

THE MAIN SHEET

The Hampton Sailing Club Newsletter



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The Commodore's Corner

The Club's Annual General Meeting heralded the start of a new year for the Committee even though there is no official sailing for a while.

The AGM, the presentation of trophies, and the BBQ went well. Congratulations to the trophy winners and welcome to the new members on the committee.

Thank you to all those who attended the AGM (especially the newer members).

The Winter Warriors Regatta Race will be here before you know it. It's always the last Sunday in August, and the reward is hot soup after the race.

Charles and I will be out of town for a while' chasing some sunshine. By coincidence, some of the Cadet sailors from Sandringham (and their families) are heading off in the same direction for the Cadet World Championships, and we hope to catch up with them during the championships in Hungary. Hopefully we'll have a suntan when we see you again, in August.

Vice-President Peter Jones will attend to issues that arise during July and he may be contacted on 9583 2894.

Rita Bagossy-Commodore



JUNE 2006

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES
Put the 27th August in your diary and dare to be a Winter Warrior.

SAFETY BOAT HANDLING

This course will be held on 7-9th July and there are limited places.

Membership renewal 2006-07

Members are reminded that membership renewals are due now.

Please return your renewal notice with your payment.

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GENERAL NOTICES

Newsletter Contributions

Fun photographs or sailing stories are welcomed.

This newsletter is published in April, June, August, October and December each year.

Editorial deadline is 2nd Monday of the month and publication is the third Monday of the month.

Social News

The next event is the Winter Warriors which is on the 27th August, at 2pm.

For the new members who are not familiar with this event, the day involves an afternoon sail, subject to the weather and this is followed by hot soup for all with a gold coin donation for the club.

Up and Coming Events

The Albert Sailing Club (ASC) has it's Annual Regatta, to be held on Albert Park Lake. It is a 2 day regatta held on July 8 and 9. Start time is 2 pm on the Saturday whilst on the Sunday it's a 10 am start.

Sailing Sub Committee

We are looking to set up the sailing schedule for next season and would like to get some discussions going on how to schedule the events such as Championship races, Autumn/Spring Aggregates and Family Days. All contributions welcome, please contact Monica or Kevin.

Rescue Boat Volunteers Required

The successful running of HSC Sunday racing depends heavily on a small band of dedicated volunteers who act as Race Officials.

For the 2006-07 season we are looking for more volunteers who can assist on a regular or casual basis.

We are aiming to have a core number of members who are regularly assisting in races that will lead up to being able to assist in running the Pacer State Titles in the March long weekend in 2007. For those who are interested please contact Monica or Kevin on (03) 9578 3214 or 0417 134 007 and indicate what duties you can do and how regular you would like to be involved.

The following volunteers are required:

Rescue Boat Coxswain: for Lady Isa, Hampton Duck, and Captain Wazza (Kingfisher). A Victorian Boat Operators Licence is mandatory, and experience in Club power boats useful.

Rescue Boat Crew: for Lady Isa, Hampton Duck, and Captain Wazza (Kingfisher). General duties are to act as crew to support rescue boat and race operations. The crew member for Hampton Duck should be prepared to act as a swimmer.

Base Radio Operator: for Club house to monitor Race operations and act as an emergency contact. Ideally, should have some radio qualification, or experience with radio procedures; however, the Club can provide the necessary training.

AGM Reports 2005-06

The Club's Annual General Meeting and presentation of trophies went well on Sunday, 28 May 2006; 29 members attended for the business part of the proceedings, with others joining in for the social gathering afterwards.

In addition to my own round-up of the Club's activities for the 2005-06 year, AGM reports were presented by the Treasurer (Leigh Brennan-Smith), Club Secretary (Stewart Simmons), Membership Secretary (Richard Skews), Sailing Secretary (Michael Cook) and House Secretary (Ken Trotter). Copies of those reports are included in this newsletter.

This year, our AGM agenda included an item of special business, proposed by our Club Secretary and seconded by me, which resolved that Peter Jones should be appointed an Honorary Life Member of Hampton Sailing Club. It gave me great pleasure to speak in support of this motion, and provide a "thumbnail sketch" of Peter's outstanding and continuing service to the Club, and to the sport of sailing generally. The motion was wholeheartedly supported by those attending the meeting, and by other members who spoke with me or lodged a proxy vote in the lead-up to the AGM. I'm sure we all congratulate Peter on his appointment, and look forward to his active involvement in the Club for many years to come.

The election of Committee members for the 2006-07 year proceeded smoothly, with nominations equaling the number of positions available (14 in all). Office bearers and Committee members for the coming year are:

Commodore	-	Rita Bagossy
Vice-Commodore	-	Peter Jones
Treasurer	-	Leigh Brennan-Smith
Secretary	-	Stewart Simmons
Membership Secretary	-	Richard Skews
Sailing Secretary	-	Monica Jones
House Secretary	-	Frank Leipper
Social Secretary	-	Chris Borg
Newsletter Editor	-	Ken Hope
Boat Storage Officer	-	Martin Playne
Members "without portfolio"	-	Charles Bagossy, Rod Crisp Michael Cook, Jorn Rose

Several members of last year's Committee have taken on new responsibilities, and we have two new elected members (Monica Jones – who previously edited the Main Sheet in an *ex officio* capacity - and Jorn Rose). Also, it is very encouraging to note that several other Club members have expressed interest in joining sub-committees to support the work of the Sailing and House Secretaries, or have offered to assist in various tasks. It's great to see such enthusiasm in our Club, and I look forward to an active year ahead.

Rita Bagossy - Commodore

Treasurer's Report 2005-06

Attached (*not included in newsletter*) is an interim set of Hampton Sailing Club accounts for 2005-06 (Profit & Loss) for Member endorsement.

These accounts are interim as the book keeping has not been finalised in time for the AGM. Expenses are complete as are the incomes which are based on receipts. However the Yachting Victoria subs component (taken in advance of payments made to YV during the year are estimated for the purpose of this report.

The final set of accounts is awaiting a final entry reconciliation and a review by an Auditor (non-club member) who will review the Club's accounts.

These will be available for member review in June 2006.

Highlights for 2005-06

Overall

The Club is in a healthy financial position and will post a small profit necessary to maintain Club activities and respond to situations as they arise.

Cash assets are modest with cash at bank in low interest accounts reduced in favour of increased term deposits.

Cash Assets increased by \$9,980 over the 12 months.

Buildings

The age and ongoing repair of the Club building, it's suitability for the needs of the Clubs changing membership profile and

the uncertainty of the Club lease remain important issues requiring accessible and reasonable financial reserves.

Several members undertook a renovation of the Club changing rooms and bathrooms with excellent results.

Expenditure for this renovation was included in the House maintenance expenses which are approx. \$2,800 above 2004-05 expenditure.

The remaining \$2,280 for the floor has been paid in May 2006 but will be reflected in the next 2006-07 accounts

Insurance

This forms one of the largest expense items and reflects the Clubs need to be adequately covered for accidents, public liability and asset replacement.

The Club is currently well covered, however we have worked closely with our Broker to review key areas such as On water Public Liability which was improved by the adoption of a new Policy.

It is likely that building insurance will increase as we move to insure the Club premises to a higher amount, based on a commercial building audit.

Leigh Brennan-Smith, Hon Treasurer.

28/5/06

Club Secretary's Report

- 11 committee meetings were held during the year, all of which were well-attended.
- Minutes of each meeting were posted on the Club noticeboard for reference by members (who are welcome to attend any committee meeting).
- Heather Cameron, Training Co-ordinator, Yachting Victoria attended the meeting held on 6 March 2006 and spoke about the benefits of registering as a Yachting Australia Training Centre.

New Incorporation Rules

- The Club's new Incorporation Rules, endorsed by members at the last AGM, were approved by Consumer Affairs Victoria and took effect on 31 May 2005.

Community Involvement

- The Club responded to an approach from Bentleigh Bayside Community Health Service, regarding opportunities for disadvantaged young people to participate in sporting and social programs. Two youth memberships were offered, available to young persons expressing particular interest in sailing.
- Hampton Sailing Club maintains an entry in the Bayside Community Directory, and was listed among other local clubs in Bayside Council brochures promoting "Activate Day" on 26 February 2006 (focussing on community-based sport and arts activities in conjunction with the Commonwealth Games).
- The Club was open to visitors for "Go Sailing Day" on 26 February 2006.
- On Sunday, 30 April the Club acted as finishing (and refreshment) point for members of the Victorian Sea Kayak Club, who undertook a round-the-Bay paddle raising funds in support of the charity "Canteen".

Training

In response to information received from Yachting Victoria, HSC has registered as a Yachting Australia Training Centre, for the

purpose of delivering training in the National Powerboat and National Small Boat Sailing Schemes. Courses may be delivered by in-house instructors or external service providers, and may include related training such as First Aid and Marine Radio. This is expected to promote links with Yachting Victoria, other sailing clubs and the boating community in general.

- Safety Boat Training Course (former AYP Rescue Boat Endorsement) – to be delivered at the Club on the weekend of 7-9 July, by Doug King. 10 places are available, with strong interest from Hampton members.

Boat storage issues

- Through the year, the Committee has acted to address the problem of unidentified boats (including kayaks and sailboards) stored on Club premises, and the difficulty of establishing whether storage fees have been paid. As a first step, stickers were introduced for display on boats for which fees had been paid – these stickers are individually numbered and are to be renewed on an annual basis. Audits of all boats at the Club were then carried out, and the results were communicated to members in the *Main Sheet*. Most recently, an inventory of boats (particularly sailboards) still not displaying storage stickers was distributed to all members. It will be up to the incoming Committee to determine what steps are to be taken next, including how to deal with boats that appear to have been abandoned.

Suggested priorities for next year

- Securing a lease over the Club's premises.
- Producing a Club Handbook for reference by existing and new members.

Stewart Simmons

Secretary - Hampton Sailing Club

Sailing Secretary Report

Racing

This seasons sailing saw some good competition amongst the leaders of our fleet, and a fleet changed slightly in nature from last season. Lasers and Impulses are the classes where our strongest competition was found this season, and the Heron fleet has remained consistently active. Three races were lost to bad weather this season, and our overall fleet size averaged 10.6 boats. We remain committed to encouraging our more inexperienced sailors to take the step to joining in the races, and while we're struggling to find the right formula, it's encouraging to see several new faces out on the course.

Family sailing

Family sailing was most active during the first half of the season when Michelle Moller was the driving force. Most of our kids were roped into these, so attendance was good. While we are encouraging children during these sessions, they are open to others who want a supervised environment to practice their skills. My thanks go to Michelle, Leigh and Peter who ran these sessions.

Safety

Most of our races were conducted without incident this season; no races were abandoned. One race saw some damage to boats, and race control resources stretched, and the feedback from this will be analysed in the pre-season race management workshop. In addition, Stewart is organising Rescue Boat Endorsement training for several of our race controllers, and this should focus the mind on risks and outcomes.

I'd like to draw attention to the changed Victorian Marine Regulations, which came into force in December and applaud Marine Safety for simplifying previously confusing regulations for off-the-beach craft. Note that these are in addition to AYF safety regulations for those racing.

Future

Next season we have commitments to hosting the Pacer state titles in March 2007, and I strongly urge club members to get behind the event, and for our more able competitors to assist with their experience in the things that matter, so that by building the capabilities of the club we can attract more capable fleets.

I have not renominated for the role of Sailing Secretary this season, work commitments have meant I haven't been as effective in the role as I would have liked. Thanks to all who have helped run races this year and keep things going, particularly Peter, Charles, Frank, Stewart and Neil.

Michael Cook

May 2006

House secretary report

Maintenance during the 2005-06 year has continued in accordance with the themes suggested at the last AGM.

September 2005 Working Bee - projects completed included:

- Posts installed to support perimeter fence.
- Decayed support post repaired in east boat storage shed.
- Rust removed from side strut and northern beam on Clubhouse - treated and painted.
- Internal beam exposed in rescue boat storage area of Clubhouse – cleaned and inspected.
- Anti-bird wire installed on Clubhouse veranda (as a trial).
- Beach trolleys cleaned of rust, repaired and painted.
- Much pruning (3 trips to tip).

May 2006 Working Bee - projects completed included:

- West boundary fence extended on foreshore.
- Gutters cleaned out.
- Oleanders removed from car park area.
- Big clean-out under boat racks.
- Clubhouse windows cleaned.
- Major pruning of hedges.
- Landscape areas weeded and mulched; grass trimmed.

Facilities Development Group.

In late 2005, the Committee established a Facilities Development Group as a forum in which to assess priorities for maintaining and upgrading of the Club's facilities and assets, with the aim of keeping abreast of contemporary requirements. The group reports to the Club Committee (principally to the House Secretary), and includes representation from the membership

at large. It functions as an open forum, meeting on an informal basis to discuss ideas for the immediate and longer-term improvement of Club facilities, and to co-ordinate work on projects endorsed by the Committee. The recently completed improvements to the change-rooms etc demonstrate what can be achieved through such initiatives. The group will report to the incoming Committee on suggestions for further work that might be undertaken in the coming year.

Credits Due

Regular users of the Club will have noticed steady progress on a number of undertakings throughout the year. Particular thanks are due to the members named below, who have generously donated their time, skills and resources in planning and completing work that has added considerably to the amenity of the Club.

- Upgrade of change-rooms, etc - Neil Cooke; Frank Leipper; Charles Bagossy; Leigh Brennan-Smith; Peter Jones.
- Re-surfacing of downstairs floors - Neil Cooke; Frank Leipper
- Repairs to waste-water disposal - Frank Leipper, Charles Bagossy; Peter Jones
- Upstairs improvements, including
- new "Duty Officer" desk - Neil Cooke; Frank Leipper.

Thanks are due to all Club members who participated in these various projects.

Ken Trotter
House Secretary

Membership Report

- Club membership continues to stay about the same with slow growth over recent years despite a small drop in members last year.
- There is no waiting list and new members can usually join without undue delay.

New Member Applications

- 13 new members since 1 May 2005 (12 in 2004-05 year)
- to non-renewal

Resignations

- 3 members resigned since 1 May 2005 (6 in 2004-05 year)
- 6 members resigned by default; due to non-renewal

Membership Statistics

- 115 Current members: Senior 51, Family 51, Associate 1, Life 4, Nominal 8
- 128 Current Family members: Adult 45, Youth 83

Life Membership

- One member nominated this year.

Richard Skews
Membership Secretary

POSTAL PUZZLES

As Secretary, one of my tasks is to visit the Club's post office box each week, to collect the incoming mail – bills mainly, of course. Mundane though this job may sound, it does have its interesting moments, mostly provided by the range of promotional materials (aka junk mail) that people seem to think may be of interest to members of sailing clubs. I generally throw such material away, and ask that our Club details be removed from the sender's mailing list, but if anyone is really interested in harness / dog racing or collecting models of ancient oared galleys, please let me know.

Two postal puzzles that have recently come up are:

What happens to a loose key sent through the mail? The short answer is that it doesn't reach its destination, but is thrown out of the envelope during its high-speed trip through the postal sorting equipment. All that arrives is an envelope with a key-sized hole in the end. So – if you have to post a key to the Club for any reason, please use a small padded mail bag and enclose the key securely between a couple of pieces of card.

What was in the small green envelope that arrived last week? The mail that I collected on Saturday, 3 June included a small lime-green envelope, which was unsealed and empty. The envelope has a 50c stamp attached, but is not post-marked, and has no sender's address on the back. If any member recognizes this as an item of mail they've recently sent to the Club's postal address, please contact me on 9598 6954.

Stewart Simmons Secretary

Hampton Sailing Club 2005-06 Race Results

HSC Autumn Aggregate 2006

	Boat Class	Sail Number	Overall points	PLACE
David Jones	Laser	82694	75	1
P Godfree	Impulse	511	75	2
M Moloney	Laser	149820	47	3
Cody Field	Laser	128520	44	4
N Cooke	Heron	6515	42	5
Mark Walker	Impulse	114	39	6
M Jones	Impulse	263	37	7
D Perham	R Laser		36	8
L Brennan-Smith	Heron	9948	34	9
Charles Bagossy	Sabre/Impulse	2684	30	10
B Haddock	505	7400	29	11
J Maddick	Contender	241	26	12
N Watson	Impulse	263	23	13
Ian Taylor	505	7332	22	14
R Brown	Heron	5723	21	15
J Dayman	Impulse	421	20	16
Steve Moller	Pacer	1252	13	17
Martin Playne	Sabre	347	13	18
R Murray	420	49309	11	19
C Heinze	Mirror	5328	11	20
D Thompson	Pacer	2696	10	21
E Brennan-Smith	Pacer	2192	9	22
P Grima	Heron	7644	9	23
A Cook	Mirror	5328	9	24
Kevin	Impulse	557	8	25
Paul Johnson	Impulse	427	7	26
J Rose	Pacer	2250	7	27
J Adshead	Pacer	650	7	28
D Ilarionov	470	249	7	29
R Murray	420	49309	6	30
D Carpenter	Sabre	1498	6	31
Stewart Simmons	Impulse	178	5	32
A Tempest	Pacer	2184	5	33
P Dean	Pacer	2209	1	34
R Stolinski	Sabre	100	1	35
R McKeown	Laser	114444	0	36
M Ridgway	R Laser		0	37
P Hollins	Impulse	320	0	38
C Jones	Sabre	264	0	39
F Stephens	Pacer	1165	0	40

HSC Spring Aggregate 2005

Skipper	Boat Class	Sail Number	Overall points	PLACE
David Jones	Laser	82694	59	1
D Perham	R Laser		40	2
Charles Bagossy	Sabre/Impulse	2684	40	3
Steve Moller	Pacer	1252	41	4
Paul Johnson	Impulse	427	42	5
Cody Field	Laser	128520	34	6
J Maddick	Contender	241	24	7
Stewart Simmons	Impulse	178	20	8
Martin Playne	Sabre	347	26	9
Mark Walker	Impulse	114	18	10
R McKeown	Laser	114444	31	11
M Ridgway	R Laser		13	12
M Moloney	Laser	149820	12	13
B Haddock	505	7400	21	14
Ian Taylor	505	7332	9	15
L Brennan-Smith	Pacer	2192	8	16
N Watson	Impulse	263	6	17
P Dean	Pacer	2209	6	18
P Hollins	Impulse	320	5	19
R Murray	420	49309	4	20
D Carpenter	Sabre	1498	8	21
C Jones	Sabre	264	1	22
R Brown	Heron	5723	1	23
M Jones	Impulse	263	14	24
E Brennan-Smith	Pacer	2192	6	25
P Godfree	Impulse	511	1	26
F Stephens	Pacer	1165	1	27

HSC Championship 2005-6

Skipper	Class	Boat Name	Sail Number	Total	Place
David Jones	Laser	The Sting	82694	33	1
Charles Bagossy	Laser R	Hun	1001	38	2
Cody Field	Laser	Special	128520	39	3
P Godfrey	Impulse		511	44	4
P Johnson	Impulse		427	50	5
Dylan Perham	Laser R	Ratail n Hum	154301	56	6
Monica Jones	Impulse		263	59	7
John Maddick	Contender	Hammer	241	63	8
S Moller	Pacer		1252	64	9
M Walker	Impulse		114	64	10
B Haddock	505	Longbow	7400	65	11
D Carpenter	Sabre	Orange Peel	1498	72	12

Hampton Sailing Club: Handy Information

HSC Calender

July 2006

03 7:30 PM Committee Meeting
07 7:00 PM Safety Boat Course
08 9:00 AM Safety Boat Course
09 9:00 AM Safety Boat Course

August 2006

08 7:30 PM Committee Meeting
27 1:00 PM Winter Warriors Race

September 2006

04 7:30 PM Committee Meeting

October 2006

02 7:30 PM Committee Meeting

November 2006

06 7:30 PM Committee Meeting

December 2006

04 7:30 PM Committee Meeting

January 2007

08 7:30 PM Committee Meeting

February 2007

05 7:30 PM Committee Meeting

March 2007

05 7:30 PM Committee Meeting

April 2007

02 7:30 PM Committee Meeting

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