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MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

As 2021 comes to an end we reflect on what's been a busy year for the Club. We wish all of our members a very happy Xmas. We hope that you have some time to enjoy a break and have fun bringing in the New Year with family and friends.

The summer season has been full of activities. We've had good numbers participating in keelboat racing on Thursday and Saturday afternoons and there has been many beautiful Wednesday Twilight sailing events. Our new Dinghy and Training Centre has been a flurry of activity. The team moved in to the new building a few days before the 2021 ICR Regatta, our biggest event of the year for off the beach classes.

On Tuesday 14 December we celebrated the 125th anniversary of Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club by hosting a party in the Roland Smith Room. Another fun social event at the Club.

Happy Xmas and New Year. See you at the Club.

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What's on at the Club?

Keep an eye out for the Club email newsletters to stay informed. Front of House (Monday email news) will tempt you with food and beverage offerings and social activities to attend. On Thursday's, keep an eye out for Gybe Sheet, our email news for all activities on the water, special club events and helpful things to know. You don't have to read every email from the Club but they are a handy place to look to find out what's on. We encourage you to remain subscribed.

New Members' Night

These are popular events held on a Friday evening in the Members' Bar. It's been a fun year introducing so many wonderful new members to the Club. We will take a bit of a break over the festive period and return with the next evening in February or March. Keep an eye on email newsletters or check the club calendar on the website or using the RFBYC app (member access).

Technology

Members are encouraged to use the website member portal (MyRFBYC) and the RFBYC app (MemberPoint). More information and instructions are available on the website in the club information section. Visit rfbyc.asn.au and navigate to the Club Info / Communications pages for club app and member portal instructions and features.

We welcome new applications for membership

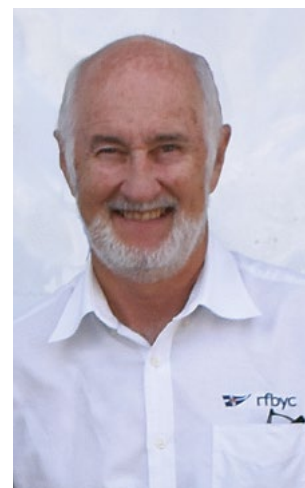
Do you know that we now have an online application form? It's easier than ever to apply for membership of the Club.

Members wishing to nominate a person for membership should provide their Club membership number and an email address to the applicant. When completing the online application, the person will select 'yes' to include a proposer and seconder and then include the member number and email for each. The proposer and seconder will receive an email request to verify the nomination. Once approved their application will be sent to our Membership Coordinator to begin the joining process.

Visit the membership section of the Club website by using the 'Join RFBYC' button or get in touch with our Membership Coordinator for assistance.



ROBERT PARKER COMMODORE



SUMMER SEASON IS WELL and truly underway. After a fantastic 125th Opening Day, back on the main lawn, we've enjoyed some excellent Saturday racing and ongoing good fleets on Thursdays.

The Opening Day fleet, including Juniors and dinghies was in excess of 90 boats. This was an excellent start to the season. A well-timed Power sail past was enjoyed by all dignitaries, members and guests.

On the weekend of 27 and 28 November our Club hosted the IRC State Championships and the Dolphin and Gordon Craig passage races. A great turnout, in both divisions, saw close-to-the-beach racing off North Cottesloe, then the passage to Rockingham in light to moderate conditions. Sunday had similar conditions and a comfortable return leg to Fremantle.

The annual Governor's Cup finished at our Club this year, but honours went to Royal Perth Yacht Club's *Prime Target*, Simon Haywood, with our members Ross and Neil Dennis, in *Game Over*, a very close 2nd. We hosted Commodore Shawn Offer and his wife Annabelle and several accompanying Flag Officers and past Commodores. It was great to see the top

lawn getting good coverage so early in the season.

Several excellent functions have been held since last writing, including the Flametree Wines Vintage Vessels & Vehicle Day, with my own little 1939 Austin 8 winning 'best in show'. The judges are adamant they didn't know it was my car, despite the Commodore's burgee flying from the windscreen!

We also held another highly successful Melbourne Cup with further details in the Vice Commodore's column.

Sadly, the Prince Philip Cup for Dragons, in Sydney, scheduled for January 2022 has fallen to COVID-19 restrictions as well as many other national events. For now, we must continue to support local events and hope the new Omicron variant doesn't set us back too far.

We celebrated the Club's 125th Anniversary on Tuesday, 14 December. The founding members would be delighted to see the great shape the Club is in.

We continue to attract new members and all aspects of the Club are vibrant.

We are delighted to have received the keys to the Dinghy & Training Centre. The centre was put to its first test when we hosted the annual ICR Regatta on 4 and 5 December. Needless to say the event went well and the centre fulfilled our expectations. We continue to plan for the official opening set for the morning of Sunday, 6 February 2022. All members are welcome to this event, which will recognise the donors, other volunteers and professionals who supported this amazing project.

Finally, I was delighted, recently, to host the nephew of Sir Charles Gairdner GBE, KCMG, KCVO, CB, our State's previous Governor, and our previous Patron (1951–1963). The nephew, Dr Freddie von Schmidt, lived in WA for many years and completed his medical degree at The University of WA, whilst staying at St George's College. Dr Schmidt and his wife Liz

visited us on Tuesday, 30 November to hand over an historical document related to Sir Charles and his yachting involvement. We were fortunate to have member Gary Cotterell and former member, Peter Melsom on hand, both of whom knew Sir Charles and sailed/skippered his Dragon *Barbara* and his launch *Aileen Oag*. My own father, Stephen Parker, also skippered *Barbara* and won the Sir Charles Gairdner trophy in it in 1957. Peter Melsom was crew at that time. A more comprehensive article will be prepared for Tidings.

With Christmas around the corner, I wish all members and their families a safe and happy festive season. ■

PETER CHALMER

VICE COMMODORE



SEASON'S GREETINGS to all our members.



MEMBERSHIP

Membership applications continue to keep us busy and there is a steady increase in new faces around the Club. We have held three New Member Nights since September including a Young Adult welcome night. It's very rewarding to see that age group continuing their membership.

Also very pleasing is the rise in numbers of skippers and crew using our On-Water Pass system. I express my appreciation to those skippers and crew for doing so and I invite others to become engaged.

HOUSE & SOCIAL

We have a lot of fantastic Club celebrations to look forward to in the next few months and so this Committee may dominate the page.

This quarter's edition of Tidings is very important. It celebrates our 125th birthday on December 14. This birthday theme will be present in most celebrations until into the New Year.

The 2021 Opening Day was a huge success with

good weather and much celebration of the opening of the sailing season. Our Bosun Nathan and his team had their work cut out for them this year, because the Dinghy & Training Centre construction was in full flight at that time. Congratulations to them for again making the Club look spectacular even though part of it was cordoned off and the concrete on the main wharf was still setting. Our Head Chef, Derrick, and his team excelled on the day as did our F&B Manager, Nic Gaunt and his team for their combined hard work in making the day such a success. Comments from VIP's, visiting Flag Officers and guests were all very positive and appreciative. We have a Club and staff that we can be very proud of.

Melbourne Cup Day lived up to its reputation this year and raised a huge sum in support of Zonta House Refuge Association. The address by Melanie Gray was spellbinding and it was amazing to note that

within a few minutes there was not a sound in the room; no chatter and no clink of cutlery or glasses. Guests were held totally silent and attentive to the message being delivered from such a personal level. 'Fashions in the Field' provided beautiful and flamboyant race-wear as always. I thank the ladies and gents that strutted the catwalk for the fashion stakes and all those generous members and guests who supported the auctions and raffles this year.

The 125th Anniversary of the Club's founding was a formal Mess Dress and cocktail occasion with nearly 300 members and a few guests attending. It was a fantastic evening with members being welcomed as they entered the Ballroom by the current Flag Officers. A birthday cake was cut with the Club's ceremonial sabre and then shared amongst members and guests.

The Christmas Twilight Sail on 22 December is a great chance to kick back

and enjoy the party. Dress up the boat, drag out your special Christmas shirt and let's see who takes out the 'Best Dressed Boat' prize. Santa is doing his rounds and will drop in. 'Ambience' is providing live entertainment. Please check for further details in Gybe Sheet.

Our New Year's Eve Twilight Sail and Party is always spectacular with many families attending. Book a table through the Club office then come and have a twilight sail with friends before heading to the Roland Smith Room for dinner. Your ticket price includes a choice of meal from the food stations. DJ Jol will be playing your favourite tunes from 6:00pm until late.

As a final reminder to keep us all safe I would ask us all to please continue to use your SafeWA app when entering the Club.

Have a happy and festive Christmas season, stay safe and I look forward to seeing you around our Club. ■

IAN BURVILL

REAR COMMODORE SAIL



ROYAL FRESHWATER BAY YACHT CLUB opened its summer sailing season on 16 October 2021. The fine weather resulted in a good turnout, including no less than twenty Division 1 yachts and sixteen Dragons.

Unfortunately, there was an incident on Opening Day in which a sailor was struck on the head by the boom and had to be taken to hospital. There have been several boom strike injuries this season, in both keelboat and dinghy races. Please take care and ask your crew to do the same. If you have been involved in, or close to, an incident on the water, please follow the Emergency Response Plan printed on page 2 of the Club's Sailing Handbook. After an incident on your yacht, such as a man overboard, injury, dismasting or collision causing damage, don't forget to complete the RFBYC Incident Report Form, online via the Club's website.

The WA Sailing Awards night was held at Hilarys Yacht Club on 30 October. Several members and an instructor from our Club were amongst the winners. Congratulations to Tristan Brown (Coach of the Year), Andrew Briggs (Instructor of the Year), John McKechnie (Official of the Year), Adele Jackson (Sports Professional of the Year), and Peter Chappell (who won the

award for Outstanding Lifetime Contribution).

The Governor's Cup was held on 13 November, starting at RPYC's club line and finishing at RFBYC's club line no. 2. The shy reaching conditions favoured sports boats with their asymmetrical spinnakers. Congratulations to Simon Haywood of RPYC, who won sailing a Magic 25, *Prime Target*. Ross Dennis, from our Club, sailing the Elliott SPX 780, *Game Over*, started on the same fall number as Simon and finished a mere 6 seconds behind in a thrilling finish.

RFBYC organised the Rockingham Race Regatta and the IRC State Championships from 27 to 28 November. As usual, generous assistance was provided by The Cruising Yacht Club of Western Australia. Congratulations to RFBYC's Peter Chappell, sailing *The Cadillac*, who defended his Division 1 IRC State Championship and also won IRC Division 1 of the Gordon Craig Ocean Race. Well done to Anthony Kirke of FSC (who is also a RFBYC member) who won IRC Division 1 of the Dolphin

Race, sailing *Enterprise Next Generation*. Congratulations also to Charlie Riley and the team on *Crush* (from EFYC/FSC) who won all five races of IRC Division 2, thus defending their State Championship.

On 7 November, two teams from the Club competed in the 'Special Edition' 30th Anniversary Women's State Keelboat Championship, hosted by Fremantle Sailing Club. Congratulations to the victorious Akamai Racing Team, from RFBYC, comprising Lucy Alderson (skipper), Ishbel Laing, Rosie Rowell, Sophie Townes, Kate Holling, Lee Eveleigh and Adele Jackson.

Continuing travel restrictions have again prevented The Warren Jones International Youth Regatta from proceeding in 2022. The WA Tour will be held again, in a condensed format of three match racing regattas. RFBYC will host the Jess Match Cup from 21 to 23 January and the Perth Youth Cup from 8 to 11 February. RPYC will host the Collin Mullins Youth Regatta on 30 January. RFBYC's Will Boulton has 'aged out' of youth

regattas, so it will be exciting to see whether some of our other talented sailors, such as Ethan Prieto-Low, Lucy Alderson or Marcello Torre can take their teams to greater heights.

Please remember to sign on your boat and crew before each race. On 1 January 2022, the changes to Australian Sailing prescription to rule 46 of the Racing Rules of Sailing will take effect. The Club's On Water Pass and Sign On system will enable crews to comply with the rule and confirm that they have done so.

Best wishes for the festive season. ■

SCOTT MONRO

REAR COMMODORE JUNIORS



THE 2021 ICR WAS A RESOUNDING SUCCESS. It was a huge turnout, with 165 boats and 200 sailors participating in the event.

The weather was perfect for dinghy sailing, with wind conditions that varied from light to moderate in the mornings to very strong and gusty in the afternoons. With 14 classes and additional divisions, Race Management was kept very busy on both courses. All races were very well organised with most fleets sailing the full complement of nine races over the weekend. The Green and Orange fleets sailed their own mini-regatta just off the beach, with many of the younger sailors experiencing their very first weekend of sailing competition.

The dinghy racing was picture perfect from the Main Club House. It was an absolute spectacle, especially on Saturday afternoon when the keelboats had their club line start at the same time as the dinghies competing in Freshwater Bay. It was terrific to see so many boats on the water in

the near vicinity of RFBYC, participating and enjoying a great weekend of sailing competition.

The ICR also represented the first weekend of operation for the new Dinghy and Training Centre. There was genuine excitement on Saturday morning as the sailors arrived to experience their new facility for the very first time. Everybody was very complimentary and most impressed with the layout, the interior and exterior design, the openness and space, and the view and aspect from the front terrace. The new toilets and showers also received a great tick of approval from the younger sailors. The Dinghy and Training Centre is truly magnificent and the ICR was a perfect opportunity for RFBYC to showcase their new facility to the dinghy sailing community.

Importantly, the success of the ICR and the prepa-

ration of the Dinghy and Training Centre for this event was under-pinned by the very hard work and commitment of the staff, coaches and volunteers, and of course the building management and tradesmen that worked to a very tight schedule to hand over the building in time for ICR. The dinghy sailors are genuinely very thankful and appreciative of everything that has been achieved and made possible for this ICR.

I wish all dinghy sailors, parents, volunteers, staff and coaches a very merry Christmas. I also wish all dinghy sailors every success in their State Championships over the school holiday period. Continue to enjoy the excitement of sailing competition and most importantly be great sports on and off the water. I look forward to seeing everybody again in the New Year at our Dinghy and Training Centre. ■

ELISE MANNERS REAR COMMODORE POWER



AS MENTIONED IN MY September Tidings article, Power Closing Day was held on 18 September and was a great success.



Full results for the season are as follows:

THE NAIAD TROPHY

Most improved skipper for the season – Andrew Gill, *Card Shark*

THE AVALON III PERPETUAL TROPHY

Lowest number of points lost in any one consistency event. This year saw a two way tie with 4 points each: *Kizuri* Evan Moore and *Christiane Clyne* on 26 June and *Breakaway* Andrew Jordan and *RC Elise Manners* on 11 September

WM SCHOFIELD SHIELD

Handicap Consistency: Steve Lewis, *Inkognito*

LEM SHENTON MODEL

David Reed, *Inkognito*

PAT HEALY SEXTANT PERPETUAL TROPHY

Lowest net score with -20.96: Andrew Gill and Neil Clegg, *Card Shark*

8 KNOT CUP

Steve Lewis, *Inkognito*

HIAWATHA TROPHY

Rob Cameron, *Bronze-wing Kate*

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP – RUNNER-UP

With a total score of 131 points: Evan Moore, *Kizuri*
The Club Champion runner-up Navigator: *Christiane Clyne, Kizuri*

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

With a total score of 138 points: Tim Cummins, *Havana*

The Club Championship Winning Navigator: Ken Stevenson, *Havana*

REAR COMMODORE POWER TROPHY

Donated by past Rear Commodore Power M Woodworth: Steve Lewis
Congratulations to all.

The 125th Sailing Opening Day was held on Saturday 16 October. We had 11 power yachts rafting up on the main wharf enjoying the camaraderie before casting off to join in with the sail past. What a spectacular site it was and I thank all participants for making it so.

Unfortunately, the Rockingham Race Weekend on 27 and 28 November saw very low numbers compared to previous years. Thank you to Commodore Rob Parker and Vice Patron

Tony Parker for following the yachts on *Local Hero* and to Craig Carter on his RIB. This is always a fun weekend, often with a stop at Garden Island on the Sunday for lunch. Hopefully next year we can get a lot more power yachts participating.

The annual Twilight Time Trial is scheduled for Friday 11 February. This is always a fabulous event that invites both power and sail to participate alongside our kindred clubs. This year, the finals of the Perth Youth Cup followed by presentations are scheduled for the same afternoon/evening so the Club will be ablaze

with activity. Be sure to get your nominations in for the Twilight Time Trial when called for and don't forget to invite your family and friends along to enjoy the BBQ in the Athol Hobbs Room afterwards.

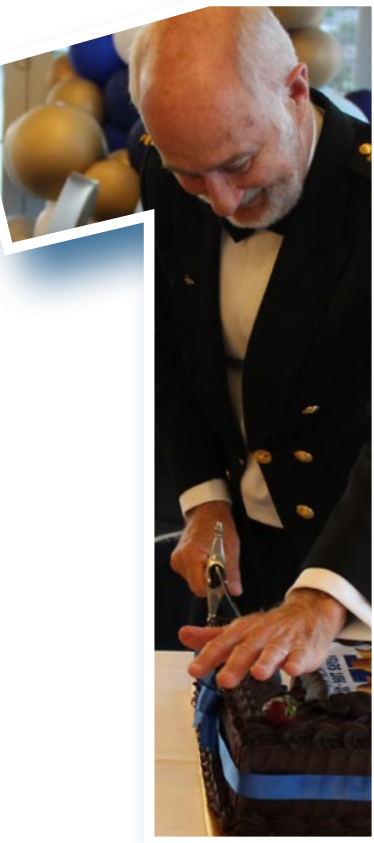
I take this opportunity to thank the Power Yacht Committee for their hard work throughout the 2021 season. I also thank the club staff and, as always, the volunteers!

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year. I look forward to seeing you out on the water or around our beautiful Club very soon.



upper left: Closing Day Championship Winners





A wonderful celebration took place in the Roland Smith Room on Tuesday, 14 December from 18:00–20:00. In excess of 250 members attended the cocktail party to mark the 125th Anniversary of the Club.



top left:
Marlee
Racing
skipped
by Sandy
Anderson
top right
and below:
Akamai
Race Team
skipped
by Lucy
Alderson



30TH ANNIVERSARY REGATTA WOMENS STATE KEELBOAT CHAMPIONSHIPS

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RESULTS

BOAT	COLOUR	CLUB / TEAM	SKIPPER	RACE 1	RACE 2	RACE 3	RACE 4	RACE 5	TOTAL POINTS	TOTAL AFTER DROP	FINAL PLACING
4	ORANGE	Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club // Akamai Race Team	Lucy Alderson	1	3	1	1	1	7	4	1
2	PINK	Fremantle Sailing Club // Ratbags	Nickie Jones	3	5	3	2	3	16	11	2
7	RED	Royal Perth Yacht Club // White	Jan Richardson	2	4	6	5	2	19	13	3
3	BLACK	Fremantle Sailing Club // Rascals	Shelley White	4	2	4	3	4	17	13	4
8	YELLOW	South of Perth Yacht Club	Mara Lowry	5	1	5	4	7	22	15	5
5	BLUE	Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club // Marlee Racing	Sandy Anderson	6	6	2	6	5	25	19	6
1	PURPLE	East Fremantle Yacht Club	Sarah Lightfoot	7	7	7	7	6	34	27	7
6	GREEN	Royal Perth Yacht Club // Red	Annette Koenders	8	8	8	8	8	40	32	8

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30TH ANNIVERSARY REGATTA

WOMEN'S STATE KEELBOAT CHAMPIONSHIPS



THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY REGATTA for the Women's State Keelboat Championships was held by Swan River Sailing at FSC off South Beach in Fremantle. This was the first time we sailed the Foundation 36 keelboats on the ocean and we were expecting some very challenging conditions.

Given the expected forecast, we knew it was going to be an ambitious schedule to fit in the allocated seven races. Eight teams competed and were represented by five yacht clubs with over 50 talented female sailors.

Racing began in an unpredictable 10 knots, shifting quickly to the south-west by the second race. These changes were going to bring a rapid increase in the wind and wave state, which would deliver some incredibly physical conditions to sail in for all teams on the course. Racing became a battle to see who could hike the hardest upwind and keep the boat stable downwind as we raced with a reef in the main, jib and no spinnakers. We safely sailed 5 races before wind strengths

reached over 32 knots later that afternoon.

RFBYC was represented by two very talented female teams, *Marlee Racing* skippered by Sandy Anderson and *Akamai Race Team* skippered by Lucy Alderson. Sandy Anderson and *Marlee Racing* were the previous winners of the State Championships held at RFBYC earlier this year. Sandy Anderson and her team sailed very consistently throughout the day placing 6th overall. Lucy Alderson and *Akamai Race Team* finished the day with 4 out of 5 race wins placing 1st overall. The highlight of the day was race 3 where the RFBYC teams showed their dominance with *Akamai Race Team* placing 1st and *Marlee Racing* placing 2nd.

RFBYC have taken home the State Championship trophy for three consecutive years and a total of eight wins over 30 years. Congratulations to the previous winners of the State Championships from RFBYC including Trish Ford, Adele Jackson, Alison McKay, Sandy Anderson and their respective teams for their continuous encouragement towards female participation in sailing.

Thank you to RFBYC for their support and for providing outstanding women's sailing pathways which allow us to improve our skills and have fun on the water. We are excited for the next battle at the 2022 Womens State Keelboat Championships in March. ■



LASER SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS EUROPE 2021



AFTER WINNING THE UNDER-21 Worlds, I travelled to Riva Del Garda in Italy for a fitness camp. In Garda, I met up with Finn Alexander, a member of the Australian Laser Squad and went cycling around Garda doing some of the best rides I've ever done.

On one of the days, I was able to go sailing for a double downwind session where we sailed downwind for three hours, waited for the wind to change and do another downwind home.

Shortly after in early September, I travelled to Marseilles, France for a short training block with the British, New Zealand, Russian, Swiss and Italian sailors. Marseilles will be the venue for the Paris 2024 Olympics, so it was a good opportunity to go there and sail on the new Olympic venue. Since I'm new to the European circuit, I got the short straw with charter boats in France so had a 14-year-old boat for the training camp which wasn't ideal. This was my first exposure to an international senior fleet and was good to get amongst it before I competed at the senior Europeans a few weeks later.

I travelled to Varna, Bulgaria in early October for the Senior European Championships where I met up with all the other Aussie sailors. Pre-event, I got the short straw again and had to share a laser for the days leading up to the event which again wasn't ideal at all. Luckily, I managed it well and had all my equipment sorted for day one of the event. Over the next six days, we had great weather for sailing. It was a bit cold, but we had consistent NW direction with 5–12 knots or 12–18 knots. However, the race committee struggled to run the racing, so we spent 6–8 hours on water each day, with one day only getting one race completed even when it was blowing above 15 knots the whole day.

Going into the event I was aiming for a top 30 but managed to sail a

really consistent regatta and finish 8th overall. I was really stoked with how I went and how I was able to be confident in executing my on-water processes, especially against sailors that were at the Olympic Games in Tokyo. This result qualified me for the Australian Sailing Team, which is a big milestone and something I didn't expect in my first year competing with the senior fleet.

I didn't have much time to reflect as the next day I went back to Garda for a fitness camp/reset before flying to Barcelona a week later to prepare for the Senior World Championships. I had a better lead in to the Worlds as we had supplied equipment as well as the addition of our new laser coach Rafa, who is coaching the laser team in the lead up to Paris 2024. I was told sailing



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LASER CHAMPIONSHIPS CONTINUED



in Barcelona in November was the worst time to sail in Spain due to light and shifty winds. What I was told was right, with 6 days and 12 races planned, we had 4 days of sailing and 9 races completed. We had the challenge of 9am starts, so we were rigging up each morning in the dark and leaving the yacht club when the sun was going down. It was the mentally toughest event I had done, with lots of races getting cancelled and some races being finished in marginal conditions. I learnt a lot about switching off and on as well as managing risk in such shifty and difficult conditions. My goal for the event was Top 20, but I slowly managed to be more consistent during the event and I had a cracker day of finals racing and

finished 5th overall in the Senior World Championships. Cracking the Top 10 in my second Senior Worlds is something I didn't really expect but wasn't surprised with all the work I put in with the Laser Team over the last two years, as well as all the support I received to get me here.

I'm really happy with how the season went, having three really solid regattas in my first big campaign overseas. It wouldn't have been possible without all the support I received from Michael Blackburn and being introduced into the Laser Squad earlier this year which was pivotal in my development leading into this three-month trip. Belinda Stowell and everyone at WAIS have always been great support and con-

tinue to help me approach next year which will also be a big year. Finally, RFBYC provided major assistance in getting me overseas in August to win Under-21 Worlds where I gained valuable experience that I could use for the following events. Big thank you to Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club as well as the Ron Tough Yachting Foundation for being a big part of my success in Europe this year.

After Senior Worlds, my flight home got cancelled so I flew into Sydney and did 14 days there before being allowed to fly into Perth to do 14-day home quarantine. I'm excited to get back involved in the Club coaching and hopefully see you guys soon before I leave again in February.

2021 WAIODA Teams Racing

	Team Members
Yellow Team	Noah Karantonis, Charlie Stay, Rebecca Best, Hudson Graham, Juliette van der Hoek
Green Team	Pia Hooper, Isla Molyneux, Nicolas Cooper, Youri Karantonis, Lucielle Graham
Blue Team	Murray Duthie, Thomas Cooper, Harriet Mellor, Kai Nakayama
Red Team	Jasper Stay, Valerie van der Hoek, Sarah Atkinson, Orlando Ligovich

Round Robin

Flight #	Race #	Team 1		Team 2	Winner
1	1	Blue Team	vs	Yellow Team	Yellow Team
	2	Green Team	vs	Red Team	Red Team
2	3	Blue Team	vs	Green Team	Green Team
	4	Red Team	vs	Yellow Team	Red Team
3	5	Blue Team	vs	Red Team	Blue Team
	6	Yellow Team	vs	Green Team	Green Team
4	7	Green Team	vs	Blue Team	Green Team
	8	Yellow Team	vs	Red Team	Yellow Team
5	9	Red Team	vs	Blue Team	Red Team
	10	Green Team	vs	Yellow Team	Yellow Team
6	11	Yellow Team	vs	Blue Team	Blue Team
	12	Red Team	vs	Green Team	Red Team
					TOTAL WINS
				Yellow Team	3
				Green Team	3
				Blue Team	2
				Red Team	4

Semi Finals

Race #	Team 1		Team 2	Winner
1	Green Team	vs	Yellow Team	Green Team
2	Green Team	vs	Yellow Team	Yellow Team
3	Green Team	vs	Yellow Team	Yellow Team
			Winner	Yellow Team

Finals

Race #	Team 1		Team 2	Winner
1	Red Team	vs	Yellow Team	Yellow Team
2	Red Team	vs	Yellow Team	Yellow Team
3	Red Team	vs	Yellow Team	Not Required
			Winner	Yellow Team

OVERALL RESULTS:

1 st	Yellow Team
2 nd	Red Team
3 rd	Green Team
4 th	Blue Team



OPTIMIST 2021 WAIODA TEAMS RACING FREMANTLE



OPTIMIST TEAMS RACING was held over the weekend of 13 & 14 November at Fremantle Sailing Club. Saturday, day one of the two-day event, comprised a Teams Racing Training Clinic with coaches Shelley White Nia Jerwood & Michael Compton.

The Clinic was followed by the WAIODA Teams Racing Event on the Sunday.

This fun event saw four teams consisting of four to five sailors, with at least one sailor being in the intermediate fleet, sailing a round robin of six races or “flights” before three races of semi-finals and a further 3 final races to determine

the winner. It was a fantastic way for sailors to refine boat handling and work together in a positive atmosphere.

The 12 sailors representing RFBYC at the event were: Charlie Stay, Rebecca Best, Juliette van der Hoek, Pia Hooper, Isla Molyneux, Nicholas Cooper, Murray Duthie, Thomas Cooper, Jasper Stay, Valerie

van der Hoek, Sarah Atkinson, Orlando Ligovich. Well done to all of our teams over the weekend and congratulations to the winning Yellow Team! Fantastic teamwork, fast sailing and plenty of smiles.

The full results can be found here: <https://fsc.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/2021-WAIODA-Teams-Racing-1.pdf>



DRAGON

by Rob Hubbard and Susie Parker

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RFBYC hosted the third annual WA International Dragon Association's Women's Helm Championship on 3 October in near perfect conditions on Freshwater Bay.

**UP
FOR**

**WOMEN'S HELM
CHAMPIONSHIP**

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above: Philippa Packer, Saphira (blue spinnaker) slips into the winning position ahead of Lucy Alderson, Scoundrel (coloured spinnaker)

The championship was the idea of club member Sandy Anderson and endorsed by both WAIDA and RFBYC. It provides Dragon owners with the opportunity to get their yachts dusted off after the winter layover and is sailed generally with the owner on board. The owner gets the rare opportunity of a workout forward of the tiller! It also means that the guest helmswoman has the benefit of, in most cases, the boat's regular crew so her focus can be on helming.

Specifically it gives many of the Club's women sailors the great experience of sailing one of the best international keelboat classes.

Eight teams participated this year with extremely close racing over the four heats. Rob Hubbard,

Race Officer, provided a mid-morning briefing before heading out to set a course amid a fluctuating SE/SW 8 knot breeze. With the breeze settling mostly around 180-210 degrees a cleverly placed course was set with the Start Boat laying off Black Spit and the course heading to the east side of Point Walter Spit. Challenging both the Start Boat crew and the on-water mark layers was the variance in the wind readings at the top mark (around 210 degrees) and the bottom mark (around 190 degrees).

The RO selected Course #2 for the first race (two beats to windward and two runs to the finish). Racing commenced on time and a good start was made by the fleet. The wind immediately swung west giving many of the boats that had started towards the Start Boat end an 'apparent' lay

line to the top mark on starboard tack from the start line. This shift caused the Race Management to consider abandoning the first race and to indicate this intention after yachts rounded the top mark. However, as boats approached the top mark the wind shifted east meaning the boats on the right side were no longer laying the top mark and the boats on the left side of the course that had been disadvantaged by the earlier shift to the west now had the advantage of the left shift. All of a sudden the course was 'fair' so the decision was made to continue the race. A quick move of the top mark to the west for the next windward work provided a fair course.

The second, third and fourth races were sailed in a similar way with very large swings in the wind direc-

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tion and wind strength, which made for really demanding sailing for the boats. The Race Management team were kept very busy continually altering the course configuration.

Race Officer, Rob Hubbard himself a well-seasoned Dragon sailor, reported that these conditions are ideal as the changes in wind direction and strength require constant 'changing of gears' to optimise speed and height.

Racing was tight among a group that included some of Perth's elite yachswomen:

Philippa Packer, a championship winning Flying Fifteen sailor at Club, State, National and World championship levels;

Lucy Alderson, also one of the most competitive and successful WA helmswomen having won the Women's Keelboat Championship and most recently the 30th Anniversary Race of that event with her own Akamai Race Team;

Adele Jackson, corporate sailing instructor at Swan River Sailing and

seven times Women's State Keelboat title holder also races her Flying 15 and has recently won the Australian Sailings Sports Professional of the Year award;

Nickie Jones another seven time Women's State Keelboat champion and chief instructor for the Australian Sailing Keelboat Program;

Trish Ford highly regarded Club, State, National and International Dragon helmswoman sailing her own *Canewdon Witch*;

Dr Janet Hornbuckle (Vice Commodore RPYC) a Division 1 helmswoman of *Fortuosity* (R1100) a C&C110;

Jenny Spearman helmswoman and owner of the BW8 *Vitalstatistix*; and yours truly, **Susie Parker**, who races a Laser and currently holds the WA Title of Great Grand Master Women's Laser Champion and once won the Club's Mirror Championships!

Whilst Lucy Alderson, sailing *Scoundrel* with Willy Packer and Jock Packer, took first place in the first race, Philippa Packer sailing *Saphira*, with Grant Alderson and Dean

McAullay demonstrated her skill and experience with three wins to count after a drop. However this was not an easy win as the last race had Lucy and Philippa fighting it out until the very end when *Saphira* poked her bow just in front of *Scoundrel*.

The presentations to participants and place-getters was the focus of the annual WA International Dragon Fleet's Cocktail Party held in the Roland Smith Room. Over 150 past and current Dragon owners, sailors and their partners attended enjoying the Club's catering in the room with a view that also features a large amount of the Club's Dragon related artworks and memorabilia.

Commodore Rob Parker and WAIDA President Rod Williams officiated and presented Philippa Packer with the Trophy. Philippa was delighted to win and join Kaiella Taylor (2019) and Trish Ford (2020) as holders of the Saracen Trophy. Lucy Alderson was awarded second place and last year's winner Trish Ford was third.

The following helmswomen, yachts and crew participated:

HELM	CREW	YACHT	PLACINGS R1, R2, R3, R4
ALDERSON, LUCY	WILLY PACKER, JOCK PACKER	SCOUNDREL	1,2,3,2
FORD, TRISH	GRAEME FARDON, PETER CHEFFINS	CANEWDON WITCH	3,7,2,3
HORNBUCKLE, JANET	JOHN LONGLEY, MATT MAXSTEAD	FRENCH CONNECTION	4,8,5,6
JACKSON, ADELE	ROB CAMPBELL, MARK CUBITT	PENNYFARTHING	5,4,8,5
JONES, NICKIE	KEVIN PALASSIS, STEVE ROBINSON	INDULGENCE	6,5,4,7
PACKER, PHILIPPA	GRANT ALDERSON, DEAN MCAULLAY	SAPHIRA	2,1,1,1
PARKER, SUSIE	SANDY ANDERSON, CAROLINE GIBSON, LEONIE ROCHFORD	BLUE MARLIN	8,6,7,8
SPEARMAN, JENNY	RAY CHATFIELD, KAREN CHATFIELD	WIZZARDRY	7,3,6,4

The participants gratefully acknowledge the Western Australian International Dragon Association and RFBYC for co-hosting the Championship, and the following individuals for their time and effort:

- Rob Hubbard – Race Officer
- Rachel Lovelady – timer and flags
- Alan Anderson – flags
- John Anderson – sailing instructions, mark layer and on-water protest committee
- Gerry McGann – mark layer
- Sandy Anderson – guest helmswomen coordinator
- Ray Chatfield – Dragon yacht coordinator
- David Meager – social coordinator
- Parker Family – trophy donor
- Yot Grot – WAIDA sponsor
- Cape Olives/Steve Cole – prize donor
- Owners and crew of the participating Dragons.

Footnote: the Trophy is named after DKA98 Saracen which was the first Dragon **owned & helmed** by a woman at RFBYC – Ruth Rynehart. Ruth took the helm of Saracen, and ownership, in 1982. DKA98 Saracen was co-owned from 1967 by former RFBYC Commodore and Vice Patron Stephen Parker and past President of the WA Dragon Association, David Cruickshank. Saracen had a worthy record as a club, state and national championship winner.



ICR DINGHY REGATTA



ICR 2021 will certainly be remembered as a special one. It was a pleasure to welcome everyone to the soft opening of the new Dinghy & Training Centre (DTC) and the start of the ICR.

The DTC was delivered by RJC Construction just in time, marking a significant milestone for RFBYC and a major investment into the future of junior and youth sailing.

Once again proudly supported by Gill / Marine Plus, the regatta consisted of a mix of 165 boats and boards, 200 sailors representing 13 clubs around the state. Weather conditions showcased ICR's signature sailing conditions at its finest with sun, blue skies and great sea breezes.

However, ensuring the success of this event requires a plan and the efforts of a strong and experienced team of staff and volunteers. We were blessed with an array of 65 volunteers who all chipped in to deliver another successful regatta.

A shout out to Mark Crier and his MarkSetBots as well as Monkeyfist for their popular pop-up shop.

Another great ICR. See you all back again next year!



& ROCKINGH

Susan Ghent

EAN RACING



*We hosted the 2021–2022
WA IRC State Championships
as part of the Rockingham Race
Regatta over the weekend of
27 and 28 November*



WA IRC STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS AM RACE REGATTA





The event began off North Cottesloe on the Saturday morning with two windward/leeward championship races. This was followed by a passage race to Rockingham which was contested by 23 yachts. The fleet arrived at the finish in the late afternoon with the last yacht, *King Canute*, coming in just before sunset to a huge cheer from fellow competitors who were enjoying the hospitality at The Cruising Yacht Club.

After an overnight stay, the fleet woke to a glorious morning in Rockingham, and prepared for another round of windward/leeward championship races in view of Rockingham Beach. The early swing to the south was just a teaser and the wind dropped out to nothing resulting in

the abandonment of the first race for the day. Eventually the wind developed and after the around the buoys racing in the bay the yachts enjoyed the passage race back to the Fremantle finish line with the freshening wind behind them.

Our Club is very proud to have started the initiative to showcase the ocean racing fleet to the local community. It does look fantastic having the big yachts racing so close to the shore, particularly in North Cottesloe with so many people enjoying the morning in the local cafes and on the beach.

There was quite a range of boats racing in the event this year. Everything from the 60 foot Platinum, the new 40 footers *Weapon of Choice* and *Enterprise Next Gen-*

eration to the Spacesailer named 27 *King Canute*.

The overall results were tight in Division Two with places 4th to 2nd tied on points, although David Davenport's team on *Crush* dominated the lead and took out the championship with a perfect scorecard of first places.

In Division One the podium places in each race were shared amongst the top six positions but it was the defending champions on Peter Chappell's *The Cadillac* who were crowned the State Championships again this year.

Thank you to Race Officer Geoff Brown and his team of volunteers for running a fantastic championship weekend for the Club.







Overall placings with series scores in each division.
Five races were held with each boat's worst score discarded.

DIVISION ONE	BOAT NAME	OWNER	SERIES SCORE
9	OCEAN RANGER III	HUGH WARNER	62
8	PLATINUM SY	MICHAEL HANSEN	34
7	AL FRESCO	JOHN RAYNER	25
6	WASBI	NICK WHITE	20
5	LITHIUM	WAYNE PITCHER	16
4	WEAPON OF CHOICE	MARK NAGLE	15
3RD PLACE	CHECKMATE	GEOFF BISHOP	10
2ND PLACE	ENTERPRISE NEXT GENERATION	ANTHONY KIRKE	8
1ST PLACE 2021-2022 STATE CHAMPION	THE CADILLAC	PETER CHAPPELL	5

DIVISION TWO	BOAT NAME	OWNER	SERIES SCORE
7	KING CANUTE	MATT ROSE	28
6	JOSS 2	IAN CLYNE	17
5	WYUNA	HILARY ARTHURE & DENNIS VINCENT	15
4TH PLACE	ATOMIC BLONDE	SIMON TORVALDSEN	13
3RD PLACE	STIMULUS PACKAGE	JASON POUTSMA	13
2ND PLACE	SALACIA II	ROSS NORGARD	13
1ST PLACE 2020-2021 STATE CHAMPION	CRUSH	DAVE DAVENPORT	4



2021 State Champions pictured with RFBYC Commodore Rob Parker and ORWA President / TCYC Commodore Trevor Taylor
left top and below right: The Cadillac – Division One State Champions
left below: Crush – Division Two State Champions



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NOW & THEN

GEMS OF MEMORABILIA

Now and Then will every now and then relate something from the Club Archives to current events and activities.

EVERY NOW AND THEN THE CLUB ARCHIVES are gifted some absolute gems of memorabilia. Recently several items have added to the diversity of the collection. They tell great stories of the Club, the boats and the members, and the lifestyle enjoyed 'back then'.

HOME MOVIES

The Ahern family via Geoff Totterdell gifted sixteen minutes of footage originally shot on the 'home movie' technology of the 8mm camera. The footage shows some Freshwater Bay on-water activity, some of the Club's lawn area and mostly yachts racing on Cockburn Sound in the December-January regatta.

It features what may be the Dragon State Championships which were held as part of the Cockburn Sound Regatta from its inception in January 1957.



A number of yachts are easily identified through sail numbers, however skipper, crew and spectators are a little more difficult to determine. So far, the following have been noted from the Dragon fleet and indicate the film must have been made no earlier than January 1960.

- DKA2 – *Leander*, the first Dragon in WA. Built by Savage (Melbourne) it was delivered to Mr E Tomlinson, registered 1950.
- DKA3 – *Heather*, owned by Steve Craig, brought from Victoria and registered in WA 1956.
- DKA14 – *Carol Anne*, built by Savage in Melbourne, owned by John Ahern, registered WA 1954/55. She may have changed hands by the time this film was taken (see DKA66 below).
- DKA29 – *Mistral*, sold by Michael J Ahern to Geoff Bingemann in 1958.
- DKA50 – *Barbara*, owned by Governor of WA Sir Charles Gairdner and helmed by Stephen Parker. She was originally from Singapore and was purchased after competing in the Prince Philip Cup in Cockburn Sound in 1956.
- DKA52 – *Corinna*, owned by Dr BL Johnston. Built in Tasmania by G Cuthbertson for the 1956 Olympic trials and registered in WA in 1957.
- DKA59 – *Milluna*, owned by A.G Tomlinson and built by Bennett of Sydney. Registered WA 1958.
- DKA66 – *Tiari*, joined the fleet in 1957, owned by John Ahern and may have been sold to Syd Corser and renamed *Darkie* by the time this film was taken.

- DKA80 – *Maranel*, owned by Michael J Ahern, registered 1959, She was the first imported Dragon from Borrensen of Denmark.

Other classes to feature include Flying Dutchman and Cadet Dinghies.

The footage can be accessed from the Club's On-Water section of the website, via the Dragons link, or: <https://rfbyc.asn.au/on-water/keelboat-racing/keelboat-fleets-draft/dragons/>

The very best is at the 14:17min to 14:50min mark. I would love to know what they were trying to fix. Just as well there were kids, sun-bathers and swimmers to assist!



Any further identification of yachts and people in the film would be greatly appreciated. Please let us know what you know by emailing archives@rfbyc.asn.au.

continued overleaf

below: articles featured in Dragon Beat, 1989 vol 4, and 1990 vol 5

NOW & THEN

Wild Weather ties then in Knots

The 1989/90 State Championship was keenly contested by eleven boats. Due to some wild weather off Fremantle. Only five heats were completed on our ocean course, the remaining two heats were contested on the Swan River.

After the five ocean heats the points were tight, with Aeolus (B Lynn), Hotspur (P Packer) and Red Baron (T Lynn) separated by a narrow margin.

The two heats sailed on the Swan provided some spectacular racing. The morning heat commenced in a 15-18 knot westerly breeze with squalls to 30 knots. Some great rides downhill in the gusts, were experienced by all yachts. Despite this the real excitement occurred as yachts completed the final windward leg.

As predicted a SW change moved through with recorded gusts of 49 knots. Combined with hail and driving rain, it was certainly 15-20 minutes of unpleasant sailing. All boats returned home safely, none looking forward to the prospect of an afternoon heat in similar conditions.

3.30 p.m. Percy Oliver is off to start the final heat. Wind gusting to 35 knots. Not much movement from the competitors who found the surroundings of the RFBYC bar more to their liking than 1 1/2 hours on the swan.

By 4.00 p.m., 5 boats were on their way. The race started in 25 knots, with noting separating the yachts on the line. The highlight of the race was the last spinnaker run. With gusts of 40 knots the boats surged down the course under kite with a recorded hull speed of approximately 16 knots. What a ride, and still one we're all talking about. After such an exciting day the result of the series seemed almost immaterial. For the record, another fine series for the "Baron"

The final score was as follows:

Red Baron	21.4
Aeolus	31.0
Hotspur	32.4
Cimarron	35.4
Tom Greenwell	

often contributed by RFBYC members. All Bulletins have now been scanned into the Club's electronic database so in time keyword search will help easily locate people and boats mentioned in the publications.

JUNIORS TRAVEL EAST IN '48

The photos here are of the Stonehaven Cup—the Australian 12ft Cadet Dinghy Championships—held in Hobart in January 1948. These were donated by the Norrie family. David (Squib) Norrie was a junior member of the Club in the 1930-40's. It's a delightful collection as the lads from RFBYC, mostly around 16-18 years of age, were on an early interstate sailing regatta and their excitement is evident in David's collection of tickets, invitations, Notice of Race and a number of newspaper clippings.

West Australia Class Conscious

This past season saw 26 boats on the RFBYC register, of these 3 did not race at all and 2 others raced only on the odd occasion. The average number of boats on the start line each Saturday was 16, a healthy sign for the class in the West.

As far as the sailing was concerned, the dominant boats this season were Aeolus (IO9) with Bun, Richard and Mark Lynn aboard and Canewdon Witch (156) with John Standley, Trish Ford and Martin Lankaster sailing her. Aeolus won a closely contested State series, sailed on Cockburn Sound, from Canewden Witch and Charisma. Aeolus also won the Club Consistency trophy. Canewden Witch won the Club Championships, sailed on the river, and also took off a new trophy awarded by Huck Scott RFBYC's coaching coordinator for the boat with the most fastest times over the season. These two boats maintained a regular crew over the season and showed the benefit of stability in the boat. At various times others including Charisma, Hotspur, Sky and Cimarron matched their pace but not consistently enough. The tactics of the two leading boats were always sound and generally they fought out close finishes.

Other boats who joined the fleet on a regular basis, Slaghoken (Bob French's wonderful KA78) and Swansong performed well and will be most competitive in future seasons. Solveig (173) is beginning to sail more consistently as is Achenar, Snap (177) and Suzanne. Given a sound boat and reasonable sails, the difference has been team work in the boat. This has become patently clear this season and we all hope to take a leaf out of the top two's book next season.

The next season is one we are all looking forward to. The Prince Philip Cup will be sailed adjacent to the Americas Cup Course off Leighton Beach. Early January is generally a time of moderate breezes, certainly was during the last "Eggshell" regatta. The swell is long, not a short vicious chop, so it should be an excellent venue for the regatta. The convenience of Royal Perth Annexe will make it a 10 minute trip back to Freshie for functions. All in all, it promises to be a fine regatta. At the Association level, we are blessed with a hardworking and visionary committee so rest assured the organisation will be first rate.

Hope to see you here.
Tom Greenwell



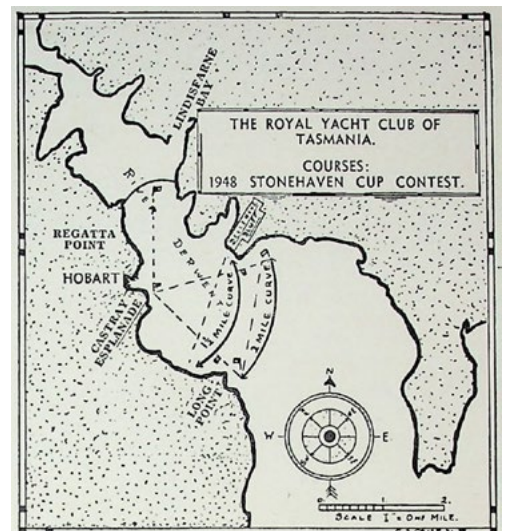
Racing on Perth waters

DRAGON BEAT

A second donation came via Ian Malley. It's a collection of the Australian International Dragon Class Dragon Beat Bulletin, a national publication. The earliest is Vol 2 published in 1987 (of course we are now looking for Volume 1-1986) and concludes with Volume 16 (2001). Other missing edi-

tions are Vol 3 1988, Vol 15 2000 and any subsequently published after 2001.

Apart from the record of ownership of all Australian Dragons that the Bulletin provided, there is some worthwhile sailing tips, some of which may be re-issued in future Tidings. Every edition carried news of the Western Australian fleet,



above: Notice of Race, 1948 Stonehaven Cup

NOW & THEN



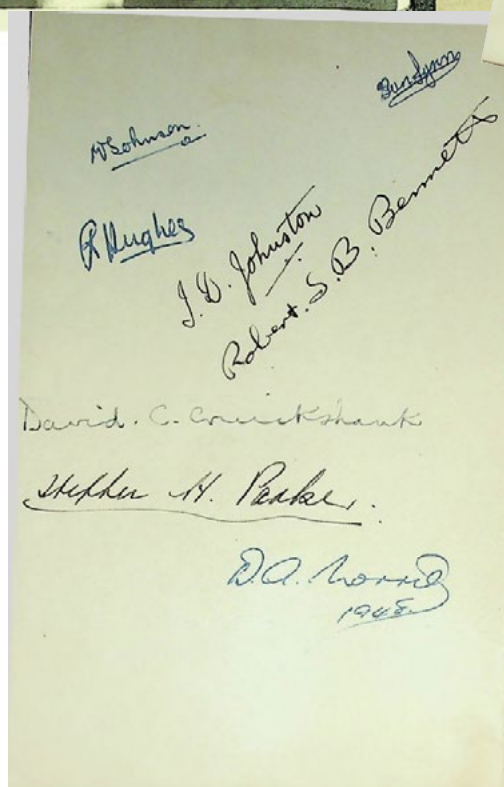
Dinghy Boys
DINNER.



RFBYC competitors in Hobart were Ian Johnston sailing *Ione* with Bunn Lynn and David Norrie as crew and Stephen Parker sailing *Philante* with David Cruickshank and Murray Johnston as crew. Ross Hughes and Bob Bennett went along as reserves. RPYC sent Jim O'Grady who at 12 years of age was the youngest competitor. The West Australians had the added challenge of packing up their own cadet dinghies and transporting them to/from Perth and Hobart.

Bunn Lynn recalls travelling east by ship to Adelaide and then train to Melbourne, steamer ferry to Launceston and train to Hobart. Not quite as easy as a direct flight! On the Steamer *TSS Nairana* they were treated to breakfast that included Oxford Sausages and Bengal Curry. The return journey included flying back to Perth by DC3 with a stop-over in Melbourne where they had time to go to the Australian Lawn Tennis Championships and watch Hopman and Sedgman play in the Men's Singles and Doubles.

The Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania put on a great event. The boys were the guests of honour at the Stonehaven Cup Ball and at a formal dinner hosted by the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, Dinghy Boys



Club. They also met yachting greats (boats and sailors) as guests at the 'Welcome to all Yachtsmen of the Sydney-Hobart Yacht Race'.

Racing was interesting and readily reported in the local press. The WA Teams were beaten by local knowledge. The final results were: First – *Gumnut*, RP Ikin, (Tas) Second – *Kittiwake*, L Turner (Tas) Third – *Ione*, Ian Johnston (WA)

This little album demonstrates the early foundations in life that

can be established by sailing and membership of RFBYC. Seven of the eight RFBYC lads went on to become successful yachtsmen, boat owners and life-long members of RFBYC. Although David Norrie did not continue as an active participant in the sport, clearly he held fond memories as indicated by his photo album and his lifelong friendship with these men and their families.

top: *Dinghy Boys*;

centre: *Welcome to All Yachtsmen invitation*;

bottom: *signed menu*

below: Jennie Fitzhardinghe working on her beautiful woodie Aeolus

NOW & THEN



OLD GIRLS OF THE CLUB

In a more recent 'Every Now and Then' moment, it was a fantastic afternoon of Vintage Vehicles and Boats at the Club on Sunday, 14 November made even more relevant by the sight of two 'old girls' working diligently on their two 'older girls' of the Club.

Jennie Fitzhardinghe was in the 'Dragon shed' giving her beautiful woodie *Aeolus* (formerly *Darkie*) DKA109, a mini-makeover including mending a broken rib, removing/replacing all cockpit fixtures to mend and varnish the interior and giving her a coat of antifouling. *Aeolus* has been at RFBYC her entire life and has a brilliant racing record under her past owners Syd Corser, then Bunn Lynn, and more recently with Jennie. *Aeolus* will be back in the water and joining the Dragon fleet for her 57th sailing season soon.

Meanwhile Tracy Antill was sanding, painting and antifouling her stately 70-year-old *Gelasma*, a 42' Arthur Bishop built wooden sloop. *Gelasma* has been penned at RFBYC for her entire life. Tracy's father and former Club shipwright Keith Clifford sailed on her from the day she was launched and subsequently became her custodian when former member Dr Gordon Barrett-Hill passed away.



As with *Aeolus*, *Gelasma* has been maintained in a beautiful condition. She has a respectable record as an ocean and river racing yacht and a long association with the Club's Wednesday twilights where she has been known to have over 50 guests on board! She has entertained thousands of Club members and friends over the years.

Every now and then it's a joy to see old girls of the Club being tarted up by their devoted owners. Thanks Jennie Fitzhardinghe and Tracy Antill for continuing the legacy of beautiful wooden yachts living on at RFBYC.

Footnote: there comes a time when a beautiful lady must find a new lover – and that's the case with *Gelasma*. If you or anyone you know are interested in discussing the ongoing custodianship of *Gelasma*, please give Tracy a call on 0419 099 270.



left above: *Gelasma* getting her annual paint;

above: article on *Gelasma* Twilight standing room only, pg 7, February 1994 *Tidings*; this image: *Gelasma* Twilight standing room only;

below: Maureen Clifford at the November 2021 *Gelasma* 70 Birthday celebrations; and left: *Gelasma*

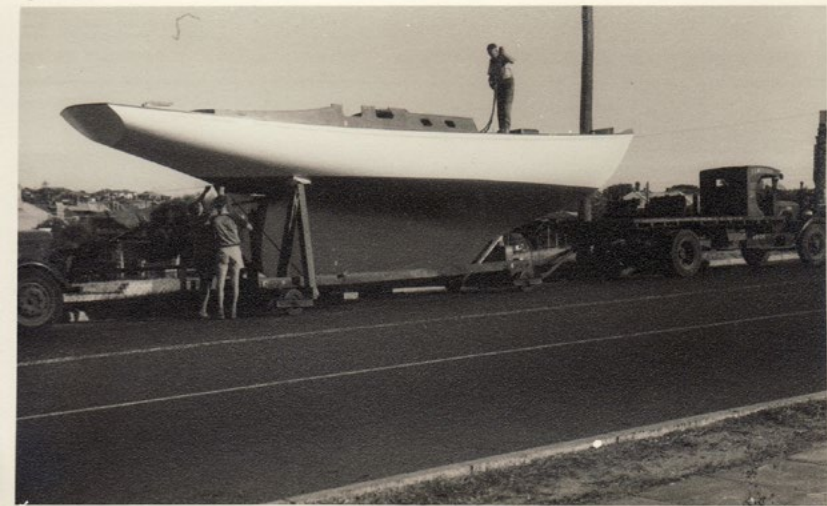
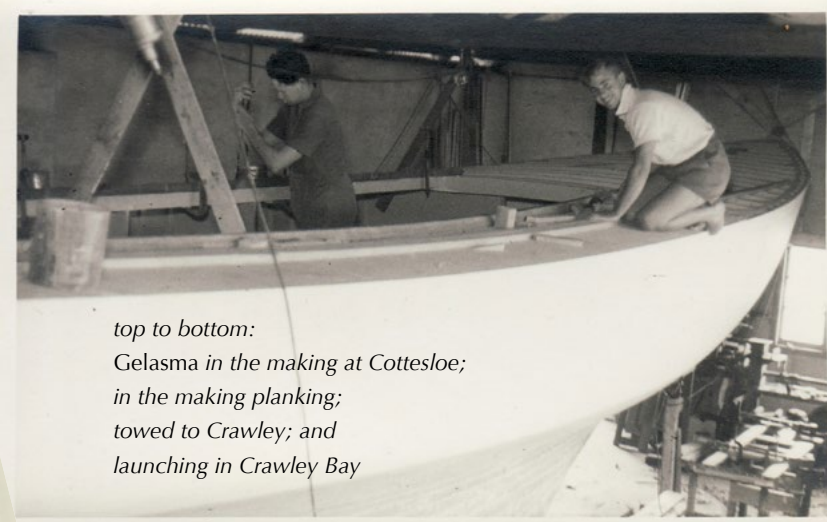


NOW & THEN

top to bottom:
 Gelsma in the making at Cottesloe;
 in the making planking;
 towed to Crawley; and
 launching in Crawley Bay



Gelsma
 70th birthday,
 November 2021
 top: Gelsma has
 turned 70 this year;
 celebrations; and
 bottom: a wedding.



MEMBERSHIP

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Proposer

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Beverly Heymans
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Pamela O'Sullivan
Tania Maslin
Helen Wood
James Telders
Emilia Daoud
Jennet Harvey
Simon Raybould
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Melanie Gray
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Georgia Teasdale
Eva Telders
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Member

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Membership applications (with signature and endorsement of two Members with five+ years membership) must be submitted to the Membership Coordinator by post, deliver to the Club, or email to, membership@rfbyc.asn.au

- Submit completed application forms to the Club by the last Monday of the month.
- General Committee reviews applications on the last Tuesday of the month.
- Ordinary membership applicants will be invited to attend an interview with the Membership Committee on the second Monday of the following month or thereafter.
- Membership applications are placed on the notice board for a period of 26 days (except Juniors).
- All membership applications which progress to the final stage of the membership process will be ratified by General Committee on the last Tuesday of the month.

MEMBERSHIP

NEW CLUB MEMBERS - SEPTEMBER



MEMBERSHIP

NEW CLUB MEMBERS - NOVEMBER



MEMBERSHIP TRANSITION

YOUNG ADULT MEMBERSHIP EVENING



IN OCTOBER WE HELD A SPECIAL evening for our young adult members who had recently transitioned from Junior to Ordinary (full adult) membership of the Club.

We host these events annually in the Members' Bar to introduce the young adult members and make them feel welcome.

This year we had 20 attend, accompanied by their parents and member friends.

Fellow member Will Boulden gave a speech about being a young adult at the Club, he shared his experiences and gave an insight in to what membership of Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club means to him.



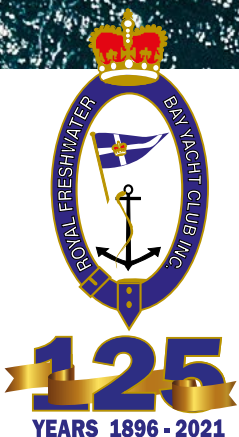


74TH BUNBURY & RETURN OCEAN RACE

*It began in 1948 with
a bold venture to sail
for 100 ocean miles,
overnight down a
featureless unlit coast.*

**SATURDAY
12 FEBRUARY 2022
9 AM**

The 74th Bunbury and Return Ocean Race will start at 9am off Port Beach in North Fremantle and take the fleet out to sea before heading south to Bunbury and return. 170 nautical miles of non-stop ocean racing.



Part of the RFBYC 45th Farrawa Cup Series and the Ocean Racing WA Siska Series. All yachts will carry tracking devices.

Follow the race online with the YB Races app or via our website.

Visit rfbyc.asn.au and navigate to Offshore Racing in the On Water activities section.

<https://rfbyc.asn.au/on-water/offshore-racing/bunbury-and-return-ocean-race/>

THE BOSUN'S LOCKER AROUND THE GROUNDS

5 GUARANTEED WAYS TO DESTROY A BOAT BATTERY

1) USE THE WRONG KIND OF BATTERY

The surest way to quickly kill a marine battery is to use the wrong kind. Marine batteries are manufactured in a variety of types and for different applications, so choosing the right one is vital. Due to their lower cost, the most common type of marine batteries are the flooded lead acid type (e.g. wet cell batteries). There are also gel batteries, Absorbent Glass Mat (AGM) batteries and spiral-wound battery derivatives; and lithium-ion marine batteries, although they tend to be more expensive.

Marine batteries are made to meet two applications. Starting batteries, also known as cranking batteries, provide a large jolt of amperes. As the name implies, they are typically used to start a marine engine and are built to recharge quickly.

Deep cycle batteries are designed to provide fewer amperes but are intended to operate for longer. They run the various electronics components on a boat and are meant to recharge more slowly. 'Pure' deep cycle batteries aren't designed to be fully discharged. Instead, they have an ideal operating range (typically around 60 per cent) and shouldn't be discharged below this level.

Dual-purpose batteries are also very common. Sometimes referred to as just marine batteries, they provide a balance between starting and deep cycle use.

A cranking battery repeatedly used for deep cycling can degrade in a matter of weeks, and vice versa, so choose the right one.

2) OVERCHARGE AND UNDERCHARGE

Batteries need to be properly maintained in order to last. Essential to marine battery maintenance is proper charging so always use a charger that meets the manufacturer's recommendations.

Regularly under-charging a battery erodes its performance and reduces its life due to a phenomenon called sulfation. This occurs when lead sulfate crystals form on the negative plates, impeding performance and reducing the battery's ability to charge. Eventually this can render it unusable.

Excessive or incorrect overcharging can be equally damaging, particularly with AGM and gel batteries. Doing so can 'cook' a battery so it is essential to follow the manufacturer's charging recommendations.

Thankfully, many readily available tools and accessories are available to keep your batteries in running order. For example, charging and maintaining a battery over long idle periods (during Winter or lock-downs) using a multistage charger will prolong its life.

3) DON'T MAINTAIN YOUR BATTERY

Marine battery maintenance means more than regular charging. Neglecting other forms of maintenance can also lead to deterioration.

Water loss, due to evaporation from heat and other chemical reactions, is common in wet cell batteries. It can rapidly shorten a wet cell battery's life if left unchecked, so ensure the water level remains topped up (but not to overflowing). Only use distilled water, as impurities in tap water will accumulate inside the battery. Note that deep cycle batteries tend to lose water faster than starters.

External components should also be inspected. Check that the lead posts don't show signs of coming off (they can be weakened if a terminal was forcefully connected). A gentle dose of grease, lanolin or Vaseline can stave off corrosion on exposed metal terminals. Once a year, clean out the battery box, check for signs of leaks and corrosion, check the vent is clear, and inspect the tie-downs.

4) PLACE THE BATTERY IN THE WRONG SPOT

Marine batteries differ to car batteries in that they are meant to operate in an environment that will be subjected to strong vibrations.

Even so, a poorly installed setup can suffer from excessive vibrations, which in turn loosens the internal workings, eventually weakening the battery.

The battery box (especially on smaller boats) should be located where it won't be adversely affected by wave pounding and engine vibrations. It should also be situated in a location where it won't get flooded by seawater. Wet cell batteries should also be situated in a location with adequate ventilation.

5) BUY THE CHEAPEST POSSIBLE MARINE BATTERY

As with so many things in life, you get what you pay for with boat batteries. As mentioned, marine batteries need to fulfil several functions so the temptation may be to buy an automotive battery. While not contrary to any regulations, using a battery that is less likely to resist vibrations or which can't handle steep discharge cycles puts you at risk.

Purchasing a second-hand battery is generally inadvisable. You don't know its history and it's probably not covered by the manufacturer's warranty. ■

THE GREEK ISLAND OF ARKI AND THE LITTLE DOG ROSA



I came across this photo recently and it reminded me of a delightful incident on one of our travels.

IN 1989 JENNY AND I CHARTERED a yacht from Padomar Yachts on the Greek island of Rhodes to sail around the Dodecanese group. On the way north to Pythagorio on Samos we called at the little barren island of ARKI.

As far as we are concerned this little island was notable for just three things:

- the small population was very hospitable,
- it had an excellent land backed wharf, and
- the little dog 'Rosa'.

We arrived in the mid-afternoon to find there were a few of the local Kaike (small fishing boats) lying idle in their special harbour but the main wharf was empty. We had the wharf to ourselves. The only sign of life at that time was a welcoming party consisting of a small dog of complicated pedigree. She accepted a bribe of a piece of biscuit but took great pains to check us out and verify that there were only the two of us.

After having secured the yacht, we decided it was a good idea to go for a walk and explore the island. The little dog became our guide. The island is about 4km north to south and 1500m west to east. There was only one small settlement, no post office or police and

at the time of this visit there was no taverna.

We did however learn that the small dog was named Rosa and she had belonged to an elderly fisherman from the island. Each morning she would accompany her owner down to the harbour and watch him go off in his boat. When he returned she would be there to greet him.

One day the fisherman suffered a heart attack on his boat and died. Rosa still waited at the wharf for him to return and greeted all the boats arriving just in case he was aboard. The local people fed and looked after her.

A couple of years later we visited Arki again. Sadly, there was no Rosa to greet us. She had gone to be with her owner.

On a happier note; at the second visit there was another, larger yacht alongside the wharf with a group of five people on board. They had arrived shortly before us and were just tidying up when one of the group—obviously Greek—came over to

speak to us. 'Good afternoon I am Captain George. I am skipper for that yacht and my passengers have sent me to ask you to join them for drinks.' We thanked him and said we would be there shortly.

It turned out that they were part of a Canadian film crew relaxing between assignments. A very pleasant group, but while we were partying Captain George wandered off. When we enquired as to where he had gone, we were told that he had some friends on the island who had started a Taverna and he had gone to arrange for us all to eat there that night.

When he returned, he said that there was a problem because since his last visit a second taverna had opened and they were *both* run by his friends. They *both* expected us to eat with them so that we would have to eat two dinners that night.

Not only did we feast sumptuously at two dinners that night, each prepared by parties trying to impress Captain George, but then neither would accept any payment! WOW!

VALE DONALD BRUCE KYLE

1938 – 2021

DON IS LISTED AS JOINING RFBYC IN 1973, however his sailing experience began well before that. For a lad who was born in Kalgoorlie and grew up wanting to be a farmer, his life changed somewhat when he discovered sailing. The story of that life is fascinating.

Don's offshore sailing record is quite remarkable. Apart from sailing his own yachts he was in the crew of *Pilgrim* owned and raced by Tim Ratten from Esperance. He sailed with, and was a watch-keeper on, several of Rolly Tasker's Siskas including the *Parmelia* Race and Sydney Hobart. He also cruised extensively in England and the Mediterranean Sea, particularly the Greek islands.

Don was a contributor, a person who not only took part but someone who 'gave back'. He served as Commodore at EBYC, Rear Commodore Juniors at RFBYC, and for several years was a member of our Archives team. A good bloke who will be sadly missed.

The following is a beautifully written eulogy which was presented by his son Richard:

Don Kyle was born in Kalgoorlie on 2/10/1938, the first child to the local undertaker Alfred Kyle and his wife Jean. Husband of Jill, father of Richard, Lou and Alistair. Stepfather of Tony and Jeff, grandfather of Olive, Sasha and Iris.

Don went to primary school in Kalgoorlie along with his brothers Brian, John and Terry; then on to high school where he boarded at Guildford Grammar School in the footsteps of his father Alf and uncles Wallace and Eric (Wallace was later Air Marshall – RAF, Sir Wallace Kyle, Governor of Western Australia).

Don was a keen athlete and his school blazer was richly embroidered in colours for rowing, swimming and football and he continued to play for the Gibson Football Club

as an adult. I think it would be fair to say that his sporting achievements exceeded his academic endeavours.

By the time Don left school his father had got out of the undertaking business, much to the delight of his mother who had always hated visiting friends in hospital for fear of being accused of drumming up business. Alf had started a little venture with his father-in-law called Kyle Motors which was to become one of the country's most successful Holden dealerships.

But Don didn't want to sell cars, he wanted to be a farmer and so began his working life as a young, single, jackeroo on Edjudina Station. A serious fall from a horse saw him in hospital when he was 18 years old where he met 16-year-old trainee nurse Jackie Eyles. When he was 19 he married Jackie and some months later in 1958, I was born. It took just 6 months for Jackie to realise that living on a remote station in the middle of nowhere with a baby was not for her.

Don was able to convince his father to buy him a farm near Esperance in exchange for any future interest in Kyle Motors and so the family moved to Esperance.

Lou was born in March 1960 and Alistair in October 1963.

The family farmed for 10 years before being offered what was then a tidy sum by a company which was buying up many of the farms in the region, creating what was to become 'The Beef Machine'.

Moving into town in 1968, Don bought into the Ford franchise with Tim Ratten and Doug Slater. Ford

was a four-letter word to the Kyle family but Alf eventually accepted this act of treachery (I'd rather push my Holden than drive a Ford!).

In the early 1960's the Esperance Bay Yacht Club was formed with a couple of Gwen 12s and a Moth, stored in Alf Kyle's garage by the beach in the middle of Esperance Bay. We didn't know it then but that was to be a significant point in Don's life. Sailing and boating became a passion for Don for the rest of his life.

Don's first yacht was a Gwen 12 dinghy called *Calypso*, which he used to race against Geoff Black and others in Esperance Bay. He then upgraded to a Flying Fifteen called *Supa Roo* and the yacht club grew to have quite a fleet of F15s; so much so that Nils Blumann and others went on to host the World Championships in Esperance. It was a bit of a shock for the foreign sailors finding themselves sailing in the Southern Ocean where F15s sink.

Over the next 5 years Don sold Fords and sailed F15s and helped grow the yacht club, eventually becoming Commodore in the early 70s and contributing to the eclectic collection of cruising yachts with the purchase of *Dominique*, a Randall 28 and sister ship to Tim Ratten's *Storm*.

By the end of 1973 Jackie had decided she wanted to live in Perth and I had decided I didn't want to board at Guildford any more so for those and possibly other reasons Don moved the family to Perth.

Looking for a business to buy they eventually decided on a fashion agency. It turned out that Don

knew nothing about the rag trade and women's fashion and wanted to keep it that way.

In a fortunate meeting with Rolly Tasker, Don was offered a job managing Rolly's new chandlery. He was subsequently able, with great advantage to both parties, to convince Rolly that he needed someone to manage his sail making business as well, and Don was now working in an industry he loved. Don built two racing yachts, each named *Sfida* (meaning 'a new challenge') and sailed in all the offshore races each season, some of which I was part of the crew. I remember one race where it was pitch black and heavy seas off the back of West End and Dad and I were on watch when he said 'lets get out of here' and tossed his cigarette butt into my eye. While I tried to remove the butt he screamed 'Stop f.....ing around and tack the headsail'.

By the late '70s Don and Jackie's lives had drifted apart and they eventually separated in 1980.

In 1981 Don met Jill Webster and in 1983 they were married. They both loved sailing and boating and spent most of their leisure time on a boat somewhere; be it parked

at Narrow Neck on Rotto, or on a barge cruising the canals of France or England, or cruising the Mediterranean with Jonno Farmer, or sailing around the top of Australia with friends.

Don and Jill purchased *Avone*, a Halvorsen launch which became their second home, often moored at Rottneest for extended periods. One time we were getting *Avone* out of the pen here at RFBYC which required an 11-point turn. He reversed toward a pylon and while I was fending off went abruptly forward leaving me no choice but to grab onto the pylon like a koala bear to which he said 'Richard, stop f....ing around and get back on the boat'. His tolerance for 'f...ing around' was low.

Avone was replaced with *Altier*, a North Shore 37 and their boating adventures continued.

After a trip to the Maldives and discovering there was nothing to do but snorkel, which his gag reflex couldn't handle, Don did a scuba diving course and subsequently spent most of his time at Rotto under water. This was much to Jill's distress as she waited anxiously in the dinghy or snorkelling on the

surface. He almost always returned with a feed of crays.

Don and Jill built two houses together in Mosman Park and have lived in the second house for over 20 years. Don loved gardening, winning Best Small Garden in Mosman Park on more than one occasion.

Unfortunately, a lack of dexterity and other health issues made the gardening more of a chore than he would have liked in the latter years but he still had great pride in his roses and they are still admired by the local residents.

In 2009 Don was diagnosed with Alzheimer's and by 2014 the symptoms were impacting on his quality of life. He was lovingly and selflessly cared for at home by Jill until 2019 when he moved to Riversea who were equipped to care for him in the final stages of the disease. His health deteriorated rapidly and he was finally released in peace on 18 Sept 2021, two weeks before his 83rd birthday.

Don lived a very active life and it was sad to see that taken from him in such a cruel way. Suffice to say I'm sure he would be happier now, wherever that is. ■

VALE JEFFREY PALEY YORKE

1951 - 2021

LONGER TERM MEMBERS WILL REMEMBER Jeff Yorke who served the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club well as Honorary Treasurer from 2003 until 2005.

The family arrived in Perth in 1982 and Jeff purchased a Petersen 30 yacht *Cadenza*. He left Perth in 1987 to work in Hong Kong and Kuala Lumpur. Following that the family sailed and cruised the world for five years in a beautiful Swan 61 named *Windfall*.

They returned to Perth in 2000 and joined RBYC. Here they purchased a 14-metre cruising yacht *Tashtego 2* which they sailed locally. Jeff served the Club from 2003-2005 as Honorary Treasurer with shrewd efficiency.

In 2005 he bought an interest in a company servicing super-yachts and left Perth to work and live in Mallorca.

Jeff died after a short illness. He is survived by his two daughters Anna Louise Yorke and Sara-Jane Fick. ■

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

18 DECEMBER	WINDWARD LEEWARD RACING - ETCHELLS MICHAEL MANFORD SERIES	29 JANUARY	CLUB KEELBOAT RACING
18 DECEMBER	KEELBOAT RACING	29 JANUARY	WINDWARD LEEWARD RACING - ETCHELLS MICHAEL MANFORD SERIES
19 DECEMBER	OFF THE BEACH RACING	29 JANUARY	POT OF GOLD - CAT 4 - HYC
19 DECEMBER	29ER STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SOPYC	30 JANUARY	OFF THE BEACH RACING
22 DECEMBER	TWILIGHT SAILING	30 JANUARY	SHEPHERDESS CUP - CAT - 4 HYC
23 DECEMBER	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING	30 JANUARY	SWAN RIVER SAILING - 2021 COLIN MULLINS MATCH RACING REGATTA
26 DECEMBER	COCKBURN SOUND REGATTA TCYC	02 FEBRUARY	TWILIGHT SAILING
31 DECEMBER	NEW YEARS EVE TWILIGHT SAILING	03 FEBRUARY	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING
01 JANUARY	NO CLUB KEELBOAT RACING	05 FEBRUARY	GEOGRAPHE BAY RACE WEEK - CAT 6, IRC CAT 4
02 JANUARY	NO CLUB DINGHY RACING	05 FEBRUARY	CLUB KEELBOAT RACING
05 JANUARY	TWILIGHT SAILING	06 FEBRUARY	GREEN AND ORANGE FLEET INFORMATION SESSION
08 JANUARY	CLUB KEELBOAT RACING	06 FEBRUARY	OFF THE BEACH RACING
09 JANUARY	NO CLUB DINGHY RACING	06 FEBRUARY	OFFICIAL OPENING OF DTC AM; BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY PM
12 JANUARY	TWILIGHT SAILING	08 FEBRUARY	SWAN RIVER SAILING - PERTH YOUTH CUP
13 JANUARY	CLUB KEELBOAT RACING	09 FEBRUARY	TWILIGHT SAILING
15 JANUARY	OFFSHORE - 3 PORTS RACE - CAT 3 FSC	09 FEBRUARY	SWAN RIVER SAILING - PERTH YOUTH CUP
15 JANUARY	RUMBLE IN THE REACH - EFYC	10 FEBRUARY	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING
16 JANUARY	OFF THE BEACH RACING	10 FEBRUARY	SWAN RIVER SAILING - PERTH YOUTH CUP
16 JANUARY	SWAN RIVER RETRO SERIES 4 - RPYC	11 FEBRUARY	SWAN RIVER SAILING - PERTH YOUTH CUP
19 JANUARY	TWILIGHT SAILING	11 FEBRUARY	WARREN JONES LUNCHEON
20 JANUARY	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING	11 FEBRUARY	TWILIGHT TIME TRIAL
21 JANUARY	JESS MATCH CUP	12 FEBRUARY	74TH BUNBURY AND RETURN OCEAN RACE - CAT 3+
22 JANUARY	JESS MATCH CUP	12 FEBRUARY	CLUB KEELBOAT RACING
22 JANUARY	CLUB KEELBOAT RACING	12 FEBRUARY	INVITATION RACE - DIVISION 1 SOPYC
23 JANUARY	NO CLUB DINGHY RACING	12 FEBRUARY	INVITATION S27 WINDWARD LEEWARD RACING - SOPYC
23 JANUARY	JESS MATCH CUP	12 FEBRUARY	ROYAL PERTH YACHT CLUB MINI SERIES
23 JANUARY	WASZP NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	13 FEBRUARY	NO CLUB DINGHY RACING
25 JANUARY	TWILIGHT SAILING (TUESDAY)	13 FEBRUARY	ROYAL PERTH YACHT CLUB MINI SERIES
26 JANUARY	AUSTRALIA DAY (NO TWILIGHT SAIL)		
27 JANUARY	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING		

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

16 FEBRUARY	TWILIGHT SAILING	18 MARCH	SWAN RIVER SAILING - CHAMPION OF CHAMPION REGATTA
17 FEBRUARY	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING	19 MARCH	ETCHELLS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS
19 FEBRUARY	ADVENTURER'S CLUB	19 MARCH	CLUB KEELBOAT RACING - VICE PATRON'S TROPHY
19 FEBRUARY	WINDWARD LEEWARD RACING FOR ONE DESIGN FLEETS	19 MARCH	SWAN RIVER SAILING - WOMENS' STATE KEELBOAT CHAMPIONSHIP
20 FEBRUARY	OFF THE BEACH RACING	20 MARCH	ETCHELLS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS
20 FEBRUARY	SWAN RIVER RETRO SERIES 5 RPYC	20 MARCH	OFF THE BEACH RACING
20 FEBRUARY	HMAS PERTH MEMORIAL REGATTA NYC	20 MARCH	SWAN RIVER SAILING - STATE YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP - RPYC
23 FEBRUARY	TWILIGHT SAILING	20 MARCH	SWAN RIVER RETRO SERIES 6 - RPYC
24 FEBRUARY	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING	20 MARCH	THREE OF A KIND REGATTA - MBSC
26 FEBRUARY	CLUB KEELBOAT RACING	23 MARCH	TWILIGHT SAILING
26 FEBRUARY	WINDWARD LEEWARD RACING	24 MARCH	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING
26 FEBRUARY	OFFSHORE - HALLS HEAD RACE - CAT 3 - FSC	26 MARCH	ADVENTURER'S CLUB
27 FEBRUARY	OFF THE BEACH RACING	26 MARCH	CLUB KEELBOAT RACING
27 FEBRUARY	OFFSHORE - POINT ROBERT RETURN RACE - CAT 3 - FSC	26 MARCH	ETCHELLS - WINDWARD LEEWARD RACING - MICHAEL MANFORD SERIES
02 MARCH	TWILIGHT SAILING	26 MARCH	OFFSHORE - DAY RACE - RPYC
03 MARCH	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING	27 MARCH	CAMP QUALITY FAMILY FUN DAY
04 MARCH	KEELBOAT NIGHT RACE	27 MARCH	OFF THE BEACH RACING
05 MARCH	WALPOLE IN THE TREES REGATTA	30 MARCH	TWILIGHT SAILING
05 MARCH	NO CLUB SAILING	31 MARCH	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING
06 MARCH	NO CLUB SAILING		
09 MARCH	TWILIGHT SAILING		
10 MARCH	PAUL NELSON WINES MID WEEK RACING		
11 MARCH	DRAGON STATE CHAMPIONSHIP		
11 MARCH	OFFSHORE - 58TH NATURALISTE RACE - CAT 3+ - RPYC		
12 MARCH	CLUB KEELBOAT RACING		
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