



BLOWING IN THE WIND

CYC Keelboat and Dinghy newsletter
15th March 2022

Saturday 19th March-No Racing due to Comm.cup next day

Sunday 20th March-2pm-Commodore's Cup Race-Keelboats

Nominations are available online-Don't forget to nominate

Saturday 26th March-2pm- River Start race with

SS22 State Heat- Keelboats

Sunday 28th March-10am-Consistency Race-Dinghies

Important Notices for Sailors

Sailing Committee Meeting: Monday 4th April

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

“Yacht-kana”-Saturday 12th March

A lovely mild day, gentle breeze and high tide greeted the five competitors in the “Yacht-Kana”. Lyetta, Paprika, Beaujolais, Koolama and a new yacht Kiboko were briefed by the Chief Starter on the activities of the day. Two parts to a novelty event. First a Rigging Race, where the crews of each yacht lined up 20 paces from their boats and at the end of a normal ‘start sequence’ they raced aboard and completed the rigging of the sails and went out to round the Start Buoy. Once around the buoy they collected their instructions for the Scavenger Race around Freshwater Bay. Lyetta had ‘pole position’ with their normal departure point, the fuelling jetty and an enthusiastic crew. The rest of the fleet were close behind and sailed off in search of answers. Lyetta was first back, followed by Paprika. But it wasn’t a timed race and their answers told the tale. Once the questions were tallied we had a tie for first place. Both Lyetta and Beaujolais received 13 of a possible 20 points. Koolama came next with 12 points. All competitors reported having great time.

Robert Jeffery-Chief Starter

Many thanks to Robert Jeffery, Allan Austin and Andrew Caddick for devising the questions for the Yacht-kana. A wonderful day was had by all that participated and are eagerly looking forward to this event again next season.

Views from the Poop Deck

Hello Sailors

I hope everyone had fun on the river chasing after the elusive tokens, clues and challenges set by Todd and the Sail Committee. While you were out there, I got the opportunity to join CYC’s own John Raynor and the Alfrescans onboard Al Fresco for the Naturalist Race.

The 200Nm race started off Fremantle at 6:00pm Friday and is a simple course – start, day buoy, Windmills, Bunker Bay virtual buoy and return. There were ten starters lining up in light winds in the gathering twilight. The offshore fleet range from a TP52, through a range of 40-footers to boats in the mid-30 foot range. Al Fresco is a Bakewell-White 36-footer, clocking in around 3.5 tonnes with about 50% in the bulb. Rumour has it that the hull without attachments is able to be picked up by three people – not bad for a 36er!



John sets up with a crew of eight for the longer races. This week’s other Alfrescan’s were Luke (regular bow), Todd (pit dog and co-helm), Hanka and Ivanna (twin Polish Olympic standard rowers) and Wendy and Sonja who both participate in the women’s Swan River competition. John gets plenty of crew as he is a great skipper - never feeling the need to raise his voice and is always sharing the sail calls with the crew.

This race was beset with light winds from the start, with less than 10 knots for much of the race. This does not stop the good ship Al Fresco from maintaining speeds of close to true wind while flying a mix of sails including MHO and FRO (mast head and fractional Zero’s) and a range of asymmetrical spinnakers. To keep the boat moving the crew is glued to the gunwale – weight forward, back, up and down and steady movements.

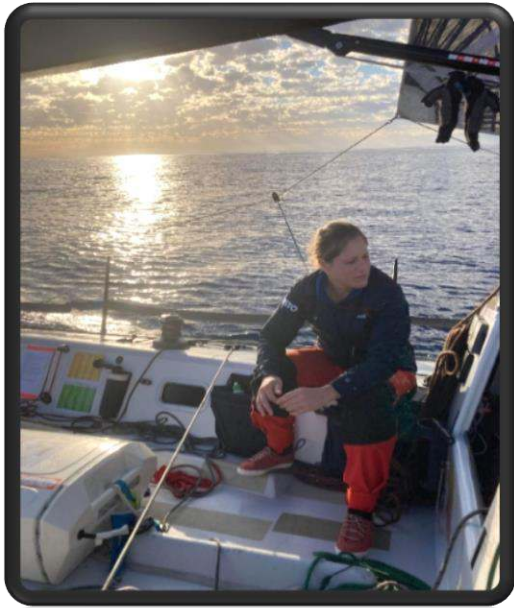
After 32 hours (Sunday 02:01:01 finish) we were greeted by a hot snagger and a cold beer (or two)!

Thanks, John, for having me on board again and a great warm up to our big event at Claremont Yacht Club - Commodores Cup – and as the man says “Trim ... for speed”.

Fair Winds

Richie





MARCH

19-Mar-22	SAT	1400	No racing at CYC-See 20 th March
20-Mar-22	SUN	1400	CYC-COMMODORE'S CUP <i>Farr 9.2 Association visiting</i>
26-Mar-22	SAT	1400	*RIVER START SS22 Association State Heat 6-CYC <u>Closing Day</u>

Roster reminder:

Weekend Start Box: Saturday 20th March-Robert Jeffery, Wilma Poland, Joan and Allan 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:

Saturday March 12th: Robert Jeffery, Wilma Poland, Allan Austin & Andrew Caddick.

Sail Pass

As of the start of 2022 all participants in racing MUST a member of CYC or another yacht club to be able to sail. Skippers are urged to ask their crew members to join the Club as crew members. The other option that CYC has set up is the Australian Sailing "Sail Pass". This will enable the crew member to sail at CYC for a total of 3 races for a cost of \$20. Rear Commodores, Todd Whitfield and Helen Ramsay as well as Dom Papaluca have access to the online entry for the Sail Pass.

DINGHY NEWS

Dinghy Calendar

Sunday	20 th March	1400	Commodore's Cup Race
Sunday	27 th March	1000	Consistency Race
Sunday	3 rd April	1000	Handicap Race 2
Sunday	10 th April	1000	Dinghy Closing Day Trophy (Trapezoid 2)

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