MYC NEWS

October 2011



President's report

It is early October and the first Christmas cakes have appeared in the supermarkets, the Santa shop has moved back to Brookvale, and Davis Marina is sporting a lovely new floating wharf system. Bruce, Pam, & Ken have been arguing with the

authorities for a decade to get this new marina sorted and it is a credit to all involved.

Over half of our members yachts are based at Davis Marina and the marina contributes an enormous amount to Manly Yacht Club. I wish them every success with the future of the marina and look forward to many more years' association with them.

Six of the new Optimist dingys have arrived and been christened by Manly Sailing and their school holiday sailing program, All reports so far is that they are lovely boats to sail and the kids are having a great time sailing them. We have had a seventh boat donated by SES Bomond Trading in Brookvale, SES also sponsor a Volvo 60 so once the kids get up to speed a match race might be in order, assuming the Volvo crew are up to it !! Thanks to Andrew Wenham from SES Bomond Trading for his continued support of Manly Yacht Club and sailing in general.

Over the last couple weeks the MYC promotion committee headed by Mark Bode and including Caroline Busvine and Greg Wilkins have had good success getting a couple of articles in the Manly Daily and a series of advertisements publicising the upcoming season. Thanks to those



involved it is great to see sailing, and in particular MYC getting some publicity.

We are enjoying a great turnout in our yacht fleets this year, Sailability goes from strength to strength and the Juniors look like they are about to take off under the stewardship of Greg Taranto, Bruce Davis and others, so it is

the centreboards turn for a boost in numbers. If anyone knows Laser, Taser, or other centreboard sailors looking for some Sunday racing please get in touch with the club, we have a small but active fleet that would enjoy a few more boats to sail with.

Late September we had a break in at the club where someone with bolt cutters cut through the chain locking the doors to the dingy storage area and stole a near new outboard from Manly Sailings inflatable and then stole a brand new inflatable from another storage area. This is a sad reminder that we must all keep an eye on the property at MYC and ensure that we lock doors behind us and if anyone is seen in the area around the club that we politely question why they are there. Manly Council is still denying us permission to erect gates on the deck so this will be an ongoing problem.

This has also been a reminder that MYC does not insure members property kept at the club. Anyone who does store equipment at MYC should be aware of the conditions of storage as described in section 4.2 of the Clubs Handbook.

That's it from me.....l'm off to the Santa shop to beat the Christmas rush. Cheers Ian D.

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THE MOST FUN YOU CAN HAVE ON WATER TRY SAILING DAY SUNDAY NOV 6 10 - 4

If you'd like to help get more people sailing contact Murray Bailes on 0402240589 FOR SALE: Quicksilver 330 inflatable; wooden floors; v-hull shape; oars; pump; carry bag. Limited use - \$1,700 priced to sell. Contact Maz 9938 1296 or maz@ radford-vacht.com



MAXIMUM CAPACITIES



THE MOST FUN YOU GAN HAVE ON WATER TRY SAILING DAY Sunday November 6, 10am – 4pm

OUR ANNUAL TRY SAILING DAY IS COMING UP AGAIN ON SUNDAY NOVEMBER 6. IT'S GREAT TO INVITE MORE PEOPLE TO GIVE SAILING A GO AND SHOW THEM IT'S THE MOST FUN YOU CAN HAVE ON WATER, SO PLEASE HELP MAKE THIS OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL OPEN DAY YET.

How can you get involved?

Before Sunday November 6:

- Invite your family, friends, neighbours, colleagues to come along and try sailing
- Details on http://www.myc.org.au/tsd/tsd.shtml
- Distribute flyers in letterboxes in your street, at your local cafe, anywhere you can think of (will be available at MYC clubhouse from mid-October)
- (Will be available at MYC c

Help organise the day

On Sunday November 6:

Volunteer your boat to take people out sailing

• Volunteer your time – crewing on yachts and dinghies, setting up, meeting and greeting, manning the registration desk, on the BBQ, in the shop, giving demonstrations, spruiking MYC, raving about sailing – whatever you like!

Everyone is welcome and we'll have Sailability dinghies, Manly Juniors, (hopefully) lasers and lots of yachts to take everyone out on the water.

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Sailability and our sailing school Manly Sailing are getting involved, so please contact Murray Bailes on 0402240589 to offer your support.

(Please note: children under 18 years must be accompanied by a parent or guardian).

MANLY MINI FESTIVAL OF SAILING

THE FIRST MINI-REGATTA OF THE SEASON WAS TO BE HELD IN SUNDAY SEPT 25TH BUT SADLY WEATHER CONDITIONS DICTATED THAT IT BE ABANDONED.

Now a Mini-Regatta Series Day 2 is scheduled for Jan 22, but it can't be a Mini-Regatta Series Day 2 if we haven't had a Day 1. So your Sailing Committee put their heads together to try and solve the problem and came up with this:

If we get enough interest, we will hold Mini-Regatta Day 1 on Saturday January 21st and nominate that entire weekend as the Manly Mini Festival of Sailing.

It will require getting quite a few volunteers together over the few days so we would need quite a few entries to make it happen. Some Apre - Sail entertainment on the Saturday Night could be put on for competitors and their supporters.

It's from such humble beginnings that many of the worlds' greatest regatta's were born.

The mini regatta is open to all mono hull yachts whose length overall is greater than 6m and less than 11m so join the Manly Mini Festival of Sailing and prove for once and for all that size doesn't matter it's what you do with it over a series of 8 windward leeward type races in Manly Cove that counts.

Too long the rock stars and their 100m yachts have been hogging the airwaves, if you have a small yacht then sail up and be counted amongst the greats of this inaugural festival.

The overall prize of 2 Nights at **Pittwater YHA** will be up for grabs along with the coveted Horses Ass Trophy and a variety of crew prizes as well as the opportunity to sail into the history books as one of the founding entrants of the Manly Mini Festival of Sailing.

If you want to be able to say..."I was there when it all started...." then email your expression of interest to Chris Stockdale on info@manlysailing.com.au as soon as possible and we will let you know when we have enough boats to make it viable.



BUSY VOLUNTEERS DURING SAILABILITY WORKING BEE

A team of eleven volunteers got stuck into some regular jobs and a few one offs, including the installation of weatherproof carpet valued at \$350, on the pontoon donated by Sparks Carpets, 57 Winbourne Rd, Brookvale.

This will help protect the bottom of our dinghies as we launch and retrieve them from the pontoon, and trust Manly Yacht Club members also find it an improvement.

Dinghies were cleaned, life-jackets and sails washed, Charlie's Chariot scrubbed. On the weekend of Oct 21-23rd we'll be hauling out Fergo for an antifoul and polish, with Hempel paint and polish left over from last year, so we'll be ready for the summer season.

The mainsail that was donated by Shear Magic has been adapted by Hoods, and we're hoping it will improve our range and efficiency.

We're gearing up for a busy season ahead and look forward to working closely with MYC on the Try Sailing Day, and the Club Race Management Course we've organised on Sat 15th October. *Jude*



Marie vacuuming the storage area



ZILZIE TWILIGHTS

MYC TWILIGHT SEASON OPENS FRIDAY OCT 21st

Time to shake out the shorts, polish up the plastic glasses, blow the cobwebs off the stubby holder, practice the acceptance speech. It's here at last - Twilight racing is returning to the MYC Calendar with the first race on October 21st. Same rules, same fun and lots of lovely Friday Sailing stretches out in front of us.

If you haven't entered, get your entry and paperwork to the MYC office now or risk missing out. If you are a skipper looking for crew or a crew member looking for a boat contact the MYC Crew Co-ordinator or Manly Sailing.

Zilzie Wines are supporting us again this year with some fabulous prizes, they have been a consistent, stalwaorth supporter of MYC for many seasons now so male sure you support them by purchasing their wines.

This year for your entry fee you get not one but two Race Directors with Anne Stockdale and Stephen Teudt sharing the role this year. Anne will kick off proceedings on Oct 21st and Stephen will take the reins the following week with both taking alternate weeks to provide you with a fabulous series.

Please remember that they along with your Race Committee are volunteers and give up their sailing so you can go sailing and try not to give them a hard time. Or if you do want to give them a hard time be prepared to volunteer on the Race Committee the following week.

A FEW KEY THINGS TO NOTE:

A: In the early weeks of the twilight season many, if not all boats finish after dark. And as our finish line is west of the ferry terminal, your race committee often have a hard time determining if there are boats crossing the line - let alone who they are. We do our very best and we want to be able to give everyone a finish time so please help us out by noting the following Sailing Instruction

12.3 Boats should record their own finish time in poor light and note boats finishing around them.

Shining a light on your sail number helps - but get your crew member to shine it on the actual sail number with your brightest strongest torch. Not in the general direction of the

sail number and not at the bottom of the sail shining upwards. It all helps your poor eye strained Race Committee!

B: MYC and the Race Committee have a duty of care to all competitors and if a boat does not cross the finish line and does not notify the race

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committee that they have retired then we are obliged to initiate search and rescue procedures. To that effect please note Safety Regulations 17.5,

17.6 and 17.7 in the Sailing Instructions. C: Keep out of the way of commercial traffic.

D: Turn on your Navigation Lights E: No anchors forward of the bow while racing.

Don't forget the club will be open for dinner and drinks after racing each week so come back and mingle with other crews and share some tall tales.

HERE'S TO A FUN, SAFE AND ENJOYABLE TWILIGHT SEASON!



TRY CREWING DAY

COMMODORE'S REPORT

After a spectacular start to the new sailing season, the weather seems to have gone downhill rapidly! The first offshore race saw only a handful of our fleet join the Lion Island race due to the appalling weather.

The first club championship race encouraged us to believe the weather gods were smiling again, only to have our hopes dashed for the Mini Regatta which was a wash out with particularly foul weather. Thank you to the race committee Graham R, Ken T, David D and Stephen C - who turned up, despite the weather. Thank you also to Evelyn C who looked a bit drenched after delivering the lunches for the day and to Bruce D who worked in the rain and wind to get Carlyle ready. The Sailing Committee is trying to find an alternate day to hold MR-1, a possibility being a full weekend event in January with MR-2.

On the subject of committee boats, I'd also like to thank Russell Walker for the work done on Robbie R. You may notice a shine new stainless steel post on the Robbie R. This holds the radio aerial that everyone is so fond of holding on to. The radio has also been replaced and Russell says that "Marine Rescue can hear him if he needs rescuing".

Thank you to those club members who have responded to requests for help on the Race Committees for Sundays and Friday nights. But we still need a few more. If you haven't contacted Pam Davis pensive@iinet. net.au for the Sunday Roster or me for the Friday night roster, please do. You'll be surprised how much fun you will have and how much you will learn.

As our Liquor Licence has again been renewed, we are able to provide services from the shop. There is an RSA roster and a shop roster, however if you, as a member not on the roster, see that the BBQ perhaps needs to be lit because the duty person has not turned up yet, please don't be shy – just do it. However, alcohol can only be served by someone with an RSA. Thank you to the members on the RSA and shop roster for helping your fellow members to enjoy their racing. (More volunteers always welcome!)

With the Twilights starting in a few short weeks, let me please remind you to be aware of the ferries and your responsibilities associated with racing with Manly Yacht Club. Be mindful of vour start time in relation to the ferries entry and departure times and keep clear when starting and finishing. It is a requirement when racing with Manly Yacht Club that navigation lights be used in poor visibility. NSW Maritime imposes heavy fines if boats are caught without navigation lights on in poor visibility. I would encourage the Race Committees to disqualify any boats racing without navigations lights if they should be on. Navigation lights are required if you intend to enter the Twilight Series - see SI 17.3. We know you've got them - they were inspected - so please use them. May I also draw your attention to SI 1.3 ... "Unless in use, no part of any anchor may project forward of the bow at any time whilst racing."



If you have read last month's MYC newsletter, you will be aware that we have acquired, though purchase and donation, 6 Opti's for use in the junior sailing program. The boats were delivered recently and with Chris and Anne Stockdale's were inspected and rigged. The boats were used initially in the 4 day sailing camp conducted by Manly Sailing and looked fantastic on the water. Hopefully some of the participants will translate to the MYC juniors program which commences on the 15th October with a number of willing juniors.

On a final note, I'd like to congratulate Bruce Davis and the team at Davis Marina on their beautiful new marina which was opened on the 8th October by NSW Treasurer, Mike Baird, and Manly Mayor Jean Hay. It was a long time coming, with a lot of bureaucratic red tape but the result is a testament to Bruce's patience and persistence – well done.

Safe sailing ...

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MANLY SAILING IS CONSIDERING HOLDING A SAFETY & SURVIVAL AT SEA COURSE.

The course will be conducted by a recognised maritime training organisation on a weekend before Christmas. If you are interested please contact Anne at Manly Sailing on info@manlysailing.com.au

We are also hoping to expand our racing calendar to some offshore races this season so if you would be interested in doing race like the Pittwater to Coffs Harbour Race on January 2nd please do get in touch.

Manly Sailing, Ground Floor Manly Yacht Club, 02 9977 4000, info@manlysailing.com.au, www.manlysailing.com.au

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CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP



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THE TROYS OF FOWEY (Fowey rhymes with joy not bowie)

Tucked into a corner of the craggy south coast of Cornwall, can be found a deep water harbour where I had a go at sailing a very special class of boat which has been raced competitively for over 80 years.

The mouth to Fowey's harbour is framed by a lighthouse and craggy castles which have repelled European neighbours and kept the locals safe since the Middle Ages. Once inside the bay, fishermen's cottages cling to the hillsides and hardly a car can be heard as the streets are mostly far too narrow for anything but walking.

That is where many of the differences between Fowey and Sydney end though, as both sides of the harbour are full of moored boats and container ships regularly glide through the middle, a regular ferry has to be negotiated during races and while I was there the town played host to a large white cruise liner.

But, I felt really at home when the friendly Fowey Gallants sailing club had a 'try sailing' day during my visit. The proud Troy owners of Fowey were ready to show off their pride-and-joys to all comers.

Troys are 18ft long, 3/4 decked Keelboats, with a 30ft tall mast (which has no back stay so often break), nearly 300sq ft of sail and a lead keel bolted externally. About 15 Troys can be seen racing in Fowey harbour on a twilight out of a full complement of 25. The general trend has been to name the boats after gemstones and I was lucky enough to have a go on Ruby – or T6.

Ruby is over 70 years old but, to be honest, she is rather like the old broom that has had 5 handles and 6 brushes... Her proud present owner, Ralph, told me her keel and some of her hull was original but she is beautifully looked after and loads of fun to sail, although I got a bit wet for my liking!

He has been sailing her for over 40 years against fellow locals and they are hard fought contests. We watched a twilight race and the tacking between moored boats had to be seen to be believed. *Carole*





The Fowey Gallants club - Not a bad spot to spend the afternoon



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

Request: Crew looking for boat Name: tim wilson Email: tim.wilson@gwf.com.au Phone: 0420302806 Experience: Neilson competent crew and skippered boats on floatilla holidays in Greece. Little rusty.

Request: Crew looking for boat Name: Helen Pope Email: helenlouisepope@gmail. com Phone: 0410424204

Experience: Experienced as crew on J24 including twilight series and occasional Saturday racing. Some experience crewing larger boats. Would ideally like to join in Friday twilight series over 2011-2012 summer. Request: Crew looking for boat Name: Cassandra Barratt Email: cass_barratt311@hotmail. com

Phone: 04 12220615 Experience: I spent many years sailing as a child but I haven't sailed in roughly 10 years. I suspect much of the knowledge will come back quite quickly but I would very much appreciate some direction.

Request: Crew looking for boat Name: Peter Hodgins Email: peterjhodgins@gmail.com Phone: 0413063203 Experience: Inshore skipper theory and practical. Chartered yachts on Pittwater. Limited race experience.

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THANK YOU

There is much "behind the scenes" support each time we race in a Manly Yacht Club event. We know about the Sailing Committee who produce the sailing calendar for us, and we know about the Race Committee who do a wonderful job getting us started and finished each week, but we need to acknowledge those members who support us after the racing is over. With the advent of our liquor licence we have an added burden in the shape of the RSA requirements and I thank those members who have participated in the RSA program so that alcohol can be sold at the club. Serving food with any alcohol consumed at the club is also a requirement which we have adherred to for many years. The shop roster is intended to evenly and fairly spread this load amongst the competitors and gives crew members the opportunity to give something back to the club and their skippers by assisting with the BBQ. We wouldn't have such a great club without each of us supporting each other in our preferred sport. Thank you. Maz