

THE MAIN SHEET

The Hampton Sailing Club Newsletter

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Commodore's Corner

The season is now upon us with the Winter Series winding up at the end of September and the Commodore's Cup signalling the start to the new season on the 2nd October.

The winter series was soundly won by David Jones with four wins from four races – an unbeatable assault on the series.

Congratulations David. Looks like he will be the one to watch again this season.

The Commodore's Cup was a stern chaser, off the beach start with a group of Sabres led by William Brown leading the way to the first mark, chased by the entire fleet with the B14 starting some 28 minutes later! A great race with plenty of chances to practice close sailing and an opportunity for those who don't normally lead the fleet to find out where the next mark is! Congratulations to Russell Brown for winning the Cup (see the photo below).

During the race a number of us ended up in the water and had to try to remember how to get the boat up and get back in! – so the season really has started (the water isn't that cold actually)! After the race a number of people expressed their interest in stern chaser races – so watch for up to four more that David Thompson has in store for us!

Thanks to all who supported the race and the opening day. Rita for organising the blessing of the fleet, Charles for starting the boats off the beach, Leanne and Caroline for the barbeque and food, Shelia for the delicious scones and involving the kids in cooking them, Stewart, Clare, Frank and Sheila on the rescue boats, David for race organisation and results.

It is important to note that the success of our weekly sail depends on the voluntary support of all members. Please check and diarise your duty and make sure you turn up on the day or organise to swap your duty with another member if you can't make it. Duty roster details are attached to each Mainsheet and also on the Hampton Sailing Club website.

Coming events include the official opening of the club extension on 19th November (an article is included in this Mainsheet) and the Go Sailing Day on Sunday 6th November between 10 am and 4 pm. While we have the usual stalwarts offering their support for Go Sailing day, it would be great to see as many members as possible, to take potential new club members for a sail and show them some Hampton hospitality. Any of us with friends or colleagues who want to try sailing – now is the time to invite them to our club!

In closing, I would like to wish all an active, safe and fun season!

John Adshead
Commodore



Opening Day – 2nd October 2011

The following photos were taken during the annual Blessing of the Fleet ceremony on opening day, conducted by the Reverend David Head.



Since the running of the Commodore's Cup, the first Club Championship race and the first Spring Aggregate race have both been cancelled due to strong winds. We look forward to more moderate sailing conditions in the coming weeks.

Please note that points will only be awarded towards the Club's championship and aggregate races if competitors are current financial members.

David Thompson

Social Events

The next social event is:

- DECEMBER 3rd - **Christmas Party**

Keep this date free. More details closer to the event.

Claude Vergez has booked the club for 12th November

Fiona & Leanne

Invitation

*The Commodore and Committee
of
HAMPTON SAILING CLUB
cordially invite you to attend
the official opening of
our new clubhouse extension
and refurbished clubrooms*

*by Murray Thompson MP, Member for
Sandringham
on*

*Saturday, 19 November 2011,
commencing at 2:00pm.*

Champagne, tea and scones will be served

*Location: Hampton Sailing Club, Jetty Road,
Sandringham*

Go Sailing Day – Sunday, 6th November

On Sunday, 6 November our Club will again be joining other sailing clubs across Victoria in welcoming visitors (and potential new members) as part of "Go Sailing – Club Community Day 2011".

This event is co-ordinated each year by Yachting Victoria, with community members being encouraged to register on-line to visit their local sailing clubs and see what they have to offer.

On this occasion, "Go Sailing Day" coincides with the opening day of Sail Melbourne 2011 based at Sandringham Yacht Club. What a great opportunity for us to introduce Baysiders to off-the-beach sailing at Hampton, with all the colour and activity of Sail Melbourne as a back-drop! There's no Club race scheduled, so let's hope for some good weather and make the most of the day.

At this stage, suggested activities include:

- use of suitable boats (Pacers, 420s, etc with relatively experienced skippers) to offer sailing opportunities in the harbour area, operating from the beach east of Hampton Pier;
- displaying boats rigged for inspection in the Club yard;
- providing tea / coffee (free) and soft drinks (at reasonable cost) in the clubrooms;
- welcoming visitors and provide information about the Club.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the above activities for all or part of the day (boating activities will run from 10:00am – 4:00pm, but visitors may arrive outside of those times). Well before the event, we also need to confirm which boats will be used for sailing / display activities; who will skipper dinghies and safety boats; who will supervise the completion of indemnity forms by visitors wanting to sail; and who will be responsible for other key roles such as acting as ‘beach marshal’ and looking after any catering. We’ll need 10-12 Club members ‘on deck’ at any one time to make the day run smoothly.

Successful involvement in Go Sailing Day will contribute to awareness of our Club in the Bayside area, and add to our reputation as a family-friendly place to get involved in sailing. Please consider giving up some time to help make Go Sailing Day 2011 a success.

Michelle Moller has offered to co-ordinate volunteers willing to help out on the day, so please call Michelle as soon as possible on 9521 6462 (or email michelle_moller@iprimus.com.au) if you are available to assist.

Members should note that parking in the Club grounds will be restricted during this event, to ensure safe access for visitors.

Stewart Simmons

ISAF Sailing World Cup – Sail Melbourne 2011

Just a reminder to Club members that the annual Sail Melbourne Regatta, based at Sandringham Yacht Club, will be taking place throughout the week beginning Sunday, 6 November (with competition getting under way on Monday 7th). With 10 Olympic classes and several invited classes competing, Sail Melbourne again promises to be the highlight of Victoria’s off-the-beach sailing calendar.

The organising team for Sail Melbourne is keen to hear from anyone who may be interested in volunteering to help out during this event, either on land or on the water. If you are interested in finding out more, contact Chris Myers or Monica Tonner at Sandringham Yacht Club on 9599 0999, or register on line via <http://sailmelbourne.com.au>. There are always plenty of jobs to do, and it’s a great opportunity to mix with some of the world’s best sailors and watch them in action.

As in previous years, our rigging yard will be used as a base for the RS-X sailboards, with Australian and international competitors expected to arrive during the week leading up to the event. If you are at the Club, please say ‘Hello’ and make them welcome.

We will attempt to keep Club activities running as much as possible during Sail Melbourne week (including participation in Go Sailing Day on Sunday, 6 November) but there will obviously be a considerable amount of activity on the local beaches, within Sandringham Harbour and on the Bay. If you are planning to sail or kayak in the area during regatta week, please take care and enjoy the spectacle.

If you have any questions about Sail Melbourne and volunteering during the event, please don’t hesitate to contact me on 0409 807574.

Stewart Simmons

Storage of Equipment at the Club House

The Committee will shortly be commencing its annual review of boat and equipment storage. I am currently putting labels on boats where members have paid their 2011/ 2012 storage fee.

As part of this process, I will also be looking at masts, booms, sails and other items stored at the Club House. To assist in this review, members are asked to ensure their name, and boat name if possible, appear on all their property. All property needs to be identified.

To avoid the possibility of items being disposed of, members are again requested to ensure that their property is labelled as soon as possible.

Neil Watson

Vice Commodore/ Boat Storage Officer

Dogs on Club Premises

With use of the Club now increasing for the sailing season, members are reminded of the following by-laws relating to management of dogs and what they leave behind:

- Dogs are not permitted on Club grounds, except when kept on a short leash and in the direct control of the owner.
- Dogs are not to be left tied up on any part of the Club's premises.
- Dogs are not permitted under any circumstances in the Clubrooms or on the balcony.
- Dog owners must immediately clean up and remove any dropping deposited by their animal within the Club's premises.

Please comply with these requirements to help maintain the amenity of the Club for all members.

Shed Art Exhibition

The annual Shed Art Exhibition will be held for a month at the Shed Café, Jetty Road commencing on the 21st October.

This year's Exhibition will feature eight local artists including former member, Water Colourist Hugh Foster (who has a painting hanging in our club rooms) and Dave Iken who has just completed a successful exhibition at the Beaumaris Blue Dog Gallery.

Colin, Manager of the Shed, wishes to extend an invitation to members to come along, have a coffee and enjoy the artist's work.

Neil Watson

Insurance

Members competing in club races are reminded that they must have 3rd party liability insurance as stipulated in the Club's by laws.

Farmers' Market

A Farmers' Market will be conducted on the third Saturday of every month. The market is held on the Trey Bit reserve.

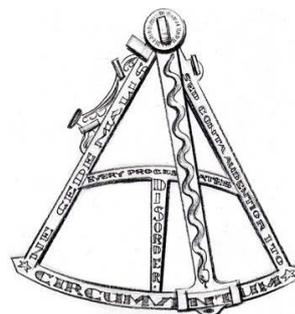
Car Park Resurfacing

The public car parking area on the bluff to the south of Sandringham Yacht Club will be closed for resurfacing until December 12th. The Trey Bit reserve will be open on weekends for parking (except when there is a Farmers' Market) until the project is completed.

Newsletter Items

Contributions to the *Main Sheet* newsletter can be sent to my work email address: russell.brown@dhs.vic.gov.au

Russell Brown
Newsletter Editor



Hampton Sailing Club Racing Calendar – 2011/2012 Season

Briefing: – 1:00pm

Start: – 2:00pm

Date	Event	Comments	Race Officer Duty		Race Officer Duty	
			Lady Isa Skipper	Assistant	Red Skipper	Red Swimmer
02-Oct-11	Commodore's Cup	Event format to be determined by Commodore !	Frank Leipper	Michael Dwyer	David Seymour	Alan Bolger
09-Oct-11	Club Champ		Paul Stephenson	Ralph Brown	Jorn Rose	Allan Lees
16-Oct-11	Spring Aggregate		Ian Taylor	Russell Baker	Peter Gray	Ron Van Rennes
23-Oct-11	Club Champ		Stewart Simmons	Fiona Stephens	Julie Brennan-Smith	Cameron Kent
30-Oct-11	Spring Aggregate	Melbourne Cup Weekend	Blaise Vinot	Kate Vinot	Neil Watson	Victor Zorin
06-Nov-11	TBA	Go Sailing / Sail Melbourne Weekend	Steve Moller	Neil Cooke	Robin McKeown	David van der Straaten
13-Nov-11	Spring Aggregate		Charles Bagossy	John Allison	Paul Johnson	Hugh Anderson
20-Nov-11	Club Champ		Michael Cooke	Clare Adshead	Martin Playne	Jean Pierre Cabrol
27-Nov-11	Spring Aggregate		David Jones	Chris Jones	William Brown	Jeff Ward
04-Dec-11	Club Champ		Monica Jones	Cody Field	Peter Gray	Irina Angelova
11-Dec-11	Spring Aggregate		John Maddick	Claude Vergez	Lex Cousin	Susan Hatton
18-Dec-11	Spring Aggregate		John Adshead	Russell Brown	Bruce Haddock	Fiona Bennett
25-Dec-11	No Racing Scheduled	Christmas Holidays				
01-Jan-12	No Racing Scheduled	Christmas Holidays				
08-Jan-12	Autumn Aggregate		Frank Leipper	John Allison	David Seymour	Allan Lees
15-Jan-12	Club Champ		Paul Stephenson	Russell Baker	Jorn Rose	Alan Bolger

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22-Jan-12	Autumn Aggregate		John Maddick	Ralph Brown	Peter Gray	Fiona Bennett
29-Jan-12	Club Champ		Stewart Simmons	Michael Dwyer	Julie Brennan-Smith	Ron Van Rennes
05-Feb-12	Autumn Aggregate		Blaise Vinot	Kate Vinot	Neil Watson	Cameron Kent
12-Feb-12	Special Event	1 day series (Short Course)	Russell Brown	Fiona Stephens	Robin McKeown	Victor Zorin
19-Feb-12	Autumn Aggregate		Steve Moller	Neil Cooke	Paul Johnson	David van der Straaten
26-Feb-12	Club Champ		Charles Bagossy	John Adshead	Martin Playne	Hugh Anderson
04-Mar-12	Autumn Aggregate		Michael Cooke	Clare Adshead	William Brown	Jean Pierre Cabrol
11-Mar-12	TBA	Labour Day Weekend	David Jones	Chris Jones	Peter Gray	Jeff Ward
18-Mar-12	Autumn Aggregate		Monica Jones	Cody Field	Lex Cousin	Irina Angelova
25-Mar-12	Club Champ					
01-Apr-12	Autumn Aggregate					
08-Apr-12	No Racing Scheduled	Easter Weekend Holiday				
15-Apr-12	Autumn Aggregate					
22-Apr-12	Club Champ					
29-Apr-12	Shipwreck Classic	End of Season Sail				

