



BLOWING IN THE WIND

CYC Keelboat and Dinghy newsletter
14th December 2021

Important Notices for Sailors

Sailing Committee Meeting: Monday 10th January

*Wednesday 15th December-Christmas Twilight followed by
Christmas Buffet-Please book with Office*

Saturday 18th –NO RACING AT CYC UNTIL JAN 2022

Sunday 19th December-Consistency Race – Dinghies

Wednesday 5th January-6.25pm-Twilight -Keelboats

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

Sailors, the weather is beautiful now, so come on down and join us for a Twilight Sail. We have been very lonely, with only Todd on Paprika and us on Beaujolais. Bring down your friends and family, some drinks and nibbles and enjoy the delights of the Swan River at night.

Ann Caddick

DECEMBER

15-Dec-21 WED 1825 **"Christmas" Twilight**

Swan River closed until 5-1-22

JANUARY

01-Jan-22 SAT NO RACING AT CYC

05-Jan-22 WED 1825 Twilight

08-Jan-22 SAT 1400 NO RACING AT CYC

12-Jan-22 WED 1825 Twilight

15-Jan-22 SAT 1400 *Yachtkana Novelty Race

16-Jan-22 SUN SS22 Association State Heat 4-NYC

19-Jan-22 WED 1825 Twilight

22-Jan-22 SAT 1400 *CLUB START "Australia Day Race"

26-Jan-22 WED 1825 NO RACING AT CYC-Public Holiday

29-Jan-22 SAT 1400 *HANDICAP START
Harry Laurie Memorial Trophy

Roster reminder:

Twilight Start Box: Wednesday 15th December-Robert Jeffery

Weekend Start Box: Saturday 4th January-Robert Jeffery, Wilma Poland and Joan Austin.

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
Wednesday 8th December-Wilma Poland,
Saturday 11th December- Robert Jeffery, John Poland, Sarah
Steinhardt and Allan Austin for their efforts so we could go sailing.**

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	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 2	JOLLY ROGER	Boykett Brothers	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 3	KOOLAMA	Ross Campbell	8	4	3	6	2	23	4
C 9	THE BEAGLE	Richie Boykett	2	4	4	1	7	18	3
C 11	HYDROWITCH	John Rayner	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 18	DALE II	Oliver Marshall	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 28	FLIGHT	Peter Tate	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 29	2ND WIND	Kingsley Porter	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 31	PERET	Max Woods	4	4	6	4	7	25	5
C 33	LIVELY LADY	Ian Jamieson	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 43	RED RUM		8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 48	SHEE RUA	Don O'Doherty	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 82	THESEUS	Kevin Kiddey	8	4	8	3	3	26	6
C 111	SEA MIST IV	Craig Feake	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 140	LYETTA	Scott McKercher	1	1	1	6	1	10	1
C 141	BEAUJOLAIS	Arthur Poland	3	2	5	2	4	16	2
C 170	ASPIRIT	David Jones	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 182	KRISTA	Dominic Papaluca	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 225	ANDALUSIA	Chris Cochrane	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 236	KIWI EXPRESS	Matthew Greentree	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C 290	PAPRIKA	Todd Whitfield	6	3	7	5	7	28	7
C ????	ANONY MOUSE	Tony Whitehead	8	4	8	6	7	33	8
C ????	ZEN	Panos Maduris	5	4	2	6	7	24	5

DNS/DNF=Number of Participants + 1

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Keelboat Report-Saturday 4th December by Robert Jeffery

Winds were from the SW at 8-10 knots and Freshwater Bay was full of Dinghies participating in a RFBYC run regatta. So our 5 yachts had to thread their way through, not one, but two start areas, one beside Bishop buoy and the other close to the RFBYC start lines. To limit our big bad keelboats from impacting these dinghies we dusted off the long twilight course (#15). Beaujolais got off to a good start, but was chased down by The Beagle. Beagle led virtually from start to finish but there was only 6min 47secs between first and last across the line. A tight tidy race.

Keelboat Report-Saturday 11th December by Robert Jeffery

An overcast 10 knot day greeted the competitors on this Saturday. We had visitors coming, Space Sailor 22 Association were having the third Heat of their Championship Series at CYC. With a constant SW breeze blowing CYC started the race from a mid river start line near Black Spit. Nine SS22 Association member (including Seamist VI and the Rear Commodore's Paprika) contested the Heat. The Start Team sent SS22s on their way at 2pm and at 2.04pm the RFBYC Dragon fleet stormed through the Start Line on their way to Bishop Buoy, roughing up our CYC yachts starting at 2.05pm. Lyetta found it's way to the front and stayed there. Koolama and Theseus made valiant effort to catch the leader but it was not to be. One of CYC newer competitors Zen tested the water depth INSIDE North Point Walter Spit and got stuck. A friendly passing motor launch was able to tow him off thankfully. The SS22 Assoc race ignored the start-box's attempt to shorten their race and sailed the complete course. The visitors also had not one but two Protested lodged with the Chief Starter (the first ones in 20 odd years). We will have to wait for their outcomes.



On Saturday 11th December the final race of the Alpin Thomson series was run and after the presentation of pennants for that race-(1st & Fastest-Lyetta-Scott McKercher, 2nd Koolama-Ross Campbell, 3rd-Theseus-Kevin Kiddey.), the first winners were announced for the two Trophies that were donated by Dom Papaluca. The first series-The Sydney Stubbs Trophy was presented by Vice Commodore-David Bovell to Beaujolais-Arthur Poland. And the second series-The Alpin Thomson Trophy was won by Lyetta-Scott McKercher. Many thanks to Dom for donating these beautiful trophies.

DINGHY NEWS

I'm sure the start committee will agree with me when I say that all that effort for the handicap starts was probably unnecessary, when the wind dropped at just the wrong moment. I gather half the fleet drifted across the start line minutes after they were meant to, but I wasn't there to see. I was the last to leave the beach, and could just make out the pack of lasers far in the distance (or so it seemed) when the hooter went for the second start, which was my group. Oh well I thought, I'll sail with the 4th or 5th group. Not so. I finally made it about 5 mins after the last sailors had slipped across the start line. The frequent wind shifts meant that I spent the last of those minutes sailing up and down parallel to the start line, with it just a few tantalising metres away, but not getting any closer.

By the time I got to the first mark, I'd managed to catch up with 2 other boats bobbing in the water. Wendy, Wal and I were frustrated by more of those wind shifts as we danced backwards and forwards, sometimes close to the buoy, sometimes further away but never close enough. Finally a lucky wind shift, and I made it round first, leaving Wendy sailing backwards toward RFBYC, however not long after she came hooning past at a rate of knots, well maybe half a knot, but that was half a knot faster than Wal and I. As she went past I asked about the welfare of the dolphin she must have lassoed, but her reply was- "no dolphin- I might have farted". So- she had wind, and we didn't. We have very erudite conversations at the back of the fleet. If any of you boys at the front want to join us one day you are very welcome.

The race continued like that for the first lap, with the wind unable to decide where to come from, and very half- hearted in strength. Finally, somewhere on the second leg, the wind settled in to a rapidly building southerly. By the time we made it to the top mark for the third time, Wendy and I had managed to overtake Ross. We'd also managed lose Wal when he stopped for a quick swim. The wind direction meant a gybe round the top mark, when Wendy also went for a swim, allowing Ross to overtake her- Ross you owe me for that one. I'm pretty sure I contributed to Wendy's dunking.

The shortened course flag went up on the 3rd lap, so the next upwind leg was a sprint to the finish. Finally I had a lucky wind shift and managed to overtake Gaye just before the line.

Unsurprisingly I didn't win. That honour went the Will Arnold (again). He's written the report so many times recently I took pity on him and let him off this week, however its school holidays soon, so Will- you will have plenty of time for the next few weeks, so this is a one off gift!

The final results were:

6th- Peter French (X)

5th Noel Lacey (Escapade)

4th Sue parker (Sierra Papa)

3rd Sean Brealey (Black Duck)

2nd Mike Galvin (Yetti)

1st Will Arnold (Wind Dancer)

Fastest radial- Mark Edwards (Ichabod)

Fastest Full Rig- Alastair McMichael (Private Idaho)

RCD Helen

Dinghy Calendar

Sunday	19 th December	1000	Consistency Race
Sunday	9 th January	1000	Windward Series 2
Sunday	16 th January	1000	Consistency Race
Sunday	23 rd January	1000	Trapezoid Race 1
Sunday	30 th January	1000	Club Championship Race 4

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