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Melbourne Trailable Yacht Club Inc

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MTYC COMMITTEE - 2011-2012

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Sailing Committee	Geoffrey Onions
Sailing Committee	Mark McLellan
Coastguard Liaison	Alistair Owens

Calendar –The next few months			
	Date	MTYC Events	Location or Starting Point
August	Thur 11	Committee Meeting	Elgin Inn, 75 Burwood Rd. Hawthorn 6:30 Dinner 7:30 Meeting
	Sun 21	Winter Race 3 Change >	St Kilda Marine 9:45 briefing. 11:00 Race start Please note – this race has the wrong date in the Calendar
	Sat 27	Presentation Night	Michaelangelo Italian Restaurant details page 3
Sept	Wed 14	Committee Meeting	Elgin Inn, 75 Burwood Rd. Hawthorn 6:30 Dinner 7:30 Mtg
	Sun 18	Winter Race 4	St Kilda Marine 9:45 briefing. 11:00 Race start

October	Sun 2	Commodores Cup Official Summer Season opener	St Kilda Marine 9:45 briefing. 11:00 Race start
	Sat 8 & Sun 9	Goulburn River Cruise	Lake Nagambie – 11:00am start – Lloyd Graham
	Wed 12	Committee Meeting	Elgin Inn, 75 Burwood Rd. Hawthorn 6:30 Dinner 7:30 Mtg
	Thur 20	Twilight Racing starts	St Kilda Mariner 5:45 briefing 6:00pm start
	Sun 23	Summer Series – Race 1 – 2 heats	St Kilda Marine 9:45 briefing. 11:00 Race start
	Thur 27	Twilight Race	St Kilda Mariner 5:45 briefing 6:00pm start
	Sat 29 to Tue 1 Nov	Cup Weekend Cruise	Gippsland Lakes - Contact Lloyd Graham
November	Thur 3	Twilight Race	St Kilda Mariner 5:45 briefing 6:00pm start
	Wed 9	Committee Meeting	Elgin Inn, 75 Burwood Rd. Hawthorn 6:30 Dinner 7:30 Mtg
	Thur 10	Twilight Race	St Kilda Mariner 5:45 briefing 6:00pm start
	Sun 13	Summer Series – Race 2 – 2 heats	St Kilda Marine 9:45 briefing. 11:00 Race start
	Thur 17	Twilight Race	St Kilda Mariner 5:45 briefing 6:00pm start
	Sat 19 & Sun 20	Docklands overnight cruise	Leave St Kilda or Warmies approx 11:00am
	Thur 24	Twilight Race	St Kilda Mariner 5:45 briefing 6:00pm start
	Sun 17	Summer Series – Race 3 – 1 heat	St Kilda Marine 9:45 briefing. 11:00 Race start

Cover photo –A great shot of *Double Dutch*, an Adams 21 sailed by Colin Forster as a visitor in heat 1 of the Winter Series. Photo by Ron Parker. No pressure Colin – but: First race - Front cover - Join the club?

Commodore's Report

New committee

Further to the annual general meeting held in May I'd like to thank Phil Monk for leading the club as Commodore over the last year and for taking on the role of newsletter editor. Thanks to Mark McLellan for his role of editor over the last year. Thanks also to Greg Hall who has served continuously on the committee for more than a decade, including many years as commodore and has decided to have a year off the committee. We will miss his objective approach and history of club administration at the meetings but look forward to seeing Greg and '*Viking Express*' back on the water soon. Welcome to Dennis Bromley, a new committee member, taking on the Social Events Coordinator role. Dennis organised a successful restaurant night in June enjoyed by more than 20 members and elsewhere in the newsletter you will find details about the forthcoming Annual Dinner and Presentation Night.

Newsletter

There was some positive discussion at the Annual General Meeting about this newsletter, the frequency it is published, its distribution by email / website / hard copy etc and indeed what other forms of communication with members should be considered. At the May committee meeting it was agreed to mail a hard copy of this edition to members with the attached calendar of club activities for the coming year and the attached membership renewal form. In between this newsletter, members should receive the emailed monthly MTYC News Update.

Family membership and fees

The committee has recently updated the membership categories to recognise and include all family members as members of the club under a category called Family Membership. The Family category covers two senior memberships and children less than nineteen years of age. This change has partly arisen to resolve the issue of spouse memberships and in response to the method that Yachting Australia and Yachting Victoria use to calculate the annual levies for clubs. The new Family membership category may be attractive to families with some individuals that are only part time participants and should encourage greater participation and greater membership numbers. You will note that the Family Membership fee is very reasonable and I encourage members to take advantage of this new category if applicable to their needs. All membership fees for the coming year remain unchanged from last year. Please assist the committee with the administration of the membership by promptly returning your membership renewal form, payment and any new

contact details in particular updated email addresses.

Training course

Twenty members have enrolled in the Seamanship and First Aid Course being conducted for the Club by the Victorian Coast Guard. The First Aid component has been completed and the Seamanship component will be undertaken during August. The feedback from participants for the first aid component was very positive and those enrolled look forward to the next sessions which will include theory and practical days.

Annual Dinner and Presentation Night

All members are encouraged to attend this year's annual dinner and presentation night on Saturday 27 August. Details about the evening are elsewhere in this newsletter. This year it would be great to see all members attend this event which should be seen as more than a presentation night but an opportunity to get the whole club membership together for the one event. I encourage you to bring your families, crews and friends that you sail with and book a table for this dinner. Dennis promises an entertaining and fun night for all.

All the best

Ron Parker - Commodore

Calendar Error

**Please be aware
that Winter Series
Heat 3 is scheduled
for 21 August
NOT 14 August as
noted in the
calendar.**

Presentation Night and Annual Dinner

27 August

7:00pm

Michaelangelo Italian Restaurant

279-281 Burwood Highway (Cnr
Station St)

Burwood VIC 3125

This evening is the Club's Annual Dinner and includes Trophy Presentations for the various racing series for the 2010-2011 season.

If you have not attended before, or you are not a racer, do not be put off by the idea of trophy presentations. This is not a Brownlow night. There is no counting of scores and the presentations while important are only a brief part during the evening. It is always a good night out so come and join us.

Any queries to Dennis Bromley 9720 9057

Update your email addresses

Club communications are shifting more towards electronic communications.

Hardcopy newsletters (black and white) will be reduced to four per year, scheduled to coincide with the most active times for the Club. Newsletters will also be emailed and placed on the Club website. These electronic versions will of course be in colour.

Between newsletters, monthly update of Club activities and news will be sent via email and also placed on the website. The few members who do not have email will have these monthly updates snail-mailed to them.

The Committee believes that this combination of printed and electronic distribution will provide a reliable service to members while keeping printing and distribution costs to a minimum.

However, past experience tells us that good turn-ups for social events depend on the member's partners knowing about them, so we encourage you to include your partner's email address on the membership renewal form.



Now we see why Alistair wanted a bigger boat – he had big targets in mind
Chaos – Ross 780 Alistair Owens having a crack at the Spirit of Tasmania

Another Magnificent Yarrowonga Easter ...

by Anne Holligan

Melbourne Trailable Yacht Club was again the guest of Yarrowonga Yacht club on the banks of Lake Mulwala to hold its annual Easter Regatta. It was an unusual Easter this year in that ANZAC day fell on Easter Monday, meaning that Yarrowonga was also hosting their annual race regatta for off the beach yachts. The Timpenny class were also holding their annual titles. This made for lots of action, interesting sailing and lots of sailing conversations.

The sailing conditions were equal to the best we have enjoyed there, with pleasant sailing breezes between 10 and 17 knots under sunny blue skies, with no weed in the lake to catch on our keels. We joined the Timpenny group for many of their races throughout the weekend.

The only thing missing was our regular healthy turn up, with only five boats attending – The Sting, Silhouette, Miss Tress, O'Really and Sun Ray.

Boats were parked along the shore, and we set up a cosy community area with club barbeque and tarpaulins to keep the damp out at night. Some made their home onboard while others set up tents nearby.

While the quantity of club participation was a bit down, we made up for it in quality enjoying many community cooking events, some great “friendly” racing and many hours enjoying each other’s company over a quiet drink.

Our first traditional race, the Easter Classic was run on Easter Saturday in 10-15 knot breezes with The Sting taking out the honours, followed by Silhouette, Mistress, O'Reilly 11 and Sunray.

The Stern Chaser was held on Easter Sunday afternoon again in light breezes of 10-12 knots with Doug bringing in that trophy in Sunray followed by Silhouette, O'Really and Miss Tress.

We had the traditional visit from our Easter Bunny on Sunday morning with lots of “big kids” competing for the generous basket of eggs brought by the bunny. We hope next year will see many more “little kids” enjoying the generosity of Easter Bunny!

For the many years I have been a member of Melbourne Trailable, Easter at Yarrowonga has always been one of the highlights on the calendar where old and new members really become one in a delightful four days of sailing, “playing boats” and socialising in one of Victoria’s beautiful settings. I urge you all to think about putting it on your calendar for next year. I know you won’t regret it!





Waikiki Yacht Club Welcomes MTYC Members.

by Gary Sawyer

After a visit to the very picturesque Canadian Rocky Mountains for a family holiday, we were scheduled for a five day stop over in Waikiki on Hawaii's largest island Oahu. We decided to break up our homeward leg to give our 20 month old daughter a break between the long flights and also to have a bit of do nothing time after a most enjoyable but very busy couple of weeks in Canada.

Our hotel had a lovely view over the nearby beaches and the Waikiki harbour. Michelle pointed out one evening that there were restaurant umbrellas down by the harbour and that maybe we should have dinner down there the following evening. The next morning we went for a stroll and found that the area we had been looking at was in fact the Waikiki yacht club. We walked in to be greeted by a lady at the front desk. We asked if we could book a table for dinner that evening but were told that it was a private club that was only open to members. Not to worry, we thought, no harm in asking. The lady then asked where we were from. When we said Melbourne Australia, she asked if we were sailing club members back at home. I said yes in fact we are members of the MTYC. She asked for some proof of membership and I produced my MTYC card, she said no problem, what time would you like to be seated?

Later that evening we again took the short walk from our hotel to the yacht club, where we sat in the warm sunshine on the restaurant deck overlooking a very nice marina full of yachts and were treated to a delicious meal of steamed salmon and vegetables for myself whilst Michelle and young Niamh (pronounced Neve for the uninitiated) enjoyed the buffet salad bar. We also enjoyed some beverages with dinner and were surprised when the bill arrived to be US\$43 or about \$50 Australian.

After dinner we walked along the deck toward the bar where Niamh looked for fish in the water as we had seen some very pretty tropical fish before we sat down for dinner and they still held her interest. Some locals seated at a table said hello as we passed and then asked us to join them for a drink, we sat down and had an after dinner drink whilst we swapped stories of our respective homelands and of course what sort of boats we sailed. We were also invited out on a 53ft "J" boat for twilight racing on the coming Friday but worse luck were due to fly out on the same evening and had to pass.

In any case we enjoyed a lovely evening of hospitality from some international members of the sailing fraternity. It just goes to show that membership does have its privileges.

Young Niamh patiently waits for dinner to arrive



First Aid Training Course

by Ron Parker

18 members have recently completed a Level 2 First Aid course as part of the Seamanship and First Aid Course being conducted for MTYC by Coast Guard Victoria. The course has been subsidised by an education grant from Transport Safety Victoria.

For most participants the course was a refresh of past learning but there was still a significant amount of new first aid information and knowledge to be absorbed in the day and evening. One of the most significant components of the training for most participants was the introduction to the use of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). These amazing portable electronic devices literally talk the user through the procedure.



Geoff Onions and Lloyd Graham – “one sling at a time!”

The course presenters, Marg Dawson and Peter Dunn provided great in-depth knowledge and shared plenty of real life experiences with participants. The bandaging practice provided great amusement for all as captured in the photos.



Dennis & Sue Bromley head - injury bandaging

No Excuses – Castle 650 – Mark McLellan



Never Again – Elliot 7.4 - Gary Sawyer



Winter Series Heat 1 – Sunday 19 June 2011

Six boats today including a visiting Adams 21 '*Double Dutch*' and new to MTYC racing, Noelex 25 *Paradise City* and Alistair Owens in his recently purchased Ross 780 '*Chaos*'.

Forecast winds were very accurate – northerly, 15-20knots then increasing to 20 to 30 knots in the afternoon. A few strong gusts on the last leg of the first race were enough to convince everyone that perhaps it was appropriate to abandon the planned second race.

The race was a two lap windward and return between 79 and 'E' mark. Flat seas were nice but the gusty northerly was challenging.

Tainui led comfortably whilst *Chaos* adjusted to the conditions and kept the pressure on. Running downwind was ok under spinnaker with the wind more northerly than north west.

Well done to everyone finishing in the gusty conditions with no damage.

Performance Handicap Results

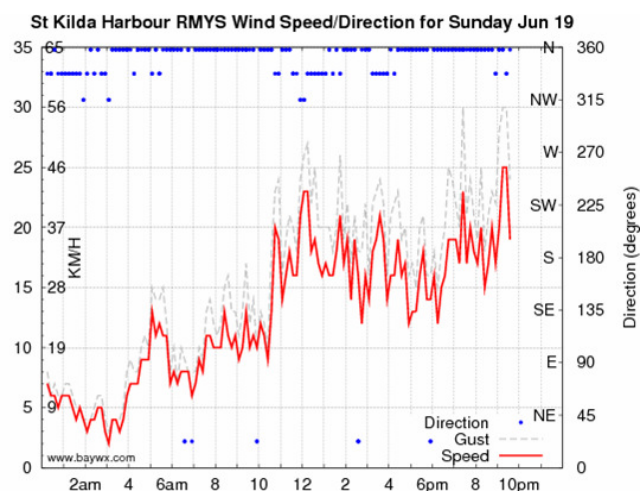
Boat Name	Skipper	Type	PHC	ELAP	PHC CORR	PHC PLACE
Tainui	Ron Parker	Noelex 25	0.700	1:27:25	1:01:12	1
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.673	1:37:25	1:05:34	2
Chaos	Alistair Owens	Ross 780	0.795	1:29:38	1:11:16	3
Sadagarous	Mark Sills	Seaway 25	0.704	1:50:45	1:17:57	4
-Visitor - Double Dutch	Colin Forster	Adams 21	0.660	2:05:01	1:22:31	5
Paradise City	Dean Hansen	Noelex 25	0.725	1:54:06	1:22:43	6



Paradise City – Dean Hansen's Noelex 25, doing it easy on the run to the finish.-.and doing it not so easy on the second beat

Class Based Handicap Results

Boat Name	Skipper	Type	CBH	ELAP	CBH CORR	CBH PLACE
Tainui	Ron Parker	Noelex 25	0.725	1:27:25	1:03:23	1
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.725	1:37:25	1:10:38	2
Chaos	Alistair Owens	Ross 780	0.795	1:29:38	1:11:16	3
Sadagarous	Mark Sills	Seaway 25	0.725	1:50:45	1:20:18	4
-Visitor - Double Dutch	Colin Forster	Adams 21	0.660	2:05:01	1:22:31	5
Paradise City	Dean Hansen	Noelex 25	0.725	1:54:06	1:22:43	6



Winter Series – Heat 2 - Sunday 17 July 2011

Wind 15-20kts Northerly Gusting to 25kts

Performance Handicap Results

Boat Name	Skipper	Type	PHC	ELAP	PHC CORR race 1	PHC PLACE
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.682	1:48:47	1:14:11	1
Rollercoaster	Stephen Readon	Castle 650	0.710	1:51:10	1:18:53	2
Sadagarous	Mark Sills	Seaway 25	0.685	2:03:05	1:24:18	3
-Visitor - Double Dutch	Colin Forster	Adams 21	0.631	2:16:55	1:26:28	4

Class Based Handicap Results

Boat Name	Skipper	Type	CBH	ELAP	CBH CORR R1	CBH PLACE
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.725	1:48:47	1:18:53	1
Rollercoaster	Stephen Readon	Castle 650	0.725	1:51:10	1:20:36	2
Sadagarous	Mark Sills	Seaway 25	0.725	2:03:05	1:29:15	3
-Visitor - Double Dutch	Colin Forster	Adams 21	0.660	2:16:55	1:30:22	4