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May 2010



# Melbourne Trailable Yacht Club Inc

Registration No A2058
Website: www.mtyc.yachting.org.au

NEW MTYC	COMMITTEE - 2010-2011
Commodore	Phil Monk
Vice Commodore	Lloyd Graham
Rear Commodore	Geoffrey Onions
Hon Secretary	Doug Whitby
Hon Treasurer	Jan Reeves
Safety Facilitator	Peter Gheller
Sailing Officers	Ron Parker
	Alistair Owens
	Adrian Cassar
	Greg Hall
Auditor	Darrell Reid
Newsletter Editor	Mark McLellan

Calendar –The next few months			
	Date	MTYC Events	Location or Starting Point
	Thur 10	Committee Meeting	Bells Hotel, Sth Melb. Dinner 6:30 Meeting 7:30
¥	Sat 12 – Mon 14	Queen's Birthday Cruise	Gippsland Lakes (Marlay Point) – Contact Ron Parker
JUNE	Sun 20	Winter Series race 1	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 9:45am, Start 11:00am
	Sat 26	Presentation Night	Banks Café - 502 Canterbury Road - Forest Hills
JULY	Thur 8	Committee Meeting	Bells Hotel, Sth Melb. Dinner 6:30 Meeting 7:30
nr 	Sun 18	Winter Series race 2	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 9:45am, Start 11:00am
ST	Sat 7 – Sun 8	Port & Crumpet Night (Cruise/Social)	Docklands
AUGUST	Thur 12	Committee Meeting	Bells Hotel, Sth Melb. Dinner 6:30 Meeting 7:30
A	Sun 15	Winter Series race 3	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 9:45am, Start 11:00am

Cover photo – Colduck in light conditions at last Summer Triangle Series race on 16<sup>th</sup> May – "slow going"









#### **Editorial**

Following the good work Phil Monk over the past few years, I have taken over the editor role and thank Phil Monk for the speedy handover of information to assist the transition.

Contents for the newsletter is a good way for MTYC members to share messages and stories and will be welcomed and included wherever possible. It is not the intention for the editor to do.

A couple of initiatives planned for the newsletter for the future; firstly a target to achieve +90% circulation via email, a new column to introduce or inform you on each of the committee members and how they became involved in sailing (commencing next issue), some recognition of sponsors, also a section for crew placements and classifieds if anyone would like to list an advert.

Classified listings or advertisements will be included free of charge for all MTYC members and subject to modification or exclusion under discretion of the editor.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any contribution to the newsletter, or wish to place a listing.

Mark McLellan - Newsletter Editor email mcmark@ozemail.com.au Mobile 0409 335 190

# Commodore's Report

Its June and the Annual General Meeting has been and gone.

The AGM was held on Friday 14 May at Bell's Hotel in South Melbourne. We had a good attendance and a new committee was elected.



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I want to thank the past committee for their work over the last 12 months and special thanks must go to Geoff Onions who has filled the role of Commodore for the last two years and now moves to the Rear Commodore's role.

The Stern Chaser which was scheduled for Sunday 30 May was cancelled due to a Strong Wind Warning and a forecast of winds up to 30 knots.

A ;last minute decision was made to have the Queens Birthday Cruise start and finish at Marley Point. Anyone who wants to join in should call Ron Parker. Details are elsewhere in the newsletter.

Presentation Night is on 26th June, at Banks Café, 502 Canterbury Road Forest Hills. Details for this event are also included elsewhere in this newsletter.

The first of the Winter Series Races is scheduled for Sunday 20 June. I hope to see you all there.

Phil Monk - Commodore

"Court Jester" looking for something? 16th May

# Summer Triangle Series Race 10- 2nd May 2010

#### PHC Race 1- PHC

Boat Name	Skipper	Туре	PHC	ELAP	PHC CORR Race 1	PHC Place Race 1
Never Again	Gary Sawyer	Elliott 7.4 Mod	0.774	3:19:16	2:34:13	1
No Excuses	Mark McLellan	Castle 650	0.716	3:43:18	2:39:51	2
Tainui	Ron Parker	Noelex 25	0.707	4:56:12	3:29:34	3
Colduck	Geoff Onions	RL24 D	0.740	DNF	DNF	8
Court Jester	Alistair Owens	Castle 650	0.724	DNF	DNF	8
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.675	DNF	DNF	8
Taipan	Merv Murphy	Hartley 24	0.623	DNF	DNF	8
Visitor - Tarquin	\$10 Paid but no VHF	Hartley 18	0.600	DNF	DNF	8

Note: Wind died out after Never Again crossed the finish line. 5 boats didn't finish before 4pm cutoff

## **CBH**

Race 1- CBH

Boat Name	Skipper	Туре	СВН	ELAP	CBH CORR TIME R1	CBH Place Race 1
No Excuses	Mark McLellan	Castle 650	0.725	3:43:18	2:41:54	1
Never Again	Gary Sawyer	Elliott 7.4 Mod	0.819	3:19:16	2:43:12	2
Tainui	Ron Parker	Noelex 25	0.725	4:56:12	3:34:45	3
Colduck	Geoff Onions	RL24 D	0.760	DNF	DNF	8
Court Jester	Alistair Owens	Castle 650	0.725	DNF	DNF	8
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.725	DNF	DNF	8
Taipan	Merv Murphy	Hartley 24	0.650	DNF	DNF	8
Visitor - Tarquin	\$10 Paid but no VHF	Hartley 18	0.600	DNF	DNF	8



"Tainui" in light conditions racing on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2010

SUMMER 0	SUMMER 0910 RACE - HEAT 11- HELD 16th May 2010							
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Boat Name	Skipper	Туре	PHC	Start 1	Finish	ELAP	PHC CORR Race 1	PHC Place Race 1
No Excuses	Mark McLellan	Castle 650	0.716	11:20:00	12:36:15	1:16:15	0:54:35	1
Never Again	Gary Sawyer	Elliott 7.4 Mod	0.774	11:20:00	12:32:05	1:12:05	0:55:47	2
Laguna Starlet	Luis Feliciano	Castle 650	0.610	11:20:00	12:52:44	1:32:44	0:56:34	3
Court Jester	Alistair Owens	Castle 650	0.724	11:20:00	12:39:42	1:19:42	0:57:42	4
Big Day Out	Remco Pen	Castle 650	0.723	11:20:00	12:40:34	1:20:34	0:58:17	5
Tainui	Ron Parker	Noelex 25	0.707	11:20:00	12:46:30	1:26:30	1:01:12	6
Colduck	Geoff Onions	RL24 D	0.740	11:20:00	12:45:48	1:25:48	1:03:28	7
UnFarrGetable	Andrew Johnston	Farr 750	0.649	11:20:00	12:59:45	1:39:45	1:04:44	8
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.675	11:20:00	12:56:31	1:36:31	1:05:08	9

Note: Very light conditions after initally no wind. Only sailed 1 leg from Start at E to R3 before abandoning rest of the r

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Tainui	Ron Parker	Noelex 25	0.725	11:20:00	12:46:30	1:26:30	1:02:43	5
Colduck	Geoff Onions	RL24 D	0.760	11:20:00	12:45:48	1:25:48	1:05:12	6
Laguna Starlet	Luis Feliciano	Castle 650	0.725	11:20:00	12:52:44	1:32:44	1:07:14	7
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Luis Feliciano receiving his award for 3<sup>rd</sup> place on PHC 2010

Summer Triangle Series - Race 9 – 18 April 2010

CANCELED DUE TO WEATHER FORECAST

30 Knots around midday and Strong Wind Warning issued

# MELBOURNE TRAILABLE YACHT CLUB

# **Presentation Night**

Sat 26 June 6:30 - 7:00pm

Banks Café
502 Canterbury Road
Forest Hills

www.bankscafe.com.au

(approx 1 km East of Springvale Rd on the South side of Canterbury Road)

\$39 per head

Includes; ENTREE, MAIN & DESERT (Choice of two per course)

Fully licensed with bar service until 10:30pm

Please contact Phil Monk to let him know you are coming as soon as possible, prior to 20 June for final numbers.

Call Phil on home phone 9898 4747 to book your place

## MELBOURNE TRAILABLE YACHT CLUB Inc. 2009-2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Held 14<sup>th</sup> May 2010 @ Bells Hotel South Melbourne

#### PRESENT:

Geoff Onions, Doug Whitby, Peter Mart, Phil Monk, Peter Gheller, Ruth Eaton, Ron Parker, Jan Reeves, Lloyd & Sue Graham, Greg Hall, Mark McLellan, Alistair Owens, Will Francis, Steve & Anne Holligan, Dale Gardner-Berry, Darrell Reid.

#### **APOLOGIES:**

Adrian Cassar, Denis & Sue Bromley, Bob Reeves, Lynne Hall.

#### MINUTES OF PREVIOUS 2008-2009 MEETING

Minutes of Previous 2008-2009 meeting read and accepted

Moved: Geoff Onions Seconded: Mark McLellan

Carried: Yes

#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS AGM**

None

#### **CORRESPONDANCE IN**

Consumer Affairs Vic. Annual Submission of Annual Report 2009-2010 Reminder

#### **CORRESPONDANCE OUT**

Annual Statement for 2008-2009 to Consumer Affairs Vic. With cheque \$39.70

#### **COMMODORES REPORT by Geoff Onions**

Thankyou and welcome all those who have taken the time to attend tonight.

A special thankyou to all the committee members for their help, and consistent work throughout the last 12 months, my second period as Commodore.

- We have seen increased participation numbers in all our on the water MTYC events this year, such as a maximum race participation of 17, greater participation in cruise events, good numbers at the Marlay Point overnight race and MTYC member participation at the YV Trailable events. The Twilight series has also had solid participation. Full details on the clubs racing & cruising activities over the year will follow in the individual race reports.
- The Thursday night twilight sailing has once again been an important club activity. We must again thank the Coastguard, as the use of the St Kilda decking & BBQ area is an important part of the after event social gathering. A separate report on the race details follows.
- The Handicap system with further minor adjustments for boats that win & loose, as well as adjustments to all the fleet, so that no boat goes over CBH, is working well. This is reinforced with the following examples.
  - o In the summer series, we had 6 different race winners, from the 7 races sailed to date, with 1 yacht winning twice.
  - We had many races with the very close corrected finishing times.
- MTYC hosted the Castle 650 revival of the State Championship for the first time, at the initiative of Mark McLellan. It was good to have 6 Castles compete in the 4 short course races held over same two

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weekends as the Farrs. 4 members participated, along with 2 visitors. There was interest generated so we may encourage other non club members to participate in the future.

- MTYC also hosted the Farr Association State Championship for the third year in a row, with 4 short course races held over two weekends. We had total of Farrs compete in the racing, all of whom are club members. Unfortunately we could not encourage other non club members to participate. A special thanks need to be recorded to our sponsor, for the 4 race series with the Castles and Farrs, Rolly Tasker Sails. It was great to have 6 prizes to give out to the CBH winners over the 2 weekends.
- The Cruising and social events have continued to be an important part of our clubs activities and success. The key events held in the year were the Melbourne Cup weekend and Xmas news Eve on the Gippsland Lakes which is always popular. Close to home cruising locations like the Docklands, has also been used regularly again this year as social activities. It's opening up the new opportunities close to the cities restaurants and night life, for more social activities.
- The Easter Regatta at Yarrawonga was again held this year although numbers were done with 10 Trailable and 2 dinghies attending. The lake was full and the weekend was great success with races held each day. The MTYC managed to successfully hold the Easter Classic and Stern chaser races and once again the Saturday night social activities were a success, as the girls always seem to organise. Many thanks to Lloyd for organising the on the water activity organisation, and all the other members who put in time to ensure the weekend success.
- The MTYC was represented in some non MTYC events such as
  - The Geelong Skandia Race Week Regatta, had a total of 8 MTYC members participating on various boats including on his Les Browns Sydney 36 Windspeed.
  - o The 42<sup>th</sup> Marley Point race was again well supported by MTYC members with 13 yachts participating.
  - Greg Hall sailed in the Melb to Hobart yacht race
- This year again we held the annual Christmas Party at Hobson's Bay YC, which proved to be popular and was well attended. Many thanks to Peter Clark for organising this for us and making sure the dish washer was in working order.
- The "unofficial "New Year's Eve gathering at Raymond Island was well attended and enjoyed by all who spend the Xmas to New year break on the water of the Gippsland Lakes. Thanks to the Raymond Island locals for their hospitality and for organising the fireworks.
- The MTYC newsletter 'Jib Sheets' continues to be a vital link to all members. We all look forward to regular distribution and glossy photos. We must thank Phil Monk for his efforts once again, so well done Phil. The Emailed colour version is much better, and those who wish to print it in colour can now do so. The Emailing of the newsletter also cuts the work load, and simplifies the newsletter distribution.
- I believe we must continue to look for new ways of promoting ourselves and grow the interest in participation in both racing and cruising. I believe we continue to hoist a bigger and better Top of the Bay Regatta, Castle & Farr championships, to increase sailing numbers as has proven to work this year.
- The MTYC website has progressed extremely well over the last year, and I continually get calls from new interested sailors asking questions about us and expressing future interest. They all say they found us on the web. A special vote of thanks to Doug Whitby for his time in continually updating the web site with the latest results, stories and club information on the site. The website is a vital tool for communicating the club news and for promoting our club to potential new members. So well done and thanks Doug.
- Once again, the Club administration has been efficiently managed throughout the year and I thank our secretary Doug Whitby for his effort in his club secretary & web master roles, and thanks to Jan Reeves

for her detailed accounting as Treasurer, thanks to Ron for his race day support and running the Twilight races, with a special thanks to Phil again for the ongoing good work on the newsletter for what now must be 5 years.

• Finally thanks to all the other Committee members for their contribution and support in managing the Club's interests and activities over the last 24 months. I announce now, I won't be re-standing as the clubs Commodore next year.

Regards *Geoffrey Onions* MTYC Commodore 2009-2010

#### TREASURERS REPORT by Jan Reeves

Cash Book Balance as at 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2009 Plus ING Total Funds as at 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2009	\$ 2,993.21 \$ 9,089.95 \$12,083.16	
Cash Book Balance as at 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2010 ING Total Funds as at 8 <sup>th</sup> may 2010	\$ 248.89 \$10,993.46 <u>\$11,242.35</u>	
	Difference	\$-\$840.81
Yachting Victoria & Yachting Australia Fees 2009/2010 2010/2011	\$2,365.00 \$2,475.00	
2010/2011	<u> </u>	

#### **MOTION:**

Full Member	\$150.00
Extra Silver card Family Member	\$ 50.00
Youth Member	\$ 60.00
Full-time Student Member	\$ 60.00
Social (non sailing) Member	\$ 60.00

Moved: Geoff Onions Seconded: Greg Hall Carried: Yes

Refer to attached Treasurers report for full details

Fee Structure for 2010-2011

Moved: Jan Reeves Seconded: Mark McLellan Carried: Yes

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#### **RACING REPORT by Geoff Onions**

#### 2009 Winter Series & 2009/10 Summer Series

The 2009 Winter series was held with 3 races sailed, with 1 blown out. The series was held with 2 back to back races for 2 of the 3 races, with 1 single race completed due to light conditions. The largest fleet of 10 was in up 1 boat on last year, with 12 different yachts completing throughout the series. The fleet average of 8, was the same as the year before. The season was run on both PHC & CBH handicap systems. 3 yachts share all 6 possible wins.

The Commodores and Top of the Bay Regatta cup held on the 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2009 with 14 starters. The 11 MTYC members were joined in the racing with 3 visitors. We were successful in obtaining sponsorship from Ronstan for the event, with enabled us to have some good trophies awarded to the 3 PHC and 3 off CBH winners. A special thanks needs to be recorded to Ronstan for there sponsorship.

A successful 09/10 Summer Triangular Series continues, with 7 races sailed so far, with 3 blown out and 1 race yet to be sailed on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> May.

The completed races consisted of 5 back to back race days and 2 single race days. Fleet numbers have increased significantly, with 21 different yachts sailing throughout the series. The largest fleet in any one race was 17, up 32 on last year. The smallest fleet number was 8, up also on last year's minimum of 7. The average number was 11, up 1 on last year's average.

This season we ran both handicap systems PHC & CBH. On PBH throughout the season we had 6 different winners from the 7 races so far, with 1 boats winning twice. This again has proven the handicap system is working well, between all yachts. On CBH there were 6 different winners, with 1 boat winning twice. The final series is not finalized, although tight, so the results of the last race will be interesting.

The Yarrawonga weekend races were again held. A separate report is provided.

In addition, MTYC members have also been involve in the following events

- The MTYC was represented at Marley Point with 13 yachts competing this year, with numbers up by 4 on last year. Congratulations to all yachts for finishing and in particular congratulations to Greg Plumb, in his Hunter 19, Second Wind for being the first MTYC yacht in the club challenge and for being the best finishing MTYC yacht achieving 12 overall.
- We also hosted the Castle and Farr state championships, within our normal racing. We had 6
  Castles and 5 Farr's compete, with 4 heats managed to be sailed over 2 race days in March and April. The
  MTYC had 4 Castle members and 5 Farr members participate in the championships.
- 8 MTYC members were also represented at the Geelong Scandia Race week, in January on Les
  Browns Sydney 36 Windspeed, along with other yachts. It was a weekend of mixed results with some very
  good races and some shockers.
- Several MTYC members have also been involved in Vic Trailable State titles, the Nolex 25 state titles, the RL24's titles and etc

In summary, race participation over both the Winter and the Summer series has shown a continual increase in participation numbers which is a great sign. We now need to work on it harder to further increase participation numbers and club members.

Geoff Onions-Commodore

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#### Thursday Night Sailing Report by Ron Parker

The past year has had another successful twilight sailing season commencing in mid October and finishing mid March. As reported in the last newsletter the statistics are as follows:

- 19 races planned,
- 3 blow-outs
- 1 we should have raced, but didn't because of earlier thunderstorms.
- 1 because of confusion over the calendar (not enough boats)

Therefore 14 races were completed with a total of 88 boats starting, or 6.5 boats per race.

- 1 sail to Williamstown for fish and chips.
- 45 kg of sausages, 4 kg of rissoles and a zillion slices of bread, were consumed.

#### Of particular note is that the event raised \$600 that was donated to the Coastguard at St Kilda.

An end of season Thursday night dinner at a St Kilda restaurant was enjoyed by most participants (33 heads) and Bob & Jan Reeves were thanked for their continued outstanding effort in organising the event throughout the season.

It's hoped that next season we may encourage more trailable boats at the marina to join the MTYC and take advantage of the Thursday night sailing opportunity.

#### Yarrawonga Easter Regatta 2010 by Lloyd Graham

This years the water was clear of weed and at a good level.

We had excellent wind for most of the weekend with the wind lightening on Monday after midday. We had 8 Trailables and 3 dinghies.

#### **Easter Classic**

We sailed on Saturday in a 10 knot breeze. We set a shorter course just in case the wind disappeared.

Line Honours	The Sting	L. Graham
CBH 1 <sup>st</sup> .	Bluey	J. Brooks
$2^{\rm nd}$ .	The Sting	L. Graham
$3^{\rm rd}$ .	Monkey Business	P. Monk

#### **Easter Sternchaser**

Sailed on Sunday in 12-15 knots with Sunray leading the fleet and The Sting bringing up the rear. Silhouette managed to pull through the fleet and win by an easy margin.

1 <sup>st</sup> .	Silhouette	S. Holligan
$2^{\text{nd}}$ .	Liason	A. Cassar
$3^{\rm rd}$ .	Viking Express	G. Hall

Unfortunately Miss Tress, Hugh Hetherington's RL24 was involved in an accident on the way to Yarrawonga and missed the action.

A night sail was also enjoyed by some members.

#### 2010 Cruising Report

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The past year has had a variety of cruises well supported and several cancelled due to weather conditions or insufficient interest. Below is a summary of the planned cruises.

#### August 2009 - Docklands Cruise combined with Port & Crumpet Night

Eight boats (*Kashmir*, *Tainui*, *Special Edition O'Reallyll*, *Night Crossing*, *Liaison*, *The Sting and Hot Chilli*) and several members that came by land, enjoyed a great barbecue dinner on the balcony of the marina office. Most had sailed from St Kilda via a lunch stop at Fergusson Street jetty for lunch. A great weekend was had by all with a leisurely sail back to St Kilda.

September 2009 - Docklands - Grand Final night barbecue - cancelled due to weather. October 2009 -

Nagambie - Goulburn River - cancelled - members unavailable. November 2009 - Melbourne Cup

#### Weekend - Gippsland Lakes, Sale to Paynesville

Nine boats participated in this passage cruise departing Sale on the Saturday morning. Overnight stops were at Plover Point, Loch Sport Marina and Picnic Arm. Toms Creek was explored by five Noelex and a visit Wattle Point for a lunch stopover was a new destination for most. On the Tuesday, drivers returned to Sale by minibus cab to pick up cars and trailers.

Members enjoyed the cruise and there was interest expressed in extending the cruise to Lakes Entrance next time. An excellent cruise article written by Anne Holligan is on the website.

#### Christmas New Year period

A good number of members made it down to Gippsland Lakes at different times over the December - January period and enjoyed some very good cruising weather. New Years Eve was spent on Raymond Island with drinks at Rochford's and a spit roast dinner with Ron & Ruth, followed by fireworks. It was encouraging to see some new members make it down and join the MTYC gatherings.

#### February 2010 - Rye

A good weekend was enjoyed by members exploring the southern end of the Bay with an overnight stay in Cameron's Bight. Sue Graham has written an article which is on the website.

#### March 2010 - Docklands

With the postponement of the Trailable Yacht Festival at Docklands scheduled for 20-21 March, it was resolved to make it a cruise to Docklands anyway. As usual, a leisurely lunch stop at Williamstown was enjoyed prior to heading

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up the Yarra to Docklands. The Saturday evening barbecue was enjoyable on the balcony and Sunday's sail back to St Kilda (and Sandringham for some) was an exciting sail with an approaching strong wind warning.

#### April - Anzac Day Long Weekend

The planned cruise to Queenscliff Marina (from various origins) was cancelled due to weather forecasts for Saturday and Sunday. Three boats enjoyed a sail on Monday's public holiday to Sandringham from St Kilda Marina.

#### In summary

Participants in the cruises over the past year have enjoyed the cruising experience and having the company of others. Sometimes the cruises are less well supported due to members' other competing interests and often at the time of planning the calendar it's challenging to always predict the level of interest in particular cruising venues.

Members should be encouraged to offer their ideas for planning next season's cruising calendar.

#### **Editor's report by Phil Monk**

Eight newsletters were produced over the 12 month period from the last AGM with dual issues in June/July, Sept/Oct. and Nov/Dec.

Substantial progress was made towards reducing the workload and costs of production by encouraging members to choose to have the newsletter delivered by email.

Approximately 20 members now receive the full colour version via email, with about 35 paper copies being posted for each edition. This results in a significant reduction in the effort required to print, fold, stuff, stamp and post the black and white paper copies.

We can probably never reach a situation where all members can take their newsletter by email, but from the editor's perspective it would be a less onerous job if the number of paper copies can be reduced as much as possible. Not to mention the cost reduction.

As the April 2010 newsletter is hopefully my last, I like to think that I made some improvements along the way with my favourite being the placement of feature photos of member's boats on the front cover. I can promise that if your boat has never made the cover, it is only because I have not a had a suitable photo.

#### Social Report

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Events held over the past 12 months included the Christmas Party at HBYC, Presentation Night at Banks Café.

#### Safety Facilitator's Report by Alistair Owens

2010 season had 20 Cat5/5N Safety Compliance Declarations

Over the 2010 race season there have been no recorded accidents or safety issues.

The introduction of the VHP radio check-ins for race starts has been a great success, as now all members have made the upgrade to either fitted or hand held units. (Apart from visiting yachts joining MTYC events who have had only 27Mhz) we where able to do separate check in.

- With much discussion on cancelations due to severe weather warnings, and how much notice should be given etc.
  the season has been fairly steady and only a couple of Friday night calls have been made and there have been
  correct calls.
- Cat5 sticker have been issued free of the \$2.00 fee to all skippers who lodged forms. Note there was only limited numbers of 5N stickers, so it was first in best dressed, and for the 12 or so boats that did the Marley this tear it wasn't really a problem. We can display a Cat5 only.
- For 2010/11 season I would suggest we have a "Compliance Kit" that is handed to each skipper as the forms are completed. These will include the Comp sticker, our MTYC Safety Manual, emergency contact list, Marine Safety handouts, map of the bay, along with a copy of our race courses (laminated) for the season, which will save us doing it at each race. It will be a professional hand out and something that can be kept on the boats, (only a suggestion)
- Check that all flares are up to date for the coming season and all safety equipment (that is declared on checklist) is in good working order.

We should been seen to be the safest and best run Trailable Yacht Club in the State /Country considering our combined wealth of knowledge, skills and good record, which we should highlight in attracting new members.

Thanks to all Members, racing or cruising for their support and continuing to have a safe and enjoyable year.

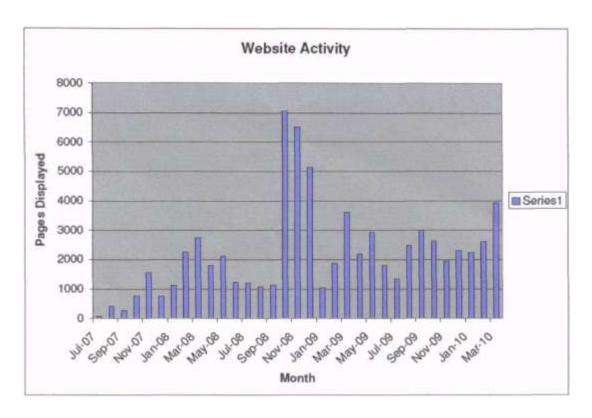
#### **Yachting Vic. Trailable Sub-Committee**

Thanks to Ron Parker and Mark McLellan who continue to represent our Club at these meetings. Current business before the sub-committee includes the organization of the Trailable Yacht Festival to be held at Docklands in Nov. With the demise of the Sandringham Sail Boat Show this events importance in attracting new members to the club increases.

Expressions of interest are still being sought for a host for the Vic.Trailable Championships

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#### **Website Report**



- Total Pages displayed since last May 30291
- Website is very easy to manage
- Suggested inclusion of a short description of conditions/ highlights to accompany race results

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- Thanks and appreciation expressed by the Castle Assoc. and Farr Assoc. for MTYC hosting of their state titles.
- Thanks to those sponsors who supported the Club throughout the Year. Ronstan and PIB Insurance for their sponsorship of the Top of the Bay Race. Rolly Tasker Sails and Derick Warne for their sponsorship of the Castle and Farr race days.

- The incoming committee to make a special effort to promote the Top of the Bay race
- The creation of a sub committee to review of the clubs constitution.
- Member of the Year Award. Ron Parker nominated Doug Whitby for his work on the club website in promoting the club. Seconded by Sue Graham and carried.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**

All positions were declared open and new nominations were received

**COMMODORE** Geoff Onions declared he would not be standing for re-election

Phil Monk was nominated by Geoff Onions, Seconded by Sue Graham, and elected

inopposed.

VICE COMMODORE Lloyd Graham remains unopposed.

**REAR COMMODORE** Automatically becomes Past Commodore Geoff Onions

HON. TREASURERremains Jan Reeves unopposedHON.SECRETARYremains Doug Whitby unopposed

**EDITOR** Phil Monk declared he would not be standing for this position again.

Mark McLellan was nominated by Geoff Onions and elected unopposed

SAFETY FACILITATOR Alistair Owens declared he was unable to continue in this role

Due to Coast guard commitments. Alistair Owens nominated

Peter Gheller elected unopposed.

**SAILING COMMITTEE** Elected Members are:

Ron Parker Alistair Owens Greg Hall Adrian Cassar

An invitation to Gary Sawyer to join the committee was agreed.

**SOCIAL SECRETARY** This position is to be managed by the committee

**AUDITOR** remains **Darrell Reid** 

Geoff thanked all the committee members for their support and work over the past year. Special thanks to Phil Monk for his years of service to the club as Jibsheets editor, and to Mark McLellan for taking on the role.

Meeting was closed at 9:30pm.

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