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Australian Sailing 2019 Award



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Australian Womens Keelboat Championships



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Commodore's Message



Welcome to all our readers. I hope you enjoy this Spring edition of our NCYC Journal 3255.

Thanks to our members who have shared their news and taken the time to write informative articles for us and thanks also to our editor for the wonderful job she does to compile our collective input into this easy to read edition.

We were very happy to be awarded Australian Sailing's NSW Best Club, and we are a finalist for the national awards coming up in October. This is something we can all be proud of, and it's very fitting this coincides with our 25th year. Congratulations Mary Holley and Jan Howard who won the award for SheSails, to all our nominees who were finalists for awards, including Nina Long (Instructor of the Year), Ian Humphries and Ted Anderson (Official of the Year), and Mark Rothfield (Sports Promotion). Congratulations also to Jacqui Ellis who won a Barrenjoey Pin, which is only awarded to those who have competed at the highest level for Australia in sailing.

We wrapped up the formalities of our last sailing year at our Presentation Night on the 13th of July. A great night was had by all, thanks to our members for supporting the event, and to our management and staff who made it happen for us.

A week later we enjoyed the launch of our 25-year Anniversary book and it was great to see the club packed with members keen to celebrate and enjoy our history together. We are all in awe of magnificent job



that Paul Hannan and Gloria Thirkell had done to put our first 25 years into print and we truly thank them from the bottom of our hearts. We also appreciate that Sharon Claydon, the Federal Member for Newcastle, was able to join us and show her support for our club.

This event was followed by the 25-year Anniversary regatta, which was the first opportunity for our members to enjoy our new Elliot 6's. This was not only great fun for the competitors, but also our enthusiastic supporters who had best viewing from our cruising fleet boats close to the course, and from the Honeysuckle Hotel.

Our 25th AGM was held on the 8th of August, and I hope the presentations of our club and sailing plans, as well as the walk through our financials, helped to demonstrate that our club is doing well, and we're on the right track.

Thank you to all our members who completed the survey, where we asked for your feedback. In general terms this was very positive, with 82% thinking their membership was good value, and 89% who would recommend the club to others. You have also provided us with some great ideas for further improvement, and already we have acted on many of these, including more trolleys for the marina, evaluate / progress plans for phase 2 of the clubhouse extension, addressing the catering issues... and we will be looking to provide more member benefits!

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Rear Commodore's Report



L ast year at this time I reflected on the past 12 months, and again, we've done a lot of good things this year. In my annual report at the AGM I spoke about how sailing all over the club has exceeded or equalled the previous year in just about all categories. In fact, if we compare the "bums on seats" to 5 years ago

in ALL of our sailing, (conservatively) has more than doubled. We'll be "tweaking" the calendar in response to feedback from the sailing survey. For example, Twilights will move back to Wednesdays. While I'm on calendars, the Farr 40's will be back in December and our focus on youth sailing will continue in the Force 24s and the Elliotts. We are also including a Double Handed series as a trial in response to it becoming an Olympic sailing event.

We have just hosted the Newcastle Youth Keelboat Championships, the Youth Interclub Challenge (NCYC, CYCA, RPAYC & RSYS), the Crackerjack Cup (NCYS, CYCA, RPAYC & SSCBC) and will host Thirkell Match Racing Trophy on 28/29 September in the lead up to the Australian Youth Match Racing Championships. We have a new RIB and the new "Bar Crusher" along with new marks and tackle, radios, and GPS gear to help with the quality of our race management and your safety.

The introduction of Sailfest Newcastle with the involvement of all our fleets, Port Hunter Sailing and Skiff Club, and the TP 52 Gold Cup has raised our profile locally while we have been recognised at a state level with the award of "Club of the Year" and we are now a finalist in Australian yacht club of the year. At that ceremony Mary Holly and Jan Howard won the inaugural "SheSails" award for their work in promoting sailing to women. Jan and Mary started the "SheSails" concept in 2014 at NCYC and it has now been taken up by Australian Sailing as a national program. Our very own Jacquie Ellis was also recognised with the award of Barrenjoey Pin #110. The Barrenjoey Pin is awarded to athletes who have competed at either World Championship or Olympic level. Because Jacquie is the person she is, most would be unaware that she has won two Gold Medals, a Silver and a Bronze at the Laser Radial World Championships. We are delighted to see her recognised, and to have her energy and experience in our team. Additionally, Nina Long from our coaching team and now spearheading the Elliott program, was honoured as a finalist in the Instructor of the Year Category. Finally, Ian Humphries and Ted Anderson were among a select group to be considered as Official of the Year. This is YOUR yacht club staff and members leading the way at a national level.

I'd like you to reflect for a moment on sailing in NCYC 5 years ago. The introduction of Jack Buchan, Jacqui and recently Nina has bought a real quality to the "product" we put on the water. Their leadership, your participation and the gift of time from our volunteers is what makes us successful. We are all benefiting from Paul O'Rourke's commercial savvy and guidance of the sailing team. All of us are quick to notice what may have gone wrong – can I respectfully ask you to notice everything that has gone, and does go right?

During the 2019 Presentation Night we attempted to get the balance right between talking, eating, adult beverages, and dancing. Most certainly achieved it while others are still working on it....you know who you are! The 2018-19 Laser Glass Block Winners were Tony Van Der Stelt, Phil Ashley-Brown, Andy Clark, Mark Alderton, and Michael Babbage. The Annual Pointscore winner was Jeff Robinson in the Laser scratch division and Ben Rigby ended the season on top of PHS. In the keel boats my own "Concealed Weapon" won a glass block for 1st in the PHS Spring Short and 2nd in the PHS Ocean Pointscores with John Searle skippering "Summer Salt" to 1st in the Ocean Pointscore and Phil Arnall's "Anger Management" placing first in IRC Division of the OP. The major keel boat awards saw "Anger" receive the Allen Fairhall Gun Boat Trophy for Line Honours; "Summer Salt" the Founders Bowl for PHS Div. 1 Annual Pointscore; Paul Bertolli's "Nutcracker" the NCYC Cup for PHS Div. 2 Annual Pointscore; and finally Steve and Maureen Rae's "Marta Jean", the Mick Eggleston Trophy for IRC Annual Pointscore.

We recently celebrated our club's 25th anniversary with several events including the first outing for our 8 Elliott 6's. It went the way it should; great sailing among friends (moderated by our on-water judges!) followed by some "yo ho ho". Congratulations to Joe de Kock and his team on the win.

I must also make mention of the recent re-naming ceremony for our "flagship" "Jim Holley" after engine replacement and re-fit. Watching this moving ceremony, which was steeped in marine tradition, I knew we had done a great thing. We will be reminded of Jim every time we pass his namesake to starboard starting a race offshore; and that is good. As a founding member, veteran of 25 Hobarts, ex-Commodore, life member and one of nature's true gentlemen, Jim exemplifies what is meant when role model is mentioned. He was one of mine.

"Any damn fool can navigate the world sober. It takes a really good sailor to do it drunk." - Sir Francis Chichester (while loading his boat with gin).



Chief Executive Officer's Report



It has been a very busy Winter for the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club, celebrating several milestones.

The annual presentation night in mid-July celebrated the combined Spring, Summer and Winter points score. The night was a great success with much

chinking, drinking and dancing!! Special thanks to the social committee for decorating the marquee. Such efforts contribute to the celebration of our sailor's achievements.

The Club was proud to celebrate the naming of the refurbished 'Wombat' as the 'Jim Holley' at a renaming ceremony in July. Jim was a founding member of the NCYC and as the Commodore and Board member was integral in nurturing the Club in its early beginnings; setting it on the course to become the successful Club it is today. It was an honour and privilege for the Club to recognise and pay tribute to his devotion and commitment at the ceremony.

This month chimed in 25 years since the NCYC's inception, celebrated at our 'anniversary book launch' afternoon tea. Many thanks go to Paul Hannan, (Founding and Life Member) and Gloria Thirkell, (Life Member) for their tireless effort in collating the Club's history and beautiful pictures for the 25 year anniversary book. These historic books are available for \$30 each at the Marina Office.

Life Members

Congratulations to Jan Howard and Mary Holley recently appointed as NCYC Life Members.



Of course, we are a sailing club, so no better way to celebrate 25 years on the water than with a Regatta. The inaugural 'member's only' event, showcased our newly acquired fleet of Elliott 6m Olympic yachts. Spectators watched by sea – from the cruising fleet; and by land – from the Honeysuckle Hotel. This event was such a success, it will be an annual addition to our calendar, coinciding with the Club's anniversary date.

As we head into our new sailing season, our Sailing Committee have put together a great program for the upcoming year including a new look to the Sailing Handbook and a few changes to the twilight and yachting events to encourage more visiting competitors and other high-profile visiting regatta.

With the success of the 2018/2019 sponsorship packages, the Club has decided to continue this initiative for the 2019/2020 Sailing Season. NCYC Sponsorship Packages range from \$500 up – as well as customised packages. We continue to aim to promote yacht racing and events in Newcastle and I encourage our members who have a business they would like to promote on the harbour and within the Club to contact me or visit our website for further information.

Paul O'Rourke, CEO



Marina & Assets Manager's Report



This quarter has seen some shifts in trends in and around the Marina.

Winter has seen a downward trend in casual occupancy. It is possible that fewer boats are doing the annual migration north or perhaps when weather is favourable, they're tending to do the hop to Port

Stephens from Pittwater/Sydney in a day. There's been some inclement weather patterns over the recent months that have affected on-water activities in general. We did a late advertisement in a popular cruising magazine and will consider marketing options earlier if the casual visitation continues to be variable.

Fuel sales has seen a significant growth in turnover with commercial operators within the Port of Newcastle purchasing all fuel from NCYC. 24-hour access is conducive to commercial operations and an ideal alternative whilst their fuel storage systems are upgraded.

Winter and quieter months has been a perfect



opportunity to undertake maintenance and repair projects. Paul Booth and James Perry have teamed together to sand and varnish the wooden tables in the Club dining area. They have also undertaken a 6 monthly routine tighten and check of

the Marina joints, elbows and infrastructure. During this program, some significant wear and tear was identified and changed out accordingly.

NCYC Board and Senior Management will be considering the purchase and installation of Seabins. These devices have been successfully installed throughout Sydney Harbour, with a huge success rate.

Every small effort we take to keep our waterways as clean as possible can only be viewed beneficial to all on-water enthusiasts.

I attended the Marinas19 Conference on the Gold Coast. This is an annual conference, an incentive and hosted by the Marina Industries



Sea Bin

Australia (MIA). It was the perfect opportunity to connect with fellow marina industry bodies, suppliers, education and networking.

I have placed an order for branded Merchandise, polos, jackets, caps, Quick-Dry shirts which will be available for sale from the Club. This opportunity will also allow NCYC to develop uniform policy, guidelines and kitting up our own crew in the near future.

The price schedule for marina berthing is reviewed annually, usually in March. A small increase across the site was introduced in July which is inline with general CPI and cost of operating expenses.

Kim Conrades joins the Dockmaster team on a casual basis. Kim comes from a hospitality background

from central Sydney having relocated to Nelson Bay in recent years. She is familiar with Marina operations after two years working in a similar environment in the Bay. Given her talented background in hospitality, she has also covered the NCYC bar operations while staff were offsite training. She is a valued member of our small



Kim Conrades

and dynamic team – please introduce yourself if you see Kim around the Marina, or behind our Club Bar.



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History of the NCYC Social Committee Tenacity Award By Gloria Thirkell, Life Member

The prestigious NCYC Social Committee's Tenacity Award has been awarded on 18 occasions since 2004. For the first three, October, November and December of that year, the recipients Colin Jordan, Robin Hillery and Ivan McFadyen & Sibby Ilzhofer were presented with the Award on the Marina after the race results had been announced. They then took it home to be returned for the next presentation.

Subsequent awardees have been announced at the 2005 Inaugural NCYC Presentation evening and annually since then. The Tenacity Award is now on display in the NCYC Trophy Room. Articles regarding the first 7 awardees have appeared in past issues of this journal. This includes the previously mentioned as well as Glenda Arnall, Tony Purkiss, Robin Hillery and Ted De La Garde.

Trials resulting in the Tenacity Award being presented to Paul Gleeson (Summer Salt) at the Sailing Presentation of Prizes and Trophies Evening in July 2009 were as follows.







- The 'Enviropacific Twilight Pursuit race series' was inaugural NCYC Winter Twilight Series.
- Races started at 3-30 pm with finish time of 5.30pm on alternate Wednesdays and Fridays.
- Due to a number of issues such as poor weather, and work commitments it was frequently difficult for skippers to obtain crew.
- The NCYC racing rules state that one finisher constitutes a race.
- On a number of occasions, Summer Salt was the only entry in Division 1.
- On a number of occasions, Summer Salt was the only entry at all.
- On a number of occasions, the vessel was manned by Paul and one crew anyone would do!
- Our new Rear Commodore was tenacious in ensuring that Winter Twilight Racing at NCYC would be given its best shot. (Which usually required a remedial warming tot.)



Skipper of Summer Salt, Paul Gleeson 2009 Rear Commodore

Next Issue, the 9th Tenacity Award recipient – Ernie Thirkell LM



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Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club Social Committee's

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Australian Sailing 2019 Awards

Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club was nominated in 5 categories for the Australian Sailing New South Wales and ACT State Sailing Awards held in July.

Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club took out the Club of the Year Award & members Jan Howard and Mary Holley winning the inaugural SheSails Award.



Accepting the Club of the Year Award is Steve Rae - Commodore, Valda Johnston - Vice Commodore and Barry Kelly - Rear Commodore

Congratulations to all the finalists: Nina Long - Instructor of the year Ian Humphries - Official of the year Ted Anderson - Official of the year Mark Rothfield - Sport promotion award Congratulations to Jacqueline Ellis who was awarded the barranjoey pin.

NCYC will now automatically be nominated for this year's Australian Sailing Awards, as Club of the Year, to be held at Darling Harbour on 18th October.



NCYC Nominees for 2019



Formerly of Nor East, The Albion and Bar Petite, Chef Tony Harrison has been at the helm of Bistro Lowlands at Cooks Hill institution Lowlands Bowling Club since May 2014.

Classically trained as a chef in the Hunter Valley under his mentor, Robert Molines from Robert's Restaurant, he went on to open Nor East, a multi award winning seafood restaurant in Newcastle.

In 2012, Tony received the Australian Hotels Association Chef of the Year Award, and his enthusiasm and passion for cooking has not since waned.

Tony continues to make his mark on the local dining scene and challenges the preconceived notions of the humble bistro with his fresh, seasonal produce and ever-changing specials board.

NCYC are excited to have Tony and his team onboard and look forward to enjoying the new dining and menu experience.

What are Burgees?

By Gloria Thirkell

Aburgee is a unique flag used by most yacht clubs to didentify their member's boats.

There is a generally accepted etiquette on how to fly your burgee depending on vessel type. Modern sailing vessels usually fly the burgee from a lanyard under the starboard spreader on the mast. Older sailing vessels fly their burgee from the main masthead. Power boats traditionally fly the Burgee off a short staff on the bow.



Often our members, who may or may not have their own boats, have purchased an NCYC Burgee to present to another yacht club they are visiting. This reciprocal arrangement has resulted in the vast array of Burgees from different clubs which grace the walls of our clubhouse.



On 2 September 2011 Our then Commodore Phil Arnall accepted the Burgee of White River Yacht Club, Indianapolis U.S.A. There was then a reciprocal presentation of the NCYC Burgee. Photo by Greg Jackson.



NCYC Club Boat Renaming Ceremony

By Henk Zeeman

NCYC's Steber 36 motorboat has been a start boat for racing offshore as well as inshore since 2012.

With "Wombat's" recent refit and update, NCYC had a renaming ceremony to "Jim Holley" held in late July.



Social Highlights

Presentation Night 2019









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- 1. Paul & Kay O'Rourke
- 2. Ernie & Gloria Thirkell
- 3. Simon Macks & Oonagh O'Donovan
- 4. Andrew & Vicki Hill
- 5. Sarah Gamble
- 6. Paul & Pauline Bertholli
- 7. Jack Goluzd
- 8. Jane Hunt
 - & Alyson Gearing



























- 9. Barry and Jill Kelly
- **10.** Margaret and Dick Lees
- 11. Doug Peters and Valda Johnston
- 12. Maureen and Steve Rae
- 13. Richard Hooper and Kris Anderson
- **14.** Susan Walton presenting to Phil Arnall (Anger Management):
 - The Allen Fairhall "Gun Boat Trophy" for the most fastest times in the annual Pointscore.
 - Anger Management also scored 1st Place (IRC Division) for the Ocean Pointscore
- **15.** Tenacity Award Brian Gardoll
- 16. Summer Salt receiving:
 - Midcoast Boatyard and Marine Trophy for winning 1st Place PHS in the Ocean Pointscore.
 - Founders Bowl for winning the Annual Pointscore in PHS Division 1.



Thank you for joining us in celebrating our 25 Years and the launch of our club book "Setting Sail – The First 25 Years" covering 1994 to 2019.

The NCYC Anniversary book is a beautifully presented record of the first 25 years of our Club's history, co-authored by Life Members Paul Hannan and Gloria Thirkell. It contains priceless photos of the history of the Club and its important place in the evolution of our modern harbour.















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SOLAS Fundraiser Evening



Commodore Steve Rae together with CYCA SOLAS Trusts, extends an invitation to all CYCA & NCYC Members, ocean racers and guests to attend an evening in support of the CYCA Safety of Life at Sea Trusts.

DATE: Friday 25th October

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VENUE: Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club

The CYCA SOLAS (Safety of Life at Sea) Trust was established by the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia following the loss of six lives in the 1998 Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race.

The Trust assisted the immediate families, provides assistance to search-and rescue organisations and foster research & training to improve procedures and equipment for use at sea.

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Sailing Managers Report

Jack Buchan, Sailing Manager

Winter is well and truly behind us for this year as we gear up for summer and an exciting lead into 2020!

Despite the mid-winter gap in our offshore calendar, our team had one of our busiest periods over the past few months. We've kicked a few 'goals' – so to speak!

Youth Performance Program

This year, we rewrote the rules for our Youth Performance Program. In previous years, we've worked hard to build our youth squad to two full teams. After taking our Force 24s to the Lake for a short period in April, we targeted dinghy sailors to put their skills to the test in a series of drills and training exercises as we worked out of Lake Macquarie Yacht Club. Ultimately, this venture played an important role in allowing our Youth Squad to grow from the traditional two teams to a massive six teams for this winter.

Our x6 Force 24s were full for the Youth Performance Program for the first time ever. Our coaches have since been working with the teams as they travelled to Sydney contesting the Interclub Challenge and have since competed here at home in their first ever Match Racing tournament.

We have big plans for the new season – including new initiatives to transition some of our Squad participants to our offshore racing fleet and further expanding the coverage of our youth programs.



Elliott's

After a long moratorium, the Elliott's have finally hit the water. Whilst there are still some operational hurdles to overcome with the new hardstand area, we have been able to make a firm commitment to delivering a handful of regattas in the new fleet over the coming months. Thanks to a dedicated team, we were able rig and launch all of the Elliott's on schedule in time for the 'members-only' 25 Year Anniversary Regatta on Sunday 21st July. By all accounts, this event showcased the future

of our Elliott racing with the Olympic rings on the sails, the race track in front of Honeysuckle Hotel and a grandstand full of onlookers cheering from the pub and from the Cruising Fleet cheering from the sidelines too – this is how we envision the future of our inshore regattas in our Elliott Fleet.

We also delivered the Crackerjack Cup. This was our first Match Racing Tournament and, in doing so, we secured what was described as "the best Umpire Team seen at an Australian event – ever." That in itself was a big contributor to the ultimate success of the event with the team of Umpires



committed to educating competitors after racing as to why a penalty was imposed and what they could do to avoid a penalty in the future. Among our three local NCYC teams, we also had two teams from the CYCA, a team from RPAYC and another two teams who travelled all the way from Sorrento Sailing Couta Boat Club (VIC).

The next event on our calendar is the 2k Team Racing National Championship we will be conducting over the weekend 7th & 8th September. This is an event that will see us call on members for assistance as volunteers on the water and by offering boats on the marina to help accommodate teams travelling interstate.

As we enter the new sailing season, check out our webpage to get involved in Keep an eye on the harbour for the Olympic rings on the sails we get excited for the 2020 Olympic Games.



Image by Mark Rothfield



Race Management Resources

It's been a BIG winter in terms of our Race Management fleet. Perhaps the most emotional change in this area was the renaming of 'Wombat' to 'Jim Holley'. The renaming ceremony took place as we gave new life to the Club's Steber 36' Start Boat with the completion of the new engine installation. Along with the new engine came a newly painted aft cockpit.

The paint project was one that was started a few years ago when some of the deck was replaced – but the project was stopped before it could be properly finished.





Also, on a sentimental note, the 'George Keegan RIB' was sold. We've since replaced the boat with an aluminium 'Bar-Crusher' style powerboat that will offer better protection from the elements to our volunteer team and a better working space for handling marks and anchors.

We've also purchased another RIB. Alongside the existing 'Paul Gleeson RIB', this has already proven to be a vital asset to be able to deliver the Elliott racing program and will be a valuable addition to our fleet come regatta time as well with it's offshore capabilities making it suitable to be put to work for our offshore events as well.

All in all, we're now better equipped then ever to deliver the racing calendar, and we will strive to prove our capabilities as we begin preparing for the

second edition of the SailFest Newcastle Regatta where the TP52 owners group has already committed to returning to contest the 'TP52 Gold Cup' as we showcase Newcastle on the world stage yet again.



The Sailing Office remains busy – year-round. Spring and summer are full with Offshore, Inshore and Off the Beach racing, while winter has quickly proved to be a handful with the Offshore Pointscore, Presentation Night, Elliott regattas and the Youth Performance Program.

The Sailing Handbook has just been released and you will notice that we've added a Shorthanded Series to the calendar for March 2020. Racing on four consecutive Saturdays, the criteria for this series is that each yacht will only have two persons on board. Perhaps we're drawing a little too much from those Olympic rings on our Elliott's, but we can't be too far off the page with this idea considering that the 2024 Olympic Games will showcase a new two-handed overnight race from Paris. Additionally, the Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race has announced that they will now be accepting two-handed entrants to form a new division in this year's race, while RPAYC and RNZYS have collaborated to deliver the Sydney to Auckland two handed race to arrive in time for the America's Cup. It would seem that we're not being left behind on this front with our four race series to hit the water before the summer ends.

The Sailing Academy, of course, continues to operate year-round with the exception of Tackers which has been reserved for the warmer months. Keep posted as we look to deliver a brand new program through the Sailing Academy targeted at teenagers! The Out There Sailing Program promises a variety of activities from Keelboat Sailing to Dinghy Sailing, Powerboating and Paddling. The program is due to be released Nationwide next year, however we're jumping on-board for the Pilot Program now. We see this as an avenue to attract new teenage sailors to the sport as Step 1 in the teenage Learn-to-Sail Pathway.

For such a young yacht club, we've laid strong foundations for the future with our commitment to our sport. It's a privilege to be playing an integral role in the Club's vibrant future and is rewarding to see our team recognised at the NSW Sailing Awards. I was fortunate to attend the Awards Night after having attended Australian Sailing's Club Conference at the same venue earlier that day. It was a special night that saw Jan Howard and Mary Holley in the spotlight receiving the first ever 'SheSails Award' to be offered by Australian Sailing while the Club of the Year went to Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club. The Awards Night

> also recognised finalists Ian Humphries and Ted Anderson for Official of the Year as well as Nina Long for Instructor of the Year. Perhaps just as impressive as the number of finalists we had this year, was the number of NCYC members who attended the evening to cheer on our fellow Club members receiving awards. It was noted by everyone attending that Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club certainly had outweighed the crowd with our sheer number of supporters there on the night.

Elliotts Launch & Blessing with the 25 Year Anniversary Regatta

Images by Henk Zeeman

On Sunday 21st July NCYC launched our fleet of Elliott 6's for a members-only mini regatta as we celebrated our Club's 25 Year Anniversary that weekend.

In a long-anticipated launch of the fleet, it was the first time our Elliott's hit the Harbour – showcasing a new era of one-design racing for the Hunter.

Racing format was up to eight teams competing on the inshore one-design yachts.

The Club is excited to lead a new era of sailing for the Hunter introducing a one-design fleet and a wide array of activities from leisurely day-sails to fast-paced short course racing.













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Laser Sailing

Laser Compound Moving By Phil Ashley-Brown

For the last few years the Laser fleet has been launching off A-arm and boats have been stored at a compound in the nearby carpark. The Hunter Development Corporation has since expanded the carpark and the Lasers are now on the move.

Thanks to our near neighbour Thales, which is based on the former Forgacs site, the Lasers have a new home. As part of its commitment to the local community, Thales is in the process of finalizing plans for the Lasers and the Elliot's to be housed on their land, opposite the club house.

The plan includes moving the existing pontoons across the ditch to the Thales site and setting up walkways and access to the site. The Lasers will be stacked and while they'll still be outside, they'll have a low Colourbond roof to protect them.



Dennis Hume & Michael Babbage. Michael is the winner of the OTB Division

The plan includes setting up a crane so that the Elliot's



can be moved in and out of the water easily. And while there's no bar there, it's not a far row back across the water to the warmth of the NCYC bar, which is only a 6 min walk.

It's a much better site to launch the Lasers as there's more protection, it's not so exposed and there are fewer multi-million-dollar yachts to crash into. It'll be good to have a more permanent storage area for the Lasers and we're hoping it'll be finalized for the start of the spring series. Big thanks to Thales for their support in this project.



Cruising Fleet



Luskintyre Airfield & Aviation Museum By Neil Manson

Our amazing experiences with NCYC continued on May 18th when the Cruising Fleet's very own Top Gun "Flying Phil"

Unicomb organised a day of Tiger Moth joy flights at Luskintyre in the Hunter Valley. Apparently, the Luskintyre Airfield and Aviation Museum is home to the most operational Tiger Moths in one place on the

planet! (future trivia question perhaps?) Early arrivals were taken on an informative tour of the museum and hangers where they learnt



Tiger Moth Ready for Take Off

about these magnificent aircraft and their restoration. Beginning production in 1931 this British biplane served many purposes, however were predominately used as R.A.F. trainer planes until they were superseded in the 1950's. Phil told me these are De-Havilland DH-82A Tiger Moths with a max horse power of about 130, have a cruising speed of 80 knots and as we were about to discover are whole lot of fun!

The day's weather was spectacular and when Charna and I arrived about half our group had already been for a flight. The beaming smiles told the story, we were in for a real treat. Throughout the day people were given the choice of experiencing either a gentle joy flight or something a little more stimulating, the potentially seat staining acrobatic flight! On the day, Phil and his good mate Geoff Kubank aka "Kubes" were tireless, taking a seemingly endless stream of eager club members skyward. In fact, 34 flights were experienced by grateful Fleet members.

After a lunch break it was back to the skies and our turn! Down the runway in tandem we roared, Geoff and I slightly in front of Charna and Phil. Ever so slowly we





lifted off while only meters of clearance separated our fragile wingtips. As though attached by an invisible umbilical cord we climbed up and up, all the

NCYC Cruising Fleet

while making gentle almost graceful turns. After a few minutes we parted and continued our climb into the heavens.

The view was terrific, far below us were pasture lands, horse studs and palatial homes, some the size of small motels! After reaching the desired altitude things shifted up a notch and the real excitement began. Being somewhat afraid of heights I slotted myself into the familiar role I've created as "Brave Stuntman Neil"



Neil Ready for Take Off



while Jeff forewarned me of every upcoming manoeuvre. WOW!! How good was this. With decades of flying experience to draw on, Geoff effortlessly put the Tiger Moth through its paces

going from "loop the loops" to "barrel rolls" and anything else that came to mind. While flipping through the sky like a child's spinning top I couldn't' help but question the sanity of those early pioneering aviators thinking, "Hey I've got a great

Flying Phil

idea. Let's go straight up, stall the motor then see if it'll restart before we hit the ground"!

As is the case with all things fun, too quickly my flight was over and we touched down, ever so gently, the engine purring along nicely thank you very much. When I caught up with the old doll, her ear to ear grin told me

all I needed to know. Fearing that she now wanted to buy a Tiger Moth and learn to fly I quickly employed my "failsafe"

diversionary



Phil and Billie

tactic, a glass of chilled bubbly, followed by another, then another. Crisis avoided!!!!!!

Around the fire pit we tucked into an assortment of nibbles while swapping stories of our own particular flight experience. Phil's daughter Billie surprised him by donning his old flight suit, did a little dance, then went for a spin with dear old dad. Phil's grin was ear to ear for the rest of the evening. What a special moment. With the sun setting and a beautiful full moon rising we all gathered around the fire reliving the days experience as Valda "the Dougie slyer" wielded the fire prodding stick we settled in for a great night of comradery, laughs, and good times. "Rocket Rod" manned the BBO tongs producing a massive amount of perfectly cooked meats accompanied by salads and bread that others had organised. Seems the cruising fleet have the catering routine down to an art form.



Rocket Rod on the BBO

To show our appreciation to Phil, Geoff and ground staff we all sang a resounding rendition of "Those Magnificent Men in their Flying Machines".

In the morning, for those who surfaced, a hearty breakfast was provided, again "Rocket Rod" on tongs while the team of kitchen elves kept the toast, tea and coffee flowing.

Charna and I certainly won't forget this latest "Cruising Fleet" adventure.

If this, or any of our other activities sound appealing why not join in on the fun, all are more than welcome.

As always, thanks to the NCYC board for their ongoing support of the cruising fleet.

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Sailing Academy

NCYC Youth Team CYCA John Piper Regatta By Jack Buchan, Images by CYCA

S ix teams from the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia competed in the John Piper Regatta held joined by a seventh team from Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club over the weekend of 20th & 21st July. Our team was skippered by Harry Miller with crew Emily Henderson, James Henderson, Callum Marsh and Sebastian Spencer. The event was sailed in Elliott 7s on Sydney Harbour.



Regatta is a Match Racing. Each 'match' is a race between two competitors, going head-to-head. Usually in a fleet race, the winning boat will generally be the one that finds the fastest possible way

The Captain John Piper

NCYC Youth Team

around the course. In contrast, match racers will only concentrate on crossing the finishing line before their

opponent. This sometimes means taking a route that's not the fastest possible, for example in order to slow down their opponent.

By tight coverage, the lead boat will attempt to stay as close as possible to its opponent while staying in front. By keeping close to



Harry Miller with crew Emily Henderson James Henderson Callum Marsh and Seb Spencer

the opponent, the leader minimises the risk of a wind shift that favours the opponent's side of the course.



Match racers will often try to put themselves in a position where their opponent will have no option but to infringe a rule and incur a penalty, even at the cost of sailing

NCYC Youth Team in Action



John Piper Competitors

a slower course themselves.

This is the first Match Racing event Miller has skippered and is the first time that this crew combination



has raced together. The team spent the Round Robin on Day 1 working on their teamwork and communication – allowing them to win a match against CYCA's Finley Scade by the end of the day.

On day 2, Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club's team built on their lessons from the previous day as the entered the final Round Robin where places 5th to 7th would race for a 'best of 3', while places 1st to 4th would go to Semi Finals before they progress to the Petit Finals and Finals.



It was a clean sweep for Miller and his NCYC team as they cleaned up CYCA's Charles Rickwood 2 - 0. With time running out, the Race Committee were only able

to conduct a single race for where our team won for Miller vs Scade.

And so, our team climbed to the top of the leader board to claim 5th place for the 5th to 7th Round Robin after winning every race of that stage.

Supported by one of our coaches, the team gained valuable Match Racing experience over the two-day event that they will put to good use at the NSW Youth Match Racing Championship the following weekend.

Congratulations to our NCYC Youth Team!







Course Schedule 2019

Course	Dates	Time	Cost	Description
Women's Friday Sailing	Fridays 6 th to 27 th Sep (4 weeks)	9:30am to 12:00pm	\$190	An encouraging and social environment to learn to sail with other like-minded ladies. Very popular/
Tackers 1 & 2 School Holiday	Mon to Fri 30 th Sep to 4 th Oct;	9:00am to 2:00pm	\$285 \$295	Australian Sailing learn to sail program for kids aged 7-12 years. Fun based sailing activities to develop skills!
"Sail & Play" School Holiday Program	Tue, Wed, Thu 1 ⁴ , 2 st , 3 st Oct (3 days)	9:00am to 3:00pm	\$260	A keelboat sailing program for kids 11 to 17 years. Fun days on the water learning all sorts of marine based skills
"Young Guns" Youth Keelboat	Tuesdays 15 th Oct to 12 th Nov (5 weeks)	3:45pm to 6:15pm	\$150	An ongoing program (in 5-week blocks to learn & progress sailing & racing skills for kids aged 11 to 17 years.
Women's Wednesday Twilights	Wednesdays 16 th Oct to 6 th Nov (4 weeks)	5:15pm to 7:45pm	\$190	An encouraging and social environment to learn to sail with other like-minded ladies. Very popular!
Friday Harbour Sailing	Fridays 18 th Oct to 8 th Nov (4 weeks)	5:15pm to 7:45pm	\$200	An easy-going way to learn to sail and an opportunity to see our city from a new angle! Beginners to Competent!

Sailing TACKERS

Further dates and full details of the courses can be found on our website
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We welcome you to register on-line today!
Equipment Needed: Active clothing, enclosed shoes, a windproof jacket, hat & san cream







She Sails



Bubbles and Troubles By Mary Holley

In June SheSAILS hosted their annual Bubbles and Troubles night. Once again it was a great success and very well attended.

We tried a different format this year and started with 2 workshop sessions, which proved to be very popular with both women and men. Joe de Kock gave a really informative session on Racing Tactics and Strategy. Sarah Knights spoke about the necessity of "Brains over Brawn". She had the audience participating in some exercises which, although beneficial for the participants, proved to be entertaining for those not participating.





Joe de Kock presenting

g Sailing Exercises

Welcome bubbles and a wine tasting were donated by Robert Oatley Wines.

Once again we were delighted to have Helen Clare as our interviewer. Guests on our first panel were Meika Wright, Janease Graham and Peta Norris. These women inspired us all of their journey into sailing and why they continue with the sport. They spoke of their recent achievement in representing NCYC at the National Sailing Awards. Meika and Peta spoke also about their participation in the crew which won the Australian Women's Keelboat Regatta held each year at the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron.



Meika Wright, Janease Graham & Peta Norris

Our second panel consisted of Karma Randall who filled us in on her sailing adventures since June last year. She achieved her ambition to sail in the Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race for the first time with her father Joe on 'Ragamuffin'. A very special and great achievement. Jan Howard took us back to sailing in the 1970s when GPS did not exist. Navigating became quite creative in Bass Strait when tides had a great influence racing often placing your yacht in unexpected places.

NCYC's Marina and Asset Manager, Sandy Hapgood was our third speaker. Her's was a very different boating experience with her career path starting with with the Cairns Port Authority. From there she travelled overseas to sail on Super Yachts in the Mediterranean and the Caribbean after which she returned to Australia to pursue her career in managing marinas from Queensland to NSW. We are lucky to have Sandy here at NCYC with the world of experience she brings.



No Bubbles and Troubles night is complete without a Spinnaker Packing Competition. It is certainly fun to watch the competitive spirit emerge between 3 teams vying for first place.

Spinnaker Packing

This year we also included a coin toss for a very generous bottle of rum donated by Adrian and Cathy Kiely.

Thank you to Jan Bourke who ran the very funny commentary for the Spinnaker Packing Competition and the Coin Toss.

We also ran a silent auction which proved to be very successful. Thank you to our sponsors who provided the wonderful prizes;

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Allison & Valda winning a sponsor prize

The success of a fund raising event can be measured 2 ways. The first is the good time had by all and the second is the amount of funds raised. SheSAILS Bubbles and Troubles has proved to excel in both. The photos speak to the first and the dollars we raised, \$4775 certainly confirms the second.

Thank you to our sponsors, NCYC and all those who support SheSAILS@NCYC.

SheSAILS@NCYC would like to acknowledge the wonderful generosity of our sponsors at our annual Bubbles and Troubles event!

Our Silent Auction Prizes, giveaways and member's support helped us fundraise for the encouragement of women and girls in sailing.

Special thanks to Helly Hansen, Strata Worldwide and Robert Oatley Wines our major sponsors as well as Corunna Homestead and Bowline Wickham, Midcoast Boatyard and Marine, Tyrrell's Winery, The Bavarian Restaurant Charlestown, John Harrington Wines, Pappa Sven, The Wickham Boatshed, Shag Hair, Pork Ewe Deli and Adrien Kiely Legal.

We are very grateful to all our sponsors as well as to all our guest speakers and members who bought tickets and supported this event.



'She Sails' in the 2019 Sydney to Gold Coast Yacht Race Article by Jan Howard, Sarah Gamble and Kris Anderson, Photo courtesy of Richard Hooper

The 'She Sails' program at NCYC aims to encourage more women and girls into sailing and provide a pathway from 'learn to sail', to twilight and club racing and longer offshore events. The program continues to go from strength to strength with 9 women from our club participating recently in the Sydney to Gold Coast Race. This 384 nm annual race is a qualifier for the Sydney to Hobart yacht race, and this year attracted over 70 yachts.

Our women, who had diverse sailing experience, crewed on seven different boats that were based out of Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, and as far afield as Sydney.

It was a fast and pleasant race this year, and here's what our sailors had to say about the experience.

Janease Graham

Boat: 'Wings' from RPAYC, 46 foot Dehler with all race options and coffee machine

Role: Off the line and during sail changes - Strings, During watches - Trimmer and relief helm, Onshore jobs - mast climber.

Best time: Driving a racer cruiser downwind like its stolen :)

Most challenging time: 24/7 bar in Southport.

Any funny anecdote: I was sent an email by the skipper and navigator the day prior to the race marked URGENT PLEASE REPLY ASAP. I thought they must have urgently needed details for CYCA registration, but it turned out they just wanted to print out how everyone has their tea and coffee for quick reference in the Galley :). I love this boat!

Sarah Gamble

Boat: I raced on 'Stampede', an Inglis 39 located at Lake Macquarie.

Role: String, and I contributed to other roles in the cockpit as needed.

Best part: finishing my first Gold Coast race, great crew work, the laughs, beautiful sunrises, sunsets, and starry nights. And, the fabulous atmosphere at the Southport Yacht Club with so many familiar faces.

Least favourite moment: navigating a new sleeping pattern, and after leading our division for most of the race, watching all these boats overtake us when we had only about 12 hours left of the race!

Most challenging: the night time sailing when your eyesight could be better!

Georgie Gruber

Boat: 'She's the Culprit' **Best time:** Leaving the dock at Sydney Harbour and seeing my dad smiling at me. He taught me to sail on a little 13 foot catamaran in the middle of a drought, sailing around the trees sticking out of the water at Lake Keepit. Going on my first offshore overnight ocean race and having him there to see me off was really special.

Most challenging time: Staying awake on the 12 - 3 watch.

Funniest moment: Refer to Kris Anderson's comment! Absolutely priceless

Peta Norris

Boat: I raced on 'Showtime', a Ker 40 from RPAYC.

Role: We shared most roles, except bow and helm who had a few dedicated people. So, over the course of the race I did kite and headsail trim, main trim and pit. We were the first of the 40ft and under boats over the line, 1st on Corinthian IRC and 3rd ORCI div 2. I'm writing this from my bunk, a few miles offshore of Nelson Bay, delivering Showtime back to Pittwater

Courtney Smith

Boat: 'Frantic', TP52 from NCYC

Role: I did a variety of jobs; called time for the start, trimmed the main, was a grinder, trimmed the kite

Best part: From the hustle and bustle to get your bacon and egg roll at the CYCA, to the peaceful star filled nights, the race to the Gold Coast was one to remember. The best parts of the trip for me were the whales and dolphins, the bioluminescence which lit up the water at night, the gorgeous rainbows and the billions of sparkling stars and shooting stars.

Most challenging moment: It was really challenging waking up at 3 in the morning to watch the sun come up and then to go back to bed. It was amazing being downstairs and helping fixing sails in the middle of the night.

A funny moment: We all had a laugh the morning we arrived at the Gold Coast, when the skipper Mick saw a helicopter, and said "is that a drone or a little helicopter" to which I replied, "it's a big helicopter, just faraway". The funny nicknames everyone received on the boat didn't end once we hit the bar.

Kris Anderson

Boat: 'She's the Culprit', Inglis-Jones 39 from LMYC/ NCYC. This is the 4th time I have completed this race on the fabulous little blue boat and I love sailing with the Culprit 'family'

Role: Offshore – predominantly trim, but we share most jobs on watch, other than dedicated race helms. Onshore – I am the race provisioner (which is no small feat with 11 crew aboard a 39 ft boat with 1 pot and I burner!)

Best time: Actually sailing (rather than drifting!) around Smokey Cape. That may actually be a first!! No really, the first 24 hours were just perfect racing – flat seas, good breeze, easy, fast, (dry) racing – happy, happy, happy!!!!! I am at my happiest with the kite sheet in my hand, everyone working together, boat humming, enjoying the dawn of a new day at sea. Such a privilege.

Most challenging time: A windless night on the wrong side of the Solitaries.

Close second: trying, and trying, and trying some more, to round Cudgeon Headland...

Funniest moment: I don't think we're going anywhere because that green light hasn't moved". "Did you consider that it could be another boat ????" [Give that man the hat!!]

Trumped by: Our navigator failing to navigate his way from the bar to the boat – still belly laughing! [instant hat award moment]

Oonagh O'Donovan

Boat: I sailed on Newcastle based 'Mako', a Sydney 40. **Best comfort moment:** toasted ham and cheese wraps for breakfast Monday am - concept rights to Paul O'Rourke, execution by Buschy (Greg Busch) - warm melted cheese with ham in a wrap is a thing to behold. Brad to Navigator - what's our heading? reply North!

Best personal moment: cramped hands at the end of a spinnaker trim shift at night. Next best; trimming into dawn. Arriving into Southport and seeing the number of women who sailed from our club - pretty cool.

Best photo bomb:

- Buschy taking a photo of Popeye only to have a whale photobomb it!



Least favourite moment: Waking up Wednesday and

Whale photobomb. Image by Bushy

wondering what happened to Tuesday.

Curious moment: answering whether I minded being the only girl onboard, a) - hadn't thought about it and b) - was one of many flying the female flag solo... though I will admit to buying new granny underwear just in case of pants splitting, and the like...

Kath Hall

Boat: 'She's the Culprit' an Inglis-Jones 39

Role: My main position is strings and boy do I like to make those strings seamlessly sing, I feel like a puppet master. When it's good, everyone is hyped and happy.

Then whatever else needs doing in between I'm there to take a turn such as kite trim during the night watch.

Best time: The jubilation of finishing another race with an awesome crew and swapping tales small and tall with all the other crews in the club house no matter if it is the early hours of the morning.

Most challenging time: Watching the wind drop and the boat slow as other boats further offshore drift on by no matter how many perfectly executed sail changes.

Funniest moment: Well it was not so funny at first and it is hard to believe that with such a seasoned crew of sailors that it could happen at all. The kite was launched within seconds and the satisfying cry of 'made' from the bow was heard only to be followed with repeated calls for the kicker to be pulled on because the pole was standing up at 45 degrees. Well even my magic strings could not counter an upside-down kite so alas down she came. Needless to say the "Dunce of the Day' orange sou'wester cap was duly awarded to worthy co-recipients.

No matter how many times you venture out there is always something new to experience, delight and learn. Even though I have circumnavigated the world and seen thousands of dolphins this race was the first time I had witnessed dolphins slapping their tales on the surface. Perhaps they were unimpressed by the big blue creature cutting a path through their patch of ocean.

It is not so much about winning or losing (though don't get me wrong, winning is always awesome), we did not place well in this race but it is more about how you get there and what a great race it was. I think it was the driest and most comfortable race I have participated in.

What a privilege it is to sail with a wonderful bunch of people on the little blue boat, to share amazing experiences and be immersed in the diverse culture of sailing. I can't wait for the next adventure.



Pictured from left to right: Janease Graham sailed on 'Wings', and Kris Anderson, Kath Hall and Georgie Gruber sailed on 'She's the Culprit' (Kath and Georgie are absent from the photo). Lucy Nissan sailed on 'Anger Management' and Courtney Smith was on 'Frantic'. Peta Norris sailed on 'Showtime', Oonagh O'Donovan on 'Mako', and Sarah Gamble on 'Stampede'.

The 2019 NSW/ACT SheSAILS Award has been won by our very own Jan Howard and Mary Holley. Article by Kristen Anderson

Images by Maureen Rae







And never was there an award so well deserved! The full nominee citation below eloquently outlines the enormous impact Jan and Mary have had on women's sailing, and we here at the original 'SheSAILS@NCYC' could not be prouder.

Mary and Jan

Jan Howard and Mary Holley began 'Skirts' yachting at

Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club (NCYC) in 2010. 'Skirts' was established to encourage more women into sailing. It gave Jan and Mary, both veteran Sydney to Hobart racers, the opportunity to skipper their own boats and share their skills, knowledge and experience with other women. Thanks to 'Skirts', by 2014, almost 50% of crew in NCYC Twilight races were women, 25% of Sunday point score race crew were female, and a NCYC all-female crew competed at Airlie Beach Race Week (ABRW).

The club purchased six Force 24s for training, Jan and Mary completed Australian Sailing (AS) keelboat instructor training and volunteered their time to a women's sailing program run through NCYC as an accredited AS Discover Sailing Centre. 'Skirts' was rebranded to SheSAILS@NCYC in 2017, additional accredited instructors and a sailing academy manager were employed, and the academy expanded to include start crewing, start helming and start skippering courses. In 2017, over 100 women had graduated from a NCYC sailing program. Many went on to regularly crew on NCYC yachts. NCYC all-female crews had competed multiple times in ABRW, Sail Port Stephens (SPS), Australian Women's Keelboat Regatta (AWKR) and Manly Women's Regatta. NCYC female sailors had



Jan & Mary at SPS

sailed in the Rolex Sydney to Hobart, Pittwater to Southport, Clipper Round the World Race, Pacific Ocean crossings and countless deliveries. Many women have also completed formal RYA training,



Jan and Mary receiving their Award.

including Sea Safety and Survival, Essential Navigation, Radio, Day Skipper and Yachtmaster.

Jan and Mary knew they needed to give women something to train for and in 2017 they established the SheSAILS@NCYC Force 24 Women's Regatta. Not content, Jan and Mary encouraged experienced women to train as keelboat instructors to deliver accredited training, including women specific courses at NCYC. By 2018, SheSAILS@NCYC hosted a Women's Development Regatta and a Women's Open Regatta, attracting teams from Lake Macquarie and Mooloolaba. Women were provided with the opportunity to fill race management roles, including race officer. Jan and Mary continue to contribute many voluntary hours to organising and managing SheSAILS@NCYC Regattas and often contribute prizes to these events. In 2018, SheSAILS@NCYC sent the first ever all-female team to



compete at Volvo Cork Race Week in Ireland. That year, two female teams competed in SPS, teams represented NCYC at AWKR, Townsville GaLS Regatta (GaLS) and our first female youth sailor competed in the Rolex Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race.

Hoisting the SheSAILS flag In March 2019, Australian Sailing officially adopted the SheSAILS brand and logo, created at NCYC

by Jan and Mary. In 2019, NCYC all-female crews have competed at SPS, CYCA Sydney to Newcastle race, the inaugural National Sailing League Oceania, Middle Harbour Women's Regatta, AWKR and will compete at Mooloolaba SheSAILS Regatta in June, and GaLS in September.

In SheSAILS@NCYC, Jan and Mary, with strong support of the NCYC board and members, have created a welcoming, supportive and encouraging platform for women to participate and grow in the sport of sailing. SheSAILS is well known to Newcastle and is now spreading Australia-wide.

Outstanding achievements

- Establishing the SheSAILS brand
- Establishing a women's sailing program with development pathways for racing and cruising sailors
- Establishing, organising and managing the SheSAILS@NCYC regattas. Two regattas are held each year: a development regatta for those new to racing, mentored by experienced skippers, and a competitive regatta for the more serious racers.
- Supporting women to pursue opportunities in sailing, at club, state, national and international level, by providing their boats, sharing their skills, knowledge and experience, providing sponsorship, and advocating for women sailors at NCYC
- Jan is a Director on the NCYC Board

What lies behind these incredible achievements is at the heart of this award. Jan and Mary contribute endless hours of personal encouragement and support, along with their on-water and administrative activities, to sailors both new and experienced, because they are passionate about sailing. They sail, they coach, they mentor, they listen to all the excited (or frightened) stories and engage in endless Q&A sessions, often complete with sketchy sail/wind diagrams. They offer

advice and they generously share their networks along with their boats, and when you are away racing it is not uncommon to have texts from one or both of them the second you get off water - either congratulating or commiserating – or else they are on the dock with cold bubbles! Above all, they



Mary Raising SheSAILS Flat in Cork

live and breathe the message that sailing is fun and is accessible to all.

They have created a wonderful community of female sailors here at NCYC, which is now spreading far and wide. In a fitting tribute to these amazing women and their ongoing work for our club Jan and Mary were recently awarded life membership at NCYC. Congratulations Jan and Mary on this accolade and on your outstanding 2019 NSW/ACT SheSAILS Award! Who sails? SheSAILS!!!!!!



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The Mission also has a community focus and seeks to be involved in activities such as memorial services, blessing of the fleet, festivals, Church, service clubs and other groups to help make our wonderful city even better.



Mission to Seafarers Newcastle work closely with Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) in all that we do to assist Seafarers on many different levels.

Australian Women's Keelboat Regatta (AWKR) 2019 Article by Peta Norris & Kris Anderson Photos courtesy of Bruno Cocozza

A combined team from NCYC and Gosford Sailing Club (GSC) have successfully defended their 2018 IRC Division 1 crown at the 29th annual Australian Women's Keelboat Regatta (AWKR) held over the June long weekend on a cold and windy Port Phillip Bay.

AWKR, Australia's largest all-female keelboat regatta, is raced out of the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron (RMYS) at St Kilda. This year's regatta saw 40 teams enter with representation from every Australian state and territory, as well as New Zealand. The fleet was

highly competitive, with multiple Olympians, match racing champions, Volvo Ocean race and Sydney to Hobart veterans, and a late entry from



Katie Spithill's Ocean Respect Racing team ramped the competition up a further notch. Melbourne's Port Phillip Bay, which each year delivers either too little or too much wind, showed its wild side, sending cold, choppy and increasingly gusty conditions, setting the stage for some seriously good racing.

It was wonderful to see in excess of 250 passionate, excited sailors at the Friday night briefing, where we were awed with video messages and race tips from Magenta Project organisers and Volvo ocean racing greats. These ranged from Liz Wardley's hot tip to "go out there and win, and if you don't win, work out what you can do better and come out fighting again tomorrow" was balanced by Magenta Project Chair Elaine Penhaul who gave the advice she offered her young children when they took to the water, "keep the pointy thing in the air and be nice to one other". Somewhere in the middle was French Volvo racer Tiphaine Turlache, who summed up some great advice with "…and keep trimming!!"





Racing aboard the mighty 'Jungle Juice', an Adams 10 generously loaned for the second year by Janet Dean, past Commodore of RMYS, this year's winning crew followed this advice and sailed consistently well, as a team, for the full regatta. Before going into the final race of the series on Day 3, on equal points for 1st place with Ocean Respect Racing in IRC Division and 2nd place with Chutzpah in AMS Division, each crew member committed to what she could do to deliver that crucial second or half-second that would win or lose the regatta. For some of us this even meant denying ourselves that extra glass of bubbles the night before!!

We were fully pumped for action as we lined up for this defining moment and, on cue, Melbourne's notorious weather produced her wild card. The first attempt at a race start was abandoned as a wild front blew through the fleet. Unfazed, our seasoned offshore skipper and crew kept our heads together (and the pointy thing in the air!) and got a fabulous start when the committee finally got us away. Unfortunately for the Ocean Respect Team a pre-start collision left them unable to compete and they headed to shore and the protest room. Jungle Juice and team handled the challenging conditions well (gusts up to 38 knots, numerous retirements and a dismasting) to sail a good, tidy, fast (!) 3-lap decider with no major wipeouts and no damage, finishing second on scratch in front of much larger boats to win both divisions. Even with a successful protest for redress by the disappointed Ocean Respect Team, Jungle Juice came up winners with overall 1st place in IRC Div 1 and 2nd place in AMS Div 1. Now THAT's what I call sailing!!

Teamwork and fun, on and off the water, have been fundamental elements of regatta racing for NCYC since Jan Howard and Mary Holley kicked us off in 2014, and the combined NCYC/GSC AWKR crew follow this lead. The team plans the campaign together, stays together, cooks together, races hard and puts the fun factor into full flight. This regatta, enabled by the generosity of local boat owners and a hard-working band of organisers and volunteers, epitomizes this mix of teamwork, camaraderie, competition and fun and is an absolute highlight of the women's sailing calendar. And to be in the company of such talented female sailors is truly inspiring.



NCYC/GSC winning IRC Div 1 crew with members of the winning AMS Div 1 Ocean Respect Racing Team, including skipper Katie Spithill (and daughter) and 2018 ISAF World Sailor of the Year Caroline Brouwer.

The team of Claire Heenan (skipper) and Justine Ella (mainsheet), both from GSC, along with NCYC members Kris Anderson & Meika Wright (trimmers),



Sam Hickey (strings), Peta Norris (mast) and Karma Randall (bow), would like to thank the wonderful Janet for trusting us again with her beautiful boat, Brian Lees for similarly trusting us

to race his Adams 10 Contentious in training at MHYC, and RMYS and the whole AWKR Committee for yet another sensational regatta. And a special shout-out to

regular teammate Anika Goninan, who was missed as she embarked on a camper vanning adventure around Australia. See you next year Anika!! And see you next year Melbourne. Who sails? SheSAILS!







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Mooloolaba Yacht Club's SheSAILS Regatta By Pata Normis

By Peta Norris

Over the last weekend in June, NCYC team of Meika Wright, Janease Graham, Belinda Davey and Peta Norris were warmly welcomed when they made their way north for some sunshine and Elliott 6 racing at Mooloolaba Yacht Club's inaugural SheSAILS regatta.

Mooloolaba sent two teams to our SheSAILS@NCYC regatta in November last year and obviously liked the idea so much that they decided to hold their own!

Racing was held on the club's Elliott 6s, which had only recently been set up for offshore racing. Unfortunately, a big swell and treacherous bar meant that the Elliotts were confined inshore for the regatta. This did however

make for great spectator viewing from the verandah of the clubhouse.

Racing inshore at Mooloolaba was tight in every possible way. The course was confined by moored boats, narrow passage and shallow water. Team 'Deep Ship' found themselves in not-so-deep when they ran aground on day 1, earning them the race officer's award!

Eight races were held on the Saturday and six races on the Sunday between eight teams on the club's four boats. The NCYC 'Screaming Jets', renamed



Meika



Belinda

once we arrived and saw the creative team names like Alenka Caserman's 'Pink Pirates' and Danielle Kennedy's 'Titanic Swim Team', came in third overall after two days of racing, behind the Mooloolaba Yacht Club's Youth Team and Kristen Davidson's 'Backstitch', with well-known crew member Stacey Jackson and forward hand Carmen Barney who received a special mention for her super enthusiastic kite throwing.

Two highlights for the NCYC team were when Bel received the sportsmanship award and Meika received the best start award. Both absolutely well-deserved!

The Mooloolaba Yacht Club won the QLD SheSAILS Australian Sailing award this year for their women's

program. We hope to see another Mooloolaba team or two at NCYC's next SheSAILS regatta to be held on the Elliott 6s in November.



Meika, Janease, Belinda and Peta



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Marine Rescue Newcastle

By Terry Reynolds



Hello once again from Marine Rescue Newcastle. Since the last edition of Thirty-Two Fifty-Five, we have had a number of jobs and news of our impending move to NCYC.

ON WATER EVENTS In mid-April NC30 was

tasked to locate and tow a runabout from approximately

one mile off Susan Gilmore Beach. The vessel was towed safely back to North Stockton ramp.

Also, in mid-April, crews from NC30 towed a 4.9 metre runabout, with 2 POB, from North Reef to Carrington ramp. This was



4.9m vessel from North Reef

the first job that new trainee Susan Coleman attended and we welcome her to the Unit.

Early May saw NC30 tasked to approximately 7 miles south east of Nobby's to assist a 6.1 metre vessel (2 POB) with engine trouble. The vessel was towed to Carrington Ramp.

As most would have heard, Newcastle hosted HMAS NEWCASTLE for her last port of call prior to decommissioning in June. NC30 escorted NEWCASTLE out of Newcastle and into the Tasman Sea where she 'put the hammer down' and gave those on the water and headlands a show of speed as she headed south to Sydney. (Our valued radio operator and volunteer, Dianne Hammond was onboard NC30 and

gives an insight to her experience on that day in a separate article). Saturday, 29th June, NC30 was called out by radio operator John Dicker to assist a disabled JetSki 500 metres off Glenrock. Our crew found the JetSki with a sole rider and towed him safely back to Carrington ramp.



As a 'one boat' unit, we always jump at the opportunity of playing with another MR vessel. Recently our Regional Operations Manager brought one of MRNSW's backup vessels (used to support units at various times) X-ray 21 to Newcastle for us to check out. This gave some of our crew and trainees a few hours of 'towing alongside' and long tow training as well as other close quarter activities.



NC30 rafted to X-Ray 21

As most would have heard, the catamaran HOROCO, with 5 POB capsized off Stockton Bite in early July with three aboard unfortunately not surviving.

Our thoughts are with the families of those lost and injured with the capsizing of the vessel off Stockton.

Our thoughts are also with the crew members of NC 30 who attended this rescue and with the recovery of two of the three lost crew members.

NC30 does more than just assist people in a bit of strife. Often we can be seen on the water 'flying the flag' so as the boating public can see there is a rescue vessel in the area and we can answer any questions they may have. We also take our new members for a familiarisation of the harbour and river. This is not just for those who are interested in joining the Boat Stream but also the Radio Stream volunteers. Keeping our radio operators up to date with the local waters ways is handy as often members of the public will call our radio base asking for local information. Should you see our boat on the water (and we aren't in a hurry to get to a job), feel free to come over and say "hi".

For those that are on Facebook, we have a Page where we add various events and the odd video. You can find us by searching for Marine Rescue Newcastle.

NOT ON THE WATER

At our June Monthly Meeting held at the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club. A number of members received certificates or rating promotions. Pictured are: Warren Bramble and Paul Hardie receiving their Radio Operator rating; Don Roser receiving his 5-year service pin and Joe Benton receiving his Watch Officer rating. Well done to all. I might add that these radio operator and



watch officer ratings are not an easy achievement. It takes hours and hours of 'on radio' work and a hell of a lot of theory and book work.

Warren Bramble receiving his Radio Operators Certificate



Paul Hardie receiving his Operators Certificate

As a part of National Volunteers Week, Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club's held its annual Volunteers dinner. Members are pictured enjoying the evening. We thank NCYC for the invitation and of course their ongoing support of



Don Roser receiving his 5 year Service Pin



Joe Benton receiving his Watch Officer Rating

Marine Rescue Newcastle and many other volunteer organisations.



readers will know, Marine Rescue Newcastle has been 'homeless' since a storm wrecked our base at Shepherds Hill back in 2015. Well

As a lot of

Marine Rescue Team at the NCYC Volunteers Dinner

we have some good news. The State Government has awarded MRNSW a lease on the former Girl Guide hall at Stockton. Once all the development approvals have been sorted, a new purpose built building will be built. Until then, we have leased commercial space at NCYC which we will be moving in to in the near future. I shall update readers as we progress through the process.



UC Ron Calman with Howard Masters from James Walker

An organisation like Marine Rescue Newcastle would find it difficult to operate without the support of local business. We would like to thank the following for their continued support.

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James Walker is a manufacturer of High Performance Sealing Technology. Their contribution to assist the services provided by MR Newcastle are greatly appreciated. James Walker manufacture sealing and thermal insulation for a wide range of heavy machinery and marine vessels.

UC Ron Calman recently showed our thanks by presenting Certificates of Appreciation. Pictured receiving their certificates are representatives from NCYC and Mid Coast Boatyard and Marine. Although no pictures were available, certificates were also presented to Newcastle Game Fishing Club and Seven Stars. MR Newcastle thank these great organisations for their ongoing support.



Ron Calman with Belinda Randall from Midcoast Boatyard & Marine

Ron Calman with Dianne Hansen from NCYC



Marine Rescue Newcastle A Volunteer's Experience

By Dianne Hammond, Images by MR Newcastle



A fter retiring from teaching for 40 years I was looking for a voluntary role in the community when I heard the promotional adds for joining Marine Rescue Newcastle. As I already volunteer at shows and various musical and cultural

festivals, I thought this would not only be interesting but provide a service to the community and be part of such a worthy volunteer organisation. This I did and it has opened the door to many new and exciting experiences - one of which occurred on Tuesday 18th June when the HMAS Newcastle left our harbour with Newcastle born and raised naval officer Anita Sellick in command.

At our monthly meeting the night before, I overheard our Unit Commander Ron discussing the possibility of escorting the ship from our harbour. I jumped at the chance of asking Ron could I come along. Ron said, "of course you can Di." Next day was an overcast Tuesday but it certainly didn't dampen my enthusiasm for this exciting and unexpected adventure. The anticipation mounted as we left our mooring on the NC30 and headed to where the ship was ready to cast off.

Protocol required us to keep approximately 500 metres in front of the vessel but that didn't lessen the

excitement of watching a warship astern of us. As it passed Fort Scratchly the historic guns fired a salute which was answered by a return volley from HMAS Newcastle - 7 times each. This I understand dates back to early traditions. Anita explained to her crew - "that only when HMAS Newcastle comes into port, do we have a 7-gun salute - that is the recognition for the relationship and the respect they have for the namesake ship for their city. They'll not fire another 7-gun salute until the next HMAS Newcastle enters the port. So today we are all part of history." RAN ships rarely

return a salute like that, so it was considered very special. As if that wasn't awe inspiring enough, next thing my UC Ron said, "I would like us to salute the ship and its crew."

WOW, I have never participated in anything like this in my life! It was highly emotional and evoked a sense of national pride - producing goose bumps and a lump in my throat as the sailors lining the deck responded firstly with salutes then wild waving.



As the HMAS Newcastle put on speed, it let out one mournful cry from its horn before heading south for its decommissioning.

I am very thankful and honoured to MR Newcastle for giving me the opportunity to be part of such a significant and memorable event.

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After a bashing of the property market by the impact of a string of holiday events since November 2018, extremely negative economic media statements, a major Australian Federal election campaign diverting public interest and focus away from 'real issues' impacting on the livelihood and employment of most citizens. We are unable to obtain any real figures regarding how much of the tax payers money was put towards conducting this last Australian Politician's ego boosting election marketing, in excess of \$100,000,000 + had been muted by several media during the campaign. I'm sure some hard-working farmers could have used a bit of that. Now, since July, we observe a slow recovery in real estate transactions and prices being achieved in rents and sale price point....emphasis on slow recovery.

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SEPTEMBER 2019

- Sunday 8 September Founders Day & Blessing of the Fleet
- Sunday 8 September Spring SOPS Race 1 & Season Opening Party
- Saturday 14 September Safety & Sea Survival Course
- Sunday 15 September Spring SOPS Race 2
- Thursday 19 September Talk Like a Pirate Day
- •23-27 Sailors with DisAbilities visit NCYC
- 28-29 September Thirkell Trophy
- Sunday 29 September Spring SOPS Race 3

OCTOBER 2019

- Sunday 6 October Long Weekend and Daylight-Saving Time Begins
- Wednesday 9 October Club Marine Twilight Series
- Friday 11 October Laser Twilight Series
- Sunday 13 October Female Helm Series Race 1. Spring SOPS Race 4
- Tuesday 15 October SheSAILS Fundraiser Movie Night
- Saturday 19 October Ocean PS - Newcastle to Ports Stephens
- Sunday 20 October Port Stephens to Newcastle
- Friday 25 October SOLAS Fundraiser Dinner
- Sunday 27 October Spring SOPS Race 5

NOVEMBER 2019

- Friday 1 November Laser Twilight Series
- Sunday 3 November Spring SOPS Race 6
- Tuesday 5 November Melbourne Cup
- Wednesday 6 November Club Marine Twilight Series
- Friday 9 November Laser Twilight Series
- •9-10 November She Sails Open Regatta
- Wednesday 13 November Club Marine Twilight Series
- Friday 15 November Laser Twilight Series
- 16-17 November Farr 40 Regatta
- Sunday 17 November Ocean PS -Bird Island Race
- Wednesday 20 November Club Marine Twilight Series
- Friday 22 November Laser Twilight Series / Supercars visit Newcastle

Every Week

- Tuesday Night Trivia 7pm in the Marquee
- Thursday Night Members Draw [LTPS/19/36469]: up to 4 draws per night:
 6.15pm, 6.30pm, 6.45pm & 7pm Cash prize starts at \$200 and jackpots if not won
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