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## Commodore's Message



We have had a feast of quality sailing in our region in the past three months.

In addition to Sail Port Stephens and NCYC's Newcastle to Port Stephens Race your Club was host to the 2014 Audi IRC Australian Championship over the Easter weekend. It was a wonderful time at the Club and a most successful regatta. The event allowed us to promote the

Club and Newcastle incredibly well and judging by the overwhelming positive feedback, I suspect we will have the opportunity to repeat similar events in the future.

I must thank the staff for their efforts over the weekend, led by Michael in the Club and our CEO Richard Howard who was cornerstone to the regatta's success having bid for and then worked on the event for the last 9 months and being the go to person during the regatta. Well done team. Of course our thanks go to the team of club volunteers who unselfishly gave their time to assist with on and off water services. I had many representatives from other clubs remark enviously about the way our members respond in this manner and the friendliness of all involved.

As usual we hosted the Auto Advantage Newcastle to Port Stephens Race which saw 15 yachts race in a variety of conditions to Port Stephens on 6 April 2014. Well done to Stephen Proud's *Swish* for taking out line Honours and IRC and Tom Wood's *Toy Story* for winning PHS.

The annual Sail Port Stephens Regatta attracted a good fleet and provided some challenging sailing. Our yachts competed with distinction with Barry Kelly's *Concealed Weapon* winning Performance Racing Division 2 and Matt Fensom's *Long Time Dead* coming 5th in Division 2. Division 2 was also won by part-time NCYC yacht *Toy Story* owned by Tom Woods. Congratulations to all!

We were privileged to have world champion sailor Tom Slingsby as guest speaker at a luncheon prior to Easter. The Laser Dinghy group organised the luncheon and were delighted to nett around \$12,000 which will be contributed towards the Club's purchase of a Rigid Inflatable Boat (RIB) which will be used for coaching and mark laying with both inshore and offshore capabilities. Such an asset will support NCYC's growing Laser fleet on Friday evenings and provide more resources for coaching purposes and running regattas in the future.

NCYC's winter series began on 25 May 2014 and again this year we are offering complimentary berthing facilities for yachts visiting from other clubs who wish to participate in the whole series as well as free series entry to all yachts. Winter generally provides fantastic

sailing conditions off Newcastle and I would urge yacht owners both big and small, fast and slow to consider competing in the series. Winter is a great time to train up newbies and spinnakers are allowed but by no means a necessity (just let Mark our handicapper know if you are choosing to sail non-spinnaker).

Our financial year concluded at the end of March and despite a tough economic conditions we have been able to roughly maintain our previous year's operating performance which is a great credit to our team. Our AGM will be conducted on 14 August 2014 when more detail will be available on the Club's financial performance and five year strategic plan.

A reminder that the Club is here for its members, so please frequent the Club and marina facilities, get out on the water and partake in sailing and enjoy the social activities held by NCYC over the coming months.



Phil Arnall, Commodore



## NCYC MARQUEE HIRE SPECIAL

**Are you celebrating a special event or milestone between May & August 2014?**

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## Rear Commodore's Report

It has been an exciting period at our Club. The Club successfully hosted the Audi IRC Australian Championship. The Club demonstrated its capacity to run such a world-class event in a friendly manner. Our volunteers and staff excelled themselves. In particular the on-water activities were on par with none. As we quietly know our Club has first class resources starting with our great physical location in Newcastle Harbour a short distance from Stockton Bight, a first class Marina and facilities complimented by excellent sailing and catering volunteers and staff. Blessed with a mostly dry Easter and sufficient wind to hold the regatta NCYC did itself proud. I am sure that this event will be the precursor to many other elite regattas over the next few years. Our performance at this event will now make it possible to successfully apply for and host serious national and world championship events.

The fleet, though not high in numbers was high in calibre. Yachts travelled from and represented yacht clubs far away including the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania and Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club. Division A was won by *Team Beau Geste* a TP52 owned by Karl Kwok crewed by a predominately New Zealand crew including many Americas Cup sailors. Division B was won by *Nine Dragons* a DK 46 skippered and owned by Bob Cox from MHYC. Division C was won by *Wild Rose* owned and skippered by Roger Hickman. Roger Hickman is one of Australia's most experienced and proficient offshore yachtsman winning many championships including the Sydney to Hobart. We really did host a high calibre event. The onshore activities were remarked on by our visitors affirming our reputation for our friendliness and efficiency.

Tom Slingsby, originally from nearby Gosford, sailed in the regatta on Matt Allen's Carkeek 60 *Ichiban* as its tactician. Tom was the guest speaker at the Inaugural Laser lunch at the Club the week before. Tom impressed us at the lunch with his account of his rise to become the reigning world champion and gold-medal Laser sailor. Tom has been a world champion 8 times. Tom, the Oracle Team USA team manager and helmsman for the next America's Cup, gave us an insiders account on the previous Cup and a few insights into the campaign for the defence of the next one. Not only did Tom impress us with his stature in sailing he presented as a very well-grounded and down-to-earth athlete.

The Laser lunch was another success for the Club with the Laser guys organising a fantastic event and raising



over \$12,000 towards another sailing support vessel which will be used not only for the support of the Lasers but for many other uses including sail training and our normal racing activities. It was announced at the lunch with resounding applause that the new vessel would be named after Paul Gleeson my predecessor as Rear Commodore of this Club.

Our 2013-2014 Summer Season was successfully completed with the winners as follows.

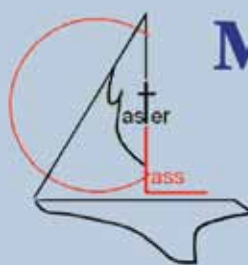
IRC	<i>PT 73</i> , Skipper Tony Lobb
PHS Div1	<i>Concealed Weapon</i> , Skipper Barry Kelly
PHS Div2	<i>Warrain</i> , Skipper Robin Hillery
Laser	<i>Jojie</i> , Skipper Jonathon Bromilow
Laser Pursuit	<i>Jojie</i> , Skipper Jonathon Bromilow

My congratulations to Tony, Barry, Robin and Jonathon



Kym Butler, Rear Commodore

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## Chief Executive Officer's Report



Welcome to the winter edition of NCYC's journal. The past few months have been hectic to say the least around the Club with the conclusion of summer sailing, racing up to and at Port Stephens, preparation for and the hosting the Audi IRC Australian Championship and a relatively busy autumn in the Club and around the marina.

The Audi IRC Championships were a wonderful success and the feedback from competitors was very complimentary. To see so many race yachts doing battle off Newcastle was personally very rewarding as was seeing the competitors enjoy our great facilities. Our volunteers and staff did an exceptional job and maintained NCYC's reputation as one of Australia's most welcoming yacht clubs and the event definitely lifted NCYC's profile as a top class regatta venue.

On a more serious note I would like to remind marina users of the inherent risks associated with using the marina and remind members to be extra vigilant when on the marina at night, with small children, if alone or if you have been drinking alcohol. Similar to any boat falling off the marina is an ongoing risk which is difficult to mitigate. Please ensure that when using the marina extra care is taken both on the gangways, walking along the fairways and particularly when climbing on and off boats. If you see a potential OH&S issue on NCYC's marina or elsewhere on the precinct please report it to the NCYC Office.

Petty theft on the precinct appears to have also flared up a little in recent months with a number of bicycles having gone missing. I would like to reiterate to all precinct user to take extra care with personal belongings and ensure vehicles are locked and marina gates are closed behind you (rocks are not allowed to be used to keep gates ajar under any circumstances). NCYC's members are the Club's best deterrence against criminal activity so if you see someone on the NCYC's precinct or marina that looks suspicious or like they don't belong on the marina please question them as to their activities or report them to NCYC's staff or the police.

The winter keelboat sailing series commences in the next week or two and is shaping up to be a great series with a strong entry list. I urge you to come down to the Club for a Sunday morning breakfast and farewell the sailors as the fleet of ten to fifteen yachts head offshore and enjoy the crisp winter conditions. A new winter menu is about to commence at the Club also so please

make use of NCYC's great Clubhouse facilities for a social drink, casual meal or function over the cooler months.

Richard Howard  
Chief Executive Officer



### Annual General Meeting

The 20th Annual General Meeting of the  
Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club Limited  
will be held on

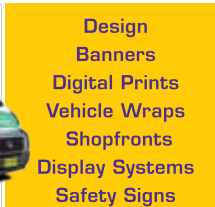
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## NCYC - Our Club

### STAFF PROFILE Adam Mowbray



Hi, my name is Adam Mowbray. I am 20 years old and I am currently in my second year of University studying a Bachelor of Development Studies, in which I am majoring in Environmental Sustainability. At the moment I am living on campus at Evatt House at the University of Newcastle.

Originally, my family comes from a 120 acre property near Forster where we run a small

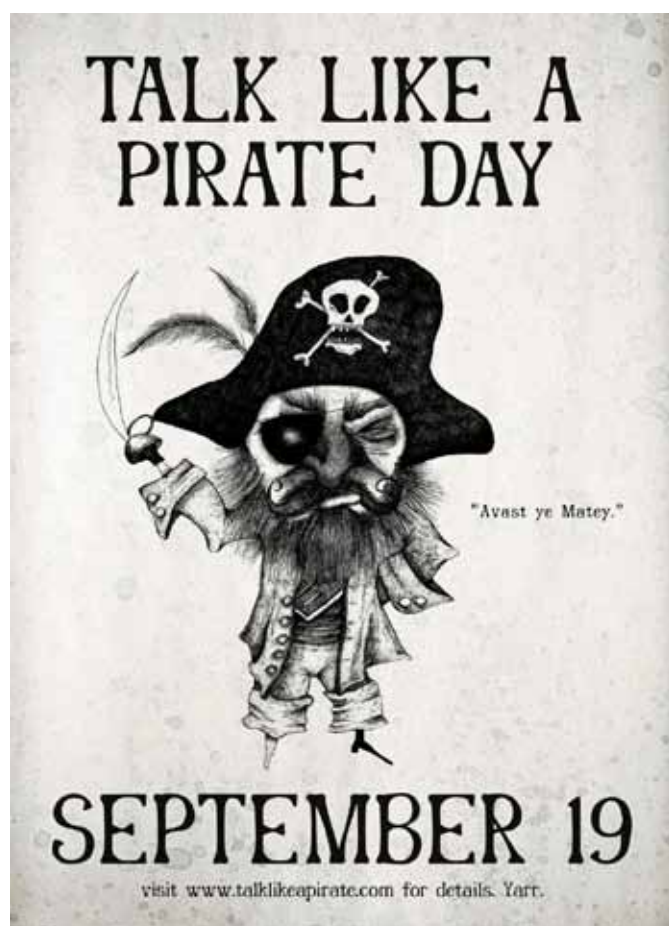
beef business. My hobbies include going fishing, field archery, camping and health.

I have been on board here at NCYC since February and I am enjoying getting to know people around the Club.

### Thursday Night Members Draw

Permit LTPS/13/08138 Up to 4 draws per night:  
6.15pm, 6.30pm, 6.45pm and 7pm.

Cash prize starts at \$200 - jackpots if not won.



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### MEMBER PROFILE Ted De La Garde



For the past 10 years NCYC member Ted De La Garde has consistently volunteered in the capacity of NCYC Race Official. Ted's responsibility has been race signals, both flags and sound. Over the years as more volunteers have joined the team, Ted has given away the flags to concentrate on race sound signals. Having

missed only one race (a Wednesday afternoon shore start many years ago), it's small wonder that Ted is a past recipient of NCYC's coveted Tenacity Award.

After the sale of our first committee vessel, Ted was also boat crew as he volunteered use of his boat as our only CV, with him at the helm of course. At his own expense Ted had a frame attached to the back of his vessel to accommodate the signal flags. "*Alsina*" served as start boat and mark boat for many years prior to our leasing and then purchase of "*Wombat*".



Start Boat Team 2005. Image by Al Parry.

### WANT AN OFFICE WITH A VIEW

We currently have office space to lease on the first floor of the NCYC Club as well as office space in our Commercial Centre.

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**Richard Howard on 4980 8188**



## ENTERTAINMENT

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## NCYC Winter Menu



### Available Now

Here are just a few menu items  
to get the tastebuds going.

Come in to view the full menu!

- Tapas Platter for 2
- Seafood Tasting Plate
- Pastas and Salads
- Gourmet Steak Sandwich
- Parmesan Crusted Chicken Breast
- Slow Roasted Pork Belly
- Creole Flavoured Seafood  
& Chorizo Chowder

**Bookings - 4980 8188**

# Audi IRC Australian Championship, 17-20 April



Division A Winners Team Beau Geste – Skipper Karl Kwok



Division B Winner, Nine Dragons, Skipper Bob Cox

ABC's Phil  
Ashely-Brown  
interviewing  
Richard  
Howard. Photo  
Ray Blackburn



*"This was the best regatta we have sailed in. It was an excellent venue with quality racing, generous hospitality and*

*great media coverage all reflecting on a fantastic NCYC team effort".*

Rob Howard – Schouten Passage



Sponsors & Life Members aboard Cheyenne – Photo Craig Wakefield



Wombat placing an Audi Buoy. Photo – Caroline Beckwith



Division C Winner, Wild Rose, Skipper Roger Hickman

Members wanting copies of photographs from the Audi IRC, should contact Andrew Francolini on  
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Aerial shot of Frantic.





IKON, Bruce McCracken - HBYC



Division 1 Start. Wombat - NCYC Start Boat



Marta Jean,  
Steve Rae  
- NCYC



SummerSalt,  
Tim Gleeson  
- NCYC



Patrice, Tony Kirby - CYCA



Long Time Dead, Matt Fensom - NCYC



Team Beau Geste, Karl Kwok - RHKYC

***“Newcastle NCYC showcased it’s Massive Potential as a Major Big Race venue and put on one “Hell of a show” for all the boats competing in the 2014 Aust IRC Champs.***

***I was absolutely Gobsmacked by the show the NCYC team “put on”, Catering, Skipper Drinks, Entertainment, Media support, Professional Marshalls and even the weather, over the Easter 2014 IRC Champs.***

***For Frantic racing against Gold Medalist, Pros, Americas Cup Sailors, Volvo Round the World sailors was a tough 4 days but a priceless task.***

***Congrats to Richard, all the Staff and Volunteers who contributed to an Outstanding Job.”***

Michael Martin - *Frantic*

# THANK YOU

To All Our Volunteers  
& Staff Members  
who participated  
in making the  
Audi IRC Australian  
Championship such a  
successful and  
enjoyable event  
for everyone over  
the long weekend.



One For The Road, Kym Butler - NCYC



ICNI Ban, Matt Allen - CYCA



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## 2014 SAILING PRESENTATION NIGHT



Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club would like to invite our members and their guests to our Sailing Presentation of Trophies and Prizes Evening for the 2013-2014 Season

- PLACE:** Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club  
**DATE:** Saturday 19th July 2014  
**TIME:** 6:30pm  
**DRESS:** Elegant  
**COST:** \$80 p.p., which includes seafood appetisers on arrival, mains, dessert, red/white/sparkling wine, beer and soft drink.  
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## WSOP

**Free Entry • Free Berthing • NCYC \$ Prizes**  
The Winter Short Ocean Pointscore commenced on 25 May with participants receiving free entry for all competitors and free berthing for non NCYC yachts competing.

NCYC hopes that this initiative will attract new competitors to the Newcastle offshore racing scene.

Further enquiries contact  
Dianne Fitzgerald, NCYC Sailing Secretary  
Tel: 4980 8188



### Article and image by Noel Gough

Last year whilst socialising at the Club Richard Howard mentioned that Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club was hosting the Australian IRC Championships off Newcastle Harbour in April 2014. The idea of racing my yacht *Excapade* (Northshore NXS38) against some of the best yachts in Australia was appealing to me so our preparations aiming towards this regatta started. After entering I had the boat measured for both IRC and ORCI certificates and maintained and prepared for this exciting event. In early April we travelled from Lake Macquarie to Newcastle in readiness and as usual we were treated to the facilities and friendship of the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club.



Image Excapade Crew working hard

**DAY 1:** We were in Division 3 and our excitement and expectations of all our crew was at a high as we headed out offshore for our first of three windward/leeward races against 13 other yachts. We had a good breeze and the ocean was choppy which made for exciting racing. The starts were particularly exciting. Our feet were swiftly brought back to ground finishing, 10th, 10th and 9th in these first three races. I sailed terribly (can't blame the crew) so there was not much joy on the boat on returning to port that day. Our spirits soon picked up as we debriefed over a few ales at the fantastic facilities of the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club clubhouse.

**DAY 2:** Only one race today, one moderate longer race (not much breeze, seas much calmer). We sailed much better and were rewarded with a 6th after hoisting our secret weapon i.e. fractional code 0. All on board much happier as we returned to the socialising at the clubhouse.

**DAY 3:** Two races, we had really good starts, sailed well with a 9th and a 6th. Back to the clubhouse for more joyous bonding.

**DAY 4:** No breeze, forced to wait offshore for some time until the breeze finally arrived enough for one windward/ leeward. We finally picked the right side of the course finishing with our best result of 2nd IRC. All crew smiles beaming. The second race of the day and the last of this regatta was the most exciting for us. Great start and close racing with some great boats in good breeze finishing 6th IRC.

Overall we finished with a credible 7th out of 14 starters. A very pleasing result for us (oh what could have been...). Much fun was had both on and offshore.

I have sailed *Excapade* in a few regattas and have competed as crew on many other occasions. I found the professional approach by the organisers and the many behind the scene helpers of this regatta, made it a tremendous success. This regatta has placed Newcastle on the sailing map and I'm sure the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club will host many more successful events in the future. The Club, staff and patrons are always friendly and inviting and we (from Lake Macquarie) always enjoy sailing there.

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## Laser Sailing & Lunch with Tom Slingsby

Article by John Searl and image by Ray Blackburn

### On the Water

The 2013-14 Laser Summer series (post-Christmas) was a huge success with 12- 15 boats sailing regularly. It was the "J" show with Joe De kock and Jono Bromilow featuring heavily in line honours and handicap over spring and summer with consistent performances.

The introduction of a pursuit race each week, afforded opportunities for the whole fleet to challenge for a line honours victory with Amy Lovell winning our last pursuit race in convincing style.

### Series Results

#### **Pursuit Summer – Post Christmas:**

1st Jon Bromilow, 2nd John Searl  
and 3rd Phil Ashley-Brown

#### **Off the Beach (line honours) Spring – Pre Christmas:**

1st Joe De Kock, 2nd Warwick Nichols  
and 3rd Paul Beath

#### **Off the Beach (line honours) Summer – Post Christmas:**

1st Joe De Kock, 2nd Jono Bromilow  
and 3rd Tony Lobb

#### **PHS (handicap) – Spring – Pre Christmas:**

1st Joe De Kock, 2nd Damien Boldyrew  
and 3rd Paul Beath

#### **PHS (handicap) – Summer – Post Christmas:**

1st Jon Bromilow, 2nd Phil Ashley-Brown  
and 3rd Rodney King

### Off the water - Laser Lunch

The Inaugural Laser Lunch held on Thursday April 10th. Olympic Gold medallist and America's Cup winner, Tom Slingsby was the guest speaker with NBN's Mike Rabbitt having a "fireside" chat (without the fire) with Tom covering the highs and lows of Toms sailing career. Great day had by all with;

- 100 + guests from the Laser fleet and the greater NCYC community attending.
- \$12,000 being raised to assist in the purchase of a rescue/coach boat to expand our Laser Sailing options. The boat will be named after NCYC legend Paul Gleeson.
- Generous support from local businesses and the sailing community in donating prizes for the event.



Mike Rabbitt interviewing Tom Slingsby

- Tom entertaining the crowd by exchanging his Oracle America's Cup polo with an NCYC shirt for auction, raising in excess of a \$1000; Thanks Petro Gleeson.
- Some of the more dedicated sailors turning lunch into dinner and assisting the staff with closing the bar; great dedication!!!!!!!!!!!!

### Winter Series

Commencing Saturday July 26th – 2.30 pm at NCYC.  
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## PHSSC Juniors: Flying Ant Division

Article and images by Alyson Gearing  
- PHSSC Junior Committee

Once again a huge thank you to Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club and the yacht owners, skippers and crew.

Since our first Junior race day on 21 January 2005 NCYC has been generous in both their on and off water support to our Junior sailors. The Juniors always look forward to the annual NCYC off shore race. In fact, after this year's first race was called off, the number of enquiries from disappointed juniors asking "will it still be on?" was quite surprising and pleasing given the enormous effort put in to organise these events. This year we were also joined by members of the Flying Ant Division from Toronto Amateur Sailing Club.



Port Hunter Junior Sailors, Emma Gearing  
and Lydia Cole with Rob Koppelhuber

Thank you Steve Rae of *Marta Jean*, Jan Howard of *Schouten Passage*, Mary Holley of *Aurora*, Steve Hassell of *Summer Salt*, Maryanne Purkiss of *Mister Christian*, Robin Hillery of *Warrain* and Ross Knights of *Tamarillo*. Many of these skippers have been showing our juniors another side of sailing since 2005. A special mention to Mary Holly and Di Fitzgerald for their organisation of this year's race. Also to Di, for her staying power in finishing the last, well over due but very enthusiastic crew.

That brings me to Ross of *Tamarillo*, who despite not having any of this crew show up, still managed to leave the safety of his mooring to ensure he didn't disappoint his eager young charges. He gave the helm over to juniors Emma and Lydia for the entire race. When they were not giving the orders they were working the winches, checking the tell tales or drinking his cordial. Although well after dark, against the tide and a dying breeze, (millpond actually), he got them over the finishing line.



Ross Knights and Lydia Cole

Port Hunter Juniors sail Saturday mornings in Flying Ants. They are an 11' skiff having trapeze and spinnaker. Over the last season there has been a regular fleet of 10 boats with competition extremely close right to the last race. We always welcome new juniors to our Club with the emphasis being on enjoyment of sailing and sportsmanship as much as competition.

On 22 March we held the NCYC Trophy race. This much sought after trophy donated by the NCYC Social Committee was the brain child of Ernie and Gloria Thirkell. Ernie did his sailing apprenticeship at PHSSC back in the late 1940s and they are much loved and welcome visitors to our Club.

Thanks for a very enjoyable afternoon.

### International Certificate of Competence (ICC)

If you are heading to Europe and plan to charter a boat you will need an ICC.

To obtain an ICC, you either need to have successfully completed an RYA Day Skipper practical course or undergo a 3 – 4 hour assessment which includes your knowledge of International Collision Regulations, chart work, navigation, manoeuvring and sailing.

For further information on the ICC contact:

**Chris Griffiths of Master Class**

**Mobile: 0418 442 755 or**

**email: [sea.g@bigpond.com](mailto:sea.g@bigpond.com)**

## Article and images by Bill Quirk

### Woodn't it.... be nice...

'to sail away forever and a day...  
to the land of the bong bong tree'...(Lear)

But, I am sure a weekend sailing on Newcastle harbour would be just as much fun,...especially on a restored 16' skiff,... vintage, say..... 1920's.

(Port Hunter 16' Sailing Skiff Club, Newcastle & Stockton – est. 1898).

Newcastle Maritime Centre (Museum) has several of these wooden beauties and other various early designs and waterline lengths, looking for a new life and would greatly appreciate the benefit of assistance from volunteers with an interest and associate skills, young and old, in restoring several of these local “vessels of history”, back to life.



Olga – Traditional 16 Footer

On display at the Newcastle Maritime Centre is the 1920's, “Olga”... a beautifully restored, mostly traditional, 16 Footer, cedar timber, carvel built (by John Ryan & Son of Taree NSW). Owned by Mr Sam Moulton of Toronto, it has been gifted to the museum for display to the public.

Eventually, it is proposed, with a few of these gracious beauties back in sailing condition, we may even have a wooden boat regatta, and a..... “friendly race”... arrr'gh.... ‘off course, right here in Port Hunter Newcastle!.....a’hoi!...any interest?

**The annual Newcastle Maritime Centre Silver Sextant Charity Auction Dinner** is on Friday 13th June at Noah's on the Beach, starting at 6.30pm til late...everyone is welcome!

It's a must attend, great fun night with entertainment and yarns, about all things maritime. This year's theme is around some colourful and interesting female seafaring characters, in Newcastle.

Bring your crew and come along for a chance to bid for great Maritime Centre Auction prizes and the opportunity to go home with a ‘real wooden boat’ (it will need some TLC).

Tickets and details available soon from the Newcastle Maritime Centre.

For details about volunteering or dinner tickets, contact;

Deb by email: [deb@maritimecentrenewcastle.org.au](mailto:deb@maritimecentrenewcastle.org.au)

Anne by email: [anne@maritimecentrenewcastle.org.au](mailto:anne@maritimecentrenewcastle.org.au)

Or phone 02 4929 2588, or call in and visit the Maritime Centre at Honeysuckle Drive, Lee Wharf for local history, education and entertainment.

**A great adventure for young and old...**



Olga's restored cedar timber

## Silver Sextant Dinner

A fundraiser for the Newcastle Maritime Museum Society



*An evening of food, wine and  
a little bit of history*

**When:** Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2014

**Time:** 6.30 for 7.00 p.m.

**Where:** Noah's on the Beach,  
Zaara St., Newcastle

**Tickets:** \$140 per person  
or \$1300 for a table of ten

To book email  
[anne@maritimecentrenewcastle.org.au](mailto:anne@maritimecentrenewcastle.org.au)  
or call 4929 2588



## Treated to a Valet Service at Palm Beach Marina Moorings

Article and image by Kate Elderton

One of our favourite sailing areas has always been Pittwater. Fred sailed for many years on this waterway; in many different yachts.

We discovered through a friend that Palm Beach Marina had approximately 50 commercial moorings. These moorings are about 500 metres south of the Palm Beach ferry wharf. After we sail down the coast we can leave the boat and travel back to our home in Newcastle when necessary by ferrying back to Woy Woy and catching the train to Newcastle.

Fred can also spend time by himself on board and do some Pittwater solo cruising without the difficulty of picking up a mooring by himself.

Russell, the friendly Palm Beach Marina Operator, upon being contacted via mobile, comes out on the very well fendered tender to attach the mooring line to the mooring cleat of the boat! How is that for service?

This is the sort of service that will keep senior sailors on the water for many more years.

The marina and moorings are not far from the Palm Beach coffee and shopping strip. We particularly recommend “The Hungry Goat” café (BYO) for excellent coffee and delicious light lunches.

Russell from Palm Beach Marina can be contacted on mobile: 0417 217 739.



Fred at the helm



Fred and Kate's Hanse 411 "Astrid"

## Around The Harbour Destiny



Photo by Julie Squires

Destiny was commissioned by the Newcastle Port Corporation in 1999 to commemorate the Bicentenary of Port Operations in Newcastle Harbour. This was a gift to the people of Newcastle and is located in Newcastle Harbour on the State Dockyard site Dyke Point, Carrington.

The artists brief was to create an image that contained a figurative element, reflecting the historical significance of shipbuilding, drawn from maritime themes as well as giving a sense of welcome and protection for the Harbour.

The traditional figureheads on the bows of sailing ships, believed to protect and guide vessels, inspired the resulting sculpture. The hair of the figure flows into seven waves, representing the seven seas and creates the form of the ship bow. The sphere is symbolic of the earth, whilst the vertical struts are drawn from ship building plans for venting funnels.

### The Artists:

**Julie Squires has been working as a professional sculptor since 1993. Her body of work includes several major public commissions and numerous group and solo exhibitions. Julie specialises in bronze cast sculptures.**

## Category: "Maritime"

All NCYC members are invited to submit an image for the Spring 2014 competition.

### Conditions of Entry:

- Photographer must be a current member of NCYC.
- One high resolution entry per person per issue.
- Send electronic format to: [info@ncyc.net.au](mailto:info@ncyc.net.au).
- Deadline for entries: Friday 1 August 2014

### Winning entry:

By John Bale. John will receive a 12x18 inch colour print of his photograph from Newcastle School Portraits.

### Highly Commended:

- 1 - Ray Blackburn
- 2 - Garry Jones
- 3 - Phil Ashley-Brown





# The Mission to Seafarers

## Article and Images by Rick McCosker

Easter ..... traditionally an important time of the year for Christians. A large percentage of visiting seafarers are Christians and we occasionally have the opportunity to accompany a group to a church service, as we did on Good Friday when we took a group of Filipinos to the nearby Catholic Cathedral.



Easter also means public holidays and some recreational time for the seafarers. With help from our hard-working volunteers our Mission Centre was open the whole weekend, providing an opportunity for the seafarers to contact their families back home and to “chill out” and enjoy our hospitality.

During February our Seafarers Centre was the venue for a two-day Ship Visitation Welfare Training Course, attended by thirty current and prospective volunteers, together with a number of volunteers and chaplains from South Australia, Victoria and Queensland. This training course is by The International Committee on Seafarer's Welfare, accredited by The Nautical Institute and presented by John Keiwa, chaplain at Port Kembla. John is one of only a few accredited presenters in Australia.

The purpose of the Course was to provide an overview of security and personal safety issues and an introduction to Marine Industry customs and practices. We recognise the importance of visiting as many vessels as possible in the short time they are in our Port, just to be a presence on board for those who don't get the opportunity to come ashore – in particular the Master and Chief Cook. The Course has brought about an awareness of this need and has resulted in some new volunteers joining our team.

An important aspect of our work at the Mission is to provide pastoral care when sought by seafarers. There have been some incidents in the past month where seafarers have been quite ill, injured or have been finding the conditions under which they are working intolerable.

As Chaplains, we have endeavoured to assist the

relevant Authorities in providing a good outcome for the seafarers. We have been able to visit them in hospital and for one seafarer, arrange accommodation and flight home to the Philippines.

These incidents highlight the need for co-operation and communication between the International Transport Federation, Australian Maritime Safety Authority, the various Shipping Agents and ourselves to make a difference in the lives of the seafarers who, for one reason or another, need care.

Our Mission Centre has recently hosted Newcastle Rotary, Sydney Bethel Union and various church groups for their meetings and services. This is pleasing for us to see our Centre being utilized by groups for their functions, providing an occasional opportunity for some interaction between visiting seafarers and Newcastle residents.



Rev. Garry Dodd and visiting seafarers

Development and maintenance of our Centre is on-going. Further one-off and on-going support is needed to ensure we continue to provide a comfortable and functional facility to help in some way make life more enjoyable for the visiting seafarers.

We are thankful for your past support and wish management, staff and members a safe and enjoyable remainder of 2014.

Rick McCosker, Garry Dodd and our Volunteer Team.



## Newcastle Game Fishing Club

By Scott Morris

Well, it has been a very busy inaugural summer season for NGFC! The Committee & members have been working hard together to build successful Game Fishing Club which all of Newcastle can be proud of. I believe we have achieved our first goal already!

Since we achieved affiliation with NSWGFA in July 2013, it has been all hands on deck securing foundation and general memberships, organising tournament / fishing dates, planning to challenge for the NSW Interclub tournament, building an interactive website, confirming and sourcing sponsors, setting rules / bi-laws, etc, etc.

Our membership base is 125 strong including 25 Foundation Members and 15 Junior / Small Frys + 20 Boats. Our members have represented NGFC at several tournaments including Coffs Harbour Hot Current, Port Macquarie Golden Lure, Central Coast Bluewater Classic, Lake Macquarie Bigfish, Broken Bay Invitational, Port Stephens Shootout and the NSW Interclub Tournament with some great results! We have definitely have the long established clubs looking over their shoulder! Look out next year!!!!

We have had great support from the committee and members of the NCYC throughout this growing stage of our Club. We will be working closely in the future with Richard Howard and the committee to organise some functions at the NCYC to show our appreciation to NCYC.

The NGFC's summer fishing season is coming to a close in June but I am sure there is still some exciting fishing to be had prior to this. The race for champion boat & angler is still hotly contested!

See you out on the water. Keep the reels screaming!



For further enquiries, please contact:

Scott Morris - 0412 127 400

or Larry Curtis - 0419 692 900

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## Sailing 'Fourth Dimension' from Spain to the Canary Islands - Part 3

Article and images by Jan Howard

The Straits of Gibraltar is an interesting place. At the narrowest point, it is 7.7 nm across. The volume of shipping passing through is massive. At one time we counted nine ships on the move in our vicinity.

Passage planning also needed to take into account the currents. Through the straits, water flows more or less continually in both an eastward and a westward direction. Deeper, saltier, and therefore denser water works its way westwards, while a larger amount of surface water with lower salinity and density, flows eastwards. However, on the whole the balance of the water flow is eastwards, as the evaporation rate within the Mediterranean is greater than the combined flow of all the rivers running into it. (During WW2, German U Boats used the currents to pass into the Mediterranean Sea without detection, by maintaining silence with engines off.)

We chose the right time to negotiate the Straits and motored for the first night as there were many ships coming and going along the Moroccan coast. Having AIS gave us confidence to deal with them, but there was some concern about the many Moroccan fishing vessels which work at night, often with minimal lights and large trawl nets.



Fourth Dimension

The breeze came in the next morning and we were able to set up a twin poled out headsail combination. It was a perfect rig and we sailed with this lovely balanced arrangement for the entire trip. We furlled the No 1 a little when the breeze came up. The breeze varied between 10 and

25 knots with some heavier breeze on the last night. Doing 8 – 12 knots much of the time, we made faster progress than anticipated down the 600 nm rumblin and made landfall at the most eastern island of the Canaries, Isla Graciosa, around midnight on the third night.

There is only one suitable anchorage inside a passage

between two islands and as it was dark and blowing quite hard, it was comforting to have a reliable SatNav on board. We found our way into the anchorage, anchored and were pleased to be tucked in and enjoying some eats and drinks, as the breeze built after our arrival.

The Canary Islands are located at 28 degrees N and the most eastern island is about 70 nm off the African coast at the border of Morocco and Western Sahara. They lie on an E – W axis through about 5 degrees of longitude. They are Spanish territory and thrive on a massive tourism industry (7 million visitors a year!). We only visited the two most eastern islands which are close together, and very dry and barren. The five western islands are more spread out and have higher rainfall.

We relaxed in the anchorage with about twenty other yachts from many countries, and explored Isla Graciosa for a day or so, then did a day sail to Puerto Calero Marina, on the island of Lanzarote. The Canary Islands are volcanic. The most recent activity was only 200 years ago. They have a rare, harsh beauty with high colourful landforms, deep blue ocean and sharply defined bright white towns and villages perched on the rugged coastline. There are no trees apart from palms planted around the towns.

You could say that Marina Puerto Calero is the 'Hamilton Island' of Lanzarote. It was developed by a wealthy Spaniard and comprises a large marina, commercial waterfront, huge boatyard, resort style hotels and private residential estates.

A women's team is competing in the 2014 Volvo Round the World Race. Their campaign is based at Puerto Calero and Mary and Rob had the privilege of being shown over their two yachts by an Australian who is involved with the project. The team is based in the Canaries as the breeze blows consistently and the climate is ideal for training. Puerto Calero is a popular regatta venue. While we were there, a J30 regatta was in full swing and yachts were arriving in containers for an international RC44 regatta. The facilities are perfect for these events.

We spent a week at Puerto Calero decommissioning 'Fourth Dimension' for her winter 'break' and whilst there, we visited the remarkable volcanic national parks and learnt about the unique methods of viticulture used to produce wines, in one of the world's most challenging agricultural environments.

Our four week adventure on 'Fourth Dimension' was great fun and has left us with fantastic memories and much new knowledge.

We were fortunate to be able to spend this time on a beautiful yacht with special friends.

## Auto Advantage Newcastle to Port Stephens Yacht Race

By Richard Howard

The fleet in this year's Auto Advantage Newcastle to Port Stephens Yacht Race were dealt a mixed bag of conditions in the annual sprint up the coast with Stephen Proud's *Swish* taking top honours across the line in IRC.



Long Time Dead preparing for the start of the 2014 Auto Advantage Newcastle to Port Stephens Yacht Race.

On a stormy and wet morning with minimal shipping movements the fleet mingled in Newcastle Harbour for what looked like a light air reach out the heads and North. With a couple of minutes to the start a wet frontal band swept across Newcastle resulting in the breeze building. The fleet tight reached out the heads with Tom Woods canting keel Farr 36 OD *Toy Story* and *Swish* leading the fleet. The race quickly became eventful for the few yachts that were bullish enough to attempt to set spinnakers down the Harbour thereafter quickly realizing that they were going to end up in Stockton Beach Caravan Park if not quickly doused!

In Stockton Bight the unsettled and variable conditions continued with the breeze slowly dropping and swinging back to the South. One consolation on a grey old day was the colourful spectacle of the fleet of fifteen spinnakers gybing backwards and forwards off Morna Point trying to find the best lane towards the Point Stephens Finish Gate.

With a convincing line honours win to *Swish*, *Toy Story* and Matt Fensom's Farr 40 *Long Time Dead* took out the remaining podium positions followed by Phil Arnall's *Anger Management* and the turbo charged Mumm 30, *Rumbo*, owned by Port Stephens oyster farmer Guy Holbert.

*Toy Story* collected the PHS prize and IRC was won by *Swish* with *Marta Jean* (Steve Rae) and *Excapade* (Noel Gough) finishing second and third respectively.

## Sail Port Stephens Regatta

By Dianne Fitzgerald

Congratulations to NCYC skipper Barry Kelly, *Concealed Weapon* for winning Division 2 of the Performance Handicap Division at the Sail Port Stephens Regatta. *Concealed Weapon* has had a most successful sailing season also winning the NCYC and LMYC Combined Ocean Pointscore and the Port Waratah Coal Summer Short Ocean Pointscore PHS Division. Well done Barry and crew.



Barry struggling under the weight of his Trophy backed up by his grinning, successful crew.

Congratulations to Skipper Tom Woods, *Toy Story* winner of Sail Port Stephens Performance Handicap Division 1. *Toy Story* also won the Lead In Race in PHS Division. A champion effort *Toy Story*!

In the IRC State Championships Division 1 *Team Beau Geste* skipper Karl Kwok took the Title ahead of *Patrice* skipper Tony Kirby.



Skipper Tony Kirby readying *Patrice* after a Midcoast Boatyard scrub and polish.



## Vision Surveys Airlie Beach Race Week NCYC's Skirts Team are Ready

By Tracey Johnstone

**S**kipper Jan Howard has entered *Schouten Passage* in the IRC Cruising Division of Airlie Beach Race Week representing NCYC. The Beneteau 40.7 crew all have extensive offshore experience with some 39 Sydney Hobart Yacht Races between them. However, regatta racing is a new discipline for this team.

Howard also knows the team will have some fierce competition in this IRC division as they battle around courses of both windward/leewards and passage races. As a result they are participating in an intensive training program in the lead up to the Race Week.

'I sail with an all-female crew in the club's Wednesday twilight fleet-start races and then we sail on Sunday afternoon with a mixed crew in the normal club races.

'We also have a training program during March with one of the local guys giving us some training. Then we will again have another coaching program during June just so we can polish our crew work up a bit and get used to doing the jobs that are going to be allocated,' Howard said.



IRC Cruising division entry Schouten Passage crew (LtoR): Jane Woodward, Anika Goninan, Jan Howard, Sarah Howard, Mary Holley, Sharon Lovell, Kris Anderson, Tracey Hanson, Maureen Rae. - Image by Liam Faudree

An all-women crew is a passion of Howard and her friend, Mary Holley. They have developed an informal women's mentoring and training program at their home club and have been taking out women on their boats, giving them training in the basics of sailing.

'My friend Mary and I have always sailed with mixed crews. She and her husband have one of the older style Farr 40s'.

'Mary hung up her Sydney Hobart boots last year after 16 Hobart races. Since she and I are not going to do

Sydney Hobarts anymore we wanted to do something at our local club level to try and encourage more women into sailing.

'Like a lot of yacht clubs, we are very short of crew. We have about 14 or 15 really good racing boats here, but sometimes they won't go out because they don't have enough crew. By coming out with us they can get those key, fundamental competencies, which enables them to step eventually onto other boats and be confident, useful crew members.

'About half a dozen of the women who have started with us are now doing offshore racing.'

The *Schouten Passage* crew, which has an average age of mid-fifties, is made up of Jane Woodward, Anika Goninan, Jan Howard, Sarah Howard, Mary Holley, Sharon Lovell, Kris Anderson, Tracey Hanson, Maureen Rae.

'We just want to have fun at Airlie Beach and push ourselves outside our comfort zone,' Howard said.

On the sidelines for the regatta will be Howard's staunch supporter, husband Rob. The experienced helmsman is now looking for a position on an IRC Racing boat.



**The 2014 Vision Surveys  
Airlie Beach Race Week is  
celebrating its 25th anniversary  
from August 8 to 15, 2014.**

The anniversary is not only a milestone for the event, but for the Whitsunday Sailing Club and the entire Whitsunday region.

For further information visit  
**<http://www.abrw.com.au>**  
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By Howard Keegan

Winter is upon us and many boat owners will not be using their boats until next summer. With the anticipation of strong westerly winds all boat owners should now be checking that their mooring lines are solid and secure along with their fenders being hung just above the water level to eliminate the possibility of barnacle build up. Motor boats should ensure the corners of their stern boards will not hit the marina by crossing the stern lines. All yachts should check that halyards will not rattle on the mast plus ensure that foils on the forestay are also held firm. All covers should be secured so as not to flap loosely or release from their fastenings. You will notice that some marina bins have signage advising to "fill this bin first". This should enable a more efficient system to empty the bins, please also note that we have recycling bins at the northern side of the commercial centre for your bottles, cans, cardboard etc. It's a little further to walk to the bin but definitely worth the effort in considering our environment.

April saw a strong influx of vessels for the Audi Regatta along with many transient cruising vessels for Easter as well as the Anzac weekend with the marina being full for most of this period. It was great to see the activity around the marina with many happy visitors. All this activity on the marina can lead to some partying on the boats late into the night, so please remember the noise restrictions after 10 pm and consider your neighbours who wish to get some sleep. A shortage of trolleys over the busy period was also evident which was to be expected but please respect other marina users and do not leave trolleys on the marina. Use the trolley and return it to the compound as soon as possible following use.

There are still a few boat owners who have not provided updated insurance details regarding their vessel. If you have not supplied a copy of your current insurance policy, you can expect a friendly call from the office as we need to see a new copy of your insurance policy every year when it is renewed.

I know it sounds like a broken record but there are still some items being left on the marina by boat owners including bikes, dinghies, hoses, boat parts etc. No loose items are to be left on the marina. This includes washing which is not to be hung on your boat to dry as this gives the wrong impression of the marina to the public. Please use the dryers in the amenities. Crab traps are also banned from the marina as these are unsightly and messy plus the loose ropes in the water can catch in the propellers.

We have a quality marina complex with a great reputation. Adherence to the above requirements presents a better facility to all current users plus enhances the attraction of our complex to our market of transient and permanent berthing of vessels. Safe Boating!

By Sarah Kiely

### Record Breaking Cruise Ship Debut

Luxury cruise liner, the *Celebrity Solstice*, made a record breaking entry into the port on Sunday 9 March and received a warm Novocastrian reception on her arrival.

The 317 metre long vessel is the largest ship to visit the port. The previous record was held by the Iron Pacific at 315 metres in length. Members of the community lined the Foreshore as the *Celebrity Solstice* entered the port at -around 7am and local dignitaries welcomed the Captain, passengers and crew following the vessel's arrival at the Channel Berth. A Fort Scratchley gun salute farewelled the vessel as it departed for Sydney.



#### Features of the *Celebrity Solstice*:

- a freshly manicured half acre of real lawn on the top deck;
- a two-story, floor-to-ceiling glass wine tower holding 2,800 bottles of wine; and
- 216 solar panels – enough to power all of the ship's passenger elevators.

Eight cruise ships have visited the Port of Newcastle during the 2013-2014 cruise season to date. Cruise Hunter is already taking bookings for the next two seasons.

NCYC's *George Keegan* assisted welcoming the *Celebrity Solstice* into port by taking out PB Towage photographers to get some great shots of the Blue Tugs assisting the passenger ship into port.



# News from Newcastle Port Corporation



**Mike Baird MP**  
**Premier of NSW**  
**Minister for Infrastructure**  
**Minister for Western Sydney**

**Media Release – Wednesday 30 April 2014**

## **Transforming Newcastle:**

### **Port Lease Secures Funds for Revitalisation**

NSW Premier Mike Baird and Treasurer Andrew Constance today announced the successful lease of the Port of Newcastle, delivering a great result for the people of NSW and securing the funds needed for the revitalisation of Newcastle.

The NSW Government has agreed to lease the Port for 98 years to Port of Newcastle Investments, a consortium which comprises Hastings Funds Management and China Merchants.

The long-term lease will deliver gross proceeds of \$1.75 billion. This outstanding result means an extra \$1.5 billion will be invested in much-needed NSW infrastructure, with 30 per cent to be directed toward projects in rural and regional NSW.

Mr Baird confirmed \$340 million from the proceeds will be used for the revitalisation of the Newcastle CBD, in addition to the \$120 million the Government has already allocated to the project, which includes a new light rail service.

The remainder – more than \$1.2 billion – will be invested in the NSW Government's dedicated infrastructure fund, Restart NSW.

"This is a great result for Newcastle and for NSW, which demonstrates that, in contrast to the fire sales seen under NSW Labor, the NSW Liberals & Nationals Government knows how to bring the right asset to market at the right time," Mr Baird said.

"In my Budget speech last year I said Newcastle's time has finally come and I meant it.

"This momentous result exceeds all expectations, and the scale of this transaction means the people of Newcastle and the Hunter should watch this space for further initiatives in their region, which was taken for granted by Labour for decades.

"Transactions such as this bring enduring benefits to communities and the economy, and build on the NSW Government's successful track record in recycling mature State-owned assets to deliver major infrastructure projects that will unlock opportunities for growth, jobs and economic development."

The NSW Government reached an agreement with Port of Newcastle Investments for the lease following a competitive five-month bidding process.

Treasurer Andrew Constance said the Port of Newcastle lease is the latest in a series of successful asset recycling projects, including the sale of Eraring Energy and Delta Electricity's western power stations, the long-term lease of Port Botany and Port Kembla, and the refinancing of the Sydney Desalination Plant.

"This is a sensible and sustainable approach to fulfilling our commitment to the people of NSW to build the infrastructure of the future and return quality services," Mr Constance said.

"The strong level of interest from a highly-qualified and experienced bidding field - resulting in five final bids - is a powerful endorsement of Newcastle and the Hunter and the NSW Government's ability to run a robust and transparent process."

Mr Constance said the two members of Port of Newcastle Investments are well-known, long-term global infrastructure investors, with an attractive track record in asset ownership, operations and developments.

"They have the infrastructure management experience and the resources needed to secure the ongoing development and professional management of the Port," Mr Constance said.

"I congratulate Port of Newcastle Investments on their successful bid and the NSW Government looks forward to long and productive working relationship."

Hastings Funds Management and China Merchants are equal partners in Port of Newcastle Investments. Hastings has been involved in many successful government asset transactions, including the Sydney Desalination Plant and Cairns and Mackay Airports.

China Merchants has a 140-year history as an owner and operator of ports and transport businesses. It has been operating in the trading and retail sector in Australia for more than 20 years. In 2010, it acquired leading Australian-based container pallet logistics provider, Loscam.

The NSW Government will continue to retain regulatory oversight of the Port of Newcastle as well as responsibility for a range of maritime safety and security functions, including emergency response, Harbour Master, Port Safety Operating Licence and pilotage functions.

The State will also continue to manage Nobbys Head in recognition of its significance to the local community.

## **Media**

**Imre Salusinszky 0432 535 737 (Premier)**  
**Dominic Cuschieri 0467 741 503 (Treasurer)**



## Where in the world is our burgee? A competition for members only.

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  - b. **Big White Ski Resort, Canada**
  - c. **Zermatt, Switzerland**
  - d. **Thredbo, NSW**
3. Fill in your membership and contact numbers.
4. Put the form in the box provided.

**Closing Date:** Friday 25 July 2014.

To submit a photo of our burgee flying:  
info@ncyc.net.au - subject "burgee competition".



## "Where in the world WAS our burgee?"

Mt Kilimanjaro  
Photograph by Bill Quirk  
Autumn 2014 Winner:  
**Kim Elliott**

**The Prize:**

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**The Task:**

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**The Winner:**

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## Coming Events...

### JUNE 2014

- Sundays in June - Winter Shore Open Pointscore
- Monday 9 June - Queen's Birthday
- Friday 13 June - Maritime's Charity Auction Dinner

### JULY 2014

- Sunday 6 July - WSOP Series Final Race Day
- Saturday 12 July - Lion Island Race 10am at Scratchleys Restaurant
- Saturday 19 July - Presentation Night
- Saturday 26 July - Laser Winter Series at 2:30pm

### AUGUST 2014

- Thursday 14 August - Annual General Meeting

### SEPTEMBER 2014

- September - Mission to Seafarers Month of Giving
- Friday 19 September - Talk like a Pirate Day

### EVERY WEEK

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MANAGER FOR DETAILS**

**MOBILE: 0408 299 512**

**EMAIL: [dockmaster@ncyc.net.au](mailto:dockmaster@ncyc.net.au)**

## 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](mailto:info@ncyc.net.au)
- **Licensed Club**  
(02) 4940 8188 – [info@ncyc.net.au](mailto:info@ncyc.net.au)
- **Marina Manager** (8am - 4pm 7 days)  
0408 299 512 – [dockmaster@ncyc.net.au](mailto:dockmaster@ncyc.net.au)
- **The Galley** (Noon - 2.30pm, 6pm - 8.30pm)  
(02) 4940 8188 – [info@ncyc.net.au](mailto:info@ncyc.net.au)
- **Administration** (9am - 5pm 5 days)  
(02) 4940 8188 – [admin@ncyc.net.au](mailto:admin@ncyc.net.au)
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