



# BLOWING IN THE WIND

*CYC Keelboat and Dinghy newsletter*

*13<sup>th</sup> October 2020*

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October-6.25pm-Twilight-Keelboats

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October-Consistency Race-2pm-Keelboat

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October-Consistency Race-10am-Dinghies

9am-Discover Sailing Day-Keelboats & Dinghies

## Important Notices for Sailors

### Crew Sign On Sheet

Attention All Keelboat and Dinghy Members: It is a requirement to sign on for both Skippers and all crew for each and every race. This form will be in the Bar before the race and then with the Starters, when they head up to the Start Box. This is a requirement with regard to COVID19 as well as the Rule 46 of Australian Sailing-so we know who is on each boat when they go out to sail. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

## Safety Check List-\*\*\*\*MUST be filled in every year prior to the start of the season

At the start of each Sailing season it is a requirement for every Keelboat to fill in a Safety Equipment form and have their boats checked for this equipment. RCS Dinghies to let you know when your safety check will be performed.

# KEELBOAT NEWS

## Opening Day 2020/21

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October saw Claremont Yacht Club present its 116<sup>th</sup> Opening Day ceremony. This was attended by the Mayor of the Town of Claremont and Flag Officers from various Yacht Clubs. Sunshine and light winds were the order of the day enticing those present out onto the water in crafts of varying sorts and sizes. The Commodore Darren Chatfield took the salute from the main jetty with "Liquid Assets" skippered by Paul Hodgson lead the fleet of power yachts and "Kyzo Too" leading the keelboat yachts for the sail past. This was followed by a race for keelboats starting at 14.50hours.

The sailors enjoyed light winds being sufficient to have them arrive home in around 1.5 hours. Apart from "Theseus" cleaning her keel on the sand bar west of Dome buoy the race, by all reports from skippers, was without other incident. The trophies for Opening Day are the chrome gun shells, one for each division of the fleet. Division 1 & 2 "Kyzo Too" skippered by Colin Hughes was awarded the Commodore's Opening Day trophy with "Beagle" crewed by the Boykett Clan in second place. The second chrome gun shell being the Vice Commodore's Opening Day Trophy was awarded for Division 3 & 4 to "Seamist VI" skippered by Craig Feakes with "Dale 2" skippered by Oliver Marshall second and Beaujolais skippered by Arthur Poland in third place. In the start box were Joan Austin, Andrew Caddick, Robert Jeffery (Chief starter), Sarah Steinhardt and myself. Hopefully, although Covid 19 is still hanging around, CYC sailors will be able to enjoy a full season for 2020-2021 and skippers will be able to make good use of the river during the summer months ahead.

See you on the water and happy sailing!

Wilma Poland

**Claremont Yacht Club Opening Day Regatta: Commodore's Trophy Div 1 & 2, Kyzo Too (Colin Hughes) First & Fastest; Beagle (Boykett Clan) Second. Vice Commodore's Trophy Div 3 & 4, Sea Mist VI (Craig Feakes) First & Fastest; Dale 2 (Oliver Marshall) Second; Beaujolais (Arthur Poland) Third.**

## Opening Day 2020

Claremont Yacht Club held its 116<sup>th</sup> Opening Day on Saturday 10 October 2020.

Blessed with beautiful sunny weather, it was a great day with many compliments and comments from those that attended on how they enjoyed the day and the fun and relaxed atmosphere of the proceedings. We would like to give warm thanks to all members that attended and all the skippers that readied and decorated their craft for the sail past. Special thanks must of course go to Michael, Laura and Lorraine for their organisation and preparation of the club; and to Chef Aaron and hospitality crew for providing the great food for the punters and for serving the ample libations.

The ceremony began with the national anthem sung so sweetly by Sarah Chatfield and singers.

Town of Claremont mayor, Jock Barker, then gave an opening address which was followed by a rousing speech by CYC Commodore Darren Chatfield expressing the wonderful cohesion and resilience of the community of Claremont Yacht Club members as demonstrated during this year's Covid restrictions.

The Commodore and Flag Officers then moved to the end of the jetty to receive the salute from skippers in the Sail Past Rear Commodore Power Paul Hodgson on Liquid Asset led and was followed by the array of power boats. The show was stolen by Peter and Jenny Wilksinson's performance of Wiggle It blasting through the speakers with Jenny rocking the mike and whipping up the crowd into a frenzy! They even came back a second time for an encore! Props!

After the party stylings of the Wilksinsons, the sailing yachts cruised by, led by 2019-20 Consistency Champion Colin Hughes on Kyzo Too, looking resplendent with full sails in the steady breeze.

The VIP boats took their positions as the yachts started the Opening Day yacht race, competing for the Commodore and Vice Commodore Trophies. It was a beautiful day for sailing, with warm sunshine accompanied by a steady sea breeze. The yachts made good time around the course; Kyzo Too taking off in the wind to lead all the way to the finish line, with strong performances by Craig Feakes in Seamist VI and Oli Marsh in Dale 2, joining us especially for the day. After handicaps, The Commodore's Trophy for Division 1 honours went to Colin Hughes, first and fastest on Kyzo Too. The Vice Commodore's Trophy for Division 3 & 4 was Craig Feakes, first and fastest on Seamist VI, Oliver Marsh on Dale 2 in second and Arthur Poland on Beaujolais third. Congratulations to all the winners and a big thank you to all who participated.

As the sunset over Freshwater Bay, general merriment and celebration with great live music from ..... continued on the Bovell Green and into the evening in the Deepdene Bar.

Thank you again to all that attended and participated and we look forward to seeing all CYC members out on the water and in the clubhouse for the new summer season of sailing for 2020-21, Bigger and better than ever!

Todd Whitfield  
Rear Commodore Sail

### **Roster reminder:**

Twilight Start Box: Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October-Wilma Poland with boat crew from **Beaujolais** assisting.

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October-Robert Jeffery with boat crew from **Paprika** assisting.

## **OCTOBER**

14-Oct-20 WED 1825 Opening Twilight Race

17-Oct-20 SAT 1400 \*CLUB START

21-Oct-20 WED 1825 Twilight

24-Oct-20 SAT 1400 \*CLUB START

28-Oct-20 WED 1825 Twilight

31 Oct-20 SAT 1400 \*CLUB START

**Sailing Committee Meeting: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

## Discover Sailing Day

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November CYC is holding their “Discover Sailing” Day to try to attract new members and crew members to both the Dinghy and Keelboat sections. Please let the Rear Commodore’s (Dom and Todd) know what assistance you can give on the day, to make this a successful day. Also if you know anyone that would be interested in attending this event-please let them know.

**FREE EVENT**

**DISCOVER  
SAILING  
DAY**

*Sunday 15 November 2020  
10am to 4pm*

**JOIN US,  
ALL WELCOME!**

**AT CLAREMONT YACHT CLUB!**

CLAREMONT YACHT CLUB  
1905

Beggie

# Thank Yous



Without our volunteers we would not be able to go out and enjoy the sport that we love.  
So it is important to thank these people.

**A huge thank you to our wonderful Starters for  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October: Robert Jeffery, Wilma Poland, Andrew Caddick,  
Joan Austin and Sarah Steinhardt.**

## DINGHY NEWS

10-Oct-20	SAT	1440	Y
11-Oct-20	SUN	1000	Y
18-Oct-20	SUN	1000	Y
25-Oct-20	SUN	1000	Y

Club Opening Day

Dinghy Opening Day Trophy

Consistency Race

Windward Series 1

### [Dinghy Opening Day](#)

A great fleet of 21 Lasers welcomed the start of the summer sailing season. The lawn was full of dinghies and the weather was fine so a great sight. We started the day with a minute silence to honour Wally Giles who past away just over a month ago. Wally was a past Rear Commodore of Dinghies and one of the first members responsible for bringing Lasers into CYC – which is now the biggest active sailing fleet in the club. Wally was 83 at the time of his passing, and no longer sailing...but stayed connected by being a regular volunteer on the start boat. Wally also had a couple of keelboat yachts which he raced at the club during his 30+ years of membership. A real allrounder and a real clubman. He will be missed.

Very light conditions greeted the fleet as we left the beach, making it a struggle to even get to the start line, whereby the start crew made the only viable decision to postpone the start. With the lightest of breeze the start crew started the fleet, but the first start was a general recall with almost half the fleet over the line, the lack of wind making it extra difficult to be on the right side of the line. The second start went well for most, however a few were over and had to return to the line.



The race course was shortened to just one triangle to get us back to the beach at the normal finish time. Mal and Justin had a great battle at the front, with Justin rounding the bottom mark ahead but Mal getting over the finish line for fastest full rig just 3 seconds ahead of Justin. I had a good battle with Duncan for most of the race and he managed to get ahead of me at the last mark. In the radials, it was well done to Wendy as the fastest radial rig, staying ahead of Rod by 14 seconds. Even though the race was in very light conditions a few of us were able to go for a casual sail after the race, as just after we all finished the race 10 to 15 knots arrived.

Great to see some new faces at our opening day. Special mention to James Hooper who finished 9<sup>th</sup> over the line in a 40 year old laser. He also had the honour of the only capsized for the day but did such a good recovery he did not appear to lose any time. Also a great sail by Scott McKercher with 4<sup>th</sup> over the line.

Thanks to our start crew as without you volunteering your time we could not sail and thanks to Dom for giving up his opening day sail to take control of the rescue dinghy. As Dom mentioned, if anyone knows someone who is keen to be part of an active yacht club and volunteer their time to assist us with the rescue dinghy please let Dom know as it will be greatly appreciated.

Fastest Full Rig: Mal McKercher

Fastest Radial: Wendy Campbell

#### Handicap Results

First:	Matt Read
Second:	Wendy Campbell
Third:	Noel Lacy
Fourth:	Walter Reeves
Fifth:	Ross Campbell
Sixth:	Duncan Munro

**RCD Dom (*acting*)**

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