

THE MAIN SHEET

The Hampton Sailing Club Newsletter

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Newsletter Editor's Note

I want to start by thanking the members who turned out on a cold, miserable day to attend the AGM held on 28 May.

At the conclusion of the meeting it was heartening to know that the positions of Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer were filled for the coming year. It was also pleasing to see a couple of members step forward to take on some of the more routine, humdrum chores at the Club. In particular, I would mention Dawn Clark who has offered to maintain the Club's kitchen supplies.

At the normal committee meeting held on the Thursday evening following the AGM there was discussion that the position of Social Secretary was again vacant. There is no doubt this is a hard job, but HSC pulled off a very successful Christmas Dinner in 2016 with the assistance of many members making small contributions to the event. This has prompted the committee to seek a member (or members) who would be prepared to take on the role of Social Organiser as opposed to Social Secretary. Please give this some consideration and let us know if you are interested.

It looks like I have got the job of newsletter editor again this year, but I will wrap up this 'editorial' so you can move on to the other items contained in this edition of *The Main Sheet*.

Russell Brown
Newsletter Editor



AGM Items



In 2015 the long serving member and past Commodore Peter Jones donated \$5,000 to the Club prior to his death later that year. Last year the committee decided to put that money towards the purchase of a small tractor for launching HSC power boats. In addition, a Peter Jones perpetual trophy was created for the winners of the annual Aggregate Series of races.

Peter's son, Philip and members of his family were invited to the AGM. The gift of money from Peter was duly acknowledged by HSC members at the meeting. Philip was invited to award the trophy to the Aggregate Series winners during the awards ceremony.



Philip Jones presenting the Peter Jones perpetual trophy to John Shallvey (Division 1) and Charles Bagossy (Division 2)

As an item of General Business, John Shallvey informed the membership that Phil Chadwick and his family are moving to Queensland. John requested the Club acknowledge the contribution that Phil has made to Finn sailing at HSC and in Victoria. Phil was instrumental in helping build the Finn fleet at HSC and took on the role of organising coaching/training sessions for our Finn sailors. He also had input into organising a number of successful racing events for all Finn sailors in Victoria. HSC will miss this positive and enthusiastic member.



Phil Chadwick was presented with an HSC polo shirt by John Shallvey

Another item of business was the election of two honorary Life Members. Anna Lowe is now one of the longest serving members of the Club. For many years she was an active sailor and introduced her family into the Club when men members were admitted for the first time in 1982. Her election as a Life Member of HSC not only recognises her on-water activities but also the task of purchasing Club supplies over a very long period of time.

John Hannam is also a long serving and active member of HSC since 1982. He has been a regular sailor for a lot of that time. John has sailed his own boats as well as crewed for other Club members. It is only recently that he reluctantly sold his last boat. However, he still puts the rubbish bins out (and brings

them in) each week – a job he has done for the past 20 years!

John was presented with a certificate of Life Membership during the awards ceremony. Anna Lowe was unable to attend the AGM, but has since received her Life Membership certificate.



John Hannam receiving his certificate of honorary Life Membership of HSC

Committee for 2017/18

The election of the committee for 2017/2018 was held at the end of the AGM. Three members of the current year's committee did not elect to stand again and two new members were welcomed on to the new committee.

On the 2016/2017 committee Greg Clark occupied the position of Immediate Past Commodore and he did not seek re-election on to the new committee. Stewart Simmons has resigned after several years looking after the power boats, equipment and other race management roles at the Club. Robert Lichter also did not re-nominate for a position on the committee in 2017/2018. The Club thanks these three members for their input and individual contributions towards the running of the Club.

Mark Reading joins the 2017/2018 committee in the position of Secretary, and Jim Roberts will become the Club's 'Webmaster' looking after the HSC website and the Club's Facebook page.

Russell Brown takes on the job of Commodore and the remaining committee members retain their positions as follows:

Commodore	Russell Brown
Vice Commodore	Vacant
Treasurer	Sheila O'Shea
Secretary	Mark Reading
Sailing Secretary	William Brown
Membership Secretary	Richard Skews
House Secretary	Frank Leipper
Social Secretary	Vacant
Clubhouse Booking Officer	John Basarin
General Committee (Webmaster)	Jim Roberts
General Committee	Charles Bagossy

Winners and Place-Getters for the 2016/2017 Season



HSC continued the practice of conducting two races per race day which resulted in a total of 31 races for last season. In addition, the fleet sailed in two divisions for both the Club Championship series and the Aggregate series.

The 'Sprint Series' was scheduled over 3 days last season, but only one day of races eventuated – bad weather forced the cancellation of racing on the other days.

Fleet numbers were down compared with the 2015/2016 season. Nevertheless, the results were tight this year particularly for place-getters in Division 1.

Congratulations go to these sailors and all members who received a trophy at the presentations given after the Annual General Meeting.

Club Championship – Division 1:

1 st	John Shallvey
2 nd	Phil Chadwick
3 rd	Blaise & Kate Vinot

Club Championship – Division 2:

1 st	William Brown
2 nd	Charles Bagossy
3 rd	Andrew & Jack Gruby

Annual Aggregate – Division 1:

1 st	John Shallvey
2 nd	Charles & Kate Vinot
3 rd	Michael Johnson

Annual Aggregate – Division 2:

1 st	Charles Bagossy
2 nd	William Brown
3 rd	Neil Watson

Commodores Cup 2017:

1 st	Charles Bagossy
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Shipwreck Classic 2017:

1 st	Greg Clark
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Sprint Series 2017:

Division 1 - 1st Phil Chadwick

Division 2 – 1st William Brown

Best Woman Sailor 2017:

Aurelie Chabrol

Best Newcomer Sailors 2017:

Robyn Fox & Mark Reading

Long Service Award 2017:

Neil Cooke

Membership Subscriptions for 2017/2018

Membership subscription renewals were a little late being sent out this year. By now all members should have received in the post their membership renewal notices for 2017/2018.

The fees are due from the 1st of June. The 'early bird' discount of a 10% reduction in the membership fee will apply again this year. But you must make sure your payment is received by the Treasurer by **30th June 2017**. After this date the discount does not apply.

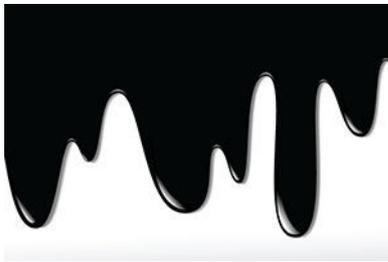
Please note that HSC has changed bank accounts this year. If you are making an electronic funds transfer (EFT) payment, the new Bank of Melbourne account details are

given on the front page of the subscription invoice.

Members are asked to pay their subscription fees promptly. The Club's annual income depends almost entirely on members' subscription payments. It is important that HSC has this money in the bank early in the year so the Club's financial expenses can be paid.

Russell Brown
Commodore

Report on Hampton Beach Renourishment Project



The Department of Environment, Water, Land and Planning (DEWLP) has funding available to build a new groyne and back fill Hampton beach with more sand. As part of this project HSC was hoping that the issues of the black sludge and siltation in the inner harbour (and east of Hampton pier) could be addressed. A deputation of interested parties including two members of HSC invited DEWLP officers to view the situation first hand. There was a suggestion the black sludge could be lifted, dried and used in the foreshore renourishment process.

At an information session held by DEWLP on 3 June, the department stated that removal of the sludge would not be included as part of the renourishment project. DEWLP recommended funding should be sought from the Port Phillip Authority to have the harbour dredged as an action seeking to improve the health of Port Phillip Bay.

HSC committee is planning a submission to the Port Phillip Authority with the cooperation of other interested parties such as Sandringham Yacht Club, Sandy Beach HQ and the kayak hire business.

Sailing Calendar for 2017/2018

The Sailing Secretary has already drafted a racing/sailing calendar for next season but we want your input this time. The committee will be hosting a Sailing Committee meeting open to all interested members on Sunday, 2 July starting at 11 am.

Several members have expressed a desire for HSC to run more events like the annual Shipwreck Classic. As an alternative to formal course racing, there is a suggestion the Club have some cruising or fun days in the season calendar.

We want members to come along on 2 July and have their say about what sort of events they want and how the sailing calendar is structured for next season. This can also include items such as coaching and training in addition to regular Sunday afternoon activities. In addition we want input about a Winter Series for 2017. At the moment there is a plan for racing over 4 consecutive Sundays in August.

Finally, morning tea will be provided at the Clubhouse as an incentive to come along on Sunday morning, 2 July.

William Brown
Sailing Secretary

Boat Storage over the Winter Months



Now that the racing season has finished many members will not think about sailing until the beginning of next season. If your boat is stored in the yard it is most important that you take some time to make sure that it is:

- Sitting on a proper fitting boat trolley.
- The boat is tied down to the trolley.
- The trolley is in good repair and the tyres are inflated.
- Protected from the weather with a well-fitting boat cover.
- The self-bailers are left open.

Every winter we experience some days of extreme north winds. These are the days that boats, if not secured properly, can tip over. Taking the above precautions will reduce the risk of accidental damage to your boat and boats that belong to other members.

As an extra precaution, it is worth tying a rope over your boat to a sand bag on each side.

Russell Brown
Boat Storage Officer

Report on HSC Connection to Sewer

After being requested by South East Water to lodge an application to connect to the new sewer line, HSC has received a formal contract. The prices quoted by SE Water are \$28k for connection (including construction of an underground tank and pump), and a \$5k annual 'maintenance fee'. Given the initial verbal estimate was \$10k, this final quote is very disappointing. The committee has therefore decided to decline the contract and the Club will continue to use the current septic tank system for the time being.

A quote will be obtained during the winter to have the septic tank pumped out. The committee is also considering building an underground sump tank in the car park and redirecting the shower outlet to this installation.

New Members

A group of new members was admitted to Hampton Sailing Club towards the end of last season. These members include:

- Thomas Stanistreet – Senior member - sails a Laser
- Robyn Fox and Mark Reading & Family – sail a 420 and paddle kayaks
- Hugh Wareham & Family – sails a Sparrow dinghy
- Simon Hollingworth – Senior member – stores a tender and has a keel boat on a swing mooring
- Paul Kalitsis & Family – sails an Optimist dinghy

The Club welcomes these members and they have all attended induction sessions. Please say hello to them when you see them down at the clubhouse.

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

Sometimes Hampton Sailing Club members offer boats for sale. Please check the Club notice board for details.





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