



# Windward

Sailing at its best

February/March 2015

## Somers dominates Western Port Challenge



Western Port Challenge junior skipper winner Harrison Ede crosses the line in his Laser 4.7

*Image: Peter Hohaus*

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## From the Commodore's Desk

WITH schools back the club has reverted to its usual weekend routine of socialising and Saturday sailing. It been a hectic school holiday period and the club utilisation over this period has been exceedingly high. It was unprecedented that all seats were taken on Trivia Night, necessitating Tim Brock having to race home and print out more answer sheets. Family BBQ nights continue to be well supported and I would like to encourage those members who are yet to experience the night to come down and join in. No entry charge applies.

Unfortunately we have continued to be challenged by the sailing weather. The Westernport Challenge ended up being sailed on the resail day. Somers was the host club and viewers from the clubhouse commented on the spectacle the race provided for those following the action. Somers again managed to retain the Challenge Shield, which is now firmly bolted to the club wall.

Congratulations to all who competed and special mention is due to Patrick Moore and Simon Morris on winning the mono and multi-hull trophies respectively. We also had success with Caitlin Davies taking the Ladies Skipper and Harrison Ede the Junior Skipper. Following a reformat of the Challenge event a few years ago, it is now successfully run as a collaborative event involving planning and race day support from all

participating clubs.

Sailing school has been well supported with participants. Lots of photos of the school and club racing action can be found on the club's Facebook page. Please feel free to tag yourselves if Peter Hohaus hasn't beaten you to it.

The club will be hosting the Hobie State Titles over the Labour Day long weekend. We will also have a number of sailors contesting State titles and I wish them good luck.

Can I also remind members on the etiquette on bringing guests to the club? All guests must be signed by you in and accompanied by you as the member while they are on club premises. Meals booked with Vic must be made by you as member as meal bookings are a member only privilege. Please also be mindful of the behaviour of your and your guests' children.

The general committee is concerned at damage sustained in the downstairs area on New Years Eve, including the tampering with lockers and interference with boats in the yard. We seek parents' assistance in addressing this issue.

**- Jeremy Pearse**



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## Rear Commodore's report

WELL here we are with the quiet of Somers returning as summer slowly slides away. Not many beach days this year!

And here we are with more than two thirds of the sailing calendar done and just 14 more races for the season! Lost a few sailing days this year!

But we've still had some fun and some very good sailing ... and the Western Port Challenge Shield can stay on our wall to be joined in the cabinet by the Rod Johnson Memorial Trophy (for Juniors)! Congratulations to Patrick Moore who took out Champion Mono on the day and Simon Morris and Dillon Holmes who soared around the course to take out Champion Multi-hull.

Congratulations also to Adam Gristwood, Caitlin Davies and Harrison Ede who were Division 2, Lady Skipper and Junior Skipper Champions respectively. Check out the overall results elsewhere in this newsletter for a heap of other outstanding performances. Somers had 12 boats in the first 15 overall! Congratulations to Rhyl Yacht Club who came back to the Challenge with a vengeance to nab second place overall and to Western Port Yacht Club who won the Younger-set Trophy.

Three more Championship races to go – it's getting close. With another drop to come, results in several divisions could go down to the wire!

Coaching has been a bit of a focus this season: three club coaching days in January, a Tassar coaching day just done and Laser and Sabre days still on the schedule. That's as well as our very successful sailing school sessions including start sailing, start racing and adults learn to sail. Various members have also been spotted out on the water practicing manoeuvres together! It's great to have these opportunities to improve.

### **Thanks.**

Timely for me, on behalf of all sailors to record our appreciation for the constant efforts of the race control and rescue boat volunteers. I met someone the other day who is rostered on the rescue boats three or four times a season. He's a social member not a sailor: just turns up, does

his duty, goes home. What a great thing! He feels that he has contributed ... we get to go sailing. Thanks to all those who help out in the tower and on the water, not only those who are there week in week out – your contribution to our sailing enjoyment is immeasurable – but those who turn up when the rostered and contribute willingly to the spirit of the club.

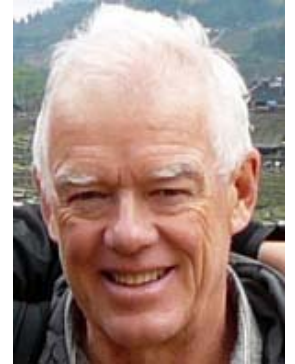
### **Next season**

Also timely to start thinking about next season. Is there anything that we should be changing? What aspects of our sailing offering would you like to see massaged? Already some murmurings in Division 1 have led to a well attended "discussion session". Various proposals around courses and divisions resurfaced for further consideration. There are similar murmurs again in Divisions 3 and 4. The next sailing committee meeting is 28 February when we will start to develop next year's sailing instructions. So if you have ideas for changes to the sailing instructions (including courses and divisions) you would like considered, then let us know straight away. Contact me or your division representative. Then watch the website and your club emails for a chance to put your view on any new proposals.

We can't look forward without considering the future of our sailing school. Since Emma and Simon championed the purchase of our fleet of Hobie Hawks, the sailing school has done much to rebalance our demography by bringing in a clutch of kids but their parents too. The adults sailing school under way at the moment is over-subscribed! But we only have one sailing school Pacer - we don't have boats suitable for adults to learn or for mums or dads to take their kids out after. So the committee is looking into options for acquiring a fleet of Pacers for the club. That will be a major expense! Stand by for a fundraising effort!

Meantime enjoy the rest of the sailing season.

**- John Tilleard**





## Division 1 report

JANUARY and February were busy months for division 1 with Matt and Daniel Stone attending the Mosquito National titles at Speers Point north of Sydney and Somers hosting the Westernport Challenge.

After a wild and windy Christmas period, 10 January finally provided a perfect afternoon for racing. Matt and Daniel were still competing at the Mosquito National titles and Jeremy Pearse was attending a wedding so the competition in the Mozzies was more gentlemanly affair. Andy Griffin and Chris Tuck had an epic battle with Michelle Bursa and Robbie Lovig and only one minute separated them after an hour of racing in the shifty north/north West winds. With James Pearse due to leave for New Zealand this was his last race for the season. We wish James all the best for life across the ditch and hope we will see him back one day racing in division 1.

In the Mosquito National titles Matt finished second overall with two wins, five second places and one third place while Daniel finished a creditable fourth overall with one win, one second place and three third places. The series was held at the northern end of Lake Macquarie in flat waters but with some exciting windy races. The conditions were quite different from what Daniel and Matt generally experience at Somers so well done to both.

### **January 17, 18 and 25 all blown out**

January 24 and January 26 both featured two races back-to-back races. The Commodore's Cup/Williams Point series were ultimately won by Brian Gristwood on yardstick, Andrew Robertson on handicap, Emma Morris ladies catamarans and Andy Griffin veteran catamarans. This was an interesting short-course race series with a variety of conditions and a forced lay day between races. Well done to all winners and place getters.

January 31 saw strong south westerly winds with big seas and gusts up to 25 knots. The theme of the day was crank on the downhaul and outhaul, let the traveller out, leave the centre

boards down and hang on tight. Well done to all who ventured out. It was a real test of sailor and gear.

February 1 Westernport Challenge (see separate report).

February 7 saw a strong north, north westerly moderating, turning west then south west. More than half of the fleet was caught napping and missed the start. Michelle and Robbie were actually parked on the start line before the warning signal but went for a dash of foiling and fine tuning and consequently missed the start. Daniel Stone cleaned up with some kite sets that took total advantage of the favourable windshifts. Daniel's elapsed time was 10 minutes better than Jeremy Pearse's second place even with his late start!! Morgan Carter still had some assembly issues with his rudders so crewed for Simon Morris. Great to see Morgan getting some additional experience on the Hobie 16.

February 14 was a perfect afternoon with a constant 15 knot south west sea breeze and building seas. Ideal conditions for trapezing but not so ideal if your trapeze wire broke as happened to Jeremy Pearse. The breakage caused a capsize and the tiller extension broke in three places. The conditions were also not ideal if you had your mainsheet cleated, gybed at the wing mark then subsequently capsize. This happened to Brian Gristwood. If your mast then filled with seawater so you couldn't right your yacht it also wasn't ideal.

Daniel Stone also had a cartwheeling incident with the spinnaker set and still managed to right "Kryptonite" and sail to a much deserved second place, just failing to catch brother Matt.

Justin Prior has upgraded to a newer fibre-glass Mozzie 1704 Better Late Than Never (BLTN) or as hungry sailors commented (Bacon Lettuce Tomato ... Nutella ??!!). Mysticat is now for sale on Gumtree.

**- Peter Foulsum**

## Division 1—Western Port Challenge report

TWENTY-ONE division 1 catamarans contested the Western Port Challenge hosted by Somers YC on a grey and cool 1 February.

Club racing in winds up to 25 knots and big seas the previous day had really sorted out the cobwebs and all our competitors were keen to do well in the challenge and help Somers retain the trophy.

The winds were between 15 and 20 knots, consistently from the south west and quite manageable. The course was well set and the start line was true. All Somers yachts were keen to get a good start and jostling on the start line proved to be the downfall for Meagan Bursa and Tegan Davies on their Hobie 16. Even a small mistake on the start line and going head to wind proved to be a big handicap.

With the yachts safely away the division spread out with the Tornado of Andy Griffin and Chris Tuck, Nacra International 17 of Michelle Bursa and Robie Lovig clearing out. The Mosquitos, Hobie 16s, Hobie 18s and A Class catamarans were left to battle the five triangular laps.

The conditions were ideal for the Hobie 16s with fantastic trapezing reaches. Simon Morris and Dillon Holmes took full advantage of this and raced away to a spectacular win in division 1, catamarans outright win and were only beaten into second place overall by Patrick Moore also from Somers. Congratulation to Simon and Dillon for their fantastic wins and also to Patrick for his overall win. At one stage Simon and Dillon could



*Simon Morris and Dillon Homes on their way to victory in Division 1*

*Image: Peter Hohaus*

be seen tacking for the top mark when the rest of us had just gone round the bottom mark.

Emma Morris and Maz O'Connor were second in the ladies skipper division and conceding first spot to Caitlan Davies also from Somers. Congratulations ladies. The first seven division 1 yachts were from Somers with Daniel Stone 2nd, Matt Stone 3rd, Jeremy Pearse 4th, Peter Foulsum 5th, Emma Morris and Maz O'Connor 6th and Brian Gristwood 7th. Congratulations to everyone who helped Somers retain the trophy and for a great overall result.

**- Peter Foulsum**

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## **Division 2 report**

CHAMPIONSHIP race three was a closely fought battle in two groups. The leading group was won by Elly Morris sailing the Hobie Turbo on her own, with Steph some distance behind, and Adam, who was first at the windward, and then slipped back behind Steph. Both were then overtaken by Elly. Well done.

The second group saw Phil and Malcolm battling until the latter opened out a lead, with Steve W a little behind. The Australia Day weekend saw a good fleet of division 2 boats but with the absence of Adam and Malcolm, who has sustained a shoulder problem. We hope he will overcome this soon and rejoin us. It was a weekend of excesses – you know – either not enough or too much wind.

Saturday's races started with perfect conditions with Phil roaring out front in the 12kt breeze, and Steph in hot pursuit, but as the wind died, so did Phil's chances of staying out front, as Steph could power-up and overtake him and the lead changed often, with Elly threatening until she unfortunately tipped and retired, and didn't contest the second race. Steve W and Peter followed a little way back. Steve Schaper was on duty.

In the second race the wind ran out which suited Steph, with Phil some way behind, followed by Steve and Peter. The two races on Sunday were cancelled due to too much wind, and so we had them on Monday morning, with a great tussle between Phil and Steph, with Elly and Courtney finishing ahead of Steve and Peter. The light conditions saw Steph again out front and hardening up after rounding the bottom mark for the third triangle, saw Phil go through the fin-

ish line, and the old brain being confused, thought he had miscounted, quickly turned around and went around the straightening mark, when he saw Phil sailing up to the windward mark, then realising Phil had made the error, now also beat up to windward, passing Phil and the girls. We both granted them younger and more astute minds than our old ones, and they could count. The tower was in complete confusion as this unfolded.

Championship 4 saw the wind strengthening to 15 to 20kts, but no Phil to show his strong wind capabilities. Instead Adam, who came straight from work and whose dutiful father, Brian, rigged his boat so he could take command of the race, bottled and won on his own as Steph bottled leaving the beach and again five seconds before the start, decided his shoulder and pride were hurt, retired. This left him unable to sail in the Westernport Challenge, which was a great battle fought by Adam, Phil and Malcolm, finishing in that order.

Championship 5 saw no contenders in division 2 as Somers was represented at the Paper Tiger State titles by Adam and Phil who finished who finished mid-field but with Adam's boat falling apart, and left Malcolm, Steph and Steve W to decide not to sail as the north wind looked a little frightening to them, but ended petering out. Bad decision!! Championship 6 was sailed in a beautiful 15knt breeze and a well set course, and started with division one in a great wind blanket. Steph just beat Malcolm to the windward with Peter T not far behind, and that's how we finished.

**- Steph Schwarz**

### **Windward newsletter**

**Editorial copy deadline for the April/May edition is  
Friday 17 April and at latest Wednesday 22 April**

## Division 3 report

AS usual the mighty division 3 has seen lots of close racing and with five Championships sailed and three to go it could be anyones trophy. On yardstick, Sean Bly and Caitlin Davies are leading the field by only 0.1 of a point to Chris Gurney and Mal Otto!!

Up there with them are Mike Sandiford and Bridget Robinson, followed by Patrick Moore. A couple more windy races and we'll see Pat move up the fleet which could make the final races very exciting.

Nick Carter has been performing very well in his new Finn – all those regattas before Christmas have certainly paid off.

Rob Briggs and Warren Haynes have also been sailing very competitively – with a dead heat for second place in championship 5 – their overall result would be better if Rob would stop going overseas all the time!

It's great to see Michael Vandenberg out with fearless new crew Georgia Wood-Freeman- watch out for them after a few more practices!

Handicap is also being led by Sean and Caitlin

with Mike and Bridget, Chris and Mal and Patrick all in contention after another potential drop.

It's good to see another contender in the fleet with Nick Wood-Freeman in his boat – 'Mid-gybe crisis' (!)

Worryingly, Mal has just collected his new Impulse – stay tuned!

The Commodore's Cup/ Williams Point regatta mono results were dominated by division 3 sailors with Michael V and Georgia winning the Williams Point Regatta. Second place went to Chris and Mal and third to Mike and Bridget. Go Tarsars!

The Commodores' Cup handicap event was won by Amanda and Lisa, with Mike and Bridget second and our own Rear Commodore John Tillear third – go John!

On a final note congratulations to division 3 sailors for sweeping the mono pool – Patrick Moore is the new Westernport Champion (monos) with Chris and Mal second and Caitlin skippering Sean winning the ladies skippers title – well done!

**- Amanda Nuttiing**

## Division 4 report

THE Championship series so far has been dominated by our youth sailors in their Laser 4.7s. Well done Harrison and Madi P!

Sabres continue to be the largest class in the division, with Wendy, Grahame and Tim sharing the best Sabre results. Alan, Sarah and Keith are showing the benefits of the January coaching week.

In the lighter conditions, Jeremy Grant is usually way out in front in his Solo, with John Carter not far behind.

Good to see Bart and Tim back after injuries - shame Bart's Sabre was "speared" on the start line but he aims to be back on the water soon.

Our Pacer fleet continues to grow. Welcome to the George family in "Out of the Blue" and the Dunlop family in "Exocet 11". Anthony Davenport and Diana Nutting continue to be very competi-

tive in the right conditions for their young crews William and Harry.

Recently I enjoyed another Sabre Victorian Championship Series, held at McCrae YC in the great company of Somers sailors Grahame Tilplady, Alan Thompson, Sarah Ashton and Patrick Poppins and another 70 Sabres from throughout the state and beyond.

We may have spent most of the weekend in the back half of the fleet, in awe of the Black Rock superstars, but I am sure we returned to Somers wiser and hopefully a little faster. The Sabre Association is proud of its culture of encouragement and sharing of knowledge to all levels of sailors and some of those "superstars" will be visiting Somers in the autumn for a coaching weekend.

**- Wendy Wilson**



## Division 5 report



**Above:** The competition in Division 5 is keen as this photograph taken on 21 February shows.

Image: Peter Hohaus

THE championships are drawing to a close and Lucy Ede is looking quite comfortable at the head of the pack. It has, however, been very competitive during February with Ed Alsop winning a race. Well done Ed!! Zoe Morris and Hayley Poon are having a very close battle for second and third currently with Max Taylor within striking distance in fourth place. It has been a fantastic effort by everyone.

It has been a marvellous few years. Lucy, Taylor, Hayley and Courtney are all moving on from the Optimist. It truly has been wonderful seeing them become very good sailors. The Morris girls, Ed, Max, Bodie and Lucklin have come ahead in leaps and bounds this season in their Hobie Hawks. Simon, Emma and their sailing school team should be mighty chuffed about how competent the young champions of the club have turned out.

It will also be my last season as coach of division

5. It hasn't been difficult these past five seasons. Seeing our young sailors grow in confidence has given me many happy and proud memories. Stan Austin is now a member of the Victorian Sailing Team in his 420 and Harrison is twice the sailor I was as a teenager. Actually he may be twice the sailor I am now so I must select a yacht that is NOT in his division next season! Lucy started young in Hello Kitty but will now prosper in the Laser 4.7 with the name "Sea-Ya Kitty".

Thank you to all the parents who have supported me and a big thank you to those club members who supported both the Morris' and me in our interest in junior sailing. The club is healthier for it.

The perfect summation for Division 5? As ratty said to the mole: "*Believe me, my young friend, there is nothing -- absolutely nothing -- half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats.*"

- Nick Ede



**Easter Bunny will be  
visiting Somers Yacht club at  
10am on Sunday 5 April**



## Facilities improvement ... what would you like to see?

IN addition to regular maintenance the club has limited funds for further improvement of our facilities. Over the past three years we have seen major expenditure on the replacement of SA11, repainting inside and out of the club and this May \$31,000 of club funds matched by a grant from DEPI will see the rock wall reinforced. These funds have been available through cautious financial management and planning ahead for major expenses.

The general committee are looking to the future and would like your input on what improvements to club facilities you would like to see. We already have some suggestions listed below and clearly we can't fund them all. What we want from you are additional suggestions both sailing and social which will improve the amenities for members.

Once we receive your suggestions the general committee will review them, and a questionnaire will go out to members to help the committee to prioritise expenditure and establish funding strategies for more expensive projects.

To get you started suggestions so far -

1. Refurbishment of the downstairs locker briefing area/games area
2. A fleet of six Pacers for sailing school and loan
3. Shade sails on the front deck
4. An additional small size rib
5. A three person lift for wider access and bar supplies
6. Chilled water fountain adjacent to the bar
7. Hot water fountain to replace the urn function
8. Small lockers for phones/wallets/etc
9. Replacement of the soft drinks machine
10. Enclose the rubbish bin area
11. Provision for replacement of SA4
12. Provision for replacement of the tractor
13. Events for kayaks/stand up paddle boards
14. Dumb waiter for lifting bar supplies
15. Additional social nights like cards/other games

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- Chris Gurney  
Vice Commodore

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## Social news

DURING January we have had a variety of social events which have been well attended and enjoyable.

The cocktail night was an opportunity for members to taste some interesting drinks while nibbling on Vic's delicious finger food and watching the glorious sunset.

Our trivia night was hosted by Nick Bailey. Special thanks to Tim Brock who put hours of work into producing the question sheets and planning the night. Our starting time was slightly delayed while Tim had to run home for extra question sheets to cater for large number of con-

testants.

The annual talent night was an opportunity to view the many talents of our younger members. We had 16 acts, which included musical items, magic, dancing and stand-up comedy. We thank Robert Bartholomew (Bart) for hosting the night.

I have thoroughly enjoyed being involved in the planning and organisation of the social events over the Christmas/New Year period. It has been rewarding to see members meeting new and old friends and enjoying our club and the many things it has to offer each of us.

**- Libby Moore**

## Talent night



**Above left:** Matilda Morris on Ukulele

**Above right:** Georgia and Alexandra Wood-Freeman



**Left:** Mal Otto and Grahame Tiplady provide backing for John Tilleard

*Images: Sarah Ashton*



## January race training and coaching

*"Education is the kindling of a flame,  
not the filling of a vessel."* - [Socrates](#)

IT'S Tuesday 6 January and around 30 stalwart sailors have signed up for three days of training with coach Robbie Lovig aided by Michelle Bursa and Phil Johnson. These three possess a wealth of knowledge covering all of the classes that have signed on. We have Tasers, Lasers, Optis, a couple of catamarans (you can tell I'm not a cat person), and of course several Sabres. We all rig up before classes begin.

These few days are about improving our on-water skills so after a quick briefing everyone heads to the water to practice starts, rounding marks, rolling tacks and even sailing without a rudder to hone boat handling. The light winds prove frustrating and limiting for Robbie to work with but we all received plenty of advice and practice in those conditions. Some took the racing drills a little too seriously resulting in a split forehead and black eye for Dennis Paskins, a hole in a buoyancy tank and a couple of leaking hulls. Insurance companies received a few phone calls during the week.

- Sarah Ashton

ONLY six boats were on the water for the third and final day of race training and coaching, setting out with an incoming tide and a light southeasterly wind instead of the forecasted northerly. The focus was on improving race-starting strategies, with tactics outlined on the whiteboard in the clubhouse, then practised on the water.

There, as on other days, Robbie, Michelle and Phil provided useful on-the-spot feedback as needed. Practice in starting was followed by the challenge of an exercise in sailing a without a rudder, using instead only shifts in body-weight to steer the boat. Again, the day finished back in the clubhouse, this time with a Q and A session on racing rules with Robbie and Michelle. This was most useful in clarifying those rules which many of us had previously found confusing.

Many thanks to the club management for organising these sessions. The three days passed rapidly, with a range of useful racing practice tasks and constructive feedback to sailors.

- Vicki Best

*Below from left: Coaches Phil Johnson, Michelle Bursa and Robbie Lovig with Rear Commodore John Tilleard*





## Western Port Challenge

AFTER strong winds forced us to abandon the scheduled date, fantastic sailing conditions greeted the resail of the Western Port Challenge on 1 February.

Congratulations and thanks to all the Somers volunteers who did us proud on our turn to run this annual event. There were many comments on the club's welcoming hospitality and organisation in the yard and on the beach and some very complimentary emails after the event on the race and the way it was managed. Thanks to all the rescue boat crews. And we had the results out in record time!

Our sailors did well too taking out the Western Port Perpetual Shield and the Rod Johnson Memorial Trophy (for Juniors) with a second in the Younger Set Perpetual Competition. Take a look at our successes in the other placings too and in the divisions, Lady Skipper and Junior Skipper categories. Looking down the list of individual results, congratulations are due to all Somers sailors for a great event. (Full results are on the SYC website)

- John Tilleard

**Above right:** Lady skipper champion Caitlin Davies about to cross the finishing line.

**Right:** Patrick Moore winner of Division 3.

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## Western Port Challenge 2015 overall results

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<b>YoungerSet WPC Perpetual Trophy</b>	<b>Westernport Yacht Club</b>	<b>Somers Yacht Club</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Rod Johnson Memorial Trophy</b>	<b>Somers Yacht Club</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Overall Winner Multihulls</b>	<b>Simon Morris/Dillon Holmes (SsYC)</b>	<b>Daniel Stone (SsYC)</b>	<b>Matthew Stone (SsYC)</b>
<b>Overall Winner Monohulls</b>	<b>Patrick Moore (SsYC)</b>	<b>Toby Leppin (RYC)</b>	<b>Chris Gurney/Mal Otto (SsYC)</b>
<b>Division 1</b>	<b>Simon Morris/Dillon Holmes (SsYC)</b>	<b>Daniel Stone (SsYC)</b>	<b>Matthew Stone (SsYC)</b>
<b>Division 2</b>	<b>Adam Gristwood (SsYC)</b>	<b>Philip Johnson (SsYC)</b>	<b>Natasha Van Rennes (NewHaven)</b>
<b>Division 3</b>	<b>Patrick Moore (SsYC)</b>	<b>Chris Gurney/Mal Otto (SsYC)</b>	<b>Cary Pedicini/Jacqui Bange</b>
<b>Division 4</b>	<b>Toby Leppin (RYC)</b>	<b>David Middleton/Jazz Middleton (CYC)</b>	<b>Mark Axton (WPYC)</b>
<b>Division 5</b>	<b>Richard Campbell/Freddie Campbell (MYC)</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Youngerset Divison 1</b>	<b>Not Enough Entries</b>		
<b>Youngerset Divison 2</b>	<b>Natasha Van Rennes (Newhaven)</b>		
<b>Youngerset Divison 3</b>	<b>Not Enough Entries</b>		
<b>Youngerset Divison 4</b>	<b>Harrison Ede (SsYC)</b>	<b>Eleonore Rich (WYC)</b>	<b>Vincent Cross (WPYC)</b>
<b>Youngerset Divison 5</b>	<b>Not Enough Entries</b>		
<b>Lady Skipper</b>	<b>Caitlin Davies (SsYC)</b>	<b>Emma Morris (SsYC)</b>	<b>Amanda Nutting (SsYC)</b>
<b>Junior Skipper</b>	<b>Harrison Ede (SsYC)</b>	<b>Vincent Cross (WPYC)</b>	<b>Bradley Legg (RYC)</b>

# Membership

## YACHTING VICTORIA

YOU may or may not realise that every member of the club is entered in the Yachting Victoria database in order to get a silver card. This card provides some insurance and is a requirement for sailors.

Recently they have revamped the website and currently we are investigating using this database to save the double entry currently needed to keep our SYC specific database up to date while entering information on the Yachting Victoria website so members are registered as having a silver card

Note: you do not actually receive a card these days.

It would be great if members could go onto the Yachting Victoria website and update their information

### HOW DO I DO ACCESS MY INFORMATION-

Google Yachting Victoria

Click on Mysailor and follow the instructions they provided which I summarise below

\* Firstly you need to click on Forgot beside Password

\* You are then asked for your email to be entered

\* They will email you a password and you can then proceed and check the information entered.

It would be great if you could do this and also add additional information such as phone numbers which have not been entered previously

If you do not gain access it might be that your email is not in the database or is not correct.

Please contact me (Marg Tilleard) on 0409003136 to try and sort it out

Good luck

### **Absentee membership**

Don't think you will be using the club at all in the next club year but don't wish to resign as you are planning on becoming active again? That is what we have our absentee membership for. Currently \$50 a year it effectively suspends your membership whilst maintaining your continuity as a club members.

### **New members**

There are quite a few new members in recent times so please look out for them and make them welcome

Blake Watkins,

Noah Hunt

Evan, Sonya, Ida and Hugo Gaulke

Simon Whyte and Adriane Howell

Peter, Maureen, Daniel, Lucy and Chloe Laverty

David, Ayles, Sam and Harry Llewellyn

Sarah Ashton (returning member)

Shaye Morris

Poppy Jeffs

Zoe Warmbrunn

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Simon, Mia, Jemima and Miranda Wilson

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