

THE MAIN SHEET

The Hampton Sailing Club Newsletter

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Newsletter Editor's Note

Hampton Sailing Club has a new Commodore. Greg Clark has volunteered to take on this important position on the Club's Committee. We wish him well with the running of the Committee and his representation of the Club within the wider community.

It is with regret I learned the Van Rennes family have decided to resign from Hampton Sailing Club. They will be missed by the club as Tash was a very promising young sailor with keen ambitions to sail her Laser in major championships. Ron was also a valuable member assisting in the upkeep of the Clubhouse and was instrumental in doing much of the high level exterior painting while the extension was being built. We would like to thank the Van Rennes family for their kind donation of their key deposit after their withdrawal of their Club membership.

We would also like to thank **other families** for their many years of membership to the Club and wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

William Brown
Newsletter Editor

Boat Storage Sheds

On Monday 15th July work began on the removal of the asbestos cladding from the boat sheds. By 12:40 pm the workers had completely removed all the asbestos from the northern boat shed. Unfortunately, the workmen were called away to another job, and work at Hampton was not completed until the following Monday.

Now that all the asbestos has been removed, some minor work will be done on the boat shed structure to straighten and reinforce it before the colour bond steel will be attached. The Committee has decided 'Shale Gray' will be the colour of the new cladding. It is a neutral colour that will blend in nicely with the current colours of the Clubhouse and the surrounding vegetation.

I hope that some members logged onto the Club's Web Cam at some point over the weeks to have a look at progress of the asbestos removal.

Alan Lees
Boat Storage Officer

Change of Rules of Incorporated Associations

Consumer Affairs Victoria (CAV) requires all Incorporated Associations to make changes to their rules. Twenty-three requirements contained in new "Model Rules" are to be included into the Rules of Incorporation of each club or association. For Hampton Sailing Club, this means our 'Rules of Hampton Sailing Club Incorporated' will need to be amended and then submitted to CAV by 26 November 2013.

The Committee plans to finalise the amended HSC rules at the next committee meeting in September. A general meeting of members will then be called in order to approve the new rules. This meeting must occur well before the 26 November deadline for submission to CAV.

The general meeting to approve the new Rules will occur in October or November. HSC members will be given appropriate

notification of the date of the general meeting and attendance by as many members as possible at this meeting is requested.

Russell Brown
Secretary

Club Rules – By-Laws

Members should be aware the Club’s By-Laws, as they are instrumental towards the efficient running of the Club’s day-to-day activities. For example, if any members are planning to hold private activities at the Club, please refer to the By-Laws to check what activities are allowed and those that are not. This relates particularly to days and times for the consumption of alcohol on Club premises.

Members are reminded that the By-Laws can be found on the Club’s website under **Members** and then **General Documents**. Or they can found at the following web address: http://www.hsc.yachting.org.au/site/yachting/hsc/downloads/HSC%20By-laws_2010_05.pdf

William Brown
Newsletter Editor

Club Race Officer Course – Sponsorship



Hampton Sailing Club is looking to sponsor up to two Club Members to participate in the Club Race Officers Course being held at The Boatshed, Albert Park on Saturday, 5 October 2013 run by Yachting Victoria.

It is a one day course that provides participants with a run through of all the skills, techniques and knowledge of race management that you will need to run club races. In addition, the course manual given to participants is a valuable resource for future reference.

The number of participants on each course is limited. Any Members interested in

participating in this course should submit an expression of interest with the Sailing Secretary as soon as possible.

William Brown
Newsletter Editor

World Finn Masters - 2013

Hi Fellow Hampton Club and Finnsters Members!

I recently participated in the 2013 Finn World Masters Championships which took place from 17-24th May at La Societe des Regates Rochelaises in La Rochelle, France.

I was 1 of 8 Australians out of the 306 entrants from 28 different countries.

I was very happy to come away from the regatta with an overall standing of 172.

In my age group of nearly very old sailors (grand grand master) I had a result of 22 out of 58 competitors and was 5th out of the Australian contingency.

My results were as follows, with a net point’s score of 369.

Race	Place
1	77
2	86
3	87
4	69
5	74
6 (Medal Race)	–
7 (Consolation Race)	63



Greg Clark, third boat on the left, just behind DEN 14.

Arriving in La Rochelle on the 15th, the weather looked exactly like what Dawn and I expected, warm and sunny.

The 16th-18th was set for registration. As my charter boat did not arrive until the 18th, this gave me very little time to prepare and get it measured. I was the lucky Australian whom the measurement committee decided to give the full “pull everything apart” measurement. This took an hour and a bit, but I now knew the charter was only 400 gram over minimum weight which was good for me.

On the 19th a practice race was scheduled and as there a cyclone was brewing off the Atlantic coast, high winds were experienced. From this point on the sunny France summer weather deteriorated to our familiar Melbourne stuff of cold wet and windy (I felt at home).

Racing was tough. The biggest thing to comprehend was the number of boats on the start line with 150 with each wave. A bit like Sir Frances Drake and the Spanish Amanda, wall to wall boats.

Various strategies were employed but at the end of the day you had to just stick it in there and make good of your chances. I had two good starts and was left on the line with four.

During each race big gains could become big losses in a bat of an eye. I can recall being level with a French competitor stating the downwind leg I went right he went left. Looking at the score sheet after the race he beat me by 50 points.

In contrast to this loss, I had the experience of racking up for the second start. Two minutes before the start I ditched had difficulties getting my charter up with the starting boats whizzing around me. I righted the boat and my coach suggested that it was all over. I was five minutes in deficit. Contry to his view I sail a very good first work and made up about 4 minute on the second last competitor. Still being last around first mark I work my little ringer off with the challenge of not coming last. By the end of the race I made up about

40 boats and it felt good. My coach could not believe what he saw.



Greg Clark, AUS 7

The facilities were good and it is true that in every yacht club there is an Australian Corner.

Dawn and I were residing in a camping car and we meet a number of fellow sailors in the same camping area. We shared and enjoyed their company and created new friends. Being in a new country their help made it easy to enjoy the event. One things for sure I will be doing this again.



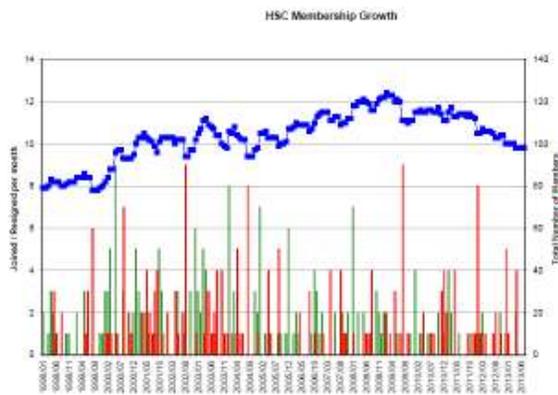
You can see Greg on a YouTube video “Finn World Masters 2013 – Five Days in La Rochelle” from 0:37 to 0:40 sec at the following website:

<http://youtu.be/06nUpbaOyEw?t=37s>

Membership Information

The Club has experienced a decline in membership numbers over the past five years. This decrease in membership can be attributed to a number of reasons. An a key important point to note is that the number of members is down to 91 members.

All members we need to work to promote the Club and help introduce more new members into the Club. A minimum membership level of 100 should be our aim for the end of the sailing season.



Red is members resigned, Green is members joined and Blue is total members

Richard Skews
Membership Secretary

Sail Sandy 2013

Sandringham Yacht Club have invited all Sailors of Hampton to take place in this year's Sail Sandy. Tanking place on the 19-20th of October this is an open event to all types of dinghies and kiteboards.

The fleet includes but not limited to: Optimists, Sabots, Minnows, International Cadets, 125s, 420s, one 470, Contenders, Tasars, OK dinghies, Finns, Lasers of all denominations, 29ers, 49ers, International 14ft skiffs, J24's and SB20's.

Entry opens in September, with four races are scheduled for each day. For more information and to register visit the Sail Sandy website:

<http://www.syc.com.au/regattas/sail-sandy-2013/>

Michael Cook
Sailing Secretary

Mordialloc Winter Series 2013

Any members looking to do some races this winter may be in luck with the Mordialloc Winter Series being held every Saturday from the 4th August until 22nd September.

For more information visit this site:

<http://www.mordiallocsc.com.au/winter-series-2013/>

Michael Cook
Sailing Secretary

Sailing the Pacific – Social Event

Attention Hampton Sailing Club Members, we now have the first Social event for this season scheduled. We have arranged for a couple to come and talk about their sailing adventure to the Pacific Islands. They will talk about their journey, the preparation they needed before setting sail and about what they experienced and learnt along the way.

When: Friday 23rd August at 7:30 PM.

Cost: \$5.00 entry

RSVP to Fiona

Check the notice attached to this newsletter for more details.

Fiona Stephens
Social Secretary

Tall Ships are Coming

For those of you who love the romance of 19th Century seafaring, September in Melbourne will be an exciting time.

The International Tall Ships Festival will see a brace of four Dutch sailing ships including Europa, Oosterschelde and Tecla visit Melbourne on their round the world voyage. These ships will be joined by Enterprize, Young Endeavour, Windward Bound, Lord Nelson and KRI Dewarucci, The ships will be located at Williamstown, Port Melbourne and Victoria Harbour. The festival will provide members of the public an opportunity to go on board and inspect these historic ships.

The Enterprize, Victoria's own tall ship, will be operating from Gem Pier, Williamstown taking passengers on a genuine 19th Century sailing experience and an opportunity to see the ships up close.

The ships will be arriving in Melbourne from the 6th September for a week and I recommend that members go along to have a look and enjoy the experience.

Neil Watson

State & Nationals Titles Updates

Throughout the years Hampton Sailing Club has had a number of its members participate in State and National Titles as well as many other regattas all over Victoria and Australia.

This new section of the *Main Sheet* will be used to Notify of Upcoming Regattas that maybe of interest to members.

Members who are planning to take place in such regattas will be encouraged to submit articles or updates on their training and preparation. We ask they also provide news on their participation and on how the event went upon completion.



William Brown
Newsletter Editor

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SAILING THE PACIFIC

Come and hear about Roger and Anne's sail from Brighton to the Pacific Islands (& NZ). Hear about the journey, the preparation and what they learnt along the way.

Friday 23rd of August, 7:30 PM.

\$5.00 entry (includes nibbles)

BYO or Bar

On arrival, you will have the option to order and pay for pizza which will arrive after the presentation.

Hampton Sailing Club Winter Racing Calendar – 2013

Winter Series for 2013 has been postponed. Details of winter racing will be posted when renovation of the boat storage sheds is completed.

Hampton Sailing Club Racing Calendar – 2013/2014 Season

Briefing: – 1:00pm

Start: – 2:00pm

Date	Event	Handicap	Comments	Race Controller	Isa Crew	Hampton Red	Rescue Crew
06-Oct-13	Spring 1	PH		Michael Cook	Ken Trotter	Dave Seymour	Robin McKeown
13-Oct-13	Commodores Cup	PH		Greg Clark	Steve Moller	Cody Field	Neil Cooke
20-Oct-13	Spring 2	PH		William Brown	Russell Brown	Blaise Vinot	Kate Vinot
27-Oct-13	Club Champ 1	YV		Stewart Simmons	Victor Zorin	Dave Seymour	Irena Angelova
03-Nov-13	Short Course race	YV	Sunday before Melbourne Cup day	Frank Leipper	Alan Lees	Paul Johnson	Rusell Baker
10-Nov-13	Spring 3	PH		William Brown	Peter Gray	Martin Playne	Fiona Stephens
17-Nov-13	Club Champ 2	YV		Stewart Simmons	Richard Skews	Charles Bagossy	Jim Shaw
24-Nov-13	Spring 4	PH		Richards Skews	Bruce Haddock	Neil Watson	Clare Adshead
01-Dec-13	Club Champ 3	YV	Sail Melbourne	David Jones	Cody Field	Paul Stephenson	Fiona Bennett
08-Dec-13	Spring 5	PH		Frank Leipper	John Allison	David Thompson	Alex Thompson
15-Dec-13	Club Champ 4	YV		Stewart Simmons	Chris Jones	John Shallvey	Claude Vergez
22-Dec-13	Spring 6	PH		Richards Skews	Jorn Rose	David Seymour	Susan Hatton
29-Dec-13	Christmas	-	No Racing Scheduled				
05-Jan-14	Christmas	-	No Racing Scheduled				
12-Jan-14	Autumn 1	PH		Frank Leipper	Martin Playne	Paul Johnson	Neil Cooke
19-Jan-14	Club Champ 5	YV		Stewart Simmons	Fiona Stephens	Dave Seymour	Leeanne Rothacker
26-Jan-14		-	Australia Day Holiday - No Racing				
02-Feb-14	Autumn 2	PH		Richards Skews	Neil Cooke	Peter Gray	Jorn Rose
09-Feb-14	Club Champ 6	YV		Stewart Simmons	Clare Adshead	Blaise Vinot	Kate Vinot
16-Feb-14	Autumn 3	PH		Richards Skews	Bruce Haddock	John Shallvey	Jim Shaw
23-Feb-14	Club Champ 7	YV		Stewart Simmons	Alan Lees	Dave Seymour	John Allison

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02-Mar-14	Autumn 4	PH		William Brown	Cameron Kent	David Jones	Cody Field
09-Mar-14		-	Labour Day Holiday - No Racing				
16-Mar-14	Autumn 5	PH		Frank Leipper	Russell Brown	Charles Bagossy	Fiona Bennett
23-Mar-14	Club Champ 8	YV		Stewart Simmons	John Adshead	John Maddick	Jim Roberts
30-Mar-14	Autumn 6	PH		Frank Leipper	Victor Zorin	Neil Watson	Irena Angelova
06-Apr-14	Club Champ 9	YV		Stewart Simmons	Paul Johnson	Martin Playne	Claude Vergez
13-Apr-14	Autumn 7	PH		Frank Leipper	Sheila O'shea	Dave Seymour	Charles Bagossy
20-Apr-14		-	Easter Weekend - No Racing				
27-Apr-14	Shipwreck Classic	PH		David Thompson	Olivia Thompson	Peter Gray	Maxine Cowie

