



BLOWING IN THE WIND

CYC Keelboat and Dinghy newsletter
16th November 2021

Wednesday 17th November-6.25pm-First Twilight -Keelboats

Saturday 20th November-Race 2-Alpin Thomson Series-
Keelboats

Sunday 21st November-Club Championship Race 2 - Dinghies

Sunday 28th November-9am-Discover Sailing Day at CYC
-Keelboats and Dinghies

Important Notices for Sailors

Sailing Committee Meeting: Monday 6th December

Crew Sign On Sheet

It is the responsibility for ALL Skippers and crew to sign on before EVERY race. Before the Saturday race, the Chief Starter will have the file in the bar area and then will take it to the Start Box. We MUST keep these details not only for COVID purposes but also for a requirement from Australian Sailing.

If skippers do not sign on we may need to go down the path of disqualification!! So do the right thing and sign on before heading out to your boat.

KEELBOAT NEWS

Twilights

The first Twilight for the season is on this coming Wednesday night 17th November. So get your crew together and join us at the start line at 6.25pm.

NOVEMBER

17-Nov-21	WED	1825	First Twilight
20-Nov-21	SAT	1400	*CLUB START <u>(Race 2 "Alpin Thomson" Series)</u>
24-Nov-21	WED	1825	Twilight
27-Nov-21	SAT	1400	*CLUB START <u>(Race 3 "Alpin Thomson" Series)</u>
28-Nov-21	SUN	0900	Discover Sailing Day

Roster reminder:

Weekend Start Box: Saturday 20th November-Wilma Poland and Allan Austin.

Twilight Start Box: Wednesday 17th November-Robert Jeffery and Duty boat: Paprika, Todd Whitfield

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.

Thanks to our Duty starters for Saturday 6th November-Robert Jeffery and Wilma Poland for their efforts so we could go sailing.

Start Box Report-Saturday 13th November by Robert Jeffery

A gentle SSE breeze greeted the 7 participants in Race 1 of the Alpin Thomson Series. Reports were that the wind were to strengthen late afternoon but it did not eventuate. Scott McKercher on 'Lyetta' got himself a great start and was dogged by Boykett Clan aboard 'The Beagle' and the red boat 'Beaujolais' for the entire race. 'Lyetta' cross first, followed

by 'The Beagle' & 'Beaujola' in quick succession. A solid fourth for Max on 'Peret' with 'Zen' & 'Paprika' having a tussle at the back of the fleet.

Alpin Thomson Series(DNS/DNF=No. Participants in the race + 1)

Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Race 1 13/11	Race 2 20/11	Race 3 27/11	Race 4 4/12	Race 5 11/12	TOTAL	Place
C 1	VAGABOND	Dylan & Jai Jensen	8					8	7
C 2	JOLLY ROGER	Boykett Brothers	8					8	7
C 3	KOOLAMA	Ross Campbell	8					8	7
C 9	THE BEAGLE	Richie Boykett	2					2	2
C 11	HYDROWITCH	John Rayner	8					8	7
C 18	DALE II	Oliver Marshall	8					8	7
C 28	FLIGHT	Peter Tate	8					8	7
C 29	2ND WIND	Kingsley Porter	8					8	7
C 31	PERET	Max Woods	4					4	4
C 33	LIVELY LADY	Ian Jamieson	8					8	7
C 43	RED RUM		8					8	7
C 48	SHEE RUA	Don O'Doherty	8					8	7
C 82	THESEUS	Kevin Kiddey	8					8	7
C 111	SEA MIST IV	Craig Feake	8					8	7
C 140	LYETTA	Scott McKercher	1					1	1
C 141	BEAUJOLAIS	Arthur Poland	3					3	3
C 170	ASPIRIT	David Jones	8					8	7
C 182	KRISTA	Dominic Papaluca	8					8	7
C 225	ANDALUSIA	Chris Cochrane	8					8	7
C 236	KIWI EXPRESS	Matthew Greentree	8					8	7
C 290	PAPRIKA	Todd Whitfield	6					6	6
C ????	ANONY MOUSE	Tony Whitehead	8					8	7
C ???	ZEN	Panos Maduris	5					5	5

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DINGHY NEWS

Sunday 14th November - Wind in the Palms

It's a worry when arriving at CYC to see the palm fronds blowing parallel to the carpark - reminds me of TV footage of cyclonic conditions! Anyway with much discussion on likely wind changes, 18 intrepid Laserites rigged and readied for the supposed dying easterly. Ha! Not so!

The strong easterly that had whipped up overnight was not going to give in to any west wind during the morning. It looked to be blowing about 15-17 knots with gusts up to 20 knots. That's what it felt like anyway. I'm glad I chose my radial rig this time.

Sitting in the back row at the start I was pleased that the more forthright had caused a general recall. However my second start was slightly marred by the untimely capsize by Travis at the pin end together with Colin suddenly ducking away. Anyway having manoeuvred around these two I ended up leaving the start line on a port tack but had a fairly clear passage out to the right hand side of the course.

Arriving at the top mark in good time and with some of the top guns in my vicinity I was quite pleased. In the meantime Gaye wisely headed back to shore, young Will as well, and Hoops had his own problems so in the end 15 started - 8 full rigs and 7 radials.

The downwind legs provided the usual thrills and spills in the stiff breeze, with a slight wave and cycle of sudden lulls and strong pressure. Coming back up wind I had the unusual experience of trailing just behind Colin! What was he doing back here?

Another good upwind leg (following Colin until he sailed away), and then disaster. The "feeling slightly out of control" feeling became an out-of-control reality! Having just avoided Wendy as she came up the course on starboard, my port run came to a sudden stop. Followed by a swim. By the time I righted myself Wendy was now sitting alongside me running downwind, Helen had shot past and Ross had gaily swung by and enquired of my welfare! All good.

I'd clearly lost touch with anyone who I was running with before the capsize. That didn't matter because it was now a race simply to make up some lost ground. Fortunately I avoided more swims and edged past Ross, then Wendy and then had the chase on to catch Helen, Travis and Noel. I managed to edge back in front of Helen on the last leg to the finish line with Noel and Travis just ahead.

But the question I came home with was how did Colin go from a bad start to fastest over the line! His traveller/ block had broken seconds before the start. A quick fix because the clever guy carries spares with him onboard and can thread a rope in stiff conditions without capsizing when on the startline. And then he just raced - fast. Nigel must have thought he was heading for a great win, only to have Colin appear from behind and beat him by 17 seconds.

Two additional scratchings, apart from those that intended to start but didn't, were Scott who wasn't sure if he was DSQ because he towed a mark of the course or went through the line on one of the legs, and Walter who thought he must have passed through the startline on one of the legs as well. An easy mistake - so just reminding everyone that while the Orange flag is up, no passing through the start/finish line unless starting or finishing.

And while mentioning flags, thanks always to the team on the Start/Finish boat, mark laying and results calculating. Also it was great to see the return of one of our casualties, Mark Edwards with a spectacular performance and sorry that Mal was not able to join in again, after his return to the fleet last week, due to persistent knee troubles.

The final results demonstrated the great handicapping with three full rigs and three radials in the top six:

- 6 - Asterix, Andrew Brockis (radial)
- 5 - Vitamin Sea, Nigel Paul (full rig)
- 4 - Escapade, Noel Lacy (full rig)
- 3 - Patrol Boat, Justin Rose (full rig)
- 2 - Aqua Vita, Helen Ramsay (radial)
- 1 - Sierra Papa, Susie Parker (radial)

Fastest Radial - Ichabod, Mark Edwards

Fastest Full Rig - Z, Colin Dibb

Sailor Susan

Dinghy Calendar

21-Nov-				
21	SUN	1000	Y	Club Championship 2
28-Nov-				
21	SUN	1000	Y	Discover Sailing Day
05-Dec-				
21	SUN	1000	Y	Club Championship 3
12-Dec-				
21	SUN	1000	Y	Handicap race 1
19-Dec-				
21	SUN	1000	y	

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