# **MYC NEWS**

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#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

This year marks our **70**<sup>TH</sup> **ANNIVERSARY** and we are looking forward to marking this milestone later in the year. We have a number of members who have joined in recent years, so I wanted to take this opportunity to share our history with the help of our historians and Wikipedia.





Manly Yacht Club before moving to The Baths

Manly Yacht Club was formed in 1950 as the Manly 14ft Skiff Club. In the late 1950s a training boat called the Manly Junior was designed and built at the club. Today it still stands as one of Australia's best double-handed youth training class.

The 1960s saw the creation of the Yachting Division and the Manly Graduate division. The club's name was subsequently changed to the Manly Yacht Club. In the early 1980s the club moved into the present building which was the site of the former Gentlemen's Baths, "the largest and most efficiently equipped gentlemen's swimming baths in the state", opened in 1892. In October 1926, a new Olympic pool with a grandstand to seat 1400 people was opened at a cost of £11,000.





On May 25th, 1974, a south-easterly gale with 70mph winds coincided with two and a half metre tides, producing a huge surge which devastated the bay. All the boatsheds on East Esplanade were flooded to a metre or more for several hours. Twenty-three of the 46 boats in Manly Cove were lost. The Manly Promenade was wrecked; the seawall breached; and the Manly Baths damaged beyond repair. In April 1976 the Harbord Diggers Swimming Club held a ceremony, and with the last race a wreath was floated in the pool.

Early in 1977 the Manly Yacht Club submitted plans which showed the full-length observation deck on the upper floor with boat storage underneath and a 5m wide boat deck projecting out over the water.



The Baths in caretaker mode before Manly
Yacht Club took over the lease



In 1998 a development application prepared by architect Jon Bianchino was lodged with Manly Council on behalf of MYC and the Skiff Club. The design involved a broad launching ramp on the beach between the Skiff Club and MYC; boat storage under the park and on the site of the ex-Digger's building; a paved forecourt and landscaping on top; a street level entrance hall to the Baths building and rigging deck.



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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT ...continued from previous page

Today MYC hosts 54 annual yacht races, 22 Laser races, 21 junior races and is home to Sailability, Manly Sailing, Manly Diggers Swimming Club and Northern Beaches Dragon Boat Club.



We have another milestone to celebrate this year. On 28th/29th March is the 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY of the Helly Hansen Women's

Challenge.

MANLY YACHT CLUB HELLY HANSEN
WOMEN'S CHALLENGE 2020
75th ANNIVERSARY

MYC was one of the first clubs on Sydney Harbour to host an event with a focus on female participation. I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge that this event's success is only possible because of the support of MYC Skippers who generously provide their yachts and training to female helms. Our hope this year is to reach 50 boats across all the classes. Please get your crew organised and register now. We are also looking for volunteers for both Saturday and Sunday so please let Cath or myself know if you are available to assist.



#### **HOUSEKEEPING**

Over the last two months we have had a number of accidents on the water particularly during Twilights. The Board conducts a review each month to ensure all safety procedures are in place and followed. It's really important that every member reads the Handbook in particular the following Sections - Safety Plan For Competitors, Emergency Communications, Incident Reporting. I also want to remind members that if an incident occurs south of the entrance to Manly Cove there may be some difficulties in communicating with the Race Committee and Duty Office by radio because of potential land mass interrupting the signals. Where you are finding the difficulties in getting a clear signal, please use your mobile to call the office land line to speak to the Duty Office.





Who Me?

This is a story about 4 people named EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, ANYBODY and NOBODY.

There was an important job to be done and EVERYBODY was sure SOMEBODY would do it. ANYBODY could have done it, but NOBODY did it.

**SOMEBODY** got angry about that because it was **EVERYBODY'S** job.

**EVERYBODY** thought **ANYBODY** could do it, but **NOBODY** realised that **EVERYBODY** wouldn't do it.

It ended up that **EVERYBODY** blamed **SOMEBODY** when **NOBODY** did what **ANYBODY** could have done.





We need someone who can get Trophies dropped off and picked up from the engravers and manage the organization of the Presentation Night.

Rest assured there is a workflow document to help whoever volunteers and as usual Jan, our Sailing Sec, will do the collation of results into the spreadsheets that drive the engraving information.

Two simple, one off jobs...

Here is a job **ANYBODY** could do... We just need to give **ANYBODY** a **NAME!** Could this be **YOU?** 

If you can assist, please contact Jan at <a href="mailto:sailingsec@myc.org.au">sailingsec@myc.org.au</a>

#### **SAILABILITY MANLY**

is proud to announce that

#### **HELEN HENDRY**

our fantastic Membership Secretary, chef, and long-time volunteer in dozens of roles, has been chosen to be...



## SENIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

for the Northern Beaches

Not only is Helen well known at Sailability Manly, she is also a very long-time volunteer for Palliative Care.

Congratulations Helen, Well Deserved.





#### **NEWS**

#### New Interpretation to Special Regs Issued here:

https://www.sailing.org.au/news/new-interpretations-to-the-special-regulations-issued/?utm\_source=National+Members+-+Nautical+News&utm\_campaign=433860c953-Nautical\_News\_January2020&utm\_medium=email&utm\_term=0\_822a499649-433860c953-96691393

#### Amendment 3 to Special Regs issued here:

https://www.sailing.org.au/news/amendment-3-to-the-special-regulations-issued/?utm\_source=National+Members+-+Nautical+News&utm\_campaign=433860c953-Nautical\_News\_January2020&utm\_medium=email&utm\_term=0\_822a499649-433860c953-96691393

#### **Changes to Rule 46 and Crew Membership**

Rule 46 of the Racing Rules of Sailing currently has a prescription that after three races, all crew of any race shall be a club member; and that Australian Sailing was reviewing the requirement.

From 1 January 2021 the Australian Sailing prescription to the rule will be amended to require that all crew of any race are members of an affiliated club; and also registered with Australian Sailing- regardless of the number of races they have competed in.

NOTE: Your Board is investigating the ramifications of this prescription and will report back in a future newsletter... Ed

#### A WORD FROM CLUB MANAGER ...

Northern Beaches Council parking permits are under review. Council has advised that our current supply of parking permits will remain valid until



#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

ADULT MEMBERS

Peter Copeland Peter Fradley Clint MacKinlay Joss Smith David Webb JUNIOR MEMBERS
Caleb Cooper
Vincent McAllister
George Palmer
Oliver Ross
Seamus Smart
Toby Williams

## CARLYLE USERS PLEASE TAKE NOTE

(The article is extracted from the February 2017 newsletter but is worth repeating.

We now have a costly exercise to fix the capstan! ...Ed)



#### AND A WORD FROM BRUCE...

*Carlyle* users are sometimes a little heavy handed with the anchor and winch.

When retrieving the anchor from the harbour bed it's important to pull it up and into the bow roller properly. It has to be far enough into the roller, with just a little slack in the chain, so that it can't jump out and crash around hitting things and damaging the hull. Pulling it up too far and tensioning the chain can tend to lift the bowsprit upwards and pull the winch and base forwards, lifting it off the deck. As well as straining the fastenings for the bowsprit and winch base it can also allow rainwater to enter the deck near the winch and the stem timber causing dry rot.

Manly Yacht Club is short of cash and can't afford the repair costs!! So, it's important to watch the anchor as it comes over the bow roller and stop it early before the chain is tensioned. Check out the two photos and see if you can spot the correctly and incorrectly stored anchor.

As boat and Equipment Director I have assumed the right to impose penalties for those who damage our boats. The penalty for over tensioning the anchor chain is to attend the next club working bee and "work your fingers to the bone". So, whoever was the anchorperson, the race before Christmas Club Champs 6 you know what you are doing first working bee 2017–2020.



#### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRO

(PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICER)

The Club Race Officer Course is aimed at educating MYC members in the basics to conduct consistent, fair and safe club racing.

The MYC Race Officer Course is in two parts.

**PART ONE** is a in the classroom for about a ½ day and discusses the theory and practice of running a race.

**PART TWO** is a practical on water ½ day course showing you how to use the club's equipment and support boats.

#### **Course Prerequisites**

There are no prerequisites to attend this seminar.

#### Who should do this course?

People who have a keen interest in Sailing and want to participate in another facet of the sport.

Being an all-volunteer club where in summer we are running races on Friday nights, Saturday (Juniors) and Sundays, the Club needs as many ROs and assistant ROs as it can get to fulfil the needs of all of this racing.

The course is presented in an interesting way and is informative and entertaining.

Each session will have 5 participants.

If you are interested please email the Principal Race Officer on <a href="mailto:pro@myc.com.au">pro@myc.com.au</a> When we get enough participants to fill a course we will arrange a convenient date for all, to run the course.

Stephen Teudt

MYC Principal Race Officer



#### YOU DO THE MATH...

Friday Twilights – 21 race days x 3 volunteers
Saturday Juniors – 20 race days x 7 volunteers
Sunday Summer racing – 24 race days x 6 volunteers
Sunday Winter racing – 6 race days x 3 volunteers





## Amendment to MYC General Conditions of Racing

An additional clause has been added.

#### 7.7.7 Missing Mark

If a mark is missing and Flag 'M' is not in position, boats shall round or pass (as appropriate) the approximate position of the missing mark's stated location in the specified direction.

This changes RRS 34.

Jason Bond Commodore MYC Sailing Committee 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019



## Amendment to Sailing Instructions #2 MYC Club Championship 2019-2020

Please be aware that the AS 40 Baskets mark has been removed by Australian Sailing. MYC is in discussion with AS to try and have it returned.

In the meantime, if the Race Committee selects a course containing that mark the RC will lay a MYC mark instead at the same location.

(Location: 1/4 n.mile ENE of 40 Baskets Beach at 33-48-149E 151-16-402S aprox)

This affects SI's for Club Championship appendix A3 (Div 1) This affects SI's for Club Championship appendix A4 (Div 2)

This Amendment replaces "Amendment to Sailing Instructions #1" published on  $28^{th}$  November 2019

John Daly

Race Director CC series 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020





**SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2020 MYC MINI REGATTA DAY 2** 

**SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2020** LASER METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

SATURDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> & SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020 **SYDNEY HARBOUR REGATTA** 

SUNDAY 15TH MARCH 2020 **MYC MARATHON RACE 3** 

SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> & SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2020 **OPEN SKIFF SUPER CUP** 

SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> & SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020 MYC HELLY HANSEN WOMEN'S CHALLENGE

**TUESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2020 SHESAILS CLUB RACE OFFICER COURSE** 

SATURDAY 4TH APRIL 2020 **MYC BALL - TEXAS BBQ STYLE** 

> — 2020 — SYDNEY {arbou!

#### Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th March 2020

Hosted by Middle Harbour Yacht Club (MHYC), the Sydney Harbour Regatta is one of the biggest keelboat regattas in Australia.

#### **Notice of Race and Online Entry** at shr.mhyc.com.au



For all enquiries, contact sailing@mhyc.com.au









**IF YOU ENJOYED DAY 1 ENTER DAY 2, IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY** J24s (or other ODs) ... use this regatta to practice for your next ...

A GREAT DAY OF RACING

**WONDERFUL SPONSORS** 







#### WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR? **ENTER NOW...**

... And have a great chance of winning a few nights' accommodation in a very beautiful place...

IN THE GRAND PRIZE DRAW





Quote from the Editor ...

**EASE THE BL\*\*DY SHEET!!!** 

(Not so much heard any more)





#### WHAT HAS A MEAT TRAY GO TO DO WITH A BUNCH OF LIFE **JACKETS YOU ASK?**



THE JUNIORS WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE GENEROSITY OF THE TWILIGHT RACERS FOR PUCHASING RAFFLE TICKETS, ENABLING REPLACEMENT LIFE **JACKET TO BY BOUGHT** 

(Safety Audits carried out on the 10+ year old jackets deemed them not fit for purpose. 25 Jackets have been purchased so far ... so please keep buying those tickets... Ed)







#### Ian Smith Ian Brown Michael Rowe John Bussey Oliver Rees Sorrell Lambie **David Holland** Ross Matherson Mark Lynch Ten Sixty Crew

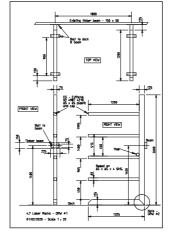
#### AN ALIEN ON OUR DECK

(no! not Scott)

This "you beaut" solar panelled winch, funded by members of our club; installed by Bruce and his elves and gratefully used by all who launch and retrieve our smaller support boats.

**OUR THANKS TO...** 

**Bruce Davis** Ben Thompson Craig Bathie Marcus Meagher Paul McCarthy **Andrew Tompson** Ramon Berkovic John O'Brien **Greg Paine** Jean-Philippe Brianchon







Bruce and Kimbyl – building 4.7 laser racks to Graham's specs

#### **End-Of-Summer Ball Texas BBQ**

This year the theme will be an authentic Texas style BBQ, with fabulous food, great music, and entertainment and of course tasty cocktails to wash it all down with.

Everyone is welcome, including members, family and guests. The more the merrier, so dust off those boots and Acubras and Stetsons for a night of food, fun and friendship (please note: guns, knives and saddles will have to be left at the door).

You can get your tickets at the club on Twilight nights or Sundays after the races; via the website https://www.myc.org.au/mycball.shtml or contact David Lewis or Cary Budd and they will get your tickets organised for you and your crew.

DATE: 4TH APRIL 2020 TIME: 7PM-11PM

**VENUE: MANLY YACHT CLUB** 

TICKETS: \$50 PER HEAD (includes entry, food, entertainment/dancing)

**DRINKS:** Will be at MYC Bar prices (no BYO)

CONTACTS: David Lewis m: 0411 883 475 e: david.lewis@fulcrum.net.au

Cary Budd m: 0419 600 108 e: cary@myc.org.au





MANLY YACHT CLUB HELLY HANSEN **WOMEN'S CHALLENGE 2020** 

INVITES SKIPPERS AND THEIR CREW TO ENTER THE 25th ANNIVERSARY **MYC HELLY HANSEN WOMEN'S CHALLENGE 2020** SATURDAY MARCH 28: LASERS, HANSE303, JUNIOR CLASSES

**SUNDAY MARCH 29: YACHTS** Exciting sailing and wonderful prizes, plus a trophy for the winner of the largest one design fleet.

More information at MANLY YACHT CLUB HELLY HANSEN WOMEN'S CHALLENGE 2020







What is a SROS? Short Rig Open Skiff

Manly Yacht Club is building its Junior Sailing fleet with 9 additional **SROS**s. This is an excellent, fun class of boat giving kids the thrill of sailing at an entry point to our juniors' development sailing program.

Introducing 9 new **SROS**s means some 70 juniors can experience the enjoyment of sailing with other likeminded children, progressing together through our juniors' development sailing program.

The total project cost for the new SROS boats is \$26,500.

We seek your support to give our next generation of sailors the opportunity to participate in a fun outdoors family orientated sport in the beautiful sailing waters surrounding Manly.

Your donations are tax deductible.

Donate

Please give generously when making your donations to this worthy project directed at developing our future generation of sailors.



PRIZE **DRAWN** RACE 3

Be on the deck to claim your prize





# **CLUB RACE OFFICER**

This course for women who have a keen interest in Sailing and want to participate in another facet of the sport. Those who may be interested in becoming a Race Officer include parents who may have limited experience with sailing and want to contribute to the sport, volunteers at yacht clubs and sailors who no longer actively participate in the sport.

Register online www.shesails.org.au

**TUE MARCH 31ST** 18:00 - 21:30

Middle Harbour Yacht Club Lower Parriwi Road, Mosman, NSW



@SheSailsAus #SheSails





#### 2020 AUSTRALIAN J24 CHAMPIONSHIP 2<sup>ND</sup> – 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020

(edited report from Catherine Rofe reprinted with permission)

Two teams from Manly Yacht Club headed over to Middle Harbour Yacht Club to complete in the 2020 Australian J24 Championships in early January.

Arthur Crother's boat *Kaotic* (AUS4770) was helmed by Geoff Pearson from MHYC. Long standing past MYC member, Janette Syme, headed up the only all-female team which included MYC members Lee Ebling, Catherine Thornton-Rofe, Rhoslyn Humphries, with MHYC members Lexi Schwarzkopff and Katie Cooke on *Stockcar* (AUS5052).

Race Officer Steve Tucker and the MHYC Race Management Team completed the full schedule of twelve races with two days of northeasterly and two days of cooler strong southerly breezes on Sydney Harbour.

Racing was competitive amongst the fleet of 16 boats and not for the faint hearted on the start line. On the last race of day 2 there was a collision on the start between 4 boats with one ending up partially sinking before getting to Clontarf Beach with a large hole in the bow. With the help of MHYC, a lifejacket was stuffed into the hole, blown up, and the water pumped out, before being towed back to the club. The skipper from *Stamped Urgent* offered assistance to patch up the hole and the boat was back on the racetrack for Day 3. A testament to the comradery and support of this competitive One Design Class.

The protest committee were kept busy with eight protests and hearings held on each of the first three days. It took two hearings to unravel the facts of the start line incident in Race 6.

The six top teams are invited to the World Championship plus an All-Female Team. So, it is off to Poole in England for Janette and her team, to represent Australia in the World Championships in September. Congratulations to all!

Full results, protests and decisions, reports and images here https://www.mhyc.com.au/sailing/regattas-championships/australian-j24championships-2020





Congratulations ... Janette Syme (helm), Lexi, Lyn, Katie, Cath, Lee Good luck and safe sailing in Poole



#### MYC LASERS REPORT



**RESULTS:** https://sites.google.com/myc.org.au/lasers/results/2019-2020?authuser=0

#### December 15: Laser Micro Regatta 4 – Marathon

I much prefer pushing my nose into a cheeky Cab Sav than the back of waves with a 20 knot nor-easter on my stern.

However, that's what ten of us hardy souls found ourselves doing on our annual marathon round Shark Island and back.

Despite our 'submariner-ing' and a few capsizes we soon found ourselves preposterously becalmed in the lee of the Island, trying to inch our way out while preparing for our 80-minute sit-up to begin.

It was a long, tough beat back with all manner of craft trying to mow us down or in the case of the 18's - skewer us.

lain got home first from myself and David. Commendably, all ten boats in the fleet finished.

A handicap event, it was David who donned the jaunty cap with Dutchy and me joining him on the podium. Well done David.

Special thanks to Lyn, who shadowed us all the way down the harbour in the  $Robbie\ R$  and then produced a much-appreciated case of Great Northern to boot.



While there were only seven boats and barely a breath of breeze, there was plenty of close-racing in the first Autumn point-score heat of the year.

I managed to drift home first, just in front of Ben and Phil with the fastest time for the 4P series points going to lain, in front of Phil and myself.

With a much more consistent breeze of up to 15 knots, the second race saw Ben finish first on handicap from Gordon and Bevis.

Once again Iain nabbed the fastest time which sets up a great lead in the 4P series. His time was followed closely by Phil and Ben a mere 5 seconds back.

Thanks to Cameron for his officiating and welcome icy-cold beers. What kind were they? Tsing Tao.





4P 9&10 (APS 1 & 2)

















Ben with Camer



## REGATTA LAND

#### THAT'S EVIE UNDER THAT CAP!

This is what sailing in Melbourne looks like. Evie punching through 20-25kn (some 30 knot gusts) on day 1
Sail Melbourne

(would love to hear more about your sailing experiences Evie ... Ed)



Our roving RegattaLand reporters cum competitors are missing in action for this edition of the newsletter... probably attending yet another regatta. Information has been gathered by your editor from various Facebook pages. Apologies for any inaccuracies.

(Updates next month, I hope...Ed)

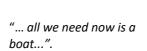
#### **NSW ACT Laser Association**



Meanwhile...
Past Commodore Greg
found a boat in
RegattaLand - Marseille ...
a fleet of Grand Surprise
Worldwide boats just like
Esprit.



While Past Commodore Muir has "lodged our America's Cup Challenge..." in RegattaLand NZ.



Jim has kindly offered Melody ... just waiting for some foils to be fitted





100 Lasers competed in the **Laser Metropolitan Championships** at Double Bay over the weekend 1-2 Feb, in testing conditions with 20knots gusting 30 on the first day.

Amongst them were Ian Saunders sailing the Standard Rig and Phil Reid and Evie Saunders in the very large and competitive Radial Fleet.

Evie Saunders was the first female in the Radials, finishing an incredible 5th overall.

Phil & Ian handicapped themselves by sailing to and from MYC to Double Bay each day, but we're pleased to report they both arrived back safely. And in time to regale the rest of the MYC Sunday fleet with stories of their prowess.





#### MANLY YACHT CLUB JUNIORS ... in the "off" season



#### **SAILABILITY NEWS**

### **AUSTRALIA DAY REGATTA**

Monday, 27 January 2020 and a fine sailing breeze for the Sailability Australia Day Regatta – yes, not strictly on Australia Day, but it gave everyone a chance to enjoy the actual day's activities and then still participate in the regatta the next day.

Seven Hansa 303s were rigged from 8am (...ish) onwards and all boats attended the start line in good time for their 10am warning signal. The Race Committee chose the popular course 2 ... the triangle course, and this remained the course for all 3 races.

Pre-start crashes notwithstanding, the **first race** started at 10:05 with Denis and Ivan on *Woody*, firmly in the lead, with Ragnhild and Vicky in *Ralph Newman*, hot on their heels, eventually achieving 2nd place behind the gun *Woody* crew, with Peter and Juliette on *Eli D*, 12 seconds behind in 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

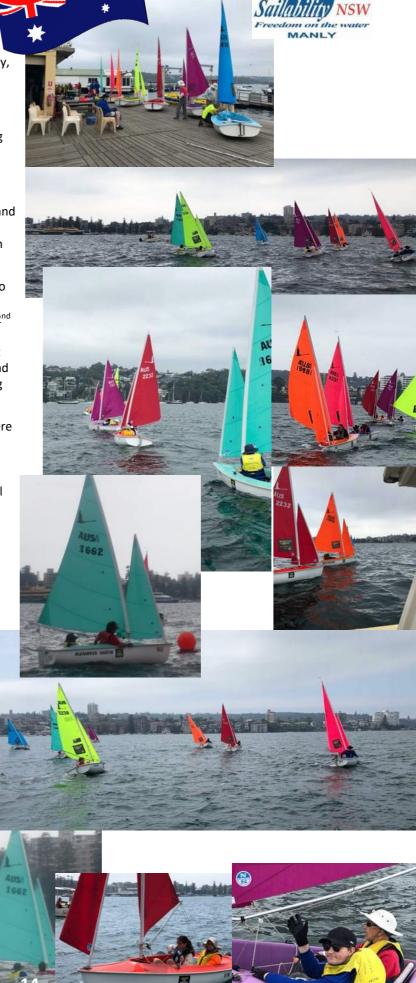
**Race 2** was a tightly contested affair with the boats placing 2nd to 6<sup>th</sup> with only 10 seconds between them – that kept the race committee on their toes! *Woody*, less than a minute in front of 2<sup>nd</sup> place took the second bullet. This time Michael and Ros on *Alex Martin* came 2<sup>nd</sup> and with only a second between them, *ING* shot across the line next, closely followed by *Dolly Wallis, VIN, Eli D* and *Black Swan.* A good effort by *Ralph Newman* who had a shocking start and was port tacker all along the start line.

The **last race** saw a drop in the breeze after the start, but still there was some good close racing. *Woody* finished first, next Emily and Ben in *VIN* crossing the finish line in front of Michael and Ros in *Alex Martin* - less that a second in it! Emily is a past MYC junior, and this was her first sailing day skippering a Hansa 303 – so, well done.

Woody, with 3 firsts wins the day. Alex Martin on 9 points and Ralph Newman on 11 points are 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively. Fourth place went to VIN on a countback with Eli D on 13 point each, followed by Dolly Wallis and Black Swan.

Thank you to all the helpers who made the day possible. I think I can safely say that everyone had a great time.

Maz (on the spot reporter)



#### **MYC LASERS REPORT**



RESULTS: https://sites.google.com/myc.org.au/lasers/results/2019-2020?authuser=0



#### PEPPER TREE WINES





#### January 19:

#### Club Championship 9 & 10 (APS 3 & 4)

Want fourteen boats at the starting line? Just say CC's. Everyone was gunning for results, but in the first heat of the day it was Phil and his radial yardstick who beat off contenders for the win from Iain and Bevis.

In the point-score however it was Dutchy's (other) handicap which took him from 9th over the line to first (and he wears the cap so well). Just in front of Bevis and Richard. A fine effort.

For the second race, the wind moderated a little from 10-15 to 8-12. This must be Bevis' absolute sweet-spot because he took off and streeted the field to win both the CC heat as well as taking the handi-cap from Dutchy.

lain was 2nd in the CC with a visiting Katerina in a Radial-rigged Po in 3rd. Vivien and Gordon followed Bevis on handicap. Well done all.

Apart from the grey man Bevis, the Club Championship series still looks to be a three-man race with Ian, Phil and Iain all within 5 points of each other with 6 heats to go.

The drama that unfolds promises to be as taut as an upwind vang in a stiff nor-easter.

Cheers to Veronique for starting and finishing us on Carlyle and to Richard for doing the results.





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Phil and Richard



Bevis with Richard and the handi-CAP





#### 4P 11 & 12 (APS 5 & 6)

With Phil, Ian at the Metros and Iain out with a crook knee, there were precious points up for grabs today. And in 10-14 knots in the first APS heat it was Sam who took them, followed by Richard and me.

In the first 4P heat, Garth threw down his gauntlet for the day with the fastest time from Gordon and me.

In the second race I was absolutely clew-less — the strap coming loose. NB: You don't miss it downwind, but upwind is a different story.

Roland however had all his wits about him, winning the second APS heat from Dutchy and Cameron. Congratulations guys.

A super-fast Garth recorded his second 4P bullet for the day, ahead of Gordon and a much-missed Mike.

Gordon's two 2nds have moved him up the series standings and I can feel him breathing down my neck. Yes, I know Gordo... one mistake...

Thanks to Ben for looking after us on the water and for plentiful beers, chips and chicken wings off it.





Garth and Ben



Geoff Reid - Lasers



Roland and Ben



Hi folks,

Just letting you know the sale of BULLet was completed last weekend (17/01/2020).

My congratulations and best wishes to *BULLet*'s new owners, Eddie and Robyn from Sandringham in Victoria. *BULLet* and her crew departed Sydney on Monday and have arrived safely at the new home in Sandringham in just under 4 days. Nice work!!

Also, my thanks to everyone who has sailed on *BULLet* over the last 5 or so years. It's been a lot of fun.

And many thanks to Manly Yacht Club where BULLet did so much of her sailing.

Happy sailing! Michael



#### **ADAMS 10 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2020**

Club member Garth represented MYC in the recent Adams 10 Nationals hosted by Middle Harbour Yacht Club.

On the second day of racing the *Sirius* team set new standards in racing/sailing clothes. They had different uniforms/tops for each day, but the second day's gold T-shirts were a huge winner. They could be spotted from a mile away.

Race 4 was one amazing race for *Sirius*, "as if the whole team/boat was on steroids"; first over the line; over a minute ahead of MYC friends, *No Friends*. Overall One Design placing 5th In this hotly contested Championship.

Images by Marg Fraser -Martin

More images and results here https://www.mhyc.com.au/sailing/regatta s-championships/adams-10-australianchampionships-2020



#### PEPPERTREE WINES TWILIGHT RACES

RESULTS: https://sites.google.com/site/mycresults/2019-2020/twilight-series

#### TWILIGHT RACE 12 INCLUDING TWILIGHT FEMALE HELM RACE 3



#### PEPPER TREE WINES

The torrential rain during the day did not deter 20 yachts who all hit the start line well behind time (except for one who was OCS).

"Drama" before the race ... a certain yacht stuck to her mooring; and a MOB during the race made for an informative presentation. More about the MOB elsewhere in this newsletter. Suffice to say, all ended well, with correct procedures followed.

Congratulations to *Moonraker*, *Madama Butterfly* and *Shear Magic* (1st, 2nd & 3rd across the line in TWL12) and *Shear Magic*, *Sirius* and *Moonraker* (1st, 2nd and 3rd on handicap in TWF3). Closest to the start - *Ten Sixty* in TWL12 and *Pinta II* in TWF3.

Thank You Race Committee Team Cheap Thrills



Twilight 12 pursuit results ... Mark (Shear Magic 2nd), Jeannie (Moonraker 1st) Andy (Moonshadow) picks up the jackpot and Bruce (Pensive) picks up the jackpot starters Prize. President Lisa and Commodore Jason at the back – image by Barry Miflin



Lisa and Sika There's a story there... image by Ian Dennewald



Twilight Female Helm Race 3 winners ... a few jackpots here ... Irina (Shear Magic 1st); Johanna (Pinta II) with the starters prize, Jeannie (Moonraker 2nd), Lisa (Mondo) with a jackpot – image by Barry Miflin







#### **TWILIGHT RACE 13**

#### **REMINDER:**

don't go into the start area before your 5-minute warning!

WHY? 7.9.1 General Conditions of Racing in the MYC current handbook. (The area is usually sufficiently crowded with moored yachts so it is reasonable that you should expect, and be given, as clean a start as possible without having to also avoid yachts not ready to start ...Ed).

24 Yachts decided to race. Course 2 was chosen due to the light winds forecast. Congratulations to *Moonshadow, Esprit de Four and Waterhound* (1st, 2nd & 3rd across the line). Fastest round the course and closest to start time *Khaleesi*. Thank you Race Committee Phil, Ross and Jim from Team *Ca Và*.



RD Jason, Madam Pres, Lisa, Helen picking up Khaleesi starters prize and jackpot place, Waterhound crew and James from Moonshadow – image by Michelle



#### **TEUSNER WINES SUMMER SERIES RACE 7**





Summer Series Race 7 ... eerie sea fogs ... Course 1 down the harbour into the mist ... will the fleet ever return?

Shear Magic after start

The starters prize goes to *Mondo*, also fastest round the course... but that doesn't matter in this race where performance handicap is the key.

Congratulations *Shear Magic* 1st, *Ratty Tooey* 2nd, and *San Toy* 3rd. But wait! A computer "glitch" (or maybe operator error somewhere down the line) and  $3^{rd}$  and  $4^{th}$  places are swapped...

San Toy graciously handed over the Teusner fine wine to Mondo but, sadly for Mondo crew, the owners of San Toy enjoyed a delicious pizza at De Vita's.

Thank you, the *Khaleesi* race committee team; and Colin, the on-water reporter, for some of the images... the rest taken by *San Toy crew*.





San Toy... can already taste that pizza!



Ratty Tooey at start

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FINAL SUMMER SERIES RACE SUNDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2020 Grand Prize draw from the barrel \$1500.00 voucher The Quays Marine towards antifoul or any other work that needs doing

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Each boat that started a race gets an entry to the draw 1<sup>st</sup> place getters get an additional 3 entries to the draw 2<sup>nd</sup> place getters get an additional 2 entries to the draw 3<sup>rd</sup> place getters get an additional entry to the draw **BUT** 

You or your previously nominated representative must be on the deck to collect your prize otherwise the prize is redrawn

(see 7.23 of the handbook for further information... Ed)

Valley

Pinta II and Mondo heading for the finish

#### PEPPERTREE WINES TWILIGHT RACES

**RESULTS**: https://sites.google.com/site/mycresults/2019-2020/twilight-series

#### **TWILIGHT RACE 14**

... not for the faint hearted. Course 8 ... 24 starters... 21 finishers. Racing started in NNE 19-24kts climbing to 25-30kts by the time the last of the fleet came home to a more reasonable NNE 14-21 in the northern part of the harbour.

Congratulations Savannah Girl 1st, Madama Butterfly 2nd and Shear Magic 3rd (Mark did mention he was running out of prize wines) ... Fastest around the course Mondo elapsed time 56:07; followed closely by Zest elapsed time 56:21 and Pensive elapsed time 26:56.

#### Consider this...

if *Mondo* was not OCS (by 3 sec) she would still be fastest round the course at 56:10...

if *Pensive* hadn't fluffed the start (late by 16 secs) her time would also be 56:10...

hmmm! could do better

Thank you, Race Committee Barry, Ian and Jeannie.

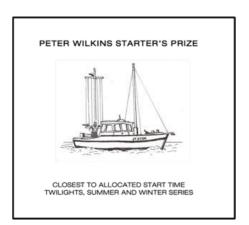


A few Jackpots on the podium... left to right David (Kryptonite 8th), RD Jason, Michael (Shear Magic 3rd), Paul, picking up the starter's prize for Ratty (00... couldn't be more perfect), Becky (Aqualuna 4th).

Image by Barry Miflin



#### PEPPER TREE WINES





Left: From Khaleesi FB page

Fun and fast Twilight at @manly\_yc. Crew got to practice MOB simulation with life ring and a 360 for a mark touch! Good practice session haha.

(Clearly someone had time to take a snap... Ed)



#### DROUGHT BUSTER

# WEEKEND! 7-9 Feb (and beyond)

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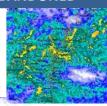
#### **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP RACE 7 ABANDONED**

Updated Marine Wind Warning Summary for New South Wales Issued at 10:00 am EDT on Sunday 9 February 2020 for the period until midnight EDT Monday 10 February 2020.

Wind Warnings for Sunday 9 February

Gale Warning for the following areas:

Sydney Closed Waters, Macquarie Coast, Hunter Coast, Sydney Coast and Illawarra Coast







#### TWILIGHT RACE 15 ABANDONED









#### Latest Weather Observations for Sydney Harbour

IDN60901

Issued at 10:41 am EDT Sunday 9 February 2020 (issued every 10 minutes, with the page automatically refresh

(i) About weather observations | Map of Sydney area stations | Latest observations for Sydney area | Other For Station Details | ID: 066196 Name: WEDDING CAKE WEST Lat: -33.84 Lon: 151.26 Height: 6.0 m Data from the previous 72 hours. | See also: Recent months at Sydney Harbour

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## ENIGMA'S JOURNEY TO HOBART THE 2019 ROLEX SYDNEY TO HOBART YACHT RACE



#### **BACKGROUND**

2019 hailed the **75**<sup>th</sup> **Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race**. One of the largest races in history with 163 budding contenders of which Manly Yacht Club offered up two evenly matched boats (in terms of line honours), Enigma and Copernicus; with various MYC members sailing on other yachts.

Enigma is a Beneteau First 47.7 owned by our current Commodore, Jason Bond. Formerly named Just Do It, this Beneteau finished  $50^{th}$  overall in the **2008 Rolex Sydney Hobart** under a previous owner. Enigma last pointed south in 2017 with skipper Jason and several MYC members on board and finished  $42^{nd}$  overall and eighth in Division 3.

In this 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary race Enigma focused on crew training with various demonstrations along the way including; "how to fall into a hole" and "how to fall into a hole: part 2". This married with examples of "how to miss a transition" and "a blown Spinnaker a day keeps the finish line at bay", ensured that the crew were properly trained by the end of the race. All jokes aside it was wonderful to find ourselves close to our friends from Copernicus as we sailed up the Derwent.

#### **PREPARATION**

As many members will know, the journey to Hobart is a significant commitment for the skipper and crew. Many hours of work on the boat, training and land-side preparations are required just to get to the start line. The paperwork from the CYCA has to be seen to be believed; the auditing process is time-consuming, onerous and very expensive. For many boats, as has happened with Enigma in the past, problems can arise causing the boat to be withdrawn from the race; at significant cost and disappointment to all involved.

Being able to start the race is an achievement in and of itself. Crucial tasks such as servicing all the winches takes a day's worth of effort, mostly due to the fact that there were parts left over after reassembly! Jason encouraged all crew members to take the Sea Safety & Survival course and then either the Marine First Aid or Radio Operators course.

Food planning is another critical task: how to feed 12 hungry sailors for five da

how to feed 12 hungry sailors for five days. The spreadsheets and shopping lists got quite complex. We decided to pre-cook, vacuum seal and freeze main meals. They can then be reheated in a pressure cooker in just 15 minutes and eaten from the pouch for a no-mess meal.

After a rather too close call at the first harbour mark, we were out of the heads and on our way.



On the day of the race we performed our final

final briefing and started the race from line 3.

checks and raised the storm sails, had our

#### ON THE HIGH SEAS

We headed deep offshore, found a steady 20-25kts southerly with following seas and 3kts of favourable current, and made excellent progress under the large Asymmetrical spinnaker. Incredibly, we came within several metres of two sunfish which we dutifully reported in as requested by the race committee. We settled into boat life, Muir and Tomas' watches rotated, Paul performed the 'skeds' and everyone had a go at steering. There was no moon and we marvelled at the brilliant stars.

True to form, and faithful to our boat motto "Never knowingly underprovisioned" the Enigma crew enjoyed fresh coffee, hot chocolate, bacon and egg rolls, and other such delights as we celebrated the sunshine and calm seas.

We take our racing nutrition very seriously. Home-cooked meals e.g. lamb biriyani, chicken tagine, red Thai curry, are all vacuum sealed into individual pouches and frozen in batches of 12. On board, they are popped into the pressure cooker, opened and served in an aluminium tray,



for a delicious, hot, no-mess dinner. There was no need for crew to discomfort themselves on the rail as ballast as Enigma carried 600 litres of water to Hobart. So demanding were the crew, that there were even calls for a SECOND hot shower on the passage down. Our benevolent skipper fired up the water maker.

**ON THE SECOND DAY** the wind rose up to 30kts with a 3m swell that had us on our toes as we raced on under the Assy. That afternoon, approximately 45 seconds after taking over the watch, MYC Rear Commodore Muir Watson, noticed the kite halyard drop; only to realise that it hadn't moved and that the kite had split in two. "Good thing we still have two kites to play with," we thought to ourselves...

Up went the smaller symmetrical S4. Night fell and a mist rose, blanketing out the stars. We raced in pitch darkness. At 2am there was a rip and a pop – the S4 had torn! We quickly gathered in the sail but then noticed that the halyard was still at the masthead and we were flying the kite head like a large flag. Not good - nothing new could go up until the remnants came down, and that meant someone had to go up ... Jason volunteered himself. Steve, a seasoned rock climber and rescue professional strapped Jason into the Bosun's Chair. Chloe and Paul stood at the mast base and Steve and Isabel manned the winches to raise the halyard whilst releasing the sheet. It was a slow, tense and nerve-wracking procedure as Jason inched his way up in the dark, the mast swaying violently in the swell. We got him up and down in one piece to everyone's great relief. In retrospect, Jason said, he should have been tethered by a kicker to him to keep him steadier; and worn a bike helmet as a precaution against crashing into the mast. Two kites down, just the S2 left.

**DAY 3** brought heavy fog banks in which we froze and bright clear patches in which we drifted. We saw jellyfish, dolphins, the odd seal and many albatrosses. These birds with their 2.5m wingspan are so graceful, swooping and wheeling with barely a wing beat. Isabel pulled out her copy of Coleridge's *Rime of the Ancient Mariner*. As you do.







#### **ENIGMA'S JOURNEY TO HOBART** THE 2019 ROLEX SYDNEY TO HOBART YACHT RACE

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DAY 4, the 29th of December offered us calmer seas; sometimes too calm. Sebastien, one of our foredecks, saw fit to come astern and helm a while, but it was too much like hard work, so he proceeded to assume up a position of repose. His Foredeck Union rep confirmed his resting position to be acceptable as he was aft of the mast.

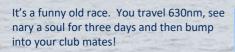
Having sailed more than 100 miles offshore (apparently the target isn't New Zealand) and

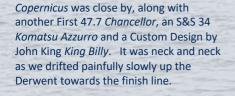
with the heavy rolling swell of the Tasman sea behind us, it was time to head back in and find the coast of Tasmania. Just before nightfall we sighted land and what a refreshing sight it was to behold! Sadly, we didn't see it for long, as night fell upon us and our efforts were rewarded as we fell into another hole off Cape Raoul. We were disappointed that in another moonless night we couldn't see the legendary 'Organ Pipes.' No helicopter photo for us, sadly.

After four hours in the doldrums, dawn broke, a breeze sprang up and brought us swiftly across the Bay of Storms and to the iconic 'Iron Pot', whereupon it dissipated to five frustrating knots.











Is there another race finish like it? Once over the line, boats parade past the westward docks where the "Taste of Tasmania" is taking place. This kilometre-long festival of food and wine draws a massive crowd, who generously cheer each and every boat. Our families and friends were waiting at the dock for us and how wonderful it was to see them. Once safely berthed in Constitution Dock, we took in the scene: the marina is a spectacular sight with 160 boats proudly flying the current and any previous year's race pennants, plus many other flags. The race village and nearby pubs are filled with competitors wearing their colourful crew shirts, loudly swapping their race tales.

It's a tradition that arriving crews first stop at the Custom's House pub for some well-earned refreshment. A cold beer never tested so good! Naturally, Enigma and Copernicus compared notes and after some vigorous debate,



Isabel cruised Enigma along the east coast, via Flinders Island, across the Bass and back home. But that's another story.



Isabel Lawrence



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#### **CREW LOOKING FOR BOAT**

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Experience: 52 Ft Steel Ketch, 42 sloop, 16ft Hobie cat

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Name: Stevie Lidis

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Phone: 0410 621 632

Experience: 2.5 yrs crewing on an Elan 37

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Name: Jack Hartican

Email: jack.hartican@gmail.com

Phone: 0437 031 426

**Experience:** WANTED: Sport boat and harness/trapeze experience aboard purpose-built racers and skiffs; will consider other offers. EXPERIENCE: Regular MYC twilight series participant aboard Adams 10 (Shear Magic). Some Blue Water and CYCA Winter Series experience. Crewed for two offshore races, Cat 3 and 4 to Newcastle (DNF) and Bird Island aboard First 47.7 (Enigma) in 2018-19 with skipper Jason Bond. Planning do safety course, and motor vessel competencies this year. BIO: 31yrs, 180cm, ~82kg, MYC Sydney. IG: @harti\_khan

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Name: Graeme Garton

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Phone: 0427 833 020

**Experience:** I am a member of Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron and crew each week on WAGS race day. I have crewed on monos and multis. Intermediate level. Currently on assignment in Sydney. Living in Manly

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Name: Paula Zitinski Elias
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Experience: No formal training, little experience on main sail

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