

# JIB SHEETS



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MTYC OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

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Adrian Cassar in his RL24 Liaison during one of the Winter Races – Photo by Mark McLellan

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## MTYC COMMITTEE - 2008-2009

Commodore	Geoffrey Onions
Vice Commodore	Peter Clark
Rear Commodore	Ron Parker
Hon Secretary	Doug Whitby
Hon Treasurer	Jan Reeves
Safety Facilitator	Alistair Owens
Social Organiser	Alison Cassar
Sailing Officers	Lloyd Graham
	Steve Holligan
	Peter Rochford
	Adrian Cassar
	Greg Hall
	Justin Green
	Mark McLellan
Auditor	Darrell Reid
Newsletter Editor	Phil Monk

Calendar –The next few months			
	Date	MTYC Events	Location or Starting Point
OCT	<b>Sun 5</b>	<b>Daylight Savings Starts at 2:00am</b>	
	Sun 5	Commodore's Cup – Season Opening With barbecue afterwards	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 9:45am, Start 11:00am
	Sat 11 Sun 12	Goulburn River Wineries Cruise	Nagambie Public Ramp – 11:00am on Sat
	Tues 14	Committee Meeting	Bell's Hotel Sth Melb
	Thur 16	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 5:455am, Start 6:00pm
	Sun 19	Summer Series Race 1 – 2 heats	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 9:45am, Start 11:00am
	Thur 23	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 5:455am, Start 6:00pm
	Thur 30	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 5:455am, Start 6:00pm
NOV	Sat 1 to Tue 4	Gippsland Lakes Cruise	Depart Paynesville. King St Ramp at 11:0am Saturday
	Thur 6	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 5:455am, Start 6:00pm
	Sun 9	Summer Series Race 2 – 2 heats	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 9:45am, Start 11:00am
	Tue 11	Committee Meeting	
	Thur 13	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 5:455am, Start 6:00pm
	Sat 15	BBQ	To Be Advised
	Thur 20	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 5:455am, Start 6:00pm
	Sun 23	Summer Series Race 3 – 1 heat	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 9:45am, Start 11:00am
	Thur 27	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing/sign on 5:455am, Start 6:00pm

## Commodore's Corner

Our winter sailing season has now finished following race 4 which was held Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September.

Race 4 was sailed with 6 yachts turning out, despite the afternoon forecast of increasing winds and a strong wind warning for later in the day.

The committee agreed to sail heat 1 in the morning as the wind forecast was 10-15 kts. With the afternoon forecast expected to increase to 15 to 20 kts, then further increasing to 20 – 25kts in the evening. The committee agreed to reassess the wind conditions after the completion of heat 1, due to the increasing forecast.

As it turned out on the day, by the time we had reached the last 2 legs of heat 1, the wind was already gusting over 20kts. So with the forecast of the wind to further increase, heat 2 was abandoned.

For the season 3 of the 4 races were sailed, with race No 2 not sailed due to insufficient boats turning out due to the previous night's bad weather forecast and AFL football. So weather wise all races could have been held, which is vast improvement on last summer season's luck with bad weather.

The winter series had a maximum number of 9 boats in both Race's 1 & 3, with Race 4 having a fleet of 6. This is a good turnout for the series, with a significant increase in numbers on last year.

Our next race is the Commodores Cup due to be held on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> October, followed by a planned BBQ at the Coast Guard at St Kilda Marina. More details for the BBQ will follow by email closer to the event. We hope for a good turnout and better luck this year, as last years Commodore Cup was postponed twice before it was eventually held in January.

Remember this year the Twilight Sailing starts earlier, with the first race to be held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October, so we hope for similar average fleet sizes as last year with 7 or 8 boats.

Our summer series is due to commence Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> October, so we hope for better luck with the weather, following last seasons poor luck with 5 races blown out. Judging from the good turn out for the Winter Series and with several new club members, fleet numbers should be good.

Other events being organised for October are a Goulburn River Winery cruise on the weekend of 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> of October. Please contact Adrian Cassar if you are interested in attending.

Since our last newsletter were are pleased to here that Peter Clark and his KASHMIR delivery team have safely arrived in Sydney after a 2 week delivery trip from Hamilton Island. Peter

now plans to leave KASHMIR in Sydney until after Xmas before tackling the next leg of his voyage to Melbourne.

Until the next newsletter, good sailing to all, and we hope the current good sailing weather continues.

Geoff Onions

Commodore

## The Commodore's Cup

### Sunday 5 Oct

### Season Opening Race

The Commodore sets the course and the race is decided on CBH handicaps.

This is the first day of daylight saving so don't be late.

Briefing will be at the normal time of 9:45am for a 11:00am start.

### Season Opening

### Barbeque

### BYO

### Food and drink

### 5:00pm onwards

After the race finishes we will be having a barbecue at the Coast Guard shed at the end of the Marina. Members and families are welcome to join the sailors to celebrate the start of the season.

If you can't get through the gate call

Ron Parker      0419 002 946

Geoff Onions    0409 145 714

Phil Monk        0429 354 640

**Category 5 Safety Declarations** must be made and given to our Safety Facilitator, Alistair Owens, for the start of the Racing Season. The declaration for 2008–09 are now available for downloading from the YV web site.

**For any enquiries call Alistair on 9587 3432**



## Goulburn River Wineries Cruise

11 and 12 October

### A great family weekend.

Drive up to Nagambie. Meet up at the public ramp near the rowing club.

Aim to be on the water by 11am to then motor up the river to Michelton Winery for a leisurely afternoon at the winery. Take the tour or sample the product. Arrangements will be made to have access to the barbeque or you can eat in the Winery restaurant. Toilets are available overnight.

On Sunday a short cruise down the river to the beautiful Tahbilk winery. The magnificent liqueur muscat that is available only at the winery is recommended. Tour the underground cellars. Have a picnic lunch in the grounds and then head back down the river to Nagambie.

Total motoring time is only 2 or 3 hours each way so it can be done slowly to enjoy the views. This is definitely a weekend to leave your mast at home.

**Call Adrian Cassar on 9578 1473 if you are intending to join this cruise.**

**Club Beanies \$15**

**Now available.**

**Navy blue polar fleece with the  
MTYC logo**

**One size fits all.**

**Contact Alistair Owens**

**9587 3432**

**or**

**alistairo2@hotmail.com**

**Beanies will be available at race  
days and Club events**

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**MTYC polar fleece vests  
are coming soon.**

**Size samples will be available at  
club sailing and social events  
over the next few weeks.**

**Try them on and place your  
orders**

## A few photos from the last Nagambie Cruise

MTYC boats pulled into the bank at The Michelton Winery for the night.



**21 September**  
**Winter Series Race 4**  
**Only one short race sailed**  
**Race 2 cancelled due to high winds**

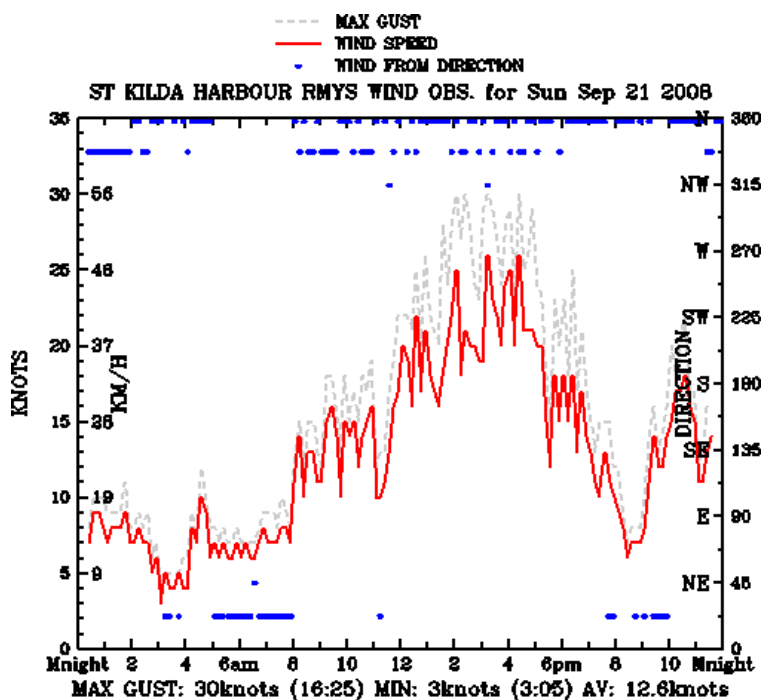
Six boats turned up and the weather was forecast for 10 - 15 in the morning, with a forecast to increase to 15 - 20 in afternoon then 25 – 30 at night. Conscious that a strong wind warning had been issued for the late afternoon, we decided to sail 1 short race and then review the situation. At the completion of race 1, the wind was gusting towards 20 kts and building, so we abandoned race 2 on the grounds of safety first. A good sail but a swinging and gusty northerly.

**PHC**

Boat Name	Skipper	Type	PHC	ELAP	PHC CORR TIME	PHC Place
Tainui	Ron Parker, Ruth Eaton	Noelex 25	0.724	1:28:40	1:04:14	1
Liaison	Adrian Cassar	RL24 D	0.736	1:27:50	1:04:39	2
No Excuses	Mark McLellan	Castle 650	0.706	1:35:00	1:07:03	3
Laguna Starlet	Luis Feliciano	Castle 650	0.696	1:39:02	1:08:56	4
Colduck	Geoff Onions	RL24 D	0.760	1:31:34	1:09:38	5
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.680	1:42:26	1:09:41	6

**CBH**

Boat Name	Skipper	Type	CBH CORR	CBH Place
Tainui	Ron Parker, Ruth Eaton	Noelex 25	1:04:17	1
Liaison	Adrian Cassar	RL24 D	1:06:45	2
No Excuses	Mark McLellan	Castle 650	1:08:53	3
Colduck	Geoff Onions	RL24 D	1:09:35	4
Laguna Starlet	Luis Feliciano	Castle 650	1:11:48	5
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	1:14:16	6





Mark McLellan took some great shots during the Winter Races

