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Melbourne Trailable Yacht Club Inc
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MTYC COMMITTEE - 2009-2010

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Calendar -The next few months

	Date	MTYC Events	Location or Starting Point
	26 Nov	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 5:45pm, Start 6:00pm
DECEMBER	3 Dec	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 5:45pm, Start 6:00pm
	6 Dec	Summer Triangle Series Race 4. 2 Heats	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 9:45am, Start 11:00am
	10 Dec	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 5:45pm, Start 6:00pm
	12 Dec	CHRISTMAS PARTY	Hobson's Bay Yacht Club. Start 6:30pm. See page 3
	17 Dec	Twilight Fish & Chips Cruise	To Williamstown, Leave St Kilda Marina at 6:00pm
	18 Dec	Xmas Drinks in the CBD	Contact Phil Monk for venue details
	31 Dec	New Years Eve on Raymond Island	Details on page 5
JANUARY	14 Jan	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 5:45pm, Start 6:00pm
	17 Jan	Summer Series Race 5. Passage Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 9:45am, Start 11:00am
	21 Jan	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 5:45pm, Start 6:00pm
	23-26 Jan	Geelong Week	Royal Geelong YC. Details - www.geelongweek.com
	23-26 Jan	Mystery Cruise	An email will be sent to advise details
	28 Jan	Twilight Race	St Kilda Marina - Briefing 5:45pm, Start 6:00pm

Cover picture – Peter (Pedro) and Pauline Gheller sailing their Noelex 25 *Night Crossing* during the Cup Weekend Cruise from Sale to Paynesville. **Below** – Ron Parker tows the Noelex fleet in Tom's Creek





Melbourne Trailable Yacht Club
Christmas Party
Saturday 12 December
Hobson's Bay Yacht Club

268 Nelson Place – Cnr Ferguson St
Williamstown

Starts 6:30pm

All drinks must be bought at the fully stocked bar
(at very reasonable prices)

BYO Food to barbeque

- ❖ Bring a salad and desert to share
- ❖ Bring your family and your crew
- ❖ Bring something to add to the Christmas Hamper which will be raffled during the night.
- ❖ Bring some cash to buy raffle tickets

BBQ and kitchen facilities including crockery and cutlery are available for our use
as long as we clean up afterwards

To help us with numbers please let Phil Monk know if you
are coming.

Phone: 9898 4747

or

Email: mtyc@live.com.au



Summer Triangle Series Race 2- 8th November 2009

2 Heats were scheduled – Heat 2 was abandoned after 1 hour due to lack of wind.

Results on PHC

Heat 1- PHC

Boat Name	Skipper	Type	PHC	Elapsed Time	PHC Corrected Race 1	PHC Place Race 1
Colduck	Geoff Onions	RL24 D	0.728	1:33:05	1:07:44	1
Never Again	Gary Sawyer	Elliott 7.4 Mod	0.806	1:34:55	1:16:28	2
No Excuses	Mark McLellan	Castle 650	0.698	1:50:30	1:17:08	3
Tainui	Ron Parker, Ruth Eaton	Noelex 25	0.721	1:47:18	1:17:20	4
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.698	2:02:45	1:25:38	5
Monkey Business	Phil Monk	Farr 6000	0.600	DNF	DNF	7
Tanina	Roger Summerfield	Sonata 8	0.700	DNF	DNF	7
Laguna Starlet	Luis Feliciano	Castle 650	0.643	DNS	DNS	8

Results on CBH

Heat 1 CBH

Boat Name	Skipper	Type	CBH	CBH Corrected Time Race 1	CBH Place Race 1
Colduck	Geoff Onions	RL24 D	0.760	1:10:45	1
Never Again	Gary Sawyer	Elliott 7.4 Mod	0.819	1:17:44	2
Tainui	Ron Parker, Ruth Eaton	Noelex 25	0.725	1:17:48	3
No Excuses	Mark McLellan	Castle 650	0.725	1:20:07	4
Night Crossing	Peter Gheller	Noelex 25	0.725	1:29:00	5
Monkey Business	Phil Monk	Farr 6000	0.640	DNF	7
Tanina	Roger Summerfield	Sonata 8	0.725	DNF	7
Laguna Starlet	Luis Feliciano	Castle 650	0.725	DNS	8

MTYC now has a club Safety Manual

The manual can be found on the "Links" tab on the MTYC website at

www.mtyc.yachting.org.au

The manual contains a lot of useful safety information as well as emergency contacts.

All members are encouraged to print the manual and keep it handy onboard.

Reminder

VHF radio is now a requirement in MTYC races

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

Gippsland Lakes New Years Eve Spit Roast Dinner & Paynesville – Raymond Island Fireworks



The MTYC is planning a New Year's Eve spit roast dinner on Raymond Island on Thursday 31 December.

- *BYO chairs, drinks, nibbles and a salad to share.*
- *5.00pm onwards for drinks on the beach at Peter & Sue Rochfords; followed by spit roast dinner at Ruth & Rons. Followed by fireworks on the lake edge at 9.30pm and midnight.*
- *Cost: \$10 per head.*
- *Boat mooring on the shoreline of Raymond Island inside Montague Point, subject to weather and available space. Alternatively, anywhere in Paynesville and catch the ferry over to the island. Contact Ron on the mobile number to catch a lift from the ferry.*

For further information and to confirm your attendance contact Ron Parker on telephone 9527 8310 or mobile 0419 002 946.

Cup Weekend on the Gippsland Lakes

Anne Holligan - Silhouette

This year saw members of Melbourne Trailable enjoy another fantastic cruise on the Lakes, this time beginning with a scenic motor from Sale down the Latrobe River.

Boats attending were Tainui, Son-ia-tu, Sans Peur, O'Reilly 11, Special Edition, Night Crossing, Portia, Silhouette and guest boat, Alfie Mac.

After packing up Silhouette in the rain at St Kilda and towing on wet roads to Sale on Friday morning, we were a little concerned about the weather we were going to experience for the next four days! At Sale we were joined by Night Crossing, O'Reilly 11 and Porcha for a meal at the Star hotel, before allocating ourselves an overnight spot in the Wellington Council car park on flat ground.

By morning there were eight boats ready to launch at the ramp nearby and sunny, blue skies, without a trace of the rain from the day before. Water was available near the ramp and the spacious car park, we were told, was a safe place to leave cars and trailers as it was patrolled at night.



Finally all launched and armed with maps supplied by Tainui (Thanks Ron), we were on our way down the picturesque Latrobe River. Unfortunately Soniatu decided that her motor was going to throw a hissy fit and not start so she was towed down the river by Tainui.



By lunch time we were at the mouth of the river ready to sail across Lake Wellington, so anchors were dropped along the bank and we all busied ourselves raising masts on the water taking extra care not to drop any fittings. It was a very hot day with the river being protected from the breeze, so rigging completed we were all very glad to take a break inside our boats for lunch and cool drinks.





Sailing out into Lake Wellington we were met with a lovely 10 knot breeze which treated us to a great sail until it dropped out about an hour before reaching Plover Point. Finally arriving there, we were greeted by Pat and Rae who had sailed from Paynesville on Sans Peur. It had been a long day and it was close to 6pm before we were all enjoying a drink on the shore in balmy conditions, watching the sun set on a beautiful calm "Lakes" night.

Next morning saw a team of experts discussing what might be wrong with Son-i-atu's motor, when it just decided to start without any intervention, having presumably finished its hissy fit!! Naturally her skipper had to endure some jibes about being too mean to pay for the petrol to motor down the river!!

After a leisurely start to another beautiful warm, sunny day, we sailed to Holland Landing for morning tea, where we found work continuing on a new jetty and surrounding area. After more eating and talking some boats continued on to our evening destination at Lochsport Marina while others took a detour to explore Tom's Creek. That evening we all enjoyed a meal at the pub after a nice hot shower and a brief happy hour beside our boats moored on the back wall. Some settled for an early night while others found bottles of port that needed to be consumed! Son-ia-tu's skipper had us all concerned once again as he lost his wallet and had to rely on his son to buy him dinner (Is there a pattern here ? – the missing wallet did finally show on Monday morning).



Leaving our protected anchorage at Lochsport on Monday, we sailed/motored to Wattle Point for lunch (the breeze picking up during the latter part of the morning). Wattle point provided us with protected shade or a table in the sun, according to your preference, while we ate, drank and enjoyed each others company for a couple of relaxing hours. Wattle Point also had toilets and a new jetty providing plenty of space for our 8 boats (Son-I –atu having left us to return to Raymond Island).

Because there was a significant south westerly change forecast for "early" Tuesday morning we decided to spend our last night together in Picnic Arm where we were afforded maximum protection. Our sail from Wattle Point was very enjoyable with all the boats pretending not to race! Anchoring at Picnic held a comedy of errors with some stepping off their boat into ankle deep mud, an anchor being lost in the middle of the Arm before being rescued by the guys in the dinghies, and others managing to run aground before reaching the shore! However once all boats were tied up safely, we enjoyed another happy hour with again more food than any of us needed. After dinner we became very decadent

and lit a fire!! (it's been so long since we have been able to enjoy each others company around a camp fire at the Lakes). We were treated to a very still, clear night under the light of a full moon with a very conscientious fire tender from Night Crossing keeping the fire smokeless. (How much better can life get?)

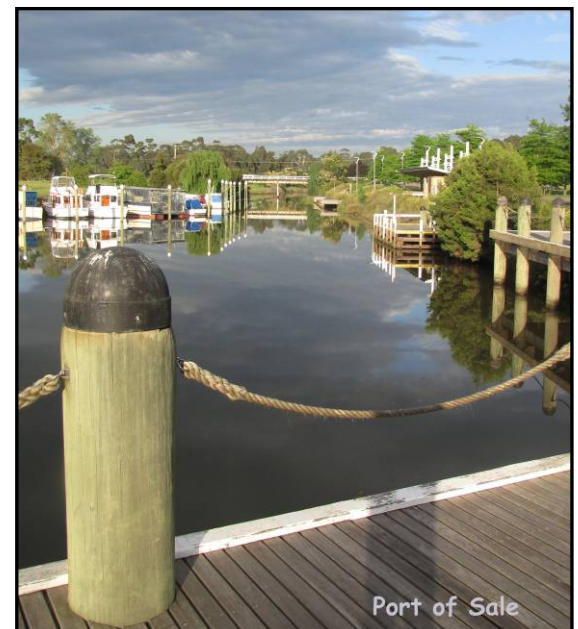
Tuesday morning, all the boats pulled up anchor early to get to Paynesville before the change arrived. This proved prudent as we not only beat the change but all found jetty space to leave the boats while the drivers' took a maxi taxi



back to Sale to collect the trailers. Many were able to lower their masts and pack up while the water was still calm, with still time for a coffee before the trip to Sale. During this time we had our only shower of rain for the weekend. Those left behind in Paynesville found another coffee shop and "settled in" for another hour or so!

By lunch time the wind had started to increase and most boats left quickly to pull out in Slip Road. We stayed tied up outside the Paynesville Yacht Club for the afternoon and evening being buffeted against the jetty as the sea and waves responded to the 30-44 knot winds. We were glad we didn't have to tow back in such conditions and were thinking of those of you who did.

Thank you to all of you for making it another memorable Cup Weekend cruise in what was some of the best weather we've experienced.



Rolly Tasker Sails - made offshore – by Phil Monk

I have read about the Rolly Tasker sail loft in Phuket, Thailand and often wondered about the quality of the product and the risk associated with buying sails sight unseen from overseas, so it was interesting to meet Derick Warne from DG Marine at the recent Sandringham boat show. DG Marine is the local agent for Rolly Tasker sails in Melbourne and Derick was able to show Alistair Owens and me some samples of sails made in the Rolly Tasker loft. There were three grades available in Dacron sails and the quality of workmanship on the samples we saw was excellent.

Economy sails. Suitable for dinghies and day sailors (trailable yachts) up to around 28 ft. Crosscut in quality Dacron cloth, featuring relatively lightweight materials and one row 3 step stitching.

Coastal cruising sails. Specifically developed for cruising yachts of up to around 36 ft. Best described as no-nonsense sails with good trim facilities. They make an excellent choice for sailors requiring both easy handling and sailing pleasure. Manufactured wholly from first-class Dacron cloth, their sturdy finish guarantees great durability.

Off-shore/racing sails. Fairly heavy duty and unlikely to be required for trailable yachts.

The prices of these sails are very good and now with a local agent the risk of buying them is reduced

I asked Derick to send me some more information about the sails because I thought that MTYC members may well be interested in well made sails at good prices. At the price they might be worth a punt.

Derick provided the following information.

For all the old salts amongst you Rolly Tasker Sails needs no introduction. But for those who don't know Rolly's been making sails for sixty odd years. His name has become synonymous with value for money cruising sails and we are very proud to be local agents offering quality sails at extraordinarily good prices.

Our market is not the high end of yacht racing but rather the cruiser and cruiser /racer side of the sport where the budget is often more important than that last couple of percent performance factor. For owners wanting more performance we offer a range of laminates or performance Dacron cloth and Bi or Tri Radial mains and headsails. Our Radial Head spinnakers are real value for money, for example we can offer a three colour, .75oz Noelex 25 Radial Head for \$780 delivered anywhere in Victoria plus GST.

Our sails are made in the World's largest purpose built sail loft in Thailand, where some 140 staff are employed using only the highest quality fittings and sail cloth from the Industry leaders. The hand work that goes into every Rolly Tasker sail is seldom seen in these modern times. Utilizing the most modern computer aided sail design technology and sophisticated cloth cutting equipment, Rolly Tasker Sails offer the very best value for money irrespective of the type of sail or size of boat.

In addition to custom made sails of all types for trailer sailors and cruising boats we also have a range of "standard size" storm trysails and storm jibs offering even better value for money.

Derick Warne in Patterson Lakes has the time to chat about your new sails so give us a call on 0438 563 164 - you will be amazed at how much you will save!

Our website is www.dgmarine.com.au



More pics from the Cup Weekend Cruise from Sale to Paynesville.

