

# S.A.S.C. NEWS

SYDNEY AMATEUR SAILING CLUB

FOUNDED 1872

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We have come to the end of another racing season.

This year our active racing fleet was the largest of the Sydney Clubs. Racing was keen, and except for the odd occasion of over exuberance sportsmanship reigned supreme.

There is no doubt why so many of us race with the Amateurs. Racing is well controlled and is the major function of the Club.

The yachting fraternity is growing daily. This year Port Jackson was used by even more Sydney-siders as a recreation area. The overcrowding on the Harbour is a source of concern to yachtsmen and Harbour Authorities. Organisation such as Y.A. of N.S.W. and the Maritime Services Board are co-operating to ease the problem as much as possible. Co-operation of yachtsmen in overcoming the problem is most essential. It is YOUR responsibility to ensure that at all times whether racing or cruising you obey the Yachting, and Prevention of Collision at Sea Rules, and use common sense.

Slipping across the bow of an ocean going ship during racing or cruising with a dinghy across a racing fleet is to be abhorred. Rule 32 should be read and remembered.

During the Winter lay up season we strongly suggest that skippers, old and new spend the odd winter evenings studying the racing rules, and attending one of the many lectures to be given by one of the "Rules Experts".

Unless the boating public co-operate and use a little more judgement, such as putting to sea in seaworthy boats, advising of their departure and arrivals we will find that the authorities will impose stringent restrictions to prevent unnecessary air/sea searches. If restrictions are imposed it will be because there is a need to protect. It follows that if the reason to protect is removed there is no need for restrictions.

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## RACING

Discussions are to be held with Middle Harbour Sailing Club regarding the future conduct of the Daydream Shield.

It has been decided that next season numeral boards will be used in lieu of flags for starting.

Closing day was, once more, a howling success, although a few members got a bit wet; the work into Mosman Bay to the finish-

Closing Day Winners were:-

"NAIAD" Rex Green	"RANGER" Cliff Gale	"SENTA" Bill Lawler	"THUNDERBIRD" Fred Wrobel	"LEWANA" B.Kirkwood
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RESULTS

Our congratulations to the Gold Medal Winners.

I Division	2 Division	3 Division	Thunderbird	Bluebirds
"LOLITA" Nick Cassim	"CHERUB" Lou D'Alpuget	"SENTA" Bill Lawler	"PANKINA" Graham Day	FINNEGAN'S WAKE Colin Crisp
Scratch Gold Plaques			"THUNDERBIRD" Fred Wrobel	"WISTARIE" Allan Ratcliffe

End of Season Trophy Winners

Kelly Cup	"WAITANGI"	D.Wearn
Merrington Trophy	"NIMBUS"	C.Mecham
H.S.Lloyd Trophy	"SIANDRA"	H.Drew
Brothers Trophy	"BACCILUS"	Z.Freeman
Tyson Trophy	"ARROWHEAD"	J.Gibson
Bob Brown Trophy	IDLE HOUR"	A.Furse
Oxby Memorial Trophy	To be decided	
B.Cameron Trophy	"NAIAD"	R.Green
A.Merrick Trophy	"NIRIGE II"	P.Gregory
JOG Plate	"LOLITA"	N.Cassim
Stardust Trophy	"RESTLESS"	C.Shaffron
Degra Trophy	"NIMBUS"	C.Mecham
John Taylor Cook Memorial Trophy	"WEST WIND"	D.Cohen
J.A.Middleton Trophy	"LOLITA"	N.Cassim
N.G.Cassim Trophy	"CHERUB"	L.D'Alpuget
Roger Booth Trophy	"SENTA"	W.Lawler
Thunderbird Trophy	"PANKINA"	G.Day
D.W.Gale Trophy	"BROTHERS"	N.Beadle
F.P.Collins Trophy	"LEWANA"	B.Kirkwood

Flag Officers' Trophy

I Division	2 Division	3 Division	Thunderbirds	Bluebirds
"MATHANA" Bill Clark	"AMETHYST" Frank Bradshaw	"SENTA" Bill Lawler	"CHRISTINA" Dick Christian	"FINWAY" Dick Finch

Mid-season Trophy winners were listed in the February issue of the NEWS.

Thanks again to John Hemphill for the use of the pontoon on Closing Day.

The Thunderbird "Le Mans" start was a terrific performance.

The Honorary Treasurer is currently forwarding final subscription notices to members who have not paid their current subscription.

Annual elections will soon be with us. Members should commence considering offering their services to the Club. Our able and active Secretary Jack Stewart because of business commitments will definitely not be carrying on next year. Many other members of the Executive, who have given years of faithful service, feel that it is time for a change and would like to see some active dedicated members submit themselves for election.

#### BOATSHED

The Committee have asked that your attention be drawn to the importance of locking the boatshed and clubhouse. It is the responsibility of the last member actually present to ensure the premises are secured. It is your dinghy and equipment that are at stake.

Dinghy owners are asked to name their dinghies and allocated space with the labels supplied by the Committee.

A club dinghy is available for use on special occasions. Please use your own dinghy or the club dinghy, NOT another members dinghy.

The cradle and slipway are now in first class order. A winch however is required.

All 38 moorings are now occupied.

#### SOCIAL / CLUBHOUSE

The Prize Giving Cocktail Party will be held in the Clubhouse at 8.00 p.m. on Friday May 6th.

Turn up and applaud the Champs.

The Amateurs Ball will be held at the Wentworth Hotel on Friday June 24th. Tickets \$9.50 per double. Bookings Colin Crisp 90-1774.

#### MONTHLY MEETING

At last months Bill Baverstock gave an interesting talk based on his South Seas experiences

The Commodore is arranging an interesting evenings entertainment.

#### JOTTINGS

"WIRRAMIRRA" owned for many years by Greg Neave has been sold to H. Smith and is on the moorings.

Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club Prize giving will be held at the Rowe Street, Club on Wednesday May 11th.

Roger Hopkins is sailing his new 32ft. steel yawl "GALLIVANTER" to Coffs Harbour and return over the Easter and Anzac weekends. David Rayment, Eric Upward, and Kevin Crack will be amongst the crew.

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The J.O.G. Fleet is gaining in strength. Our team in the J.O.G.'s "Commodore Cup" is leading at this stage.

Norman Beadle was runner up in the Prince Edward's Midweek Competition. Regular starters have been Tony Firse, Bill Lawton, Bill Gale, Nick Cassim, Grant Crichton, and Laurie Schneider. It's practically a Sub branch.

Club Ties are still available at \$2.25 each.

The Bob Brown Barbeque held at Hallett's Beach was a great success. Although there were a few sore heads the next morning.

The race was a slow drift. Most boats cleared the Harbour by 1 a.m. The finish however was a thriller, fractions of a second between the place getters.

Don't forget Nominated Skippers Day on Saturday 16th. The "Experts" can show their stuff. Skippers can nag for a change.

The Ladies Auxiliary are getting ready for the May school holidays.

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