

THE MAIN SHEET

The Hampton Sailing Club Newsletter

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Newsletter Editor's Note

At the close of the AGM this year there were some committee positions that remained unfilled. Since that time a few members have made enquiries about the vacant offices.

As at the time of writing this note the Club still does not have a Secretary. Neil Watson attended the June committee meeting and took notes and typed up the minutes. While we thank Neil for these efforts, he is unable to undertake the Secretary's job on an on-going basis. It is important that we have a formal Secretary throughout the current financial year. This job MUST be filled!

The position of Commodore also needs to be filled. The 2016/2017 racing season promises to include several changes and improvements on past years. The Club needs someone who can successfully steer its activities in the right directions and get important tasks done.

In addition, the role of Social Secretary is still vacant. Organisation and co-ordination of the Club's social activities is required by the right person or small team.

The racing calendar for 2016/2017 has been altered to include a crew of three on Lady Isa each race day. A lot members who previously have not been rostered are now listed for an afternoon out on the Bay. Check to see if your name is on the roster and put the date in your diary.

It is worth remembering that Hampton Sailing Club a 100% voluntary organisation. It relies on members' input to get work done and cooperation for the Club to operate smoothly.

There are a number of newsworthy items in this issue of the Main Sheet, so read on.

Russell Brown
Newsletter Editor

Membership Renewals for 2016/2017

After years of encouraging members to pay their subscriptions on time, we can report a good result. At the end of June 2016 more than half of all members have paid their 2016/2017 fees.

Our Club's income is almost entirely reliant on member subscription fees. When members pay their fees the Club is then in a position to pay for the running expenses, equipment and maintenance that is necessary throughout the year. We need **all** members to pay their club fees in a timely manner so that HSC can continue to function smoothly and efficiently.

If you have not yet paid the Club subscription fees please find your notice and make the payment as soon as you possibly can. Hampton Sailing Club imposes a late payment fee of \$20 for members who have not paid after 31 August.

Russell Brown
Vice Commodore

New Locks and Club Security



Frank Leipper has now changed the door locks to the club house and the padlocks to the front and back gates, and the storage shed.

Many members obtained a new key during June and July after paying their 2016/2017

membership subscriptions. Please note that financial members who still need a new key will have to arrange a date and time to pick it up from the Membership Secretary, Richard Skews.

Security at Hampton Sailing Club is a significant issue for all members.

Members who store watercraft on Club premises should feel their possessions are secure at all times. For this reason it is very important that the gates and club house are locked when members are away from Club, including when they are out on the water.

The Club key is a registered pattern and no attempt should be made to have a copy made. If you lose your key please contact the Membership Secretary about obtaining a replacement. It is vital that members do not loan a key to anyone who is not an HSC member.

Russell Brown
Vice Commodore

Boat and Equipment Audit

Each year an audit of watercraft and equipment stored at the Club is undertaken by the committee. At the end of last season the ownership of some old items could not be identified. During August these unlabelled items will be moved to a space in the boat storage racks. Old spars will be placed outside on racks on the west wall of the Club.

Members will have until the end of September to claim their equipment. Otherwise the stuff will be disposed of after the September Working Bee.

Boats Stored on Trolleys in the Yard

Melbourne has experienced some severe storms this winter. The attachment of shade cloth to the chain wire fences and gates has helped reduce the impact of northerly winds on boats stored in the yard.

Recently, strong gusts have caused some boats to shift on their trolleys. It is imperative that if boats are to remain safe during such severe weather they must be tied to their trolleys. We do not want a repetition of past

events where damage was caused to several boats because one or two were not properly secured.

Please make sure your boat fits its trolley correctly, and the boat/trolley combination will not move during windy weather. If necessary, tie your boat down using sandbags.

Working Bee – Sunday 25 September



The next scheduled Working Bee will be held on **Sunday, 25 September**. This is usually the day when the club house and yards are given a tidy-up before the sailing season begins. Don't forget to bring some gardening tools.

The Working Bee commences at 9 am. This year members will be asked to record the time they arrive and the time when they leave.

Hampton Sailing Club offers a 'work day credit' of \$25 to members who attend a Working Bee. That is, one credit for each Senior membership unit and for each Family membership unit. (At least one adult member per Family membership unit must attend). The credit is deducted from the member's Maintenance Fee for the following year.

Members who come along to a Working Bee are expected to attend for 3 hours. Just turning up for the barbeque lunch will not earn a credit or help spruce up the Club.

Membership Types and Entitlements

At the beginning of the current financial year several members requested to change their membership type. It is perhaps worth pointing out that HSC has a range of membership types and these are defined within the Club's Regulations (Model Rules).

The entitlements of the various membership types are set out in the Regulations. It should be noted that the “partner” and all children co-habiting with the principal ‘Family’ member are all considered individual members of the Club. This is a generous definition of ‘Family’ membership compared with other sailing clubs around Port Phillip Bay.

Whilst members are entitled to use the facilities of the Club at almost any time, Members may also bring guests to the Club. There are, however, some restrictions on the frequency and number of guests that a member can invite to the Club. These are set out in sections 3 and 4 of the Hampton Sailing Club By-Laws.

Traditionally, guests are requested to sign the ‘Visitors Book’ (on the desk at the top of the stairs) particularly on non-racing days. Similarly, members are also asked to write their names in the diary when visiting the club house on days that are not official Club activities, such as social events, meetings or race days. This gives the committee information about frequency of use of the Club by members. Such information will be crucial when HSC negotiates a lease with Parks Victoria.

To assist members in becoming more familiar with the way Hampton Sailing Club operates, a Member Information sheet is attached to this edition of the newsletter (page 9).

Racing Calendar 2016/2017

The racing calendar for next season is on pages 7 and 8 of this newsletter. The course/weather briefing will start at 12:45 pm. The format and scheduling of races closely follows the pattern developed last year. There will be 10 Aggregate race days and 10 Club Championship race days. Boats will again be sailing in one of two divisions.

To begin the season there are Sprint Series races on opening day. Sprint Series races are also scheduled for the first Sunday after the Christmas/New Year break, and the last day of racing on 7 May 2017.

There will be more “inter-racing” days between HSC and SYC OTB classes this

season. SYC will host HSC boats on 6 November 2016. SYC senior classes will join HSC racing on 11 December 2016 and 12 February 2017.

Sail Melbourne will take place again at St Kilda this year. HSC is not hiring its power boats for this event and so racing will continue on Sundays throughout November and December up until Christmas.

No racing at HSC has been planned for Sundays corresponding to the following dates:

- 16 October – Sail Sandy Regatta
- 25 December & 1 January – Christmas/New Year
- 29 January – Australia Day Weekend
- 12 March – Labour Day Weekend
- 16 April – Easter Weekend

This year the sailing committee has decided to schedule a third crew member on Lady Isa. Having an extra pair of hands and eyes on the start/finish boat will make race management tasks easier and safer for everybody on board. If you have not crewed on Lady Isa before, don’t worry. The experienced crew members will give instructions on what to do. We cannot guarantee you won’t get a bit wet, but on the other hand you might have a great day out on the water!

Active sailing members are rostered onto race management duties no more than twice during the sailing season. Members are asked to note these dates in their calendars. If you know in advance you cannot attend on a particular day please make arrangements to swap with another member, or contact the Sailing Secretary.



GPS Training – Sunday 21 August

HSC will be running a GPS training session for members at the club house on Sunday, 21 August starting at 1 pm. This will be a brief introductory session on how to use the Club's GPS devices.

An information session on changes to the HSC Sailing Instructions for 2016/2017 is planned for September. This session may also include 'in house' race management training. Members will be informed of the date, time and program closer to the event.

Sail Sandy Regatta – 17 – 18 October

Sandringham Yacht Club will be running their annual off-the-beach classes' regatta over the weekend 17-18 October.

The regatta is open to monohull and catamaran classes that have a Yachting Victoria yardstick. Registration can be made at the Regatta Office from 7:00 on the Saturday morning.

Please note that Hampton Sailing Club will not be conducting racing on Sunday, 18 October. HSC power boats have been hired to SYC to run the Green Fleet course over the regatta weekend. HSC members who wish to volunteer their time to assist with the regatta can contact Sandringham Yacht Club.

William Brown
Sailing Secretary

New Toilets in Jetty Road

Sandringham foreshore planning includes the building of a new toilet block with disability access. This will be located at the end of Jetty Road. Bayside City Council have

advised the site for the facility will be adjacent to HSC across the lane leading to the pier.

The council has indicated a new sewer line will be constructed from the existing public toilets. HSC committee members have made enquires about our Club connecting to this line when the new block is built. The council was receptive to this idea. HSC members will be kept informed when further information is available.

Tall Ship Tenacious visit to Port Phillip Bay – Sunday 14 August

The Jubilee Sailing Trust Tall ship *Tenacious* will be arriving in Port Phillip on Sunday 14th August 2016.

Tenacious will be coming through the Heads at approximately 0700 Hrs and making her way up to Melbourne via the South Channel and then on to Fawkner Beacon where she will be joined by other vessels welcoming her to Port Phillip and escorting her to her Melbourne home at the Seaworks Maritime Precinct in Williamstown.

Tenacious will be highly visible as she heads towards Williamstown and private vessels are invited to cruise in company for all or part of the way to Williamstown.

Tenacious Fact Sheet download .pdf (Specs Etc) <http://jst.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Tenacious-Fact-Sheet.pdf>

Training Ship *Young Endeavour* – 2016 Australian Circumnavigation



Applications are now being accepted for the 2016 Young Endeavour Youth Development Program. Young Australians in our communities are encouraged to set sail for the voyage of a lifetime as the national sail training ship *Young Endeavour* circumnavigates Australia!

All young Australians aged 16 to 23 can apply for voyages at www.youngendeavour.gov.au. Youth crews are selected by ballot, and no sailing experience is required.

At every port, *Young Endeavour* will change-out the 24 strong youth crew. The youth who join each eleven or thirteen day voyage will learn the skills to sail a square-rigged tall ship. They will keep watch and take the helm, cook in the galley, navigate using the ship's charts, and climb the 30 metre mast to set and furl the sails.

For more information, including voyage dates and fees, please visit:

www.youngendeavour.gov.au or contact their office on 1800 020 444.

Newsletter Items

Items for inclusion in the *Main Sheet* newsletter can be sent to the Club's email address:

<hampton.sailing.club@gmail.com>

Newsletters are usually published every 2 months and distribution timing will depend on the month of publication.

Russell Brown
Newsletter Editor

Boats for Sale

There are a number of boats up for sale by Hampton Sailing Club members. Please check the Club notice board for details.





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Hampton Sailing Club Racing Calendar – 2015/2016 Season**Briefing: – 1:45pm****Start: – 2:00pm**

Date	Event	Handicap	Comments	Race Controller	Isa Crew 1	Isa Crew 2	Hampton Red	Rescue Crew
2-Oct-16	Sprint Series	PH		William Brown	Frank Leipper	Russell Brown	Andrew Gruby	Jack Gruby
9-Oct-16	Club Championship 1	YV		David Thompson	Russell Brown	Barrie Brunton	Ken Trotter	Michael Johnson
16-Oct-16	No Racing		Sail Sandy					
23-Oct-15	Club Championship 2	YV		John Adshead	Russell Brown	Paul Stephenson	Bruce Haddock	Fiona Bennett
30-Oct-16	Aggregate 1	PH		John Shallvey	Stuart Skeggs	Brian Reynolds	Mark Jackson	Tim Ede
06-Nov-16	SYC/HSC Interclub Race	N/A	SYC Host					
13-Nov-16	Aggregate 2	PH		Jake Gunther	Greg Clark	Russell Brown	Andrew Gruby	Jack Gruby
20-Nov-16	Club Championship 3	YV		Frank Leipper	Sheila O'Shea	Mark Allen	David Seymour	Aurelie Chabrol
27-Nov-16	Aggregate 3	PH		Blaise Vinot	Kate Vinot	Henry Engelman	Jorn Rose	Jim Roberts
4-Dec-16	Club Championship 4	YV		Michael Cook	Russell Brown	Alan Lees	Andrew Cook	Claude Vergez
11-Dec-16	Aggregate 4	PH	HSC to host senior SYC	Stewart Simmons	Phil Johnson	Russell Brown	Charles Bagossy	Emmanuel Skoutas
18-Dec-16	Club Championship 5	YV		Neil Watson	John Maddick	Richard Skews	Ralph Brown	Dawn Clark
25-Dec-16	Christmas	-	No Racing Scheduled					
1-Jan-17	Christmas	-	No Racing Scheduled					
8-Jan-17	Sprint Series	PH		Stewart Simmons	Russell Brown	William Brown	David Seymour	Ken Trotter
15-Jan-17	Aggregate 5	PH		Frank Leipper	Sheila O'Shea	Doug Turek	Ralph Brown	Aurelie Chabrol
22-Jan-17	Club Championship 6	YV		William Brown	Russell Brown	Luke William Ross	Stewart Simmons	Neil Watson
29-Jan-17	Australia Day Weekend		No Racing Scheduled					
5-Feb-17	Aggregate 6	PH		Michael Cook	Michael Johnson	Ian Taylor	John Maddick	Emmanuel Skoutas
12-Feb-17	SYC/HSC Interclub Race	YV	HSC to host	Stewart Simmons	Phil Johnson	William Brown	Andrew Gruby	Jack Gruby

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19-Feb-17	Aggregate 7	PH		David Thompson	Russell Brown	Jeff Ward	Lex Cusin	Jorn Rose
26-Feb-17	Club Championship 7	YV		Michael Cook	Sarah Shaw	David V D Stratten	Jim Shaw	Charles Bagossy
5-Mar-17	Aggregate 8	PH	Commodore's Cup	Russell Brown	Jim Roberts	Stewart Simmons	Andrew Gruby	Jack Gruby
12-Mar-17	Labour day	-	Labour Day Holiday - No Racing					
19-Mar-17	Club Championship 8	YV		Frank Leipper	William Brown	Andreas Loos	Steve Moller	Michelle Moller
26-Mar-17	Aggregate 9	PH		Phil Chadwick	Robert Lichter	Robin McKeown	Mark Jackson	Tim Ede
2-Apr-17	Club Championship 9	YV		Frank Leipper	Sheila O'Shea	Richard Hart	Bruce Haddock	Fiona Bennett
9-Apr-17	Aggregate 10	PH		Russell Brown	Frank Leipper	Philip Iacono	Andrew Gruby	Jack Gruby
16-Apr-17	Easter	-	Easter Weekend - No Racing					
23-Apr-17	Club Championship 10			John Adshead	Russell Brown	Michael Moloney	Leeanne Rothacker	Fiona Stephens
30-Apr-17	Shipwreck Classic	PH		William Brown	Sheila O'Shea	Barrie Brunton	Angus Wilson	Dawn Clark
7-May-17	Sprint Series	PH		William Brown	Russell Brown	Russell Baker	Blaise Vinot	Kate Vinot

Hampton Sailing Club: Member Information

Hampton Sailing Club relies on member in-put and volunteers to operate smoothly. Members and their guests need to adhere to the Club rules and By Laws. For access to the full rules and by-laws please refer to www.hsc.yachting.org.au , (left click) Members, (left click) General Information, (left click) PDF files HSC.By-Laws Dec 2013 & Rules of Incorporated Association HSC 2013. This is a brief summary of club rules.

Use of the Club Premises and Facilities

- On each visit, members must write their name in the log book upstairs to maintain a record of Club use.
- The Club premises and facilities are available to members for casual use at any time.
- Guests are welcome in the club, however, a member may only invite four adult guests at one time and the guest needs to be signed-in the Visitors Book. An individual guest may only visit six times, after which they are encouraged to join.
- The club room may be booked for private parties subject to approval by the Committee or club nominee, and clubroom hire is subject to adherence to the conditions set out in the By- Laws.
- The Club premises and facilities shall be used and kept in a clean and orderly manner. Please clean up after yourself.
- Wet and/or sandy clothing or footwear shall not be worn in the upstairs Clubrooms.
- The Club telephone is for official Club business and emergencies. Please keep the club phone use to a minimum.

Consumption of Liquor

- The consumption of liquor on the Club premises shall be strictly in accordance with the Club's Liquor Licence.
- Members should ensure a responsible attitude for themselves and their guests regarding liquor consumption.
- Under no circumstances shall persons under the age of 18 years be permitted to consume liquor on Club premises.
- Children should not have access to the drinks fridge without adult supervision.

Dogs

- Dogs are not permitted on the Club premises, except when the owner is "passing through". In that case the dog must remain secured on a short leash and the owner must immediately clean up any dog droppings.
- Dogs are not permitted in the building and must not be left in vehicles parked on the Club premises.

Smoking

- All areas of the Clubrooms, sheds, yard, and the Club boats are smoke-free zones. Please do not smoke.

Security

- The Club premises shall be left in a secure condition at all times, except when a Duty Officer is present.
- Keep the building or gates locked when no one is about.
- Do not lend your Club key to a non-member.
- Under no circumstances shall a Club Member have a duplicate made of a Club key.
- Junior Members (i.e. under the age of 15 years) are not permitted to have control of a Club key.
- Do not leave valuables unattended at the club.

Sailing and Safety Rules

- All boats sailing from the Club must meet the current legal safety requirements.
- On every occasion that a member sails a boat or water craft from the Club, the Destination Log Book must first be filled in and then signed off on return to the Club.
The only exception to this rule applies to formal racing events where the Race Sheet is filled in and signed off.

Boat Storage -

- Member boat storage for monohull dinghies, not exceeding 5 metres, including any part of a dolly or trailer on which the dinghy is stored, may be provided if space is available. A Boat Storage fee is payable and the boat is identified with a club registration sticker. Requests for boat storage need to be directed to the Boat Storage Officer.
- Junior boat storage is available for dinghies up to 3m subject to space availability and a storage fee.
- Other water craft may be stored on high racks at the club, subject to space availability and payment of a storage fee.

Club Duties

- Club Members are rostered to attend the Club as Club Duty Officer for one or two afternoons per year to ensure that an official presence is maintained at the Club during weekends. The job description of the duty is displayed on the upstairs noticeboard.
- Members with a power boat license are encouraged to contribute to Rescue Boat Duty and Race Management.
- The member rostered into various duties are obliged to find a replacement if they are unable to attend.
- Members are expected to attend two working bees (2 x 3hours), in May and September to maintain club facilities and grounds.

This summary is issued for guidance only. This is to be read in conjunction with the Club Rules and By Laws.