

THE MAIN SHEET

The Hampton Sailing Club Newsletter

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Newsletter Editor's Note

Members of Hampton Sailing Club, a **WORKING BEE** is going to be held on **Saturday 4th May**. There will be a number of different tasks to be carried out around the club including, gardening, cleaning and cutting up the trailer in the car park. Please bring some gloves and tools and pitch in to help keep the club house a tidy place for everyone.

Hampton Sailing Club's Annual General Meeting is also being held on 25th May. All positions on the Committee are available for members to apply for and members are strongly recommended to step forward. Detailed description of roles and duties of each position are provided within this newsletter. Blaise Vinot will be stepping down from the Committee after 3 years as Treasurer. Blaise has done a great job looking after the Club's finances and now we need another member to step forward and take on this role

There have been a number of upgrades and changes to the boats at the club. Firstly, the rescue boat Hampton Red has a new trailer. This trailer has a much better supporting system of rollers and makes launching and retrieving of the boat much easier.

The second change is to Lady Isa which now has a set of brackets positioned around the cockpit. These have been installed so Lady Isa can have 3 flag masts, making her a much more efficient start boat. Members are asked to be mindful of this change as the brackets are rather fragile and can be stepped on or kicked when entering or leaving the boat on the port side.



The floating yellow marks just offshore from Hampton beach have been upgraded by Parks Victoria to posts. Along with this upgrade there has also been a change to rules between the two posts opposite the Hampton Surf Lifesaving Club. There is now a restriction stating that no jet skies or other PWC are to enter this designated area.

William Brown
Newsletter Editor

Pacer & 125 State Championships – Volunteers to Crew on Hampton Red



In 2010, Hampton Sailing Club hired Lady Isa and Hampton Red to assist with the Pacer and Javelin state titles at Beaumaris Yacht Club (BYC). For the second time, HSC contributed two power boats plus crews to help run some state championships at BYC over the recent Labour Day long weekend (8 – 10 March).

This year Stewart Simmons used Lady Isa as the start/finish boat in state championship racing for the Pacer, Pacer Pursuit and 125 classes. The forecast for the weekend did not promise good sailing conditions. The three class associations were keen to get in as many races as soon as possible before the weather turned nasty. Stewart therefore had a large work load as the 'on water' Race Officer for the championships.



A series of short races were conducted on Saturday afternoon. To keep the finishes tight, the slower Pacers were sent off first, then the Pacer Pursuits and the faster 125s were the third group to start. The system worked reasonably well in the light steady winds. However, there was some delay between each race. The fast 125s overtook the other classes, leaving some slow Pacers struggling to cross the finishing line within the set time limit.

The weather forecast for Sunday was 40°C with light winds. Instead of two long races, the race committee opted for more short races. Racing was conducted in light and shifting winds during the morning session. Setting the course was difficult in these conditions and it was a credit to the race management crews that two races were

completed before lunch. The wind dropped right away in the afternoon session and even some of the 125 dinghies were finishing just inside the race cut off time. It was very hot on the water and at the end of the day's racing everybody was glad to get ashore and have a cold drink (or two or three or ...).

Monday was mercifully cooler, but with the threat of thunderstorms. Fortunately these did not eventuate. With six races already completed, one long race (3 laps) was scheduled for the morning. The race started in a steady Northerly wind with flat seas. However, during the second lap of the race the wind backed nearly 90° to the West. Stewart Simmons did a great job to successfully organise a course change mid race, with all competitors finishing without any problems and returning to shore before lunchtime.



Looking back, it was hardly an exciting championships series. Nearly all the racing was conducted in light winds. Making the course change on Monday was a real challenge. Fortunately, Hampton Red was not required for any rescue duties. However, with three classes of boats competing and a moderate-sized fleet of Pacers on the course the crew on board Hampton Red was kept busy during each race.

Russell Brown

Commodore's Cocktail Evening/Upcoming Social Events

Our inaugural Commodore's Cocktail Evening on 16 March was great fun! Despite heavy rain and strong winds, about 25 members and spouses/friends ventured down to the Club for a cocktail, or two, and some interesting but very delicious finger food. We are hoping to run the event again next year, and if the weather cooperates, we should be able to make use of the balcony.

There will also be a BBQ after the *Shipwreck Classic* race on **Sunday, 27 April**. This is the last race of the 2013/2014 season so come along and celebrate.

Fiona Stephens
Social Secretary

Boat Wanted!!!

Fiona is looking for a boat for a local Child Care Centre to be incorporated into a new playground area.

It is preferable if the boat is about 4 meters long and in a safe condition, as children will be climbing over it.

If any members have a suitable hull lying around and are interested in passing it on please contact Fiona on 0412497703 or email fionastephens@optusnet.com.au

Newsletter Items

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Newsletters are published every 2 months and distribution timing depends on the month of publication.

William Brown
Newsletter Editor

***ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SUNDAY, 25 MAY 2014***

Hampton Sailing Club's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held at the Clubrooms on **Sunday, 25 May** starting 3:30 pm (followed by afternoon tea at 4:30 pm). Please mark this date in your diary.

All members are encouraged to attend the AGM to hear how the Club is progressing, and to raise any comments or questions about Club activities.

Notice of the AGM, along with an agenda and nomination forms, will be sent to all Club members in late April. The formal business of the meeting will be followed by food (please bring a plate) and drink, and then the presentation of prizes for the 2013-2014 sailing season.

Members who feel inclined to offer their time and skills to help manage the business of the Club are encouraged to nominate for positions on the Committee. The Committee normally meets on one evening per month throughout the year, and provides a great way for members to have a say in the on-going development of their Club.

This newsletter gives a brief outline of the duties and attributes relevant to specific positions on the Committee. In addition, a number of positions are available for members who may wish to take a more general Committee role, dealing with projects and activities that arise during the year.

If you are interested in any of the positions described below, or in joining the Committee in a more general capacity, please feel welcome to discuss your interest with the Commodore or any current Committee member (or come along to the Committee meeting scheduled for 7:30pm on Thursday, 8 May).

COMMODORE**Duties and Responsibilities**

- ❖ Conduct monthly committee meetings.
- ❖ Manage the Club executive.
- ❖ Represent the Club in the local community.
- ❖ Represent the Club at external functions.

Desired Skills

- ❖ Good organisational skills.
- ❖ Good interpersonal skills.

Required Resources

- ❖ Plenty of time to attend to Club matters.
- ❖ Access to computer, internet and email.
- ❖ Enthusiasm for the Club and its on-going development.

VICE-COMMODORE**Duties and Responsibilities**

- ❖ Assist the Commodore and represent the Club where necessary.
- ❖ Chair meetings of the committee in the Commodore's absence.
- ❖ Lead or undertake key Club projects.

Desired Skills

- ❖ Good organisational skills.
- ❖ Good interpersonal skills.

Required Resources

- ❖ Time to attend to Club matters.
- ❖ Access to computer, internet and email.

SECRETARY**Duties and Responsibilities**

- ❖ Keep minutes of committee meetings.
- ❖ Receive and respond to correspondence.
- ❖ Manage the Club's administrative affairs.
- ❖ Act generally on behalf of the Club.

Desired Skills

- ❖ Good knowledge of business processes.

Required Resources

- ❖ Access to computer, internet and email.

TREASURER**Duties and Responsibilities**

- ❖ Manage the Club's finances.
- ❖ Collect and receive monies due to the Club and make payments authorised by the Club.
- ❖ Keep accurate accounts and books showing the financial affairs of the Club.
- ❖ Provide an annual budget.
- ❖ Arrange for audit of Club financial affairs.

Desired Skills

- ❖ Good knowledge of business and accounting practices.

Required Resources

- ❖ Access to computer with commonly used accounting software.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR**Duties and Responsibilities**

- ❖ Produce the Club newsletter 6 times per year.

Desired Skills

- ❖ Able to compile information from members into a coherent form.
- ❖ Ability to produce print-ready newsletter in PDF format.

Required Resources

- ❖ Access to computer, internet and email.

SAILING SECRETARY**Duties and Responsibilities**

- ❖ Organise the Club's annual program of sailing activities (races, social sails, etc).
- ❖ Manage the roster of race control and rescue boat crews.
- ❖ Promote and co-ordinate training relevant to the Club's sailing program.
- ❖ Manage maintenance of the Club's race control and rescue boats, and of equipment necessary for conducting the sailing program.
- ❖ Promote awareness of relevant safety requirements and standards, and monitor compliance with these during Club events.

Desired Skills

- ❖ Good sailing knowledge.
- ❖ Good organisational skills.

Required Resources

- ❖ Plenty of time to attend to sailing matters.

SOCIAL SECRETARY**Duties and Responsibilities**

- ❖ Organise the Club's social functions.

Desired Skills

- ❖ Good organisational skills.
- ❖ Good interpersonal skills.
- ❖ A sense of fun.

Required Resources

- ❖ Access to computer, internet and email.

HOUSE SECRETARY**Duties and Responsibilities**

- ❖ Plan and manage the maintenance of Club facilities.
- ❖ Organise working bees.
- ❖ Develop and maintain plans for future development of Club facilities.

Desired Skills

- ❖ Good knowledge of building and maintenance practices.
- ❖ Good organisational skills.

Required Resources

- ❖ Access to tools and equipment.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY**Duties and Responsibilities**

- ❖ Process membership applications and manage the induction of new members.
- ❖ Maintain the Membership database, including a register of boats kept at the Club and of Club keys issued to members.
- ❖ Produce the Duty Officer Roster monthly.
- ❖ Maintain current list of members on Yachting Australia/Victoria database.
- ❖ Manage annual subscription notices.

Desired Skills

- ❖ Good organisational skills.
- ❖ Ability to use, maintain and develop the membership database.

- ❖ Awareness of privacy requirements relating to use of membership data.

Required Resources

- ❖ Access to computer, internet and email.

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Time and commitment (this is a relatively complex role, for which candidates should be prepared to commit for at least 2-3 years).

For Sale Boat and Plant

Boat and Plant:

One x One Quarter Share

Price: \$4,000.

Boat:

Vessel Name: *Walter Mitty*.

Registration Number: B191.

Vessel Design: Triton 24

Designer: John Alsop.

Year of Manufacture: circa 1975.

Description: Pocket Cruising Keelboat

Weight: 2 tonnes, LOA 7.2m Beam: 3m, Draft: 1.5m.

Now painted white, name on both sides of stern, registration number on both sides of bow.

Engine: Mercury 15 HP long leg outboard.

Serial No: 1B450681. Colour: Black

Plant:

Mooring tackle now on registered mooring SHR007 in Sandringham Harbour, and the yacht tender *Wally* to sloop *Walter Mitty* are all included in the term "Plant". The polypropylene Walker Bay 8 dinghy *Wally* is kept on a rack in the Hampton Sailing Club.

Comment: This is a very seaworthy and capable small cruiser, which has been well maintained, and has recently returned from a successful cruise to Westernport.

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When comparing prices with other Triton 24's on sale at the moment, look for these features: Furling headsail (good condition) with Selden furler, 15 HP Mercury long shaft outboard, Northstar Explorer 557 (or 567) chartplotter, Raymarine ST 2000 autopilot, mainsail boom bag and lazyjacks. Fully battened mainsail, (fair condition). Sail reefing can be done from the cockpit, once the sail hook is in the reefing tack at the mast. A 2-burner spirit fuel stove, chart table and upholstered cabin bunks for 4 people.

Marine Survey last carried out March 2011, for insurance purposes, and the vessel was found to be in seaworthy condition, and was accepted for comprehensive insurance by Club Marine, with \$10Million Public Liability.

The right to moor in the harbour is at the discretion of Parks Victoria, subject to a satisfactory annual mooring certificate, and the issue of an annual mooring licence by Parks Victoria. No consideration for the mooring licence has been included in the asking price for the Plant. The Parks Victoria embargo on the transfer of mooring licences has been lifted for boats no bigger than the boats for which the current licence is held.

Appendix:

Safety Equipment, including a bower anchor with chain and warp, a spare anchor (amidships, in locker No. 3) with chain and approx 120 m of chain and warp, one x three-person inflatable dinghy, 406 Mhz GPS EPIRB, VHS radio, 2 x fire extinguishers, one grab bag with waterproof torches, inshore flares in survey, one parachute flare for offshore and a V-sheet

Navigation Equipment that is part of the boats complement: chart plotter, spare navigation lights and 2 x LED Dolphin waterproof torches with spare batteries.

Other Sundry Equipment includes mast-climbing steps, auto pilot, two granny seats for the transom, 3 x fenders and a boat hook. 2 x 20m silver mooring warps and a spare anchor. Spare No. 2 furling headsail (good condition), a lightweight spinnaker (fair condition). A more comprehensive list is available on request.

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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
20-Apr-14		-	Easter Weekend - No Racing				
27-Apr-14	Shipwreck Classic	PH		David Thompson	Olivia Thompson	Peter Gray	William Brown