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Vision

NYC will be a vibrant, sustainable, responsible and family oriented sailing club encouraging juniors and families into the sport, teaching people to sail or improve sailing skills from juniors to world class sailors.

Aims

To be a sailing club, with a balance of sailing and social members, and a mix of fleets that supports people to progress to stages of development from beginners to world class sports people.

To be recognised as the premier off the beach sailing club in the Perth metropolitan area, who can boast friendly members committed to the NYC environment.

To be a well-managed and financially sound club with a membership base of 600 – 800 people.

To be recognised as a club with a culture of volunteerism and social belonging leading to excellent standards of sailing competitiveness and behaviour.

What we value

A unique culture exhibiting modesty and pride in the club.

A spirited, diverse and actively contributing membership.

Respect for difference of opinion, and willingness to listen.

A competitive and sportsmanlike racing culture.

A club open to all ages, abilities and welcoming to newcomers.

Providing a quality recognised program of sailing development.

Care for our surroundings and environment.

Financial security and sustainability.

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COMMODORE'S REPORT

Welcome to the Spring Edition of Mainsheet publication. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome NYC's three newest Life Members Joy Pennifold, Sue Fairey and Rodney Hodgkin, who have contributed to the volunteering spirit of NYC over many years. I along with the Management Committee and Members look forward to honouring their respective contributions and presentation of their Life Member Pins at our Opening Day on Sunday 30 September 2018.

The new Management and Regatta Committees that have hit the ground running with great initiatives to further improve our facilities and long-term management as well as our sailing training, sailing events and making it easier for members to volunteer during the sailing season. The Management Committee and Regatta Committee remain focussed on Sailing, Training, Growing Membership and Classes sailed at NYC, continually improving Member services and facilities through the revenue from our popular Events Venue. You can read about many of the initiatives in this Mainsheet edition.

The new season also welcomes in new office team members with a focus on Members, Facilities and Events. Jacinta Wilson and Graeme Pennifold have recently been joined by Terry Minello and Lucy Bromell to assist with delivering Member and Facility services including representation on a Sunday during the sailing season. Having office coverage on a Sunday, even for a couple of hours, will greatly assist with Members having greater access to services as well as being able to introduce new Members and take new member enquiries. The Club has also engaged the services of a Maintenance Contractor, John Shillito. John will be a regular at the Club on a Sunday as he goes about his duties so please make him feel welcome to the Club. I have a summary of the new office team, roles, responsibilities and contact details for you below;

Managing Secretary & Events & Marketing Manager - Jacinta Wilson

hello@nyc.org.au for Club queries // events@nyc.org.au for events & marketing queries

Jacinta has now taken on the vitally important Managing Secretary Role for the Club. She will also continue as the Events Manager as this is a critical part of our Club. To make this role sustainable the Club has restructured the role along with the support staff roles to improve the connection with the members.

Sailing Co-ordinator - Graeme Pennifold

sailing@nyc.org.au

Business as usual for Graeme. Along with the Regatta Committee Graeme brings us all things sailing and is the reason we can get out on the water (plus the amazing help of our volunteers of course, who could forget you guys!). Graeme will continue to run the sailing training events.

Finance & Facilities Co-ordinator – Terry Minello

accounts@nyc.org.au

Terry has come on board in more of an ongoing role to coordinate the financial activities to ensure we maintain a healthy position. A key part of this role is to help with the long-term financial planning which is necessary for our wonderful but ageing Club facilities. Some of you may already know Terry as she has been behind the scenes for some time. Terry is your point of contact for accounts and is in Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Membership Co-ordinator – Lucy Bromell

membership@nyc.org.au

As a valued NYC member Lucy has joined the team to support our membership activities to bridge the gap between our operational workings and our beloved sailing days. Lucy will be available on a Sunday from 1030am-12pm to assist with any queries our members have, assist in bringing crewing enquiries through to sailing days and writing out mainsheet quarterly magazine and mainsheet traveller weekly newsletter. Lucy will support Jacinta with the preparation and delivery of the Club's marketing plans. Say Hi if you see her around on a Sunday or if you see her in the office during the week.

Handyman & Caretaker – John Shillito

With the days of a live in Bosun gone, we now have a Handyman/Maintenance/Caretaker contract with John. John has a carpentry and large-scale maintenance management background and is looking forward to taking care of our humble little Club. You may see John pottering around the grounds throughout the week but especially on a Sunday morning as he continues to clean up after our big weddings and events and prepare the grounds ready for a great day of sailing and racing.

John's point of contact will be through the office, so if you do notice any maintenance or gardening issues please direct it to the office to Jacinta at hello@nyc.org.au

The Management Committee would certainly appreciate your valuable feedback on the new team arrangements to ensure the desired Member services are being delivered.

As you may be aware all Club's in WA need to have a compliant Constitution in place prior to July 2019. Through the efforts of Peter Twiby, the Club is well advanced and during the next quarter Members will also see a draft Constitution released for comment along with a special Club AGM called to ratify the Constitution prior to be submitted to the regulatory bodies for their approvals. Once again, I look forward to your support of the Special AGM when the date has been confirmed.

And lastly, I would like to welcome all new Members that have joined during the Winter Season. I am always amazed at all the new faces I see at the busy bees and I look forward to seeing you down at the Club for our final busy bee on Sunday 16th September. With the weather rapidly improving we may beat our season's record of over 55 Members at a Busy Bee.

See you down at the Club.

Gavin Taylor Commodore



REGATTA'S REPORT

The 2018/2019 Season

Cat Classic: Sunday 23rd Sept & Monday 24th September

The Hobie Association is again putting on the Catamaran Classic Regatta, hosted by NYC. There is \$1000 in cash prizes, so competition will be fierce. Even if you not going to race drop in and say hello.

Sunday - Lunch will be available for purchase at the NYC canteen. NYC will host a regatta dinner & party on the Sunday night. Bar is open.

Monday - BBQ breakfast will be provided free for competitors by the Hobie Class Association. BBQ lunch will be provided free for competitors by the Hobie Class Association after sailing. Bar is open at lunchtime for a few hours. Register for Cat Classic

The start of 2018/2019 Season is just a few weeks away. Opening Day is on 30th September, don't get caught out.

A Growing Club

Over the past season Regatta and Management have tried to move more focus on growing the sailing side of the club to grow members and participation. The appointment of a Sailing Coordinator (Graeme Pennifold) with a deep understanding of the club has helped a great deal. That has allowed us to put more sail training courses, which in turn attract more potential members and also gives current members an avenue to more sailing skills. The challenge for all of us is to integrate these new members into the club and club racing in particular.

Cats & Tri's

At one time NYC was one of the few clubs on the river that would allow catamarans to race, which really in hindsight helped us build the club we have. NYC has had many strong catamaran fleets over the last 50 years. Over the last few seasons we have been welcoming cruising catamarans and tri-marans into the club. The number of boats and level of competition has been slowly rising and given those numbers this has now grown into another division of the cruiser fleet Div 1, with their own start and championship. Hopefully this new fleet will grow and grow over the coming seasons.

We also have some more racing catamarans, with the Tornado and F18 making a bit of a come back into the Open Cat Fleet, which is great for the club. Hopefully the Nacra and F16 get out there with them as well and build this back up to a big competitive fleet over the next few seasons.

Sail Training

If there are people you know who want to learn to sail or race, point them towards the <u>sailing courses</u> some of the children's tackers courses start over the school holidays. If a new person does a training course, they get crew membership for that season, which is great for those of us needing crew - they are already paid up!!

If you need a crew talk to Graeme, your section captain, on Sundays the management rep or use the crew board on the veranda. Don't stay a home if you don't have a crew come down and get someone new out!!

The New Ramp

After much effort and organisation, the new ramp was put in on the western side of the current jetty and is being used successfully by quite a few of the cruisers, Trimarans and the smaller support boats. A big thank you to all those who help get things this far. The extension of the ramp further into the water is due in late October, which will allow the bigger boats to launch as well. This will take the strain of the current single ramp access to the water on Sundays and allow more trailable yachts to get out racing.

Officer of Day

There is always a need for us to train and bring in new members that can be trained up to become Officer of the Day's at the moment we really need to deepen this pool. This is a crucial function and sailing does happen on a Sunday without one.

We ran some training last year at the start of the season and will do so again date TBA. If you did the training last year, please let me know. Ideally people shadow and assist the OOD a few times to get some experience. This doesn't necessarily mean you can't race, so please give this a go.

Duty Man & Duty Roster

There are at least nine (non-sailing) volunteers needed to run just the sailing part of the club operation on Sunday sailing afternoon. I would like to thank those people in advance for helping out, without them the sailors wouldn't be able to race. People who volunteer do get a drinks voucher be sure to pick yours up, from the management rep in the main clubhouse at lunchtime or Julia.

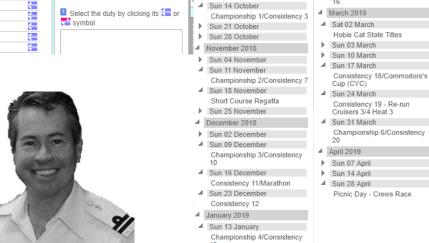
Once again, we will be using the much loved and widely appreciated rostering program Duty Man to assist us to track the hundreds of duties that will be rostered over the coming season.

Very few people have come back us on the dutyman@nyc.org.au email address so we will begin the allocation process. It will then be published in Dutyman for all to see and that is the time for feedback and to make changes if those duties dates don't suit. That review period will be about 7-10 days and then the names out of Duty Man will be printed in the Yellow Book mid-September.

Normal Sunday Sailing Duties







Sun 20 January

Sailing Season Summary

February 2019

■ Sun 03 February

Sun 10 February

■ Sun 17 February

■ Sun 24 February

Short Course Regatta

HMAS Perth Memorial Regatta

Championship 5/Consistency

September 2018

Cat Classic

■ October 2018

■ Sun 23 September

Mon 24 September

■ Sun 30 September

Sun 07 October

Opening Day/Consistency 1



2018-2019 Sailing Season

Sunday 30th September 2018

NEDLANDS YACHT CLUB

530pm

We are here again, getting ready for our Opening Day for the 2018-2019 Sailing Season. The first day of each season is always filled with some much excitement and hope, will this be my year to win and take home the trophy?

Our Opening Day will commence will run following the below

1230 hrs	Arrival of guests and refreshments
1300 hrs	Commencement of Opening Ceremony and Presentation of
	our new Life Members Sue Fairey, Joy Pennifold and Rod Hodgkin
1340 hrs	Naming of the new Nedlands training support boats
1350 hrs	Breaking of Flag accompanied by firing of the gun
1400 hrs	First Warning Signal for Race Programme
1430 hrs	Afternoon tea served in the Clubhouse for guests
17:30 hrs	Results, presentations, live music and a casual BBQ meal

This year for our Opening Day Presentations Sundowner we are taking a casual approach and are going to enjoy a BBQ cook up from 530pm and some beers to celebrate the beginning of our favourite season after the presentations from Opening Day to the soulful tunes of Henry Clarke.

The BBQ is \$15 for Adults and \$10 Kids up to 12 years' old and includes a BBQ cook up of sausages, steaks and chicken skewers with salads and rolls.

Pay and register on the day with Jacinta.

See you there!

NATIONAL 125'S

We have another exciting and busy sailing season ahead for the 125 fleet. This season sees the return of our favourite orange boat "Flashin Ya Nemo" with regular skipper, Gavin Jones. We all know this will bring some friendly competition to the water. With some taking up the opportunity to be coached by Andrew Tailor at

the NYC training day held on 2 September, his little tips and pointers could lead to a very interesting season.

Obviously, there is going to be a fare bit of banter in the Eyer household. Especially as Rage (Stephen Seaton and Sophie Eyer) took out the first NYC Winter Sail Heat. Well done!

We all sail in our fleet with the aim to have fun. However, is it possible that one day our Sunday sails could lead to the biggest of dreams coming true?

Australian Sailing posted this photo of the Australian Sailing team which recently contested the Hempel World Sailing Championships in Aarhus, Denmark. While NYC didn't have any representatives, three former National 125 sailors were included in the team (Zoe Thomson, Ryan Donaldson and Conor Nicholas). All three are vying for qualifications to the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.



For now, the day we have all been waiting for will be rolling around on Sunday 30 September for NYC Open Day. This means only one thing, those all-important dates for the diary.

- Rob Webb Traveller's Series:
 - Applecross Cup Sunday 9 September
 - Hillary's Yacht Club Saturday 17 November
 - Port Bouvard Yacht Club Saturday 1st December
- Rumble in the Reach (EFYC) Saturday 19 January 2019
- Regatta in the Trees (Walpole) 2-3 March
- 38th State Championships (PRSC Albany) 19 21 April
- Batavia Regatta (GYC) 1-2 June

Lastly, but more importantly, a big thank you to Melanie Seaton for her amazing contribution to the Mainsheet Traveller articles. Her reports have been thoroughly enjoyable to read over the years. They are big deck shoes to fill and I hope I can bring the same wonderful enthusiasm. We'll still be seeing you at the clubhouse for a post-sail beverage.

Happy sailing!

Madeline Ralph



FREE TRY SAILING DAY

930am Registrations / 1030am - 1pm
Enjoy a FREE day of sailing with friends and
family on one of our dinghy's and catamarans at
Nedlands Yacht Club. Come along, get out on
the water, get active and see how exciting
sailing can be for all ages

CRUISER'S

Nedlands Jetty Update

Nedlands Yacht Club has long been rated as having the best location on the Swan River to host sailing events. This appeal is largely due to the rolling lawns with easy launching access from the beach and close proximity to Melville Water. Excellent boat ramp facilities are required to efficiently launch support craft, rescue boats and trailer sailor classes.

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Picture: Stage 1 jetty establishment - Ron Stokes has pics

Submitted by: Paul Roux



A fun 6 week sailing course for 13yrs+ Teenagers and Adults for just \$280! Commencing Sunday 7th October 2018 from 8:30am - 12:30pm For 6 consecutive Sunday mornings finishing Sunday 11th November 2018

This course is designed to take novice sailors on the next step of their journey. Using Hobie 16 catamarans participants will need to have completed both Start Sailing 1&2 Courses to have an understanding of sailing basics as this course is designed to grow your knowledge and increase participation in the exciting world of Sail Racing

To Register see our website www.nyc.org.au/adultsailingcourses/

www.nyc.org.au / 08 9386 5496 / sailing@nyc.org.au

JUNIORS

Since the end of season, the juniors have been rather quiet (unlike their personalities) a few have been spotted at busy bees or just hanging around the club. A fair number turned up for the winter series, which create a fun filled vibe for training, experience and friendly competition.

The first race of the winter series on the 5th of August was a hit. It was a friendly event, full of fun and amusement. We hosted a BBQ lunch which created a very calming, warm mood for the ice cold, freezing day. Everyone learnt lots of things, with a good turn up of Juniors, everyone had improved so much throughout the day, and had a blast of fun.

The second day was on the 2nd of September. It was great to see so many eager sailors, including many Mirrors who had travelled to be part of our event, there was also a nice competition of



Hobies and a useful training session run by Andrew Tailor for the 125s and interested Mirrors. We had a good turn up, with a warm friendly competition. The event was very useful for removing the cobwebs from our

boats and skills just before the season starts. We opened the bar and provided snacks, making a fun, sociable event and I hope all the dads enjoyed it on their special day.

I hope every Junior is rearing and buzzing with excitement for the next season. The hope is that we can get as many juniors out on the water each weekend as possible, having as much fun as they can. We hope that we can lease boats out, not only so they become easier to manage and repair, but so that each junior feels more committed and included in training exercises and racing. There are so many opportunities for juniors to get involved and



commit to sailing, and the more opportunities you take, the larger the fleet becomes, the larger the fleet becomes, not only does it become more enjoyable to participate in, but the more the fleet can grow and expand.

We encourage that juniors hire the Flying 11s for the season, this gives them a sense of responsibility and trust, treating them as responsible adult-beings. Giving them a sense of ownership and commitment. These traits are what grows our junior section of the club, what encourages everyone to get on water and have fun or compete. Also, by hiring a boat you ensure that each week you know what condition it is, as no one else will use it.

If you have any queries or questions about our junior section or Winter series, please feel free to contact me @annikap002@gmail.com



I can't wait to be back at my favourite place, bright and early every Sunday, learning and growing amongst the salty water and I hope you feel the same.

Annika

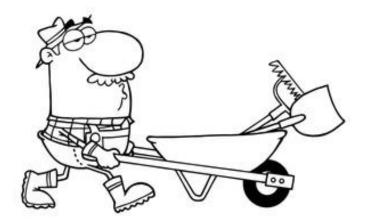
BUSY BEES

On Sunday 16th September we will be hosting our last Busy Bee for the season and this is the most important one yet as we can finally tick off all the jobs that get pushed back so big numbers are requested!

Please keep an eye out for the email that will come out a few days before hand where you can allocate yourself a task for the morning. John Collier puts a huge amount of effort into coordinating these Busy Bees and your assistance is much appreciated.

BBQ lunch and a New Member Social event to finish off a great Winter season!

We look forward to seeing you guys there!



ADVERTISING WITH NYC

As you may have seen, last season we had some advertised spaces within the weekly Mainsheet Traveller.

Would you like to advertise your business to 400 NYC members on a weekly basis for the low price of \$25 for individual weeks, or \$75 for a 4-week run?

This cost-effective advertising option is a great way to promote your business and gain like-minded clients.

All you need to do is provide an 800x600 pixel image (similar to below) and a small blurb and we are ready to go!

This may be something you look into your marketing budget come September/October. Contact Jacinta at events@nyc.org.au for further information.

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ROLL AND RELEASE

Balls and props in combination with targeted stretching are used to release muscle tension and fascial adhesion. The class finishes with a blissful savasana leaving you to float off to enjoy the rest of your afternoon.

Wednesday 12 noon



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EVENTS

And just like that, the sailing season is almost upon us! Where did that Winter go? Usually Winter is pretty quiet for us in the old events department and I often skip town on a new adventure however we have been flat tack in the office all winter with office changes and in preparation for the upcoming sailing and wedding season. Time flies when you're having fun, yes?

Winter is always quieter for our events department due to Summer being much nicer to be out frolicking on the foreshore for a Christmas party or a wedding however we always see an influx of seminars in July each year due to the beginning of a new financial year and a refresh on business budgets. This year was no different. We applied a winter promotion for private events that booked in the months of July, August and September which saw us capture a couple of extra events through this time which is always good.

Winter has seen the employment of a new Events Supervisor, we are looking forward to Bryony bringing a new light into our events team and I especially am looking forward to creating a fantastic team together to continue to give all of our events exceptional service and continue to build on the quality and service we are currently providing.



Back in June, we attended the Clubs WA Awards for Excellence at the Crown Casino. NYC was a finalist in both the Clubs WA Marketing Award and the Function Facility of the Year - Medium. It was a nerve-racking wait, but it was worth it as we were named the winners for the Function Facility of the Year – Medium Award presented by The Alchemists Precious Wines. It is an honour to once again win this award for two of the last 3 years we have entered.

Clubs WA and Crown put on an incredible spread followed by a wonderful evening of dancing right until the end!



As you will have read in the Commodore's article, I have taken over the Managing Secretary role in addition to my Events & Marketing role. I am very excited to take this step into shaping the future of our Club and look forward to seeing all of our members more often!



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