

# JIB SHEETS



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MTYC OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER



**Melbourne Trailable Yacht Club Inc**

Registration No A2058

Website: [www.mtyc.yachting.org.au](http://www.mtyc.yachting.org.au)

## MTYC COMMITTEE - 2009-2010

Commodore	Geoffrey Onions
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Hon Treasurer	Jan Reeves
Safety Facilitator	Alistair Owens
Sailing Officers	Steve Holligan
	Peter Gheller
	Adrian Cassar
	Greg Hall
	Mark McLellan
Auditor	Darrell Reid
Newsletter Editor	Phil Monk

Calendar –The next few months			
	Date	MTYC Events	Location or Starting Point
SEPT	Thur 10	Committee Meeting	Bells Hotel, South Melb. Dinner at 6:30pm Meeting starts 7:30 pm
	Sun 20	Winter Series Race 4 (2 races)	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 9:45am, Start 11:00am
	Sat 26 Sun 27	Grand Final Day cruise to Docklands	Details page 3
OCT	Sun 4	MTYC Top of the Bay Race and Commodore's Cup Summer Season Opener	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 9:30am, Start 11:00am
	Thur 15	Committee Meeting	Bells Hotel, South Melb. Dinner at 6:30pm Meeting starts 7:30 pm
	Sat 10 Sun 11	Goulburn River Winery Cruise	Nagambie
	Sun 18	Summer Triangle Series – Race 1 – 2 Heats	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 9:45am, Start 11:00am
	Thur 22	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 5:45pm, Start 6:00pm
	Thur 29	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 5:45pm, Start 6:00pm
	Sat 31 to Tues 3	Cup Weekend Cruise	Gippsland Lakes
NOV	Thur 5	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 5:45pm, Start 6:00pm

**Cover picture** – Mark McLellan, sailing his Castle 650, *No Excuses*, sailing off St Kilda during the first Winter Series Race

# Grand Final Barbecue Dinner

## Saturday 26 September 2009

Waterfront City Marina - "Harbour View Room"  
BYO food, drinks, football food

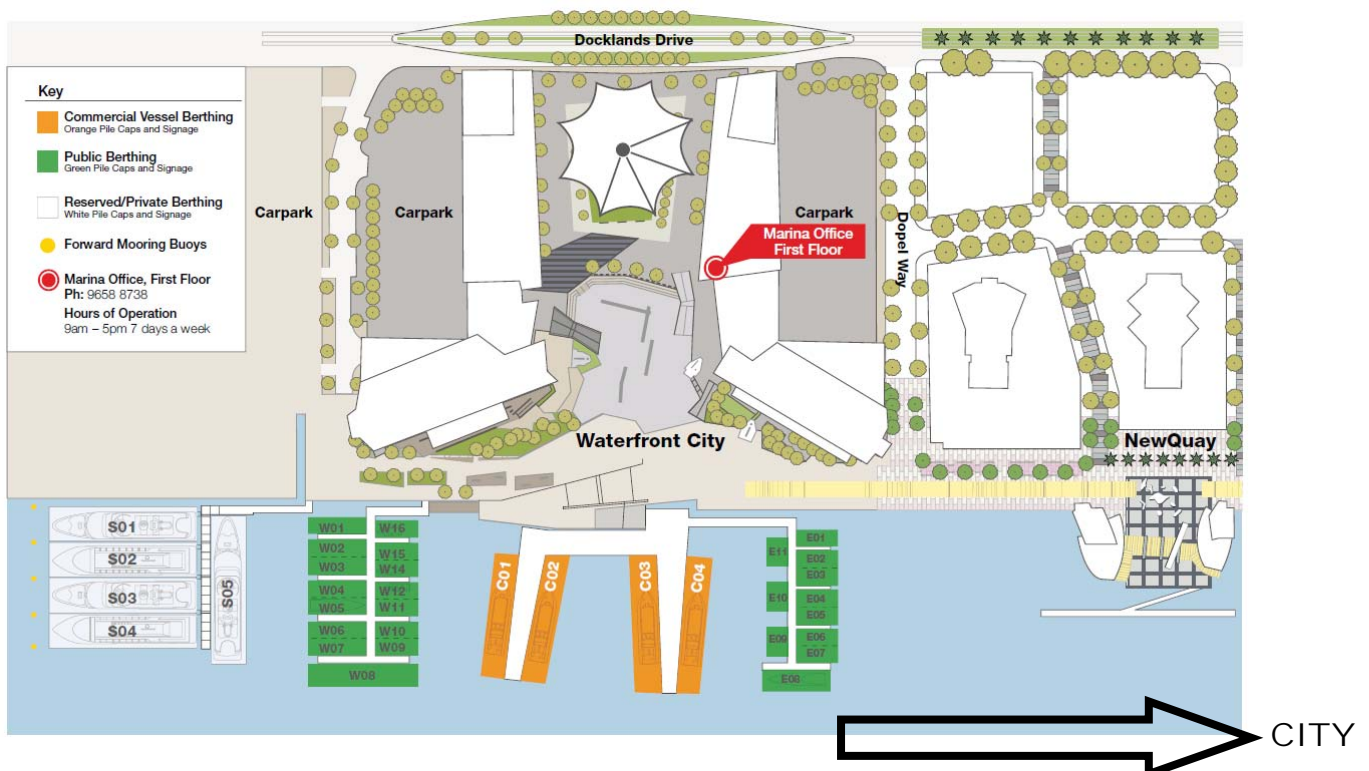
**Come early and watch the game on the big screen**

### Come by sea or by land

Sail up the river from St Kilda or Warmies  
Book your berth at the Marina by email to: [berthing@melbourne.vic.gov.au](mailto:berthing@melbourne.vic.gov.au)  
or call the Marina Office on 9658 8738  
The cost is \$35 per boat, payable on arrival before 5:00pm  
Access to bathrooms and other marina facilities included

**Or**

Drive into Docklands and join us at the "Harbour View Room", Marina  
Office, right near the big white tent  
Further details: Contact Ron Parker: 0419 002 946



## Commodore's Report

Now we are in Spring, we are looking forward to the new season's sailing season which is almost upon us. Some of us, (like myself) are realizing we had better start that winter maintenance that we were going to do "next weekend" and I'd also better fit that new VHF radio I purchased several weeks ago.

This year we have organized a Season Opening Regatta, which will be run in conjunction with the Commodores Cup on the 4<sup>th</sup> October. I'm pleased to acknowledge we have 2 sponsors: Ronstan and PIB (Professional Insurance Brokers P/L) providing support for the Regatta. Yachting Victoria is assisting with the distribution of race notice to clubs and associations. We are also thankful to Peter Clark who has agreed to provide his time and yacht Kashmir to act as start boat for the day. We are looking forward to having some additional boats join us for the day and hopefully the long passage race course selected will be of interest as a change. All we need now is favourable wind conditions and a nice sunny day.

Remember to fill in your race Entry Form, ensure your Cat 5 declaration is submitted and that your VHF radio is in working order.

For those not attending the AFL Grand final, you may wish to attend the Saturday evening overnight stay at the Docklands. Refer to the further details provided elsewhere in this news letter.

Winter race No 3 was blown out with strong Gales blowing all through the weekend. Due to the extreme forecast over the whole weekend, the committee decided on Friday afternoon to give early notice of the race abandonment, enabling members to reschedule their weekend. The committee is currently working on finalizing a MTYC Race Safety Manual which will give clear guidelines on conducting Racing, including when and how early we can safely decide on whether to proceed and hold a race or abandon due to the forecast. It is hopefully we will have that document finalized and published before the commencement of the summer sailing season.

We have our next winter race scheduled for 20 September, so let's hope for another solid turnout.

A reminder to all competitors to ensure they have switched over to VHF radios. This has been in a transition phase now for over a year, and all members are now required to carry working VHF radios, for the Commodores Cup and new Summer racing season.

Keep safe and look forward to seeing you on the water in the coming months.

**Geoff Onions**

## **Top of the Bay Trailable Yacht Race**

**Sunday 4 October 2009**

**Incorporating the  
MTYC Commodore's Cup  
Entry \$10 per boat**

**Sponsored by  
Ronstan  
and  
PIB Professional Insurance Brokers**

**Detailed flyer accompanies this newsletter**

## **Annual Membership Fees now due**

**Membership renewal form accompanies this  
newsletter**

## Reminder

### Important Notice for MTYC Races

#### VHF radio is now a requirement

From 1 October 2009, MTYC yachts racing in MTYC events **must** have an operational VHF radio.

#### 27Mhz radio will no longer be used in Club racing.

In recent years the interference from other users on 27Mhz has made effective race management difficult.

MTYC races are sailed without external support. It is central to the Club's risk management and to the safety practices in our races that all boats are able to communicate with each other in case any boat needs assistance. This is why MTYC insists on a radio check prior to each race start. To be effective, all boats must have the same type of radio. This is now a VHF radio.

There are other great benefits for using VHF radio (whether racing or cruising) including:

- Coast Radio Melbourne provides distress and safety monitoring on VHF Channel 16, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, with general coverage of Port Phillip and Western Port. 27 Mhz radio is no longer monitored.
- Coast Radio Melbourne broadcasts coastal weather forecasts (including Port Phillip) on VHF 67 at: 0648, 1448 and 2048 EST. Weather warnings will be preceded by an announcement on Channel 16.
- Navigation warnings for waters in and around Port Phillip and Western Port are broadcast on VHF 67 and are rebroadcast after the weather.

Similar services are provided by volunteer organisations for example the Australian Volunteer Coast Guard at Sandringham and Paynesville provide weather and other information.

Other benefits:

- Very clear transmission with no interference from engines.
- No garbled conversations and less yakkity yak from others.

For more information about the benefits and use of VHF radio, go to the website of The Office of Maritime Communications at the Australian Maritime College. It is responsible for the management of all functions associated with marine radio examinations and certification services in Australia. This includes the production and distribution of the Marine Radio Operators Handbook, production and distribution of examination papers and certificates.

<http://www.amc.edu.au/omc>

## 2009 – 2010 Calendar

The calendar for next year is still being finalised but the Calendar for the first 6 months is complete and included with this newsletter

## Winter Series Heat 2 –19 July 2009

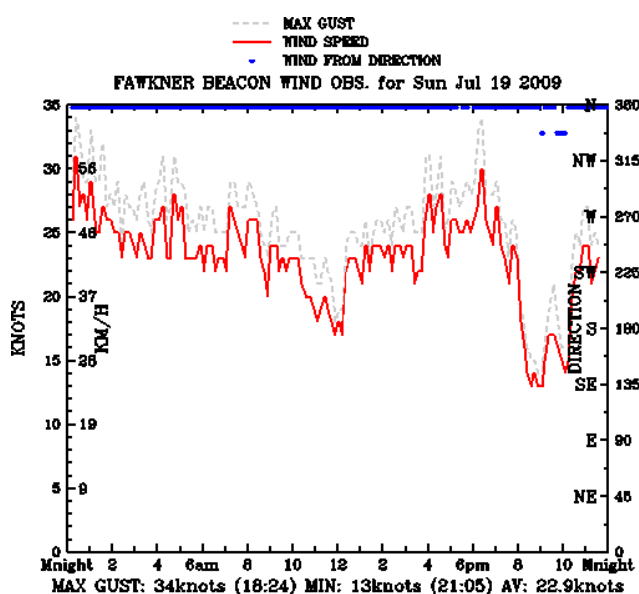
### Results on PHC

Boat Name	Skipper	Type	PHC	ELAP	Corr Time	Place
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.673	1:18:50	0:53:05	1
Tanina	Roger Summerfield	Sonata 8	0.683	1:18:27	0:53:33	2
Tainui	Ron Parker, Ruth Eaton	Noelex 25	0.725	1:15:38	0:54:52	3
Liaison	Adrian Cassar	RL24 D	0.720	1:17:47	0:56:01	4
No Excuses	Mark McLellan	Castle 650	0.709	1:25:18	1:00:29	5
Call Me Ishmail	Alistair Owens	Castle 650	0.719	1:26:25	1:02:11	6
Sunray	Doug Whitby	TS16	0.603	DNF	DNF	8
Special Edition	Marg Goddard	Noelex 25	0.725	DNF	DNF	8

### Results on CBH

Boat Name	Skipper	Type	CBH	Corr Time	Place
Tainui	Ron Parker, Ruth Eaton	Noelex 25	0.725	0:54:50	1
Tanina	Roger Summerfield	Sonata 8	0.725	0:56:53	2
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.725	0:57:09	3
Liaison	Adrian Cassar	RL24 D	0.760	0:59:07	4
No Excuses	Mark McLellan	Castle 650	0.725	1:01:51	5
Call Me Ishmail	Alistair Owens	Castle 650	0.725	1:02:39	6
Sunray	Doug Whitby	TS16	0.630	DNF	8
Special Edition	Marg Goddard	Noelex 25	0.725	DNF	8

### Race 2 Wind



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