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Commodore's Message



Welcome to all our readers. I hope you enjoy this Spring Edition of our NCYC Journal Thirty Two Fifty Five. Thanks to our members who have shared their news and taken the time to write great articles for us. Thanks also to our new editor Ethan Tucker, who has recently taken over from Di Hansen.

I hope you, and your family and friends are all well, and you are coping with our 'new normal' as we slowly open up after COVID-19 restrictions. At the time of writing this article, the State of Victoria are under lockdown, and NSW were on a knife edge (with daily cases between 10 and 20), so I do hope that by the time you read this, the situation for us all has greatly improved.

NCYC will comply with all COVID Safe requirements from NSW Health and NSW Clubs, so that we can keep you all safe while enjoying our facilities. We do thank you for your understanding and compliance with these measures, and also for continuing to support your club during this difficult period.



We have recently held our 26th Annual General Meeting (AGM). For the first time, our members had the option to attend in person or online, and by all accounts the technology worked well. Everyone had the opportunity to ask questions, and I hope those who attended found the presentation from the Board useful.

Thank you to all our members who completed the club survey, as your feedback is very important to us. Your suggestions and ideas for further improvement are greatly appreciated, and we will send out a separate communication regarding the follow up actions we will be taking.

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Steve Rae, Commodore

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Rear Commodore's Report



I'm sitting at my desk wondering how to open this report. There is an old saying (curse) that U.S. President John Kennedy attributed to the Chinese – "May you live in interesting times". The Chinese people that I know have never heard it, but maybe some nuance is 'lost in translation'? The fact

remains that we ARE living in interesting times. When the COVID-19 health emergency arrived in late March/early April our sport suffered the same fate as all the others. I'll leave Steve, Valda and Paul to comment on the registered club aspects, but for me and the Sailing Committee it is, and always has been, about your safety. It's about our collective wellbeing. The consequences of getting it wrong could be devastating for anyone of us, our families, or our friends. This is about sheep stations!

We imposed strict conditions on sailing including weekly declarations and a maximum crew calculator that estimated useable deck area and ensured that at least 4m² was available for each person. Additionally, we limited sails and excluded spinnakers to minimise the close proximity requirements of the crews. Can you believe we had 17 entries and never less than 12 - 13 boats on the water for the 5-race series? Congratulations to Rob and Jan Howard's 'Schouten Passage' (IRC), Warwick Miller's 'Lumiere' (PHS D1) and Michael MacFayden's 'Pronto' (PHS D2).

I would also like to publicly congratulate the winners of the Summer Short Ocean Pointscore. As we all know, we sailed the last race without knowing we had. The honours in that series went to Warwick Miller's 'Lumiere' (IRC & PHS D1), and Andrew Miller's 'Uprising Bakery' (Red Dog) (PHS D2).

While we have results on our minds, there is a plan for presentations. Our preference is to have a relatively normal COVID Safe format, but this may be changed if the current outbreaks worsen causing reimposition of restrictions. In this case there will be a changed format, but you will receive your silverware.

Additionally, I'm keen to share with you some good news about the Sailing Season that was 2019/2020. If you attended the AGM, you have seen these numbers, but I want to ensure a larger audience hear about it. One of the headlines in the financial results (31 March 2020) was the reduction of the club finance facility (mortgage) to \$100,000. When I joined the board in April 2015 this figure was \$1,420,000. As I write to you today it is effectively \$0. There is a small amount still

owing to keep the facility available for future plans. I'm not trying stealing Valda's thunder; I'm suggesting that those who don't read the Treasurer's Report should take the time. All this means we are in the enviable position of being able extend our club's sailing and other activities. Despite our 3-month COVID-19 hiatus, our total sailing was up by 104%. See the sailing results below:

Sailing Academy Comparison 2018/19 with 2019/20

ALL Women's Academy Sailing	67 up to 160	+139%
Discover Sailing Experience	310 up to 596	+92%
Learn to Sail "Tackers"	111 up to 214	+93%
Start Crewing	32 up to 40	+25%
Start Helming	13 up to 19	+46%
Start Skippering	4 up to 9	+125%
National Keelboat Program	45 up to 71	+31%

Laser and Keelboat Comparison 2018/19 with 2019/20

Laser Sailing	30 races	-52%
Keelboat	46 races	+15%
Regattas	NSW Country Champs & Farr 40 Event	
Cancelled (COVID-19)	SailFest Newcastle & Port Stephens Lead In	

Our other achievements in the delivery of sailing to our members included the introduction of the Elliott 6 fleet which have since sailed the:

- Members 25yr Anniversary Regatta (NEW)
- Open League (NEW)
- Youth League (NEW)
- Crackerjack Cup (Match Racing) (NEW)
- Thirkell Trophy (Youth Match Racing) (NEW)
- NSW Emergency Services Regatta (NEW)
- She Sails Open Regatta on the Elliott 6 (Upscaled)
- Newcastle Youth Keelboat Regatta

(Sincere thanks to Jacqui and Jack for the collation of this data)

As I started, we may be living in 'interesting times' right now, but I'll leave you with an old African proverb that was later used by WW2 US President Franklin D Roosevelt – "Smooth seas do not make skilful sailors".

Roosevelt knew something about adversity – he became president at the height of the Great Depression and finished as WW2 ended!



Barry Kelly, Rear Commodore

Chief Executive Officer's Report



This year has seen a most unusual winter.

COVID-19 has impacted all facets of club life – some more than others. But the efforts of our members, board, staff, and management team have allowed the club to minimise the impact as much as possible. The members have been extremely

understanding and supportive of all the constant changes, the board have kept current on legislative changes and been proactive in setting policy, the staff have been positive flexible and willing to take on a variety of roles and challenges. The management team have been extraordinarily focussed, adapting to the changes quickly and supportive of their teams. It has been a genuine collective effort to get the best outcome possible for the club.

We did manage a limited winter series sailed under special COVID-19 restrictions. There was a good fleet of 15 boats that all enjoyed close competitive racing. It was great to see a few new boats join the club. Post sailing was also unusual as there were no presentations, no mingling, and a constant reminder from the staff to take a seat. The Youth Development Squad also had a different season. While they did not get to compete against Sydney clubs this year, they did get to progress to some offshore yacht racing. Hopefully, this can become an annual pathway to offshore racing. Our sailing staff have continued to do many maintenance tasks on the F24 fleet getting them ready for a busy summer.

On a positive note the Licensed club has bounced back quickly even with its COVID-19 restrictions.

Once restrictions on numbers were lifted mid-June, Nor East has enjoyed solid bookings. August saw a limited form of Sunday entertainment resuming. The social committee did manage to sneak one small event in – The Winter Solstice celebration. It was very well received and hopefully become an annual event.

Unfortunately, we did have to cancel the inaugural Breakout Series that had 67 entries and also had to cancel our annual NSW Country Championship. Additionally, there was no annual presentation dinner, the highlight of the social calendar, which was very disappointing.

We can however still be optimistic about Spring. The annual calendar has been 'tweaked' from last year based on the sailor survey. I think we will see larger Wednesday and Sunday offshore fleets with a few new arrivals to the marina. We can also look forward to a return to mid-week inshore racing on Tuesday and Thursday nights. We hope to be able to finalise the new home for Friday Lasers before October and see that division flourish over summer. The club will be looking at innovative dining, wine and cocktail experiences that can be COVID-19 compliant. The warmer weather will make our palm tree filled beer garden the ideal alternative to any overseas tropical islands.

I look forward to seeing you at your club.

Paul O'Rourke, CEO

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Marina & Assets Manager's Report



Welcome to the Spring edition!

I would like to firstly thank the NCYC Board and Senior Management for their continued support and encouragement during these challenging times. Also, to the Dockmaster, Marina and Maintenance team a sincere and huge thanks

for your efforts and commitment to keeping things seamlessly ticking along.

It's been an opportune time to undertake some specialty projects, over the winter months. Jan Howard and Mary Holley were clearly blessed with green thumbs and so kindly volunteered their time and gardening passions to give the potted plants in the Clubhouse a makeover. The marque resembled a garden nursery rather than a functions venue. I'm sure all would agree that the greenery in the Club and outside areas bring a distinctive class and ambiance. Thank you to the talented ladies and the maintenance team for the hard work – the green life looks fantastic!



The maintenance team have undertaken the annual tightening of the marina joints, elbows and fingers. This is a two-person project that takes a few days if the weather is favourable. It sometimes may require boats to be moved to ease pressure on T-heads and finger berths. Thankyou to any boatowners that cooperated when asked to move.



The Supermaxi 'InfoTrack' is once again alongside for an indefinite amount of time. Since her previous stay at NCYC and very successful Sydney-Hobart campaign, she has changed ownership and is a site to behold on B dock towering over the marina. Let's see if the 2020 campaign gets off the ground for the new owner.

The rollout of the new staff uniforms commenced in July. The staff are all looking sharp and the new uniform has been well received. It will continue to be rolled out to casuals, on-water crew and administration staff in the coming months with the hope of all being kitted out before Summer. Facemasks for the Bar, functions and wait staff have been specifically manufactured. They are reusable, washable and compliant with the current COVID-19 guidelines – here's hoping that NCYC staff are that one step ahead should the case of compulsory mask wearing be implemented.

The Marina again hosted short-term berthage for many vessels heading back to international waters. In late April, there were 16 boats that had been moored at NCYC that were loaded onto the delivery ship. The bottom floor of the ship is loaded first, then a roof like structure put in place that then becomes the floor of the next level. Some fascinating photographs of inside the ship as the boats are loaded, stood and supported and secured down.



Government guidelines suggest the use of hand sanitiser and frequent handwashing are key to minimising potential spread of the Corona Virus. Each dock has a hand sanitiser dispenser installed at the inside of the dockgate. Marina guests are encouraged to use at will. There is also a dispenser conveniently located at the entrance to the Administration Office and Laundry/amenities facilities and throughout the Club.

Stay well, stay safe.

Sandy Hapgood

Bar Manager's Report



The Clubhouse has been thriving since reopening, with members and guests showing how much they missed us during the shutdown. It's been great to see our members back enjoying their 'New Look' Clubhouse.

The feedback we are receiving from patrons in regards to

how we are managing our COVID Safe Plan has been very positive and supportive. We are often complimented on being one of the leaders in the Newcastle hospitality scene when it comes to providing a COVID Safe environment. Our members cooperation and support has also been great in regards to adapting to the new COVID-19 rules and regulations in place.

We are still striving to create an enjoyable atmosphere within the Clubhouse with live music back on Sundays, new beers appearing regularly, Nor East's great menu and the greatest wine list the Clubhouse has ever had soon to be released.

See you in The Clubhouse!

Matt Stamp



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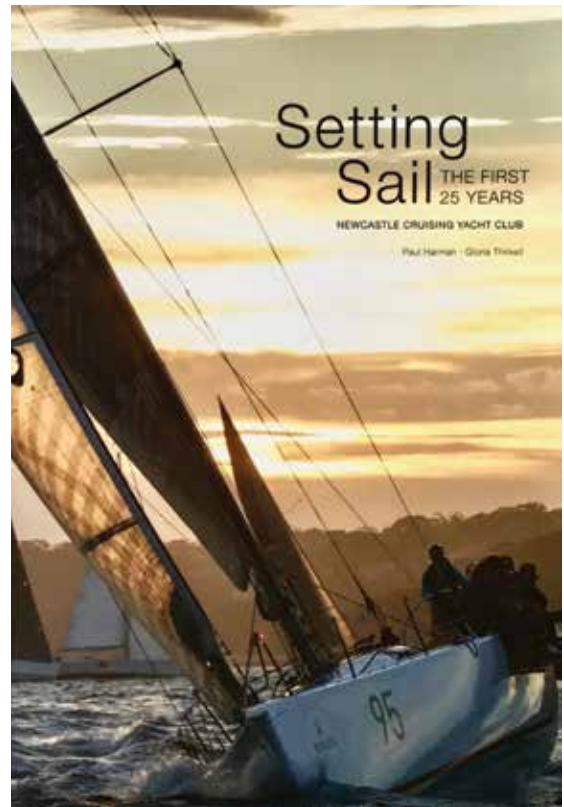


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Results of the AGM

On the 6th of August, NCYC held its 26th Annual General Meeting. Due to COVID-19, there was a limited amount that could gather and attend in the marquee. Thankfully, with the help of Zoom, NCYC was able to meet the required amount of members to hold a quorum.

The motions to adopt the minutes from the previous AGM, the 2019/20 financial report and continued appointment of DFK Crosbie as auditors were all carried. The board members of NCYC were all appointed unopposed. The floor was then opened to comments and questions from the audience.

The NCYC staff, and those working in the bar in particular, received enormous praise from members in attendance and thanked them for their hard work, compassion and understanding during the COVID-19 crisis. For those who didn't or were unable to attend, there is a link available to watch the recording on our website.



NCYC Board of Directors 2020/21 (left to right)
Back row: Director Ken Semple, Director Phil Ashley-Brown, Director Jan Howard; first row Rear Commodore Barry Kelly, Commodore Steve Rae, Vice Commodore & Treasurer Valda Johnston, Club Captain Adrian Kiely



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Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club Clubhouse Risk Management Plan

AUGUST 2020

We are excited to be able to finally welcome you back to *your club*!
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Social Distancing

All patrons are to follow Social Distancing measures we have in place and are advised that they are not to commingle with other groups. This will include No moving of furniture, remain seated when in the clubhouse and follow floor markings, signage and directions given by staff.

Infection Control

Patrons are to wash/sanitise their hands upon entering and exiting the clubhouse, using the restrooms, blowing their nose, or coming in to contact with another person. Additional hand sanitiser stations and options have been placed around the clubhouse for you to use. Increased cleaning and sanitising procedures have also been implemented. All Staff have completed COVID-19 infection control & risk management training.

New Safety Measures in Place

Access to the Clubhouse will be restricted to our Main Entry only. This will assist staff in accurately controlling our venue capacity limits and ensuring everyone has registered using the QR Code. All Patrons including members will be required scan the QR Code upon entering the Clubhouse. Staff will be more than happy to assist anyone with scanning this code and can manually register patrons who are unable to scan the code with their phone. Bookings & Tables will have a maximum of 10 people. We will not split bookings or groups to accommodate more than 10.

Stay Safe, Enjoy your stay, Welcome back!
Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club Management.



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Social Highlights

Rainbow over NCYC

Photos by Neil Manson



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Winter Wonderland

With restrictions on sporting activities being (slightly) eased, we contested the COVID Cup throughout June and July.

There were a few requirements placed on crews including conducting a team briefing each day to



discuss how they were going to address Covid Safe sailing onboard their boat, restricting the number of persons allowed on board based on a formula to calculate available deck space compared to the 4m² guideline, racing non-spinnaker due to reduced crew numbers, and submitting a detailed crew list.

The legislation in place at the time, required crews to practice 1.5m physical distancing at all times except during manoeuvres where they are permitted to work together during tacks, gybes, hoisting sails, etc.



Going in to the final day of racing, we started the day on a three way tie for first place as the fleet raced out the harbour lead by 'Marta Jean' and 'Schouten Passage' out in front.



The first rounding mark proved challenging as we saw the first three places spread apart during the rounding, a boat collide with the buoy, and a few boats struggle to get up and around the buoy without tacking.

With the sun shining down on the race course the swell was still big from the recent East Coast Low, but each wave was spaced out by long periods and was long and rolling. Perfect conditions for smooth winter sailing!

Overall for the series in IRC Division, 'Schouten Passage' claimed the victory, followed by 'Lumiere' and 'Marta Jean'.

In PHS Division 1, 'Lumiere' took the winning title followed by 'Uprising Bakery' and 'Schouten Passage'.

In PHS Division 2, 'Pronto' (newly added to the NCYC fleet) came out on top, followed by 'Paloma' and 'Nyssa'.



Sailing Manager's Report



Since my last report, I'm pleased to confirm that we have in fact been back on the water. Although in a significantly reduced and restricted manner, being on the water can be considered a reward in any capacity at this point in time.

As we approach the end of the old season and plan to begin the new, we've compared the statistics of this season to that of last season and have identified some outstanding achievements to share. On racecourse, we conducted 462 races in the 2019-2020 period. This is up 104% from 227 races conducted in 2018-2019. Largely, this is thanks to the Club's acquisition of Olympic Elliott 6m yachts that we launched in July last year. We were able to introduce a comprehensive suite of inshore racing and regattas and expand on existing annual events.

Within the Academy, we saw similarly significant increases in participation having doubled participation in Tackers Kids Learn to Sail, Adult Discover Sailing Experiences, and Women's Sailing courses. The National Keelboat Pathway also saw sizeable increases in the Start Crewing, Start Helming and Start Skippering courses.



We're also in the process of launching a new array of courses that will enhance the offshore skillset of members including Radio Operator Certificates, Sea Safety & Survival courses, Marine First Aid, RYA Diesel Engine Course, and a Man Overboard Masterclass. Additionally, we are looking to add an array of Information Sessions by inviting guest speakers to discuss Racing Rig & Sail Trim, Racing Starts & Tactics, Blue Water Sailing Preparation, Boat Maintenance, Marine Weather, and Coastal Port Familiarisation sessions.



In lieu of the Winter Short Ocean Pointscore, we contested a modified "COVID Cup" that placed restrictions on crews in an attempt to reduce the risk of transmission associated with sailing here at Newcastle. You can find more on this five week series deeper in the magazine.

Additionally, we reactivated our Youth Academy to work with a smaller squad this year. I was joined by Felix Prince as we took on the roles of Squad Coaches throughout July and August and we pushed the squad of 13-16yr olds to their physical limits training on the Force 24s. The squad focused heavily on boat handling and using their bodyweight to assist maneuvers. We quickly raced through the fleet racing module to get to the intro to match racing module where everyone could have some fun trying to take advantage of the rules to control their opponent. To conclude the match racing module, we conducted a mini regatta where our squad teams competed against teams led by Midcoast Boatyard's Joe de Kock, and our recent youth graduate come sailmaker Thomas Steenson.



To wrap up the youth squad, we took the squad sailing offshore on 'Mako' where they had the opportunity to demonstrate their capabilities to transfer their sailing skillset to a bigger boat with heavier loads on ropes and sails. The next step will be to see them participate aboard yachts at the NSW Country Yachting Championship coming up at the end of August. See more about the youth squad deeper in the magazine.

On top of the COVID Cup, and the Youth Squad, our team of casual instructors have been silent heroes – working in the Midcoast Boatyard week after week as they strip away the layers of old antifoul that has built up year after year. Weeks turned into months, and the team of Andrew Omotosho, Felix Prince, Karma Randall and Courtney Smith are persistent in their exhausting endeavor to bring new life to the hulls of the aging Force 24 fleet. They have stripped all the old antifoul off, sanded, filled, primed and antifouled a new coating that will improve their hydrodynamic hull shape and make the boats easier to sail for years to come. The proof will ultimately arrive in September when we aim to reactivate the Sailing Academy and once again provide Newcastle with access to our incredible sport.



buoys, and we replaced the tie down straps at the Elliott hardstand compound at Thales. While we'd rather be on the water, we're still maintaining productivity nevertheless and we're better prepared than ever to tackle the rapid expansion of our on-water activities in the years to come!

Finally, save the date on Sunday 13th September as we kick off the new season with the Blessing of the Fleet and the first race of the new sailing season. There will be prizes for Best Dressed Crew and for Best Dressed Boat! Be sure to jump online and submit an entry form for your boat to participate.

Jack Buchan



We've also been busy checking our fleet to ensure that each boat's first aid kit contents are up to date, all of the safety equipment is onboard and accounted for, and servicing all of our fire extinguishers and inflatable lifejackets. The 'Mark Boat' has been upgraded to include a B&G Wind Plotter, and the 'Paul

Gleeson' RIB has had the transom replaced and a towing pole added. We acquired another floating pontoon to store our other RIB, we serviced all of our racing



Meet the Team

Ethan Tucker



Throughout his 18 months working at NCYC, Ethan has also working three days a week at Officeworks, and while grateful for the experience he gained working there, as well as the many incredible friends that he made, after three years, it was time to move on, and so Ethan started to look for something new. But as our readers can imagine, finding a steady job in the COVID-19 environment is not an easy thing to do.

And then Di resigned, and Ethan began to contemplate going for the job himself. Shortly after hearing about Di's resignation, Ethan ran into Paul O'Rourke entered the office while he was performing his usual duties as dockmaster, and after a short conversation, the job was still up in the air. The next day, Ethan was called in and asked to come in and continue talking, and shortly after, he was in an Uber to Officeworks to let them know he would be finishing his role there.

While Ethan will still be performing his role of dockmaster on Sundays, this new role is exactly what Ethan plans to do after finishing his Bachelor of Creative Industries and Bachelor of Innovation and Entrepreneurship at the University of Newcastle in two years' time. In Ethan's first month, he has attended events and submitted applications that were scary and foreign, but at the same time exciting, fulfilling and meaningful. Everyone will be seeing a lot more of Ethan as he tries to understand all aspects of NCYC, and he is filled with excitement at all the opportunities that this role will bring.

Jay Piper



After leaving the miserable skies and the perpetual darkness of London at the tender age of 26, with little money and less sense, but an abundance of adventure, once Jay got to that airport bar at Heathrow, he knew there was little chance of looking back. Jay made his way through South-East Asia for six months before finally touching down in the merry old land of Australia.

First stop... Shortland. Jay feared that he had made a grave mistake. It didn't take long for him to realise Newcastle had much more to offer, and quickly found himself moving to Carrington, paradise in comparison, 'Carrodise' as known to the locals. A friend of Jay's took him for a short weekend to the Hunter Valley, and he was hooked.

The next 14 years saw him working in the wine industry in various roles. Managing a winery, wine rep, wine sales, starting a wine club and Jay was even fortunate enough to be involved with his first ever harvest.

Wine is a passion and a hobby of Jay's. He has studied, bled and breathed wine since that fortuitous weekend away. In an unexpected, but not at all unfavourable turn of events, he finds himself here at the yacht club, one of the best spots in the city! He's been given a great opportunity here, to expand and improve the standard of the wine that we have on offer here and could not be happier.

Watch this space, there are whisperings of an exclusive NCYC wine club! One day Jay will even remember all of your member numbers!

Alicia Watt



Growing up by the ocean, Ali developed a love for the sea from a young age sailing Flying 11's as a grommet on Pittwater and doing Surf Life Saving Nippers at the local beach. From a young age, Ali traveled Australia with her dad to attend sailing regattas, spending the time together camping when not sailing. In 2014, she began her screen and media studies at Sydney Film School with the desire to be a marine documentary maker. That same year, Ali also began her work in the charter boat industry, working on a boat that ran out of Sydney Harbour where she started as a hospitality attendant. Ali went on to complete her deckhand

certification as well as undergoing coxswain and master 5 courses, which propelled her to work for sailing charter companies from 2017-2019.

From 2017 to 2018, Ali worked for Explore Sail Charters, where we sailed the old America's Cup boats. At the time she also worked for another private charter company where we sailed on predominantly Beneteaus and Sun Odysseys. For the past few years, Ali worked at the Royal Motor Yacht Club in Broken Bay, as well as for several charter boat companies on Sydney Harbour as a deckhand including Barefoot Charters, East Coast Sail and Rosman Ferries. In those same years, she crewed on offshore sailboat deliveries, traveling up and down the East Coast of Australia. With a huge soft spot for our world's wildlife, she absolutely loved all their whale, dolphin and even seal encounters.

Ali travelled all the way around our beautiful country last year in a van, playing music in pubs and venues to earn the money she needed to get by, before settling down in Newcastle in January. This year, Ali has started studying Environmental Science & Management at the University of Newcastle with the aspiration to combine her previous media studies and marine industry experience in a potential career on scientific expedition boats.

To view Ali's fantastic photography & videography check out: alijamproductions.com


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Cruising Fleet



64-foot Riviera @ NCYC

Last night NCYC was fortunate to have a brand new 64 foot Riviera here for inspection, thanks to Andrew Henderson of our Cruising Fleet.

The event was well attended with 54 people going onboard to view the Riviera, resulting in many favourable comments about the beautiful craft. One deposit and a potential buyer!

The Riviera crew were extremely helpful and engaging answering any and all questions. A number of the attendees went to the club afterwards, which I'm sure the bar staff and Nor East Bistro appreciated.



For those who couldn't make it, in about three weeks, there will be a YouTube video of the boat filmed in our area. We will forward the link when available.

Thank you to Andrew Henderson for all his efforts in organizing and executing this successful event, helping to lift the profile of the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club

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Sunset Harbour Cruise

Images by Neil & Charna Manson

Well, it's certainly been an interesting year dealing with the various levels of COVID-19 restrictions and early on, the confusion surrounding just what we were allowed to do boating wise. After weeks of uncertainty it was ruled that recreational boating was no longer permitted and if caught you had better have a good reason for being out on the water. That being the case, numerous owners decided it was an ideal time to tackle neglected maintenance which saw Whitworths and Bunnings become 'go to' destinations. In fact, I was there so frequently my car could find them on its own!

Finally, after weeks of lock down we were given the green light to resume boating so, to ease us back in, Paul and Alison Lobb decided a sunset harbour cruise would be ideal. With snacks and drinks in hand a group of fellow NCYC cruising fleet members boarded 'Champagne on Ice' for what turned out to be a lovely 2-hour harbour tour. It was a beautiful balmy evening and those present did their best to adhere to the 1.5 meter distancing rule which, let's face it, was pretty easy considering the massive size of the catamaran's foredeck.



Paul Lobb on
'Champagne on Ice'

When Captain Paul turned 'Champagne on Ice' and headed us for the marina the late afternoon sun's oblique lighting worked its magic setting foreshore buildings aglow. Further enhancing our almost surreal experience Paul hoisted the headsail, cut the motors and harnessing the breeze we silently cruised for home. For some onboard this was a unique experience, quietly travelling up the harbour under sail without the familiar throbbing sound from big diesel engines.

As we neared 'The Basin' a twilight sky turned familiar buildings into imposing silhouetted monoliths. Even our new B arm resident 'Info Track' got into the act striking a most impressive pose. For those sailors suffering mast envy, I suggest you look away!

I must say it was a truly spectacular reintroduction to our coveted boating lifestyle made all the better in the company of wonderful friends.

'til next time,
Neil Manson



Twilight over
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Sailing Academy Report



With our Sailing Academy activities coming to a grinding halt on the 22nd March it's been a quiet time for the Academy... but only on the water!

There has been so much going on both in terms of administration and facility management during the pandemic shut-down period.

The support of the NCYC Board and CEO Paul O'Rourke during these challenging months has been amazing and has allowed some of our instructor team to remain employed and engaged with valuable maintenance projects.

Andrew, Felix, Karma and Courtney have renovated the Academy barge and, at date of writing, almost completed all six Force 24 keelboats – scraping off years of old antifoul, stripping back to fibreglass and then reapplying fresh antifoul. What a time consuming and messy job this has been but, what a difference it has made! Topsides, deck fittings and bilges have all had attention too.



Left to Right - Karma Randall, Courtney Smith, Felix Prince and Andrew Omotosho

Hoping to move forward positively, all of our Spring and Summer courses have been scheduled and online enrolments set up on the website. New course flyers are available in the clubhouse with the latest 2020/21 dates. Enrolments are open for all of our courses now with payment not due until 21 days prior to course commencement.

We have also taken time to review many of our operational policies and procedures with an important new Child Safety Strategy recently approved by the Sailing Committee and updated Emergency & Incident Management Plans in place. A new page on the website, Booking Information & Assistance, now provides loads of detail relating to Academy courses. A detailed COVID Safety Plan and supporting documentation has been developed so we are ready to operate in the safest manner possible come the Spring.

Several Tackers Catch-Up sessions are planned for September so the kids can finish off their courses which were cut short with the lock-down. The kids will then be ready to move onto their next Tackers course either in the school holidays or during term 4.

We have introduced a new Women's Spinnaker course which will run in conjunction with our usual Women's Sailing courses on Thursday evenings and Friday mornings. The first 4-week spinnaker course will begin in October. Our SheSAILS@NCYC Development



Regatta participants have been offered a free session in this course or a 25% discount if they wish to do the full 4-weeks, after not being able to get on-water for their regatta due to a smoking southerly cancelling racing.

Our second annual Academy Graduates Development Regatta is also planned for December, with full details available in a specific article in this issue.

Reviewing the figures of our 2019/2020 season, it's easy to see why it seemed so busy! Despite being cut short due to the lock-down we achieved some significant increases in participation numbers over the period.

This year we have experienced a 92% growth in Tackers participation, a 139% increase in participation in women's courses, an overall 39% increase in the National Keelboat Program with a 25% increase in Start Crewing, a 46% increase for Start Helming and a 125% increase for Start Skippering showing our improved retention of customers. Our keelboat Discover Sailing Experiences also saw an increase in participation by 92%. Our amazing instructing team should be very proud of their hard work during the season and the quality experiences they provide. We have received some genuinely lovely feedback from our participants. Great work team!

Looking forward to 2020/2021, we are very pleased to be launching our first online course options in conjunction with Above & Beyond Boating. These courses, which we will be rolling out in the next few weeks, will provide more flexible options for our members to extend their skills and knowledge in all things sailing, boating and marine related. Please keep an eye on our weekly e-newsletter for our latest releases!

We hope that everyone stays well in these challenging times and we look forward to welcoming you for some fresh air and enjoyment through our Academy activities.

Jacqui Ellis

Youth Squad Go Offshore

By Jack Buchan, Sailing Manager

Since early July, the Youth Squad has been on the water every weekend training and racing in the Force 24 training yachts.

This years' Squad Structure focused heavily on boat handling as they implemented those skills into fleet racing, and an introduction to match racing.



The squad is scheduled to end at the end of August with each squad member participating in the offshore NSW Country Yachting Championship aboard NCYC yachts.

On Sunday 16th August, the Youth Squad took advantage of Sydney-Hobart yacht 'Mako' and braved the wind and the ocean to sail down the coast in a training exercise. While it was a clear and sunny day, the wind at Nobby's did exceed 25knots+ in the gusts!

The squad - ranging in ages from 13yrs to 16yrs - met our squad coaches Jack Buchan & Felix Prince at 8:30am for a safety briefing onboard the yacht and to rig the sails. They raised the sails near Honeysuckle and continued out of the Harbour before turning South toward Merewether. At Merewether, the boat headed out to sea approximately 2 Nautical Miles and then worked upwind into the 20knots+ westerly until they could almost step off onto Merewether Baths. The team then stuck close to shore as they reached across the breeze from Merewether to Nobbys and back again - rotating crew roles on each run.



Buchan summed up their day on the water as "an exciting morning on the water as "an exciting morning on the water. The squad successfully implemented their Force 24 keel boating skills and applied them on the



much bigger Mako, handling the bigger loads on ropes and sails safely."

Prince added "We had some fast runs, at over 12knots+ in some of the biggest gusts out there. The squad demonstrated their capabilities today and we're really proud of each of them."



From here, the squad is scheduled to participate offshore in the NSW Country Yachting Championships 29/30



August, then they will be looking forward to Daylight Savings – when we get the Elliott fleet back in the water to contest the Youth League in October and the Match Racing Tournament in November.



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Academy Graduates Development Regatta

By Jacqueline Ellis

Building on the success of our inaugural event last year, we are pleased to release the dates for the 2020 Academy Graduates Development Regatta.

The regatta is designed for graduates of any of our sailing courses, to come together with a skilled skipper, and take that first step into racing in an inshore around-the-buoys event. No one is expected to have been racing before as we'll help you step by step through this new experience!

We will accept individual entries and then create crews of five to sail on the Force 24 keelboats. We'll pair your crew with an experienced skipper who will support and guide you on this new challenge.



The half-day Training Morning will be held on Saturday 5th December with the Racing Day the following Saturday, 12th December.

The Training Morning will provide you with the opportunity to get to know your crew, we'll have a short shore session with handouts and then head out onto the water to teach you the extra things you'll need to know to get around the race course. On the Racing Day, we'll aim to sail up to six races within the Harbour, keeping the race time to approximately 45 minutes. This will give everyone lots of starting practise and improve skills for rounding the buoys. The regatta is all about learning, so we're not focused on actual race results!



The "Notice of Race" is available to download from our website and registration is open now! There are only 24 places available, so make sure you don't miss out!

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A couple is seen from behind, standing on the deck of a boat. The man is standing and holding a rope, while the woman is sitting next to him. They are looking out at the ocean under a bright, hazy sunset sky. The water is calm with gentle ripples. In the foreground, the boat's deck is visible, featuring a large white storage hatch, a stainless steel rail, and some equipment. The overall mood is peaceful and romantic.

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New Additions to NCYC

Michael & Kim McFayden - 'Pronto'

We fell in love with the Beneteau Sense design 5 or 6 years ago after seeing it featured online. There are only five of the 43-footers in Australia which made it tricky to get hold of one. After missing out on one in Middle Harbour, we happened to spot Pronto at CYCA in 2018. We approached the owner who said they'd be selling in the not-too-distant future. Basically, we stalked the guy for two years, but he couldn't find a boat he liked as much. We even sent him new Beneteau designs that were coming out to try and encourage him to let go! It finally came off in February this year. Hallelujah!



Michael & Kim McFayden aboard Pronto



We inherited the name 'Pronto', and we really like it. It means 'quickly' in Italian which is a little misleading as she's only quick in 10-15 knots of wind.

It's hard to pick just one favourite quality, but it's got a lot of size for a 43" boat – huge cockpit, galley and saloon. It's designed to be a little like a catamaran with a smooth transition of only 3 steps between the cockpit and the saloon. Great ceiling height as well which was hard to find in other boats the same length.

We would like to get up to the Whitsundays and maybe Tassie. New Zealand and the Pacific Islands could be on the cards once we have a few overnights under our belts. We plan to race regularly at NCYC, with our barge arsed boat and beers usually in hand we somehow managed to win division 2 of the recent 'COVID Cup' (much to the consternation of our friend Greg Bolster on 'SV Doris'). Very much looking forward to Sunday and twilight racing later in the year!

John Burrows - 'Betty D'



I'd been putting off buying a boat due to their ongoing costs. However, with COVID-19 putting a halt to any travel and regattas, I couldn't knock back this boat as an opportunity to do some cruising. It's a great entry level yacht from a size and cost standpoint and having the advantage of knowing the great maintenance history from Greg Bolster's ownership, it was an offer too good to refuse.

The boat was named after my mother Betty. My sister suggested adding the extra touch of the 'D', the initial of my mum's middle name, which adds a ring to it to give 'Betty D', although at the time of writing it still sports the name 'Gregarious'.

I absolutely love the maintenance record of the boat and

is probably my favourite factor of the vessel. However, the fact it's an Australian Swanson and shallow draft certainly help. Also, being able to bring her back to



the "Crap Boat Cup" to continue the rivalry with 'Paloma' gives me great satisfaction. My first job is to fix up the interior but after that, some cruising to Broughton, Port Stephens, the Lake, and Sydney. Fingers crossed I'd love to get to Lord Howe Island. And COVID willing, I'll definitely be racing at NCYC and maybe Sydney Balmain Regatta.

Robert & Helen Logan - 'Amelia'

Helen and I have loved boats and the water for as long as we can remember. I grew up with a small runabout and had a sailing dinghy as a teenager. Later, I sailed a Hobie 16 which was a lot of fun. We owned a Catalina a number of years ago and sailed in Pittwater but sold that boat in 2014. After moving to Newcastle in 2015, I got involved in volunteering at NCYC and sailing occasionally on 'Summer Salt'. We missed having our own boat and Helen convinced me to buy another Catalina. We looked at lots of other boats but settled on a 2012 Catalina 309. The Catalina 309 is a roomy small cruiser, easy to handle with a good set up.

We have named all our boats after significant women in our family tree. Amelia Hawes was my great, great Grandmother who lived in Melbourne and whose husband was a tug master on Port Philip Bay.



Naming this boat after her is just a gentle acknowledgement and thanks for her contribution and role in our lives.

We hope to enjoy some twilight racing and cruising over the summer. 'Amelia' is at D03 and if you are walking past and we are there, drop in and say hello.



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'The Bikini'

By Jan Howard

Now that's new look spinnaker!!
Confronted with the challenge of teaching trainees to hoist, trim, gybe and drop a spinnaker whilst the boat is in the pen, two of our ingenious instructor/mentors, Jane Hunt and Alyson Gearing, came up with the idea of 'The Bikini'. Two panels were removed and replaced with a panel of Bunnings bird netting and... voila... a training spinnaker that can be safely hoisted in the pen – spinnaker sailing without the need to go out on the harbour!

The idea developed as a result of the cancelled 'SheSails' Development Regatta in March. A strong southerly change forecast mid morning, meant that at short notice, we had to come up with other activities and one was a training session on spinnakers whilst the F24s remained in the pens. This threw up some practical challenges, and a new design training spinnaker was the outcome. The shape may look a bit unusual, but it works a treat, the boat stays nice and stable in the pen, and we miraculously we could even get it to set and trim.

Congratulations to 3HG Innovation Sails, (Hunt, Holley, Howard and Gearing). Patent pending!



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She Sails Open Regatta

By Jack Buchan

We're hastily receiving entries to this year's She Sails Open Regatta coming up later this year on the weekend of 28 & 29 November.

This year, in its third edition, the She Sails Open Regatta returns as two days of windward/leeward racing on the Club's fleet of Olympic Elliott 6m yachts. With eight yachts at our disposal, we have invited up to sixteen teams to compete – which means Round Robins with lots of changeovers to maximize participation and to enhance the competition.



The concept is designed to promote and develop women's sailing in the Newcastle region by providing female sailors with an enjoyable and high standard around the buoys inshore racing experience.

She Sails ambassadors Jan Howard and Mary Holley agree that "the regatta brings together a troupe of likeminded women – creating an aura of positive energy. We're overjoyed to see the concept thrive year after year and to continue to meet more and more women within the sport."

NCYC's Screaming Jets will come out to play with Meika Wright, Peta Norris, and Janease Graham assembling their team. While Meika enjoys "deciphering the next moves of mother nature," Peta will be "enhancing our teamwork to keep our maneuvers efficient and our sailing fast." Janease will draw on competition experience to complete the playbook for the Screaming Jets.

Team Sanatra, representing NCYC/LMYC, plan to return this year reuniting their team of Natalie Butterworth, Sarah Gamble, and Tracey Hansen. The trio admit that "while we love the intensity of the back-to-back racing and the excitement of the





changeover boat, we really look forward to renewing friendships created at last year's regatta and forging new friendships at this year's regatta... and to improve on last year's second place result!"

Eleanor Cunningham returns this year to "upskill on small keelboats" with her LMYC team Susie Wright and Kathy Johnson. Eleanor continues "The camaraderie, the energy, and the ambiance of the women's event is overwhelmingly refreshing. I'm looking forward to stepping back into the nimble little yachts again."

In 2019, we had ten teams representing Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club, Lake Macquarie Yacht Club,



Royal Australian Navy Sailing Association, Manly Yacht Club, Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron, the Australian Defence Force Sailing Association, and Mooloolaba Yacht Club. RANSA's team of Liz Borberg, India Howard, Jess Tavener and Chelsea Williams ended

Day 1 in second place and climbed the ladder to score first place overall for the regatta in the Finals Series Gold Fleet.

NCYC/LMYC team Natalie Butterworth, Sarah Gamble and Tracey Hansen ended Day 1 in first place but dropped to second place overall in the Gold Fleet Finals – something they aim to fix this time around!

NCYC's Justine Ella, Kristen Anderson, Karma Randall and Samantha Hickey climbed from fourth place at the end of Day 1 to finish on the podium in third place overall by then end of the regatta.

We're looking forward to meeting some new teams in 2020, and will follow the familiar format introduced last year that successfully helped us achieve our goal – to



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By Terry Reynolds

It has been an exciting period for members of Marine Rescue Newcastle, with the operational debut of our new rescue boat, a prestigious national honour for our Unit Commander and the announcement of a site for a new, permanent unit base.

Unit Commander Ron Calman was awarded the Emergency Services Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours List. The ESM is awarded to members of the emergency services in recognition of distinguished service.

Ron has served our community for more than six decades, including over 35 years with Marine Rescue NSW and our predecessor services, the Australian Volunteer Coast Guard Association, and the Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol. A skilled and respected rescue vessel master, Ron has conducted hundreds of rescue missions, often in dark and dangerous conditions. He has also been involved in all aspects of volunteering, including training, management, and fundraising. I could not think of a better recipient for this honour.

Our members have welcomed the announcement that a new long-term base has been found for our unit on the Stockton foreshore after five years without a permanent home. We are grateful to the organisations that have provided us with temporary facilities during this time, including most recently, of course, the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club, but this announcement means we can proceed with the development of a purpose-built base bringing together our radio and vessel operations.

A Crown Land parcel of land managed by the City of Newcastle is proposed to become our new home under a peppercorn lease, pending Council approval.

The 700sqm base will be built just a few metres from South Stockton boat ramp, at a projected cost of about \$1 million, funded thanks to a State Government \$37.6 million four-year investment in Marine Rescue NSW.

"We are delighted to have found a suitable long-term home for Marine Rescue after working closely with them to find temporary bases since their former site at Shepherds Hill was severely damaged by a super storm in 2015," Lord Mayor Nuatali Nelmes said.

"This new site on the edge of the Hunter River at the end of King Street gives the volunteers immediate access to the Hunter River to continue keeping Newcastle's boating community safe both inside and outside the harbour."

Marine Rescue NSW Commissioner Stacey Tannos thanked both Newcastle City Council and the State Government for their support for the unit's volunteers.

"The base will feature the latest marine communications technology and equipment. Having the unit's new rescue vessel right in front of the base will also improve crews' response times so they can be on the scene of an emergency even faster," he said.

ON THE WATER

With our coronavirus operational and training restrictions eased, Marine Rescue Newcastle members have been busy on the water since the last edition of Thirty Two Fifty Five. Our training has included crew inductions on our new vessel and night and day exercises using the sophisticated electronic aids on board, including the radar, plotter, AIS, Autopilot, and FLIR equipment. But before the 10m Naiad Newcastle 30 (NC 30) entered service, our old Kevlacat workhorse, the superseded NC 30, successfully completed five final missions:

- May 20: A boater on a 5.2 metre vessel that would not start about 2nm off Redhead was towed to the North Stockton ramp. Radio operator Rick Nevile and crew members Ron Calman and Mick Quill.
- June 06: A 6.5m boat stranded at North Reef with two people on board was returned to North Stockton ramp. Radio operator Stuart Lawson and crew members Terry Reynolds, Mick Quill and Paul Hardie.
- June 12: Four people on board a 6.3m boat that had broken down just off Newcastle were rescued and returned safely to the North Stockton ramp. Radio operator Don Roser and crew members Ron Calman and Rick Nevile.
- June 16: A 10m vessel lost power about 1nm south-east of Merewether Beach was towed to Carrington ramp. Radio operator Rick Nevile and crew members Ron Calman and Bill Johnston.
- June 21: Three people, including two children, were on a 6.8m boat when the gear box failed about 100m off Nobbys Head. With the boat close to the surf zone, radio operator Jon Dicker asked the skipper to advise immediately if the anchor started to drag. NC 30, with Ron Calman, Lyn Van Homrigh, Mick Quill and Matthew Doyle on board, made best speed to the scene, however, just as the rescuers arrived, the skipper got the boat into gear and moved to safety. This was the final operation undertaken by our Kevlacat NC 30.

By the end of June, the new NC 30 was operational and its first mission came on June 28, when it was tasked to assist a 5.5m half cabin runabout that was reported to have its anchor line fouled around its propeller close to shore about half a mile east of Bar Beach in a sizable swell. Radio operator Bill Johnston deployed the crew, Terry Reynolds, Lyn Van Homrigh, Stuart Lawson, Dianne Hammond and Rick Nevile. On scene, they discovered the line was to a fishing pot line and not the vessel's anchor line, which the skipper managed to free.

Six days later, Ron Calman and Mick Quill rescued a ski boat stuck on a sandbank 2nm upriver from the Stockton Bridge. As the crew was returning from Raymond Terrace, radio operator Helen Carter reported that a yacht was in difficulty 2nm off the entry to Newcastle, with a crew member reported to be suffering chronic seasickness. NC 30 rendezvoused with the yacht and took it under tow to the Cruising Yacht Club.



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**By Bernadette Barry –
Catholic Chaplain for
the Mission to Seafarers
and Apostle of the Sea**

We have all been in very troubled times as a nation since COVID-19 arrived on our shores. Each of us has a story to tell of the impact this time of turmoil presents. We have all had much to endure; personally, professionally, and financially.

As a result of this ongoing challenge, our care for the seafarers has had to take a different approach. Our regular practice involves seafarers being picked up from their ships and the crews enjoying some land time at the Mission and local shops. This allows them to feel some normality in conversation with other people.

Since COVID-19, all these things have changed. With the Mission changing its operating hours instead of closing, recommendations of staff and volunteers coming in to the centre, no ship visits through to crew members being unable to come off when in port, we have had to look at things differently.



Our team discussed ways to still be able to help our seafarers and support to them during these challenging times. Presently we are filling approximately thirty care packs each week with items such as chocolates, magazines, scripture readings, letters from our wonderful volunteers, DVDs, CDs, jigsaws, knitted beanies, and many other donations from our local community. These 'goodies' help crew members know the people of Newcastle are with them through this tough time.

We are screening online weekly faith reflections,



offering online shopping for the crews, and importantly providing emotional support through our digital chaplaincy. Over the past months there have been some very sad events concerning our seafarer family.

These times not only include being unable to get off the ships and not getting home, but also not able to support their families. All these issues accumulate resulting in much frustration, sadness, and emotional distress.

What we have been able to do all this through the generosity of our local Churches and community groups such as the NCC family. The seafarers are forever grateful for the support you have given. Thank you for your ongoing support.

You may have noticed the new \$1 donation stand at the bar. We are extremely grateful for the opportunity to have this facility in the club as a practical way of raising desperately needed funds for the centre. We look forward to sharing more positive news the next time we meet.



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- **Souvenirs**
- **Toiletries**



Any donation is appreciated and can be left at
NCYC Admin/Marina office or dropped off at 96 Hannell St, Wickham

Coming Events...

SEPTEMBER 2020

- 13 September
Blessing of the Fleet & first race of the season

OCTOBER 2020

- Tuesday Nights
Elliott Racing - Youth League
- Thursday Nights
Elliott Racing - Open League
- 17 - 18 October
Farr 40 Regatta One Design Regatta

NOVEMBER 2020

- Tuesday Nights
Elliott Racing - Women's League
- Thursday Nights
Elliott Racing - Members Match
Racing Tournament
- 14 - 15 November
Ocean Pointscore - Port Stephens Weekend
- 28 - 29 November
She Sails Open Regatta

EVERY WEEK

- Tuesday Night Trivia - 7pm in the Marquee
- Thursday Night Members Draw [LTPS/20/41608]:
up to 4 draws per night:
6.15pm, 6.30pm, 6.45pm & 7pm
Cash prize starts at \$200 and jackpots if not won
- Friday Night Raffles
Tickets sale 6pm - Draw 7pm
- Sunday Afternoon Live Entertainment from 2.30pm
- Saturday & Sunday Breakfast
between 8.30am-10.30am
- Monday-Friday Happy Hours - 4pm to 6pm

Clubhouse events are currently planned and will be announced subject to COVID-19 restrictions.



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To receive up-to-date information on weather warnings, safety tips, boating tips and more.
<https://www.facebook.com/MarineRescueNewcastle>

Security Phone Numbers

Emergency

- **Police** – (02) 4929 0999
- **Water Police** – (02) 4984 9012
- **Fire Department** – 000
- **Marina Power Failure** – Dockmaster 0408 299 512
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Club Directory

- **General Inquiries** (9am - 5pm)
(02) 4940 8188 – info@ncyc.net.au
- **Licensed Club**
(02) 4940 8188 – barmanager@ncyc.net.au
- **Marina Manager** (8am - 4pm 7 days)
0408 299 512 – dockmaster@ncyc.net.au
- **Administration** (9am - 5pm 5 days)
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