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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

The 2020/2021 Season

Well, it's the end of another normal sailing season held over anything but normal times. We were lucky last season with Covid only effecting the end of the season and not hurting us financially too much. This season has been the same with few disruptions from Covid, although the effects has been enough to stop us hitting some of our budgets. This despite a great effort across the whole club. Functions had a particularly good year considering the cancellations and postponements we experienced in Sept/Oct/Nov. They are very close to making up the lost ground. Membership / Storage / Sailing days all worked well. Membership is over 400 again. The hard stand storage is full and there is very little room in the mooring area. Given the competition for space our Active Member Policy will start to come into play next season. So, make sure you get out and race or sail, volunteer for duties and show up for Busy Bee's.

This will be my last mainsheet article as Commodore. I want to thank you all for the support during the last two years. The team we have had on the committees and in the office has been excellent and great to work with. We have all gone a long way to improve the club and our sustainability. The biggest challenge has been the pandemic. It is something you could not in your wildest dreams have predicted at the start of the 2019/2020. To be presented with the question of what to do with the club and staff when we had no idea what was going to happen and how long it was going to take was, to say the least, daunting. I am proud of everyone involved, we kept our heads and waited to see how it would play out. Job keeper then came along and saved the day. It's not often you have direct government intervention and like it – but this time they really got things right! One interesting thing I discovered at the start of the pandemic was that I thought no one read emails from the club during the week. However, if you mention you are selling your bar stock cheap (!!!) well that does get read and responded to – very quickly.

As some of you may have heard our Managing Secretary Jacinta Wilson is moving on and doing what every Victorian wants to do – move to Queensland. One of the most critical relationships in the club is the one between the Managing Secretary and the Commodore. Translating what the members want out of the club and getting someone without a sailing background to deliver it is not always easy. However, Jacinta embraced what the ethos of the club is and did her best to enhance it, she even jumped on a boat a few times and got an idea what is going on. Although she is more suited to the champagne & cheese cruising in company crowd rather than being a racer. During her time leading the functions the revenue doubled and maintained at this level which is a remarkable feat. The functions are something the members rarely see but do benefit from. The professionalism that Jacinta brought to the job, took things to a new level. We now have a relatively stable but thriving wedding and events business that supports the club's activities financially and allows us to share our beautiful club and grounds. Literally thousands of people have been to a wedding at NYC since she arrived. We have won multiple Clubs WA Awards during that time, often against much bigger and better funded clubs. At times it has been very tough, but she always hung in there, good luck Jacinta you can now get some sleep!!

I will see you around the club.



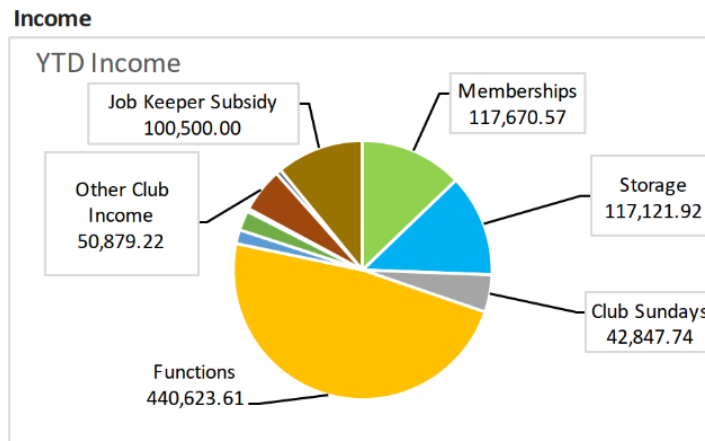
Glenn Fairey
Commodore



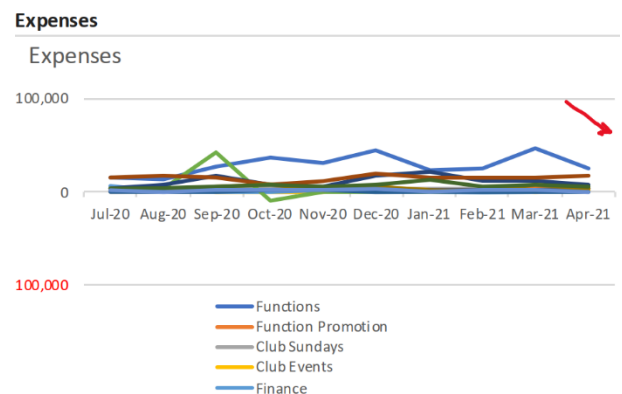
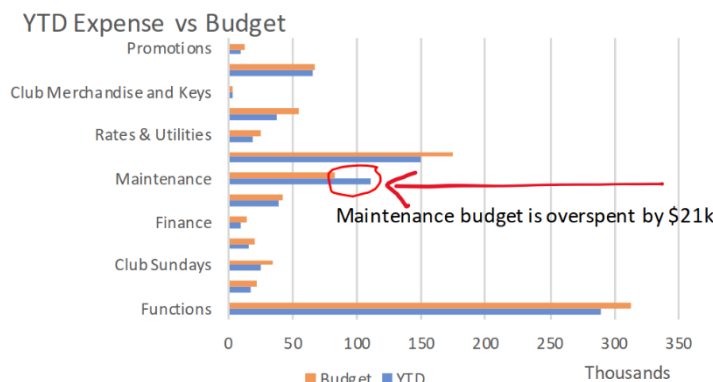
TREASURER'S REPORT

Just a quick update before the AGM in August. With two months to go, the club income and expenses are tracking well against the budget.

The function income as we can see is our largest revenue raiser and is on track to achieve their target by the end of the financial year.



Expenses are on the decline now as the Club has finished the sailing season and the events and slowing down too. The year-to-date expenses are all tracking well. The maintenance budget has only overspent due to unforeseen jetty pile on repairs that were required urgently.



Overall, the Club is in a really healthy position to finish out the financial year.

See you all at the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 11th August.

2021 OPEN INVITATIONAL WINTER SERIES



SUNDAY 6TH JUN
SUNDAY 4TH JUL
SUNDAY 1ST AUG
SUNDAY 5TH SEPT

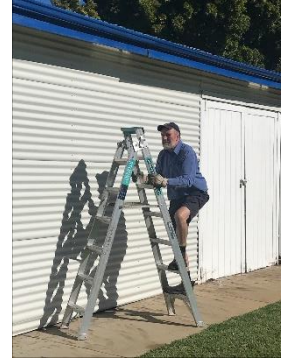
11AM BRIEFING
RACE FROM 1130AM
FREE ENTRY
LUNCH \$10PP



THE OFFICE

Busy Bees

Winter is our annual Busy Bee season, and now is not the time to forget our requirement to participate in three busy bees this season to avoid paying the busy bee levy.



So, I put to you a reminder that all members are expected to attend three busy bees per busy bee season (May – September) or pay the Busy Bee Levy of \$100 along with their fees in July. The office will be

invoicing the Busy Bee levies out to members later in the year.

A big thank you to John Collier for what is bound to be another successful Busy Bee season this year. We are incredibly grateful for all the hard work and time that is put into organising and running these events.

NYC Membership Feedback Survey June 2021

As part of the strategic planning and progression of Nedlands Yacht Club a new initiative is being launched in 2021 where the Management Committee and operations team are seeking our members feedback to guide the future of our Club. We are looking to survey our members twice a year to ensure we are maintaining the requirements, requests, and standards of our members.

Can you spare 2 minutes to answer 7 questions and assist your Management Committee and the operations of your Club? This feedback is anonymous and is fed back into a KPI dashboard for the Management Committees review.

This survey will be open for your feedback until Wednesday 3rd February 2021. We appreciate your time in completing this survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/55GB8H9>



Contact Tracing - Covid 19

In line with State Government Covid 19 requirements, the Club is continuing to operate a Contact Register so please remember to sign in each time you come to the Club.

Fundraising for YOUR CLUB – Containers for Change

Eligible containers can now create change for your Club. By either bringing your eligible containers to the Club and placing them in the blue bin located in the Clubhouse on Sundays or to your local collection point and entering the NYC Scheme ID number (pictured below) you can help fundraiser for your Club. All funds entered through your local collection point will be separated and added to the NYC Sail Training Center Fundraising account helping grow and build the future of our Club. [Find your local collection point here](#)



For more information contact Jacinta at hello@nyc.org.au or (08) 9386 5496.

Committee Nominations - Calling all members

Do you love your Club and want to contribute to its continued growth and success? Or maybe you'd like to shake things up and have a hand in improving who we are and what we do. We are looking for you to continue making Neddies great! Our Management Committee drive the success and focus of our Club, and we need you!

At this point in time all positions are open, and we will be seeking nominations for the following positions.

- General Committee

If you would like to support the Club by being on the Committee then please print off, fill in and sign the Nomination Form (Second Schedule) from page 11 of this magazine.

All nominations need to be sent to the Managing Secretary by 5pm on Thursday 15th July 2021. Please send the nomination forms to hello@nyc.org.au

That's all folks 😊

Jacinta Wilson

Managing Secretary



May you have fair winds and following seas

It is with a sad heart that I prepare to say goodbye to you all as of August.

After a wonderful, interesting, passionate, rollercoaster of growth, gratifying experience that I have shared over the last 6 years I have been with the Club, it is time to spread my wings and head into the next chapter of life for me. My partner and I are road tripping to the east coast where we are hoping to be able to start a family together.

I must say thank you to Glenn, Gavin, and the Committee's that I have had the pleasure to work with over the past 3 years in particular. Together we have been so successful because of the commitment we each had to growing our Club to everything that we have achieved today. Without their unwavering support and assistance, I couldn't have operated the last 3 years as Managing Secretary. Many of you will not have seen this but for me the past three years has meant a significant amount of growth, learning, stumbles and picking myself back up when the load got a little too big. I always got back up though with a drive to make our Club unique, stronger and be the absolute best we could be. I certainly could not have achieved this personal development without Graham Cuckow coaching me through those first few years. I will be forever grateful for your assistance and coaching!

I want to acknowledge the Committee's that I have worked with over the past 6 years for their support, especially the faith in me as both the Events Manager and the Managing Secretary. I love our Club as if it were my own and I am incredibly proud of how far our Club has come. Each Committee saw my passion, my visions and had faith in me to try, test and fail (rarely :P) as I navigated managing our operations.

Our team. What extraordinary humans they are. I am so thankful and honoured to have been a part of this team, to work with you each day to accomplish everything we have. You make coming to work, guiding our community, and growing our Club so much more enjoyable and fun just by being you, being passionate about who we are and who we represent. I will miss each of you and all your quirks.

To our members, you guys. Thank you for your support, friendships, and faith in allowing me to be a part of our community. I have absolutely adored getting to know you, working with you, and even getting out sailing a couple of times. I still say that I am a cruising wine, cheese and sunbathing on the foredeck kind of gal. I will miss you guys greatly!

So, after 580 events, 9 event supervisors, 7 event seasons, 6 years, 5 bosuns, 5 awards won, 4 Commodores, 3 Treasurers, 2 constitutions, 1 pandemic and maintaining a significant increase in revenue from the \$290,582.50 by functions (on the p&I) in the 2014/2015 year, I feel it is time for me to say cheerio and allow a fresh set of eyes to come in and take our Club to the next level.

I will be in the office until 23rd July and back again for the AGM in August if you are around the Club and wanted to drop in to say adios.

This is not goodbye, just until next time! Who knows we could have some juniors and crew for you in a few years' time? Now that is committed to our Club!!

Sail safe x

Jacinta Wilson, Managing Secretary



2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FIRST SCHEDULE NEDLANDS YACHT CLUB (INC) PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

In accordance with Clause 19 of the Constitution, Preliminary Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held at Nedlands Yacht Club, The Esplanade, Nedlands on *11th day of August 2021* at 7.30pm.

Nominations for the Office of Commodore, Vice-Commodore; a minimum of two and a maximum of three Rear Commodores; Treasurer; a minimum of three and a maximum of six Committee for the ensuing year, the form of the Second Schedule to this Constitution, are to be addressed to the Returning Officer, c/o Nedlands Yacht Club, PO Box 3205, Nedlands WA 6909, not later than 17th day of June next.

Nominees shall be Life Members or Sailing Members or Non-Sailing Members of the Club and may nominate for any number of Offices. The Offices will be filled in the order above and on election of a nominee to any Office their nomination for any other Office will be automatically withdrawn.

A "Notice of Motion" intended to be moved at the meeting shall be forwarded in writing to reach the Secretary not later than the 17th day of June next.

Signed:



Office....Managing Secretary

SECOND SCHEDULE

NEDLANDS YACHT CLUB

(INC) NOMINATION FORM

We, the undersigned, being Life Members or Sailing Members or Non-Sailing Members of the Club,
do hereby nominate and second respectively: -

..... for the Office of

(print name of nominee)

Signed by nominator..... Seconded by.....

I.....the nominee herein, do hereby accept this nomination. and
declare that I am not:

- an undischarged bankrupt or a person whose affairs are under insolvency laws
- a person convicted of an indictable offence in connection with the promotion,
formation or management of a body corporate
- a person convicted of an offence involving fraud or dishonesty punishable on
conviction by 3 months or more imprisonment
- a person convicted of a breach of any of the following duties in the new law - care and
diligence, good faith, and proper purpose, use of position, use of information or the
incurring of debt (i.e., insolvent trading)

Signed by the nomineeon...../...../.....



NATIONAL 125'S

This year brought us the 40th 125 State Championships held at the South of Perth Yacht Club over Easter. Being in the metro area it gave us the opportunity for eight Nedlands boats to compete. This event was a great experience for everyone who attended.



For anyone looking get out and sail over winter there is plenty of opportunity. Here are some dates of upcoming events. First up is the Batavia Regatta which is highly recommended and makes for a thoroughly enjoyable weekend away.

5-6 th June	Batavia Regatta	Geraldton Yacht Club
13 th June	Winter Series	SoPYC
25 July	Winter services	SoPYC
22 August	Winter Series	SoPYC

Madeline Ralph

125 Scribe



CRUISER NEWS

Hillarys Yacht Club Overnight Cruise

April 17th and 18th 2021

The Fremantle bridges proved no impediment to a group of Nedlands sailors keen to sail on a fine ocean breeze to Hillarys Yacht Club on the weekend. Six yachts successfully made the journey in stunning, though low wind, conditions.

The monohulls got away in a reasonable group from North Mole, while Rosemary and Ray aboard *Beatrix* were late to the start. But they had other ideas. Upon spotting the unforecast sea breeze out to sea, up went their asymmetric and off they went over the horizon, towards Rottnest! While the group wallowed about in light airs, *Beatrix* snuck around outside the



reef surprising everyone by arriving at Hillarys at the same time as the rest of the group.

Chris Kelly and Hillarys Yacht Club went all out to look after us river visitors, providing pens for each visiting yacht and arranging to leave the security gates open so we could easily access the jetties. We even had a welcoming visit from the Commodore, Fred Gere, at dinner to ensure we were being well looked after. The facilities, including glorious showers, were welcomed by crews and we enjoyed a wonderful dinner and a fine breakfast the following day.

While the crew of *Tiger Moth* travelled home to spend the night in their own beds, the other sailors enjoyed a quiet, comfortable night in their pens.



The return trip was a relaxed affair with a good southeast breeze allowing for some beachcombing along the coast. It was great getting back in time to sit on the verandah with the rest of the club and compare breakfasts – oops; I meant, the day's sailing.

Many, many thanks to Hillarys Yacht Club. This was an extremely successful event and we have been invited back next year to do it again; so, look out for this one next year and sign up early!

ENVIRONMENTAL

Antifouling and reducing its environmental impact

As we start to think about what maintenance we need to do in preparation for sailing next season, I thought it would be useful to provide some tips on how to reduce the environmental impact of antifouling.

What is biofouling?

Biofouling is the accumulation of aquatic organisms (micro-organisms, plants, and animals) on pleasure craft, commercial ships and structures immersed in or exposed to the aquatic environment. Biofouling can have significant detrimental ecological and economic consequences. Biofouling increases frictional drag on vessels, leading to higher fuel consumption, increased costs, and increased gas emissions. From an ecological perspective, biofouling can facilitate the spread of invasive aquatic species to new habitats.

Antifouling coatings

The problem of biofouling has affected ships since humans first started sailing the seas and antifouling technologies have a long history of development. The ancient Greeks used asphalt, wax, tar, and other materials to wrap hulls for antifouling treatment and the early Phoenicians used lead and copper sheets to prevent biofouling on their wooden boats.

By the late 18th and into the 19th centuries, coatings containing copper, arsenic and mercury were increasingly applied to vessel hulls. With the discovery in the 1960s of the antifouling efficacies of trialkyltins, in particular tributyl tin (TBT), hull fouling was thought to be a problem of the past. TBT was subsequently found to cause significant effects in marine organisms and its use has since been banned.

There are two broad groups of modern antifouling coatings:

- Biocidal coatings, which release chemicals such as copper compounds or pesticides that prevent the settlement or survival of aquatic organisms.
- Biocide-free coatings, which rely on their physical nature, rather than chemicals or pesticides, to impair the attachment of aquatic organisms or to withstand regular cleaning.

Both biocidal and biocide free anti-fouling coatings may contain harmful substances that pose a contamination risk if released into the environment.

All biocidal anti-fouling coatings must be registered and permitted for use as an 'antifoulant' by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority. The sale and application unregistered biocidal coatings is prohibited in Australia, as is the addition of any biocidal additives to an antifouling coating.

Current research is looking at the development of environmentally friendly, biocide-free antifouling technologies, including the use of natural antifouling substances from marine organisms.

Environmental best practice

While antifouling coatings keep hulls clean of biofouling, the application, maintenance, and removal of antifouling coatings can result in contamination of the aquatic environment. Some of the compounds in antifouling coatings can accumulate in aquatic organisms and make their way into wildlife further up the food chain.

Some best practice guidance for protecting our environment:

- ✓ Only undertake boat maintenance in areas where antifouling scrapings, wastewater and other debris can be collected and disposed of properly.
- ✓ Choose the right paint and apply the right amount using the correct application method.
- ✓ Cover and protect the ground and surrounding area from paint drips and spillages.
- ✓ Clean up and dispose of all hazardous waste carefully and legally.

Take advice from your chandler on the best type of antifouling coating for your boat and for the boat's environment, preferably with the lowest levels of biocides and copper suitable for your needs. Look into using less damaging antifouling coatings.

Application of an inappropriate antifouling coating may result in increased and unnecessary accumulation of biofouling, increased loading of biocide in the environment, or a requirement for more frequent maintenance.

And don't forget to protect yourself – use PPE and work in a well-ventilated area.

Safety Data Sheets and relevant product descriptions should be consulted for advice and information on correct storage, handling and emergency treatment procedures for all antifouling coatings and chemicals.

If you are interested in more information...

- <https://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/images/documents/conservation-management/riverpark/reports/tributyltin-and-heavy-metal-survey-at-yacht-clubs-in-the-swan-river-sedimen.pdf>
- <https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/avm/vessels/marine-pest-biosecurity/biofouling/anti-fouling-and-inwater-cleaning-guidelines>)
- <https://thegreenblue.org.uk/you-your-boat/info-advice/water-pollution-prevention/antifouling/>
- <https://www.coatings.org.uk/antifouling.aspx>

HOBIE REPORT

The Stolen States

No brain cells were used in the writing of this article.

"We won this election and we won it by a landslide. This was not a close election," Trump told the crowd to whoops and loud cheers, falsely claiming that President-elect Joe Biden's victory was based on fraudulent vote counts. Stolen.

Less of us remember the stolen '82/83 Hobie States held in Wickham. The great Phil Keddie got so far ahead in one race the race committee did not see him and so didn't set a finish line for him. - Not my problem. DNF. Take that. Stolen. A later race in that series was won by a sea snake. It was seen crossing the finish line ahead of the legendary team of Brad Jones and Janelle Dubois.

Another good stolen States story was in Gero a few years later. Peter Hancock won a heat of those States by accident. The third last mark was colourfully decorated with an arrangement of THREE flags. The combination of those flags had a meaning so complicated that no-one understood them except God himself. A rescue boat near the mark was drunkenly tooting its horn in a random manner. There was no wind, and the water was glassy. The entire fleet assumed the race had been abandoned and headed back for the club as best they could. By chance, the committee boat was on Peter's path back to the club. As he drifted past it, he was surprised to hear it blow its horn. Pete asked for confirmation. "The race been abandoned hasn't it." he said. "No," was the reply. "You've just won the race you fool." There was not enough wind for the bulk of us to get back to the line. Unlucky. Suck it up. Stolen.



Figure 1: Cam and Suzzi 2020/2021 State Champions



Also making the news tonight ...

2020/21 States, Easter Bunny Long weekend.

"Esperance" is a French word. It means "hope"; I hope you had a good time in Esperance.

To the left – Annika and me (Phil) in Esperance. Both the jib and mainsheets are trapped... It took all the blasphemy and four-letter words we knew to get it back.



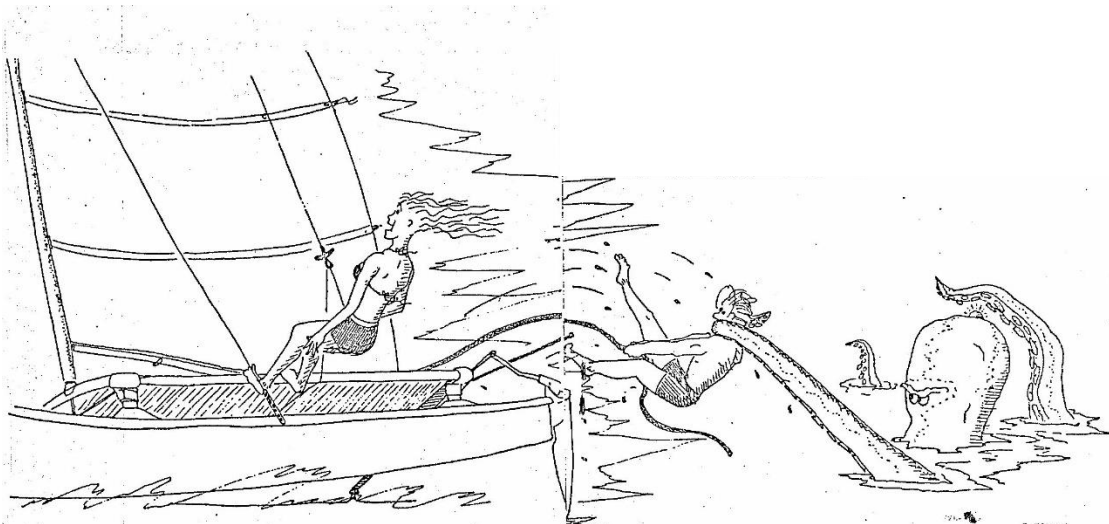
I have had enough of this crew

So anyhow last Easter I was hoping for a return to the beautiful, carefree days of my otherwise wasted youth in Esperance; It was not be. Over the two days of the event the wind was strong, and the waves were stronger.

That was a bit unlucky because the weather immediately before and after the event was moderate and spectacularly beautiful. That would have made for glorious racing. Instead, the wind and waves just kept building throughout the series. During the second last race almost all skippers and crews were each washed off about twice; Most unusual. The conditions just kept getting tougher until by the last race only 6 or 7 boats attempted to start.

Why is everyone falling off at Esperance?

I sailed the event with Annika (Danger is my middle name) Penniford. She was disappointed when I declined to sail that last race; She WANTED to get washed off another two or three times. She is fearless; certifiably, but she is great fun to sail with.



Glen and Natalie survived the carnage of that last wild race to impress with a very commendable – and surprising - second place. ...It must have been something they drunk.



Thanks Shaggy and EBYC

It was interesting that the dominant feature of the event was the waves, not the wind. The wind was strong but never more than 25; It was the waves that made the conditions tough; Oddly, they were bigger than the wind that created them – which defies logic. Steep pitched stuff: rudders were often shallow in the water making the boats hard to control. Unusual. It was the dominant feature of the weekend's racing.

Cam and Suzzi managed the conditions best. They have taken Hobie sailing to a new level – if that's possible. I think even the great Valentino Rossi (Gavin Colby) would have to take his coat off to beat them these days. In fact, we have a very strong fleet so most teams managed to stay strong and power their boats through conditions that would have left a weaker fleet looking ragged. Daz and Claire were second and Trent and Nat came out of hiding to come third overall. Ben and Matt had a great arm wrestle with Brad and Tayla to win the Grand Masters. That was grand.

Suzzi wrote the event up really well - so if you haven't already, go view the presentation she put on social media. It includes daily videos, images, results, and news updates @HobieCatsWesternAustralia.

Incidentally Suzzi has now won the States sailing with Gavin, Dazz and Cam. As a result, she has won more States than anyone. Legend. God. ...We are not worthy.

I cannot say how much I admired the Esperance Race Management team. When a great football umpire does his job well you don't notice him. You forget he's there - until afterwards. Respect. They were like that. Everything was done seamlessly. No "postponement until we get this shamble sorted out" use of the PA flag. Not a single error. Seamless. And all in the most challenging of conditions.

There was not one single general recall. That might be a record for us.

A great new innovation this year was the addition of a team's competition. Congratulations to Trevor and Elisabeth's Team Terrific. Anikka and I were in that team. Our opposition was Andy's team (Andy Schumacher Peryer). Andy's team did their best, you know. They really tried. - And they were excellent, really excellent. Like - I really mean that. They have some very good sailors. It's just that - Well - We are better than them.



*Winners of the team's event - Trevor and Elisabeth's Team Terrific
- Better than Andy's team*

The other great thing about Esperance of course is its sweeping natural beauty. The breath-taking West beaches; even the un pink, Pink Lake. Everyone made the best of it - extending their Easter Bunny holidays to look around. Many drove along the spectacular beachfront to Cape Le Grande and on to Lucky Bay. They are as beautiful as any beaches in the world, then over to the Hill family's impressive Eco Park for a picnic. Thanks to the Hills for their hospitality. The Hills are alive... Everyone was there -and we talked candidly and mostly disparagingly about those of you who were not there.

They are special - regattas like this; the pumped-up camaraderie, the exaggerated and completely false stories of past glories, the measured drinking (Cape Le Grande is a three-tinnie trip) etc. They keep us involved in sailing. We may forget a club race or two at home, but those Esperance memories are there for life.

"Were the Esperance States really stolen Grandpa Trump?" "Yes, they were son. But not this one. - The one that was stolen was the one that was supposed to have been held there last year in 2020. It was cancelled as a result of some sort of virus, I can't remember its name though....

Walpole - In the Trees Regatta

The Walpole regatta held over the Labour Day Long Weekend in Feb. was another great highlight of the season. Magic. Pretty among the gorgeous trees and waterways; some nice little cafes, a wine or three among the tents and a relaxing country town atmosphere. I had to hold Mel by the ears and insist she come down this year. I know she has a thousand other things to do but I knew she would love it - and she did.



Who was there - Glen & Nat, Andy, Vicky & Anna, Rod & Lucy, Trevor, Deb & Elisabeth, Dazz & Claire, Jason & Colleen, Phil, Jane & Mel. A good time was had by all.

Crews Race on Picnic Day

“Thank God that’s over!” exclaimed Cam Owen as he reached the safety of the Club lawns after the crews’ skippering race.

He was not criticising his skipper Suzzi as you might think at first. He was bemoaning his failings as a crew. He crumpled the jib sheets up in his hands then dumped the sodden mass onto the deck. “Thank God that race is only once a year,” he added.

Of course, most crews loved it. Our women’s world champion Natalie Hill starred as you would expect, but Anna, Natalie E, Mel, Elisabeth, Mark, Tayla, Grace, Michael et al. all enjoyed tea-bagging their skippers around the course and getting a little revenge from the back end of the boat.

Lucy Bromell, president of the Fumbling Forward Hand’s Association (FFA) didn’t sail in the event because she and Hoddy both agreed - Hoddy would “lose it”.

Coming Events

Batavia Regatta

Registration is now open on the GYC website for the regatta on the 5th and 6th June

<https://www.gycwa.com.au/events/101047/>

Fremantle Sailing Club Huck Scott



Nedlands



Nationals



28th December 2021 to 5th January 2022 See the [website](#) for more details.

The 2021 Hobie MultiEuropeans La Ballena, Alegre. from 15th to 26th September. Notice of Race and accommodation details all added on our [website](#).

Th Th Th Th That’s all Folks!
Au revoir mes amis,
Phil King



OPEN CATS

Congratulations to Jared and Suzie for taking out the Open Cat Championship and Consistency for 2020/2021 season. A great night had by all those who attended presentation night, and thanks to Lucy and Andy for MC-ing and organising this great event.

Even with the onset of the cooler months, enthusiasm for sailing amongst the Open Cat fraternity is high, with availability of individuals still being the main constraint to numbers sailing on any particular day.

We hope to sail as much as possible to ensure that when we are again permitted by the Government to sail in Europe, we will be at the required level of preparedness to be competitive. Brett and Max managed to obtain Government approval to represent Australia in European for F18 and Tornado competitions, however the uncertainty of being able to return to Australia made traveling to Europe this year impossible. Others attempting to sail in the Europeans and World Championships were not even entertained by Government for Good to Go approval.

The addition of another A Class Cat to the fleet later this month will provide the opportunity of several for some training and ad hock competition between Ryan, Paul, and Allan when possible - ease of rigging and launching solo makes opportunistic time on the water possible and very attractive to those venturing into the foiling world of catamaran sailing.



Hopefully, the winter and spring will be kind to WA, and we can build on the gains of last season to increase not only participation rates but also fleet numbers in 2021/2022. Improvements in the COVID impacts and certainty of employment and business levels makes the potential for 2022 to be the best season in modern times.

We are looking forward to having many people sailing through the off-season and, in the foreseeable future, being able to compete both domestically and internationally, as this is why we sail open our catamaran classes.

Wish all, a safe and enjoyable off-season for 2021.

Alan Gamble

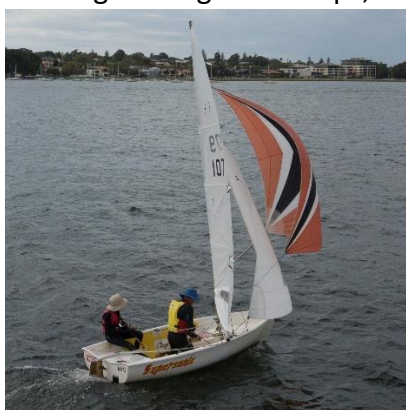
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JUNIORS

The juniors of Nedlands Yacht club have had a fantastic Season!

By the end of the season almost all the Flying 11 boats in the shed are now personally owned, leaving us finding ourselves in a situation where we must brainstorm ideas to syphon boats back to the association ready for the next group of kids to join in the upcoming season.

I can't express the pride that has arisen the season from the juniors. We have gained so many youngins out of tackers courses that we have had to employ another instructor to perform a game filled course, just for optimist sailors on Sunday mornings. We are also immensely proud to see the Gardner family come into our fleet as fresh blood at the beginning of the season and throw themselves into juniors. From a start sailing course, to buying a F11, to receiving the coaches award at the end of the season, as well as forming lifelong friendships, and now representing the class at a committee level.



Another notable point is the level of evolution juniors have achieved this season. Unlike the last handful of years where we felt like we had hit a wall in our junior fleet, with segregation of learning levels, this season welcome newcomers and are saying goodbye to the older and faithful. With special mention to Lucy Hood moving up to 125s, competing the RPYCs miniseries and the state championship at SoPYC with Monika (which ended with a hole on the hull where the mast usually sits, but that's a story for another time). We saw Olivia Makin leap onto a Hobie on picnic day, and dare I say, skippered her way into Second place, in a

highly competitive, world class fleet (She was first right up there in first until the last leg too!). We still see James Roux around the club in the cruiser section, enjoying the relaxing side of sailing. And of course, Annika and Monika are still thriving, even in the different pathways they have chosen.

In other junior news, it was such a delight to see Lachy, Nick, Elizabeth, and Anna tackling the blowing gale and overhead waves down in Esperance for Hobie states, smashing it as always down the dark side of the club!



This season saw much change in the junior's fleet, not only with the introduction of a new Optimist class, but the change of date for our junior camp. Junior camp last season and for the foreseen future, was and will now be held near the end of the summer holidays (14th and 15th of January 2022), allowing plenty of time for organisation and introduction for new members, it is also a date which does not clash with exams, and a time where most families are relaxing at home before the new school year.

It is with great sorrow we say goodbye to Susie Hood at our monthly regatta committee meetings, she really has put her all into juniors these past years, and instead we introduce Wade Gardener as junior representative. A fresh change every few years is awesome for committees, and I hope other classes can follow suit.

Annika Pennifold

PRESENTATION DINNER

What a fun night and how good was it to be out of masks! With such a beautiful evening and the freedom to celebrate with friends at the club - how lucky are we in Western Australia!

On the night we got to celebrate lots of worthy winners. A huge congratulations goes all the winners. You guys had a great season. We also got to thank all our volunteers which are so important to this club. Most importantly we got to celebrate as a club!

Club Patron Barry Court joined us to present the Court family Award which is for **Club Person of the Year Award**. This award went to **Stephanie Turner** (featured on the front cover).

Stephanie took on an especially important task within the Club over the past two years. Bringing in her career expertise Stephanie was instrumental in getting NYC compliant, writing all new procedures and policies, and ensuring the Management Committee and office team understood the environmental impacts, hazards, and procedures of our Club. It took over two years of hard work and dedication for this person to put together a very comprehensive and detailed 85-page Environmental Management System Manual, consolidating our compliance, understanding and responsibilities as a Club. They also created a chemical register with 183 different chemicals, including the Material Safety Data Sheets for each chemical onsite, all new policies and procedures around environmental management, and has begun training with our office team to ensure an understanding of requirements from our team on the ground. Congratulations to Stephanie Turner for a job well done!



Craig LeMaistre joined us to present all the LeMaistre Family Awards and this year as always, we had some very worthy winners.

The **Jack LeMaistre Award** for an outstanding contribution to Senior Sailing went to **Murray Pennifold**.



Murray volunteered more times than anyone else this season and has been such a



fantastic supporter of the club for many years. Murray's response to receiving his award - "Totally unexpected - I just like being here!"

The **Brian LeMaistre Award** for an outstanding contribution to Junior Sailing went to **Kelly Padayachy** for his ongoing support of the Junior fleet and encouragement to get Juniors racing consistently this season. Well done, Kelly.

The **LeMaistre Family Award** for any supporting role in the club went to **Lisa Taylor** for her ongoing support and commitment in the galley. We love getting fed on race days! Thank you, Lisa. Lisa's response to getting the award - "I burnt a few chips this year!"





EVENTS

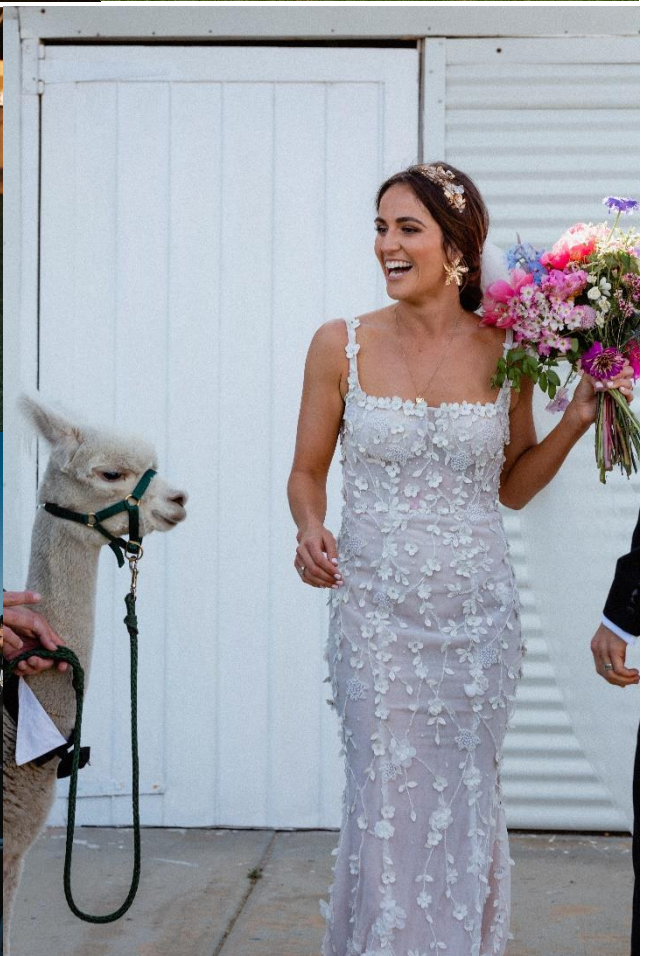
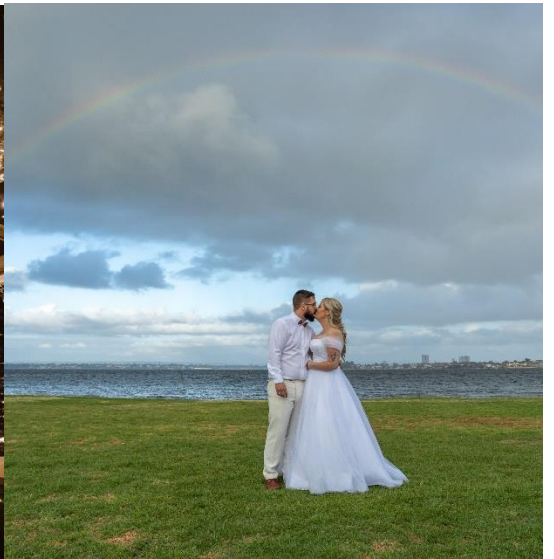
Greetings Folks, welcome to another edition of the events mainsheet article. This will sadly be my last before I leave you to tackle the “wonderful” world that is parenthood. If you have not seen me waddling around the club in recent weeks, then you may not be aware that I will be finishing up on the 2nd of July to start my maternity leave. That is right, Baby Osborne will be here with us in 7.5 weeks... 53 days... but hey, who is counting? Trevor if you are reading this, please do not fret... I will be back! I’ve got a year to accumulate as many pink outfits as possible, ready to knock your socks off for the next sailing season! I also hear the club offers a pretty sweet babysitting service on Sundays, so for everyone else, you will be sure to see me and the latest addition to my family around 😊

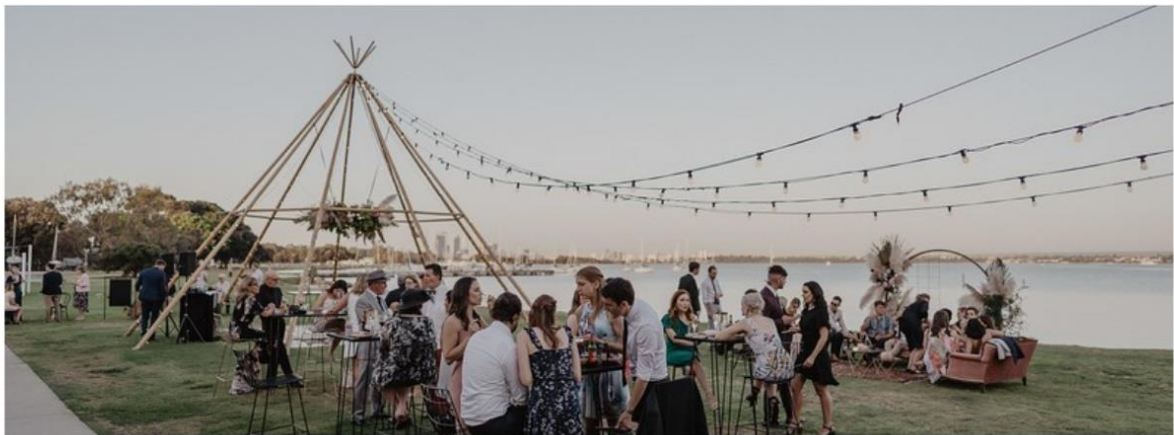
Now enough about what is to come, let’s look back at the season that was! And boy oh boy was it a crazy one. We welcomed the lovely Jo, who some of you may have met in the last few weeks of the Sailing Season and possibly also at the Presentation Dinner. Jo has worked casually with us for many years and finally took on the roll as our Events Supervisor extraordinaire. We have always loved having her as part of our team and I have the upmost confidence that she will continue the excellent service standards that the Club maintains. Together, like Han Solo & Chewbacca... Snoopy & Woodstock... Romy & Michelle... we used our teamwork to make the dreamwork and tackled the mammoth number of events that came our way. Of course, kudos also goes to our fabulous army of casuals who we really could not have done it without. It was a fabulous end to the season, but definitely a bittersweet one. I’m truly going to miss my job, miss my team, miss my clients, and most importantly miss all of you!

As we move into the next season, we have the incredible Megan joining us and covering my leave. She will be starting with us mid-June so if you stop by the club, please do stop into the office to say hi. She is a friendly gal who I know is very keen to meet you all 😊

On a final note, whilst Megan & Jo are looking forward to a healthy event calendar, we would still love you to think of us and even put in a good word to your friends and family. If you or anyone you know is looking for the perfect venue for their next birthday, future celebration, seminar, or corporate event then look no further. Contact the team today to see how we can make sure your next event is remembered, enjoyed, and talked about for years to come 😊







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