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THE ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF TASMANIA

What's In The Wind

February 2022



Photo: Tasmania State Optimist Championship at the RYCT

FROM THE BOARD ROOM

From the Boardroom

At its February meeting the Board approved a new Child Protection Policy. The purpose of the policy is “to demonstrate the strong commitment of the Board, Management, Staff & Volunteers of The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania to child safety and to provide an outline of the policies and practices the Club has developed to keep everyone safe from any harm,

The Club recently hosted the Tasmanian International Optimist Dinghy Association State Championships. What a fantastic sight to see so many young sailors out on the water having great competition and fun!

Australian Sailing recently issued its new Strategic Plan 2022-2032 that we will consider as part of our own Strategic Plan review over the next few months. 2032 sounds a long way out but ties in with the Brisbane Olympics for which hopefully some of our current Tackers will be vying for selection!

Our bar, restaurant and function trading took a bit of a belting over the past two months following the Tasmanian borders reopening and some local cases of Covid emerging. This caused the cancellation of some functions and generated some concern and reluctance for members to be out and about.

Hopefully now we are all becoming used to the "new normal" of living with Covid and prepared to resume active lives in the community and especially at the Club!

I recently had 8 wonderful days with two friends cruising on my own boat "Limousine", getting as far south as the lower Channel and Recherche Bay. How lucky are we to live so close to such fantastic cruising waters.

See you on the water!

Richard Bevan

Commodore

SAILING



Combined Clubs Summar Pennant & Long Race Series Report - Race Day 8



42 South Heads the Fleet

In a light north-easterly race start to Saturday's Long Race, the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania's Race Committee sent the fleet to marks down the eastern side of Bruny Island in Storm Bay. Group 1 raced to Variety Bay, Groups 2 & 3 to Yellow Bluff and Group 4 to Bull Bay.

After a willing start with an individual recall for Ian Snape's Sailable, the Group 1 fleet led the way to a windward mark off Bellerive Bluff before setting off down the River towards Bruny.

The breeze built a little as the race progressed with easterly and north-easterly breezes giving way to south-easterlies around 15 knots to bring the fleet home. On the reach to the finish Mark Ballard's 42 South was a stirring sight as she approached the line under her big blue spinnaker, chased hard by fellow Group 2 contenders Steve Chau's Small Gains and Andrew Parker's Arunga. Small Gains has hit her straps taking the win in PHS handicap division. 42 South continued her domination of AMS.

In Group 1 IRC and AMS Handicap Divisions Midnight Rambler (Ed Psaltis), Intrigue (David Calvert) and Matthew Keal's Heatwave held their grip on the podium places finishing in that order in both Divisions. In PHS division Gary Smith's Fork in the Road took the win from Heatwave and Gary Cripps' Guilty Pleasures VI.

Group 3 saw Justin Barr's Rumbeat win in IRC and AMS divisions from Bryan Walpole's Invincible. Charles Peacock's Serica won in PHS division from Will Justo's Groove followed by Rumbeat in third.

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<p>(Dean Aberle and Ian Smith) and Peter Bosworth's Astrolabe in Group 4.</p> <p>The Combined Clubs Summer Pennant wraps up at the end of March wit the final series of Harbour Races.</p> <p>Words: Nick Hutton Photograph: Peter Watson Photo Caption: Mark Ballard's 42 South coming home under spinnaker.</p>		

TASPORTS WOMEN'S KEELBOAT REGATTA 2022

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TasPorts Women's Keelboat Regatta 2022

Hosted by the RYCT 5th March

The second annual TasPorts Women's Keelboat Regatta will be hosted tomorrow by the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania.

Conducted by the Hobart Combined Clubs Bellerive Yacht Club, Derwent Sailing Squadron and the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, the event features the cream of Tasmania's female sailors competing in RYCT's one-design Elliott 6s.

A crew from RYCT skippered by prominent Sharpie sailor Kirsty Salter won last year's regatta and Kirsty is back this year to defend her title. Top local SB20 skipper Felicity Allison representing the Derwent Sailing Squadron will be pressuring Kirsty and her crew all the way and the only sure thing is that there will plenty of hard racing.

Former Hobart skipper and Mirror champion Jess Andrewartha is representing Wynyard Yacht Club and will be a strong contender for overall honours along with local young guns Matilda O'Donoghue and Indy Cooper, both representing RYCT.

Indy will be racing against her mother Jacinta, herself an accomplished skipper and in this regatta crewing with Felicity Allison.

Experienced offshore sailor Sandy McManus will be flying the flag for Bellerive Yacht Club. Orla Gray will be skippering a crew representing Port Dalrymple Yacht Club and Teresa Badrock will represent Burnie Yacht Club. Crews led by Sophie Kelly and Lisa Guy complete the complement for the DSS.

Australian Olympian Tess Lloyd will be the guest speaker at the presentation dinner tomorrow evening, supported by Australian Sailing's SheSails initiative.

For live results click [here](#)

Words: Nick Hutton

Photographs: Jane Austin



Reminder from MAST of the requirement of wearing approved and serviced Lifejackets

A reminder to all club members that MAST regulations require life jackets to be worn in either a motorised tender or when rowing a dinghy. With the Nav Trial and Pear Tree Cruise coming up this is a timely reminder to make sure you have the correct equipment for your passengers when on board your tender.

MAST has noticed several instances where life jackets have not been worn and the operator of the dinghy was under the false impression that if the motor was less than 4HP then safety equipment was not required. Safety equipment is required on any motorised vessel no matter what horsepower rating the engine is. If your tender is marked as the tender to your larger vessel, you don't have to carry all the safety equipment, but you must be wearing a life jacket.

MAST would also like to remind boat owners that all life jackets must now comply with the AS4758 Standard and that inflatable life jackets must be serviced according to the manufacturer's recommendations. Make sure you have a couple of spare cylinders just in case your life jacket goes off and please always check that the cylinder is tight before putting the life jacket on.

Be Safe, Be Sensible, Be Seen!

OFF THE BEACH



State Optimist Titles 2022 Photo Report





CRUISING

J. Boag RYCT Navigation and Seamanship Cruise 2022

The J. Boag RYCT Navigation and Seamanship Cruise will start on the 29th of

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		<p>Seamanship Cruise also known simply as the Nav Trial, is a tactical and strategic cruise on a course set out by the winner of the previous year.</p> <p>This year marks the 63rd edition of the cruise. It was about time to give the cruise it's own brand new logo!</p> <p>Entries are open now. You can also enter as a control boat. For those that have never done the navigation trial (or those that have but want to get all the tips and tricks), we are doing a pre-cruise presentation on Tuesday 29th March at 6pm at the RYCT Clubhouse.</p> <p>More info and entries on our webpage here</p>	

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Pear Tree Cruise 2022

Save the date for the annual Pear Tree Cruise and Picnic. The 29th of May will be the 50th edition of this great event to cruise in company!

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THE PEAR TREE



29TH MAY 2022
— 50TH EDITION —

BBQ & open fires on site.
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From 11AM onwards.

TRAINING

MAST Powerboat Courses

In Tasmania, a motorboat licence is required to operate a vessel 4hp or more (except for a hire and drive vessel).

The RYCT is an accredited provider of the MAST Motor Boat Licence which is valid for a

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For More information please contact our sailing administrator Michael Vincent at
otbtraining@ryct.org.au

SOCIAL

The Ryct Deck Sessions

Live music, Cocktails
and Lunch Specials

Saturday 5 March, 2022
Jess & Sean Duo



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And we are back with some more live music! This weekend Saturday 5 March from 12 - 2pm come and enjoy a great show while having a meal. Bookings advised - if the weather is not great to be out on the deck we just move inside.

Lunch and Music 12 - 2pm - Drinks all day.

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with Chocolate Sauce

MEMBERS

Member Spotlight

Every month we are asking one of our members some questions, so you get to know your fellow members a little bit better. Meet David Bowker.

**1. How long have you been a member for?**

Only for about 3 years. I have been sailing for many years including doing a yacht race in 1973 from Capetown to Rio de Janeiro. The yacht belonged to the Governor of Bermuda so, after the race, we sailed from Rio through the Caribbean to Bermuda. Unfortunately he was assassinated before we arrived in Bermuda so we were commissioned to take the yacht back across the North Atlantic from Bermuda to the Hamble in England. Definitely the highlight of my sailing career.

2. What do you enjoy most about the Club?

I enjoy the atmosphere in the clubhouse and it has a wonderful air of history without being stuffy. They also do very good functions.

3. What is the best memory you have of being at the Club?

New Years eve in December 2021 which was a wonderful event

4. What do you do for a living?

Retired from Hydro Tasmania after 25 years. Prior to that I had lived and worked in several countries including Jersey, France, Namibia and South Africa.

I am still active with 3 grandchildren and as a Board member of Sandy Bay Rotary and Rear Commodore of the Cruising Yacht Club of Tasmania. I am also the chairman of an international working group for CIGRE (an organisation based in Paris whose members study electricity power systems). My working group is investigating the use of bitcoin technologies in power systems.

5. What could other RYCT members always ring you for?

A chat or if they are short of crew.

My yacht is named Duet as I have sailed on it mainly with my wife (now deceased) and now with my daughter Georgia. It was originally called Dyad which has a Chinese flavour so we changed it to Duet recognising a French influence.

7. Would you rather spend the rest of your life with a sailboat as your home or an RV as your home?

I would prefer to spend the rest of my life on a yacht. However, recognising my declining physical capabilities I expect one day to change over to an RV. I am hoping that will be some time away as I often still manage to race my yacht single handed in twilight races.

8. Would you rather give up all drinks except for water or give up eating anything that was cooked in an oven?

I would prefer to give up eating anything that was cooked in an oven as I almost live that way now. So it would be a smaller change than changing to water. Unfortunately, I am some distance from drinking only water!

MEMBER BENEFITS

See two of our many membership benefits below! Click [HERE](#) to see our other membership benefits!



I work by the hour and often an hour's consultation on site and a couple of hours of research and sketching up rough ideas is enough for a small garden to get people heading in the right direction.

And it can be beneficial to have advice about soil preparation and maintenance before the plants go in. Gardening is like making a cake and the plants are just the decoration on top: lots of work needs to go into preparing the ground first to ensure happy plants.

Contact me for ideas and inspiration: No job too small! Contact Catherine at catherine@thecretans.com

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