needs to be measured in detail, which will take around 2 hours, but for subsequent years only changes need to be remeasured (new sails etc.). For an accurate AMS certificate, boats need to be weighed, but for this year we are using estimated or series weights. This avoids the need to completely strip


your boat down to basic equipment, however removing equipment is still recommended as your boat will measure better (shorter) if it is higher out of the water.

If you are interested in racing under AMS, please keep August 28 free and we will be contacting boats to create a measurement schedule for the day.

Greg Wilkins



Pittwater YHA Open Day
4th September 2011
Includes free ferry trip @ 12.30 pm
leaving Church Point Wharf
BBQ lunch music wildlife etc...
Open Day Speaker: Ric Lepastrier,
local architect and Pittwater resident.



What you need to know about... SAIL NUMBERS

Sail Numbers provide a means of identifying a yacht that is racing or in trouble. It is a requirement of ISAF to display an approved Sail Number when racing. MYC requests that all yachts racing in MYC events display an approved Sail Number which has been issued to the yacht's current owner.

For several decades, Yachting New South Wales has issued and maintained a register of sail numbers for keelboats. Yachting NSW members are able to purchase an Exclusive Licence to use a unique Sail Number. The Sail Number is issued only to Yachting NSW Financial Members upon payment of the licence fee and acceptance of the Licence Agreement.

Sail numbers, with a prefix MYC, are also issued, and a register maintained, at Manly Yacht Club. Similar conditions apply i.e. exclusive use of a unique Sail Number.

Ownership of the Sail Number always remains with Yachting NSW, or Manly Yacht Club if prefixed with MYC. The Licensee does not acquire ownership or any other intellectual property rights by virtue of the Licence Agreement.

The Licensee is able to use the Sail Number for as long as the Licensee remains a Financial Member of Yachting NSW, has paid the appropriate fee and continues to abide by this agreement.

The MYC member is able to use the Sail Number prefixed with MYC for as long as the member remains a financial member of Manly Yacht Club.

A Licence for a Sail Number (and therefore the Sail Number) may be transferred only after the Licensee advises Yachting NSW of his wish to terminate the Licence and the proposed Licensee is able to meet the conditions required for the issuing of a Licence and the appropriate fee has been paid.

For MYC prefixed Sail Numbers, the Sail Number is not transferable unless to the same financial MYC member for the new vessel.

Should the Licensee sell their vessel, the Licensee must notify Yachting NSW in writing immediately, stating as to whether they wish to retain the Sail Number for a new vessel, or if it is to be transferred to the new owner.

Vessels with MYC prefix on the Sail Number must notify Manly Yacht Club when selling their vessel.

If the Licensee or MYC club member, wishes to retain the Sail Number, the Licensee, or MYC member, **MUST** remove the Sail Numbers from the vessel prior to the sale.

If the Licensee does not wish to retain the Sail Number, they must also include in the notification of Sale, the name and contact details of the new owner.

For safety reasons it is important to keep Sail Number registers, whether at YNSW or MYC, up to date. Note that International Class Sail Numbers are maintained by Yachting Australia.



Pittwater YHA, Flora Fauna
Photo Weekend 2 to 4 September 2011

Stay Sunday afternoon for Pittwater YHA open day
BBQ • MUSIC • HISTORY

wildflower identification • bird + animal spotting
photography instruction with Ken Griffiths

two night's accommodation and evening meals,
guided bushwalks, use of kayaks from \$170, Book 9999 5748
mailto: pittwater@yha.com.au [on-line bookings unavailable]

COMMODORE'S REPORT

Welcome to the new sailing season – well not quite ... first race is the 4th of September when we start the season with the Summer Series and a marathon to boot! So, I expect we are all doing final checks on what's in the First Aid Kit – what's in date and what's not ... flares and fire extinguishers all good to go ... PFDs checked etc, so that all boats will be ready for inspection day on Saturday 3rd September. The Sailing Committee has a great sailing program planned for this season but it won't be a success without your participation.

And talk about participation ... what a fabulous turn out for the Winter Series. Thirty three boats raced with the club in the 5 race series and there was plenty of camaraderie back on the deck afterwards, great sponsor, great organisation, free BBQ, all contributing to the success of the series. Thanks go to our sponsor - The Space; our Race Director – Donna Bruce; our Race Committee members - Robyn, Donna, Hector, Evelyn, Britta, Kevin, Christabel and Gail; and the skippers and crews of the Winter Series.

I hope to see all the Winter entrants out there for the Summer Series, which is essentially the same format, slightly longer courses in hopefully a bit more breeze and without as much "traffic" from the southern clubs, as they race, predominantly, on a Saturday.

We have spaced the racing out so that if you can only sail every other week, there is a choice of series, or you can race every Sunday, or consider a casual entry – but just keep in mind that "casual" doesn't mean calling the race director on the day of the race to say you want to sail. Handicaps need to be set, start and finish sheets need to be amended for the race committee; paperwork needs to be confirmed and in date – and we are all volunteer, so please be considerate.

A couple of new Mini Regattas for the centreboard fleet promises some additional excitement for the Race Committees during the Summer Series Marathon races. While the RC waits for the yachts to return, the

centreboards will be racing up to 4 W/L races.

The Sailing Committee has remained largely intact. New faces include Marike Koppenol, as Sailing Committee Secretary; Ivana Gattegno back on deck as Women's Challenge Race Director; Iain Cameron, as Centreboard Race Director, Stephen Teudt sharing the role of Twilight Race Director with Anne Stockdale, and Evelyn Ciocco as Sunday Duty Roster. Welcome and thank you Susan Strath, Karen Petersen, Roland Beck and Penny Meakins for your past services.

The Junior fleet is still under the direction of the Board, but expect to see an increase in boats and kids on the water in the coming season. We are actively looking for sponsors to assist in the acquisition of additional boats to meet the expected demand. Thank you Manly Sailing, Bruce Davis, Greg Taranto and Tim Docker for the huge effort you have expended so far to get this project off the ground so that we can grow the sport from the younger generation.

As you will all realise by now, the running of races takes an enormous effort and a large amount of time out of volunteers lives, so in an effort to spread the load I will be endeavouring to break a few jobs down, with your help, into more manageable chunks. So be prepared to volunteer – racing doesn't happen without your assistance.

You've all received your handbook by now ... it hasn't arrived? Did you forget to renew your membership?

If you don't have a handbook, contact the club at info@myc.org.au and let them know.

I hope you liked the cover of this year's handbook, contributed by Pam Davis – what an action shot! Start thinking about the sorts of photos you are taking (obviously while still seriously concentrating on the racing). Perhaps you can nominate a photo of yours for the next handbook. Thank you Carole Orbell – newsletter editor extraordinaire - for taking on the additional task of producing the handbook front and back cover, Ivan FitzGerald for formatting the handbook and organising the printing, Mark Bode for once again chasing up the advertisers and Pam Davis for organising the distribution to members and boat owners.



Don't forget to complete the Race Committee Roster and return it to the Club as soon as possible – no race committee; no racing!

To entice you all into another great sailing season, I'd like to introduce you to our sponsors for this season. The Club Championships are being sponsored by Peppertree Wines - one of the most awarded boutique wineries in Australia, producing wines from the Hunter Valley, Orange, Coonawarra and Wrattontully. The Summer Series will be sponsored by The Space – Manly's best kept secret, the piano bar and day spa. Look for the \$15 voucher in the handbook. The Twilight Series is again sponsored by Zilzie Wines – celebrating 100 years. The Mini Regatta is again sponsored by Pittwater YHA – a great weekend away. Other sponsors are still to be confirmed (or found) for The Women's Challenge and the Offshore Series. I'd like you all to thank the sponsors for supporting our sailing habit by supporting them in with your purchasing power.

On behalf of the members of Manly Yacht Club, I'd like to again extend my thanks to Ken Terrens and Carole Orbell for keeping the members up to date on the web page and in the newsletter.

As always, the Sailing Committee – and particularly the Principal Handicapper - appreciates the prompt return of race entry forms; so get those entries in. Your entry form will be accepted subject to your successfully completed equipment audit.

Looking forward to another great sailing season...

Maz

SATURDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER

ARE YOU READY FOR AUDITS DAY ?

It's almost that time for your boat to undergo its annual audit check. Hopefully you will have it ready on the day and not be fluffing about at the last minute trying to get everything in order. Just a little time spent getting equipment and safety gear into shape, making sure things like flares, fire extinguishers etc. and first aid kits are all "in date" saves valuable time for everyone not just owners but especially the auditors who give up their time to carry out the audits and can't afford to waste time checking gear that doesn't conform.

If you have any queries concerning the validity of any equipment or to clarify any of the rules please don't hesitate to contact one of the auditors before the 3rd September and discuss any uncertainty so that there is no problem when the inspection is carried out. (Auditors contacts are on page 7 of the new 2011-2012 MYC Handbook.) Page 36 of the Handbook will give everyone an idea of what is required.

A few changes have been made to the requirements in the last 12 months so owners should familiarise themselves with these changes by checking the YA website (www.yachting.org.au) - Sports Services - Amendments to 2009 Special Regulations. (Page 8 of the June 2011 Newsletter is worth consulting.)

Audit forms should have been received by now along with an additional copy of the MYC Handbook. Please read these forms carefully before filling them in. When completed, both forms, need to be returned to the Club three days before the inspection day nominating which venue you will be taking your boat for inspection. Starting at 9.00 am and closing by 12.30 pm all categories to Davis Marina and only Category 7 to the MYC jetty.

To present your boat for inspection with all the required equipment neatly laid out makes life easy for everyone and once again saves time. Your auditor will appreciate your efforts and will be your new best friend.

*Good sailing and enjoy a great new season.
Bill Spence*

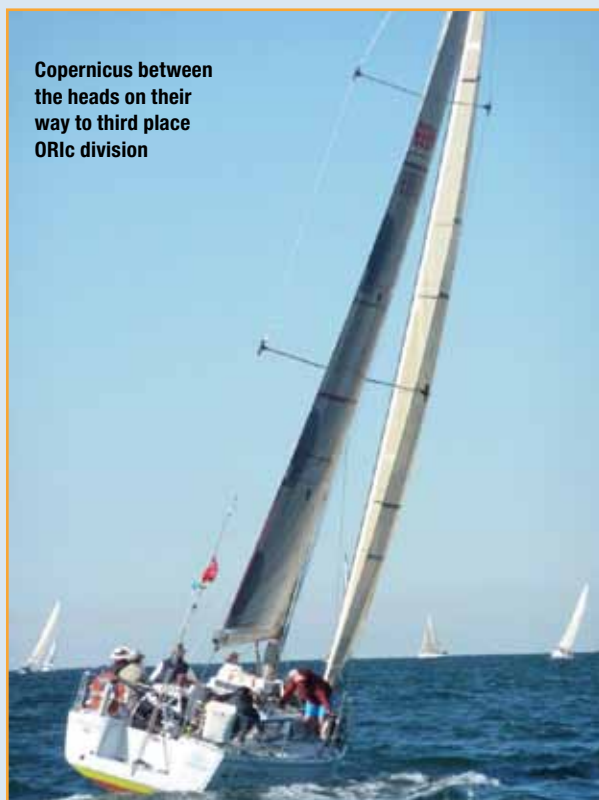
Brisbane to Keppel Race



Copernicus crosses the Tropic of Capricorn



Copernicus between the heads on their way to third place ORC division



Brisbane to Keppel race - Navigator Ken Terrens making a point at the race briefing!!!!



Volunteers recognised at annual dinner

Fifty two volunteers and their partners and friends, put on their party gear and braved the cold to celebrate another year as Sailability volunteers.

This is the once a year opportunity to remember the year that was through a slideshow of highlights, and get to know each other in a relaxed environment.

This year our patron, Jean Hay mayor of Manly and husband David were keen participants, and Jean graciously awarded a medal to our Volunteer of the Year, David Webb. Reluctant to be singled out, David dedicated his award to everyone who gave up their time to volunteer for Sailability.

After delicious sticky date pudding, Eli thanked everyone for their efforts and let them know the value placed on their selfless contribution. Jan Jensen announced the "Wayne Black Perpetual Trophy" for the best sailor of the year, and Craig Whitting took a bow for the much appreciated meal, produced and served at a very competitive price.

All agreed that the event had again been a resounding success.

Conference at Narrabeen

Sailability NSW will be holding a residential conference for all Sailability clubs on 26 – 28th August, and Manly will be sending delegates. There is a big emphasis on consolidating the "Vision" and opening better lines of communications.

Orientation Day Sat 4th September

Anyone who would like to find out more about Sailability with a view to volunteering, is encouraged to attend this session from 9.30 – 12.30. For more details call Eli on 9976 2747, there's no obligation, and weather permitting, everyone who wants to, will get out on the water.



David & Jean Hay, Ian & Robyn Dennewald, John Connor and Steve Le Breton

$E=m(y)c^2$

Winter racing at MYC means contending with the fickle whims of Mother Nature and random twists of fate, which lend a certain spice to a Sunday afternoon.

MYC WS2 was no exception as the zephyrs took us from Manly to the first mark, the Sow and Pigs, a challenge in itself to round, with light air, an ebbing tide and the cream of the CYC fleet heading down the Harbour, across our path. 'Lady Canasta' went early and sneaked through the traffic only to be swept against the South cardinal mark. Somehow we found a gap well past the Pigs only to be confronted by the awesome sight of the bulk tanker 'TH Sonata' bearing down on us. She was steaming out the Western Channel, with attendant tugs and pilot boat blasting a warning, as we were about to cross her path.

What an absurd vision of relativity. A 107,510 tonne, 243.8 metre long ship, travelling with considerable momentum, matched against a 0.5 tonne, 6.8 metre boat, which was almost becalmed.

Did I mention Relativity? Albert Einstein had a theory on this subject, which he expressed mathematically as: $E=mc^2$. It's basically the relation between the energy (E), the mass (m) and the speed of light (c) squared, which is a constant (most of the time), but it can be affected by interference, such as strong magnetic fields from Black Holes, or a wayward yacht (y) sailing in WS2. Revising the formula for Sydney Harbour to: $E=m(Y)c^2$, or in some cases: $E=m(y)c(WS2)$.

Now the numbers generated by these equations are huge and support the sailing rule: Give way to commercial shipping in channels, which we did, but we were left wallowing in the doldrums for a considerable length of time, although somehow that passing mass of energy seemed to transfer a charge of momentum to our wee vessel, as Iain very deftly sailed her home to a very respectable finish.

Now fast forward to the excellent MYC AGM trivia and one of the questions: 'What does the E stand for in Einstein's Theory of Relativity'? I rather stubbornly answered, 'The speed of light in a vacuum', despite the protestations of the mathematician on the team! Too obvious. Was it the wine or perhaps Einstein's obsession with light, which dazzled me? I ask myself (y)?
Colin Cameron.



DIARY DATES

PLEASE CHECK THE DIARY ON OUR WEBSITE FOR ALL UPCOMING EVENTS WWW.MYC.ORG.AU

Skippers needing Crew?

The crewlink mailing list has been setup to connect crew seeking boats to skippers seeking crew. Rather than go through a crew coordinator, the crewlink mailing list allows skippers to see incoming crewing enquiries as well as the archives of previous enquiries received.

Skippers can subscribe to the mailing list at <http://myc.org.au/forms/maillist/crewlink.shtml>. Once a moderator has approved the subscription, the skipper will receive emails each time a new crew makes an enquiry. They will also be able to click the archive link at the top of the form to see the previous enquiries. If the skipper only want to look at the archives, they can edit their subscription option to turn off email notification.

Crew looking for boat

Name: Andrew Terrey
Email: andrewterrey@internode.on.net
Phone: 9456 0576
Experience: Extensive experience sailing twilights on Pittwater in all parts of the boat. Looking to sail more often in a more competitive environment. Keen to learn anything new

Boat looking for crew

Dances with Waves - Beneteau First 40.7
We are looking for crew for the 2011-2012 racing season. Some experience is an advantage.
Contact Jim Thomas 0418116969 or email jimdt@bigpond.net.au

HAVE YOU VOLUNTEERED YET?

**NO, WE DON'T WANT MONEY.
NO, WE DON'T WANT BLOOD.**

We need YOUR TIME for this season's sailing. Please fill out the enclosed leaflet and get it back to the club as soon as possible.

Racing starts in a three weeks!!! We need people to fill positions.

YES, WE DO NEED YOU TO RESPOND.

Thank you.

Evelyn Ciocco

The Distraught Roster Coordinator

IMPORTANT NOTICE

I WON'T BE PRODUCING A SEPTEMBER ISSUE AS I AM ON HOLIDAY
SUBMISSIONS ARE DUE BY 10TH SEPTEMBER PLEASE TO...

newsletter@myc.org.au where Pam Davis will put together a special newsletter for you
Thanks Maz and Pam for organising **Carole**