



BLOWING IN THE WIND

CYC Keelboat and Dinghy newsletter
27th October 2020

Wednesday 28th October-6.25pm-Twilight-Keelboats

Saturday 31st October-Consistency Race-2pm-Keelboat

Sunday 1st November-Consistency Race -
10am-Dinghies

Sunday 15th November-10am-Discover Sailing Day-
Keelboats & Dinghies

Important Notices for Sailors

Sailing Committee Meeting: Monday 2nd November

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

Saturday 24th October

Today the Spacesailer 22 Association conducted its first heat for 2020/2021 and three SS22 from Claremont tried their hands at the course with Seamist VI coming first across the line to finish. Congratulations to the crew of Seamist VI!! Paprika with RCS Todd Whitfield at the helm and Andalusia with Chris Cochrane and the crew also attended.

Unfortunately this left the fleet at CYC very depleted and only Beagle, Beaujolais and Theseus taking to the water. Light winds to start with and a slightly stronger sea breeze by mid afternoon allowed all those on the water to have a good time without having to strain themselves. Beaujolais with Arthur, Ann and Luke on board gained first and fastest with Beagle and the Boykett Clan in second place and Theseus with Kevin and Graeme just a few minutes behind. Just four minutes separated Beaujolais and Theseus. Course 6 was chosen as initially it looked like the wind would be very light and Course 6 can be shortened easily from the Start box. My thanks to Andrew Caddick for his assistance with the flags and hooter. All, including the crews who went "visiting", returned safely to the Club rooms to watch the opening minutes of the AFL Grand Final.

Cheers

Wilma Poland

Spacesailer 22 Association Championship Heat One, RFBYC. Saturday 24 October 2020

Saturday Sailing by RCS Todd Whitfield

It was a beautiful day for sailing on Saturday afternoon as three Spacesailer 22's headed out of CYC for the Freshies river start area adjacent Dome. Chris Cochrane on Andalusia, Craig Feakes on Seamist VI and myself on Paprika dodged and weaved through the multitude of sailing yachts of many divisions carving up the water in the pre-start manoeuvres. At 14.00hrs, Heat One of the SS22 Association Championship started with a tight pack of boats hard on the heel over the line in the stiffening breeze, on their way to Smith & Lucky Bay. The field stretched out after the first mark, enroute down to Squadron, reaching those spinakers with poles well forward.

The real challenge came at Squadron as foredeck hands tried with varying success to gybe the spinnaker and swap the pole ends without issue. Down the back on Paprika, Jeff swapped the pole over on the jib (no spinnaker yet) in a pretty smart fashion (well done Jeff) and before long we rounded Bond to start the tack back up to Brick Landings. By now all the races were away and all the boats were forming freight trains across the river. Picking traffic now became the real sport within the sport!

From Brick Landings down to Dolphin West, we took a welcome break on the straight downwind leg with the jib poled again and keeping the fleet in sight! Arriving at Dolphin West it was back on heel for another epic tack back to Brickies, this time taking in the full force of Melville Water traffic. On Paprika, we tacked deep into Nedlands and then pointed

up nice and high on the lift from the westerly off Dalkeith, hugging the northern part of the river and staying out of the melee in the middle! We then headed down to Brickies once more having made up some ground on the kite fliers with the shorter path to the mark. Nice. Rounding Brickies it the last downwind leg to Dome and then hauling everything in and hitting that Dalkeith lift to clear Point Resolution in one tack... sweet!

Bearing away after Resolution to a more comfortable reach, it was home run down to Parker to line up for the Freshies finish line. Suddenly as we are going for the line, I find myself in

race for second-last/ last from another 22! They beat us by 13 seconds and Paprika was tail end Charlie, taking 2.13.47, 7/9 after handicap. Which was 18.29 behind the race fastest, CYC's Craig Feakes on Seamist VI taking line honours with 1.55.05! Congratulations to Craig and crew; the investment in the new jib and spinnaker bringing fast returns! The third CYC contender Chris Cochrane on Andalusia, retired from the race with a forestay problem. Mercifully it was a short trip back to CYC after the robust sailing, to get to the bar for some Grand Final footy action and well earned beer. Well done to all the skippers that went out, the reward is in being out there on the water and as always, the real winner is sailing! Cheers!

Todd Whitfield
Rear Comm Sail



Roster reminder:

Twilight Start Box: Wednesday 28th October-Wilma Poland with boat crew from **2nd Wind-Kingsley Porter** assisting.

Wednesday 4th November-Robert Jeffery with boat crew from **Unfinished Business-Ross Campbell** assisting

OCTOBER

28-Oct-20 WED 1825 Twilight

31 Oct-20 SAT 1400 *CLUB START

NOVEMBER

01-Nov-20 SUN EFYC- Melville Water Series Heat 1

04-Nov-20 WED 1825 Twilight

07-Nov-20	SAT	1400	*CLUB START
11-Nov-20	WED	1825	Twilight
14-Nov-20	SAT	1400	*HANDICAP START
15-Nov-20	SUN	0900	Discover Sailing Day at CYC
18-Nov-20	WED	1825	Twilight
21-Nov-20	SAT	1400	*CLUB START
22-Nov-20	SUN		*Race 1 of Inter-Club Series- EFYC- Melville Water Series Heat 2
25-Nov-20	WED	1825	Twilight
28-Nov-20	SAT	1400	*RIVER START SS22 Association Championship Heat -CYC

Discover Sailing Day

Sunday 15th 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.



Thank You



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
Wednesday 21st October: Robert Jeffery and Paprika crew.
Saturday 24th October: Wilma Poland & Andrew Caddick.**

DINGHY NEWS

01-Nov-20	SUN	1000	Y	
08-Nov-20	SUN	1000	Y	Club Championship 1
15-Nov-20	SUN	1000	Y	Discover sailing day
22-Nov-20	SUN	1000	Y	Club Championship 2
29-Nov-20	SUN	1000	Y	

Sunday 25/10/2020

Another beautiful Sunday morning (and a full carpark) greeted the CYC Laser Fleet. 10 knots out of the East North East expected to fade to a hole during our window, however, the pressure remained for all three races. Good stuff. We had some bullets coming out of the corners downwind that tipped a few in, but that's why we love Lasers - right?

21 Boats on the water is a good thing.

The three short Windward Leeward Races is a great format because we can re group. It's good to get a second and third chance, especially if you have a bad start or sail into a hole or go the wrong side. We can mix it up, and this is what the day was all about.

Great to see Scott McKercher in the leading pack, including his unique gybing technique. Keep an eye out for it - seemed to work ok - I'm not game enough to try it..Scott is obviously a thoroughbred and knows his way around a track. Good to see. This is not the first time Yagan has dominated the Swan.

Rod Stone had an excellent day out, especially in races two and three where he was right with the leading pack. Couldn't reel him in and he challenged the leaders a few times. Slippery.

Dom and Andrew Brockis were strong and in the mix. Nigel sailed well as always but he didn't break away at any stage and was in some good tussles for the lead.

Good to see David Joyce drift over from Freshie. We think a couple more might do the same flotsam and Jetsam thing and wash up on the right side of the bay. We'll need a bigger start line for sure.

Walter was on a club boat whilst Mal does repairs to Blue Vixen. Blue Vixen is a bit like Australia II - a very special boat so it good to see it getting sorted.

We give thanks to the start team, and special mention to Matt Reads daughter (Georgia) who helped officiate on the start boat (and brought fruit cake for the starters!). Good to see family support - might try the same thing

with my kids. Speaking of family support - we got a 2-for-1 bargain with Helen on the rescue boat with hubby Duncan. They set a good course and the three races ran smoothly.

Our main thoughts on shore were about Mal's op on Tuesday. We hope it goes well Mal. We wish you a speedy recovery (and a good rehab) and look forward to your return on the water where you belong.

Results for the Day

6th Andrew Brockis

5th Mark Edwards

4th Rod Stone

3rd Dom Papaluca

2nd Nigel (where's my tracker?) Paul

1st Sean Brealey

All the best guys. Have a great week and see you next Sunday.

Sean

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