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5th February 2015

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9.15am – 3.00pm (Closed 12.30pm to 1.30pm)

THURSDAYS

11.30am – 5.30pm (Closed 1.30pm to 2.30pm)

SATURDAYS

9.30am – 1.00pm

Dates for your diary....6th Feb – 12 Noon, Ladies lunch



MYC Hoodies!

We are gaining interest for another MYC hoodie order.....
If you would like one of our great hoodies, please contact
the office to organise payment (\$50) with your size
(Adults & Kids sizes available!)

Dear Members,

Last Friday night we held our Overnight race in what had to be said was exceptional conditions. 12 boats enjoyed the 12 -17 knots heading into an awesome sunset on the first leg with all boats finishing their courses. It was a terrific tussle to R1 with the Div 1 boats off. First Light, Anna, Javelin, Phoenix & Windsong continued the tussle all through the night. Javelin got line honours & First Light won on handicap.

Div 2 saw 2 starters; Beluga and Capricious neck and neck all night with a major navigation error aboard Capricious giving the race to Beluga.

Div 3 saw starters Magic Pudding - alias "The Splinter", Times R Tuff, Beau Brummell, Mixed Nuts & Messin About with line honours going to Mixed Nuts and handicap honours to "The Splinter" & Mixed Nuts. It was great to see so many young and new faces out on the water and after a couple of years of bad weather it proves how much fun these races can be when the weather ducks line up!

The giant working platform out on the bay (that you can see from just about everywhere!) was almost in the middle of the racetrack as it turned out and boats could clearly see this 'super-structure' on every leg. It became a really interesting point of reference!

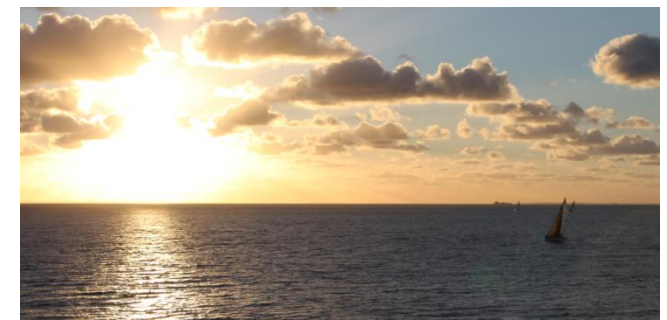
Over Night Race Pictures by Steve Bolton
Anna – In full flight heading for R1



Anna, Javelin and First Light



First Light heading inside the Mussel Farm





On Sunday the Lady Skippers race was held in a solid 20 knots with an extra 5-8 knots thrown in at times just to test our intrepid Lady skippers. Line honours went to Lynne Sunderland who skippered Smile N Wave. Smile N Wave were brave enough to pop an asymmetrical kite on leg one which made for an exciting ride and sent the Etchells flying through to the pointy end of the fleet! Congratulations to Jane Storey, Morning Light who won the race on handicap. A well-deserved win to her and a great effort by all crews in tough conditions. Well done all!

Isn't great to see visiting boats using the pier again. The photo below is of those from Williamstown who visited last Saturday and were hosted for dinner in our club on Saturday night. Well done to Steve B and Sheryl for making it happen.



Looking forward to having more visitors as the word of our now replaced pier gets out - may be a return to The Golden Years of the 70's & 80's ... who knows!

Graeme Alexander, Commodore

Geelong Festival of Sails

There were 9 Mornington boats at the Geelong Australia Day Regatta known as **The Festival of Sails** with around **200 entries** all up.

Wild Goats, Arabelle, Geomatic Allegro, Trim, Anna, Windsong, Silicon Chip, Athena, Soul Pattinson (M23 – A multihull)

Windsong gained 1st Place in the series for 'Cruising with Spinnaker Div 2', whilst Arabelle (Bret Levenspiel/ Grant & Craig Hailes) gained 1st Place in the series for 'Cruiser/Racer Div 2 and a 2nd on AMS. Silicon Chip achieved a respectable 5th (out of 28) in 'Cruising with Spinnaker Div 3'.

The photos below typify the carnage on Sunday 25th January when the second race for the day was cancelled due to extreme conditions – we saw at least one blast of 50kts. Over-all they only managed three races, the first being the 31nm Passage Race from Melbourne to Geelong, followed by races on Corio Bay Saturday and Sunday.

Conditions on Sunday saw many round-ups, several retirements and MOB incidents. We elected early to only overtake boats leeward due to their propensity to round up out of control.

Jim Watson, Windsong

Geelong Festival of Sails- These photo's show a good idea of the carnage!





Above photos: Festival of Sails continued

THURSDAY 5th February

Pasta NIGHT

\$16



Lasagne & salad

Attn: Boat Owners....

MYC 'Live Race Tracking' Trial

The Club is about to trial some exciting new technology for boats racing on the Club racetracks that uses nothing more than a mobile phone and a tiny little free app on your phone, so we are looking for people – an owner or skipper or crew member from a boat to 'put their hands up' and help us with our technology trial.

People can watch you racing live and, you can 'playback' the race later too!

So if:

- You race in D1,2,3 or Etchells on Thursday nights or in the Long Distance Series (or both)
- You have a mobile phone (only iThings or Android and **not** Windows)
- You have a working email address (will not be used publicly at all – just for login)
- You are prepared to use approximately 1Mb of data per hour of your phone data plan whilst racing and ...
- You are prepared to take your phone out on the water with you.....

..... we need to hear from you or one of your crew members **RIGHT AWAY** as we are keen to try and get things going for this Thursday!!

The data usage is really tiny – approx.. 1 Mb per hour and remember we only want your usage whilst racing. The average Thursday night race is 1.5 hours, so only 1.5Mb of data!

Please fill out the form on the below link if you wish to be a part of the trial.

<http://www.morningtonyc.net.au/tracking.html>

Or go to the link via our website homepage or facebook.

We are keen to get it going for Thursday – hope to have you on board for this exciting trial and many thank in anticipation.

Steve Bolton

MORNINGTON YACHT CLUB

AND THE

Sail Peninsula Regatta

7th & 8th February 2015

INCORPORATING THE

Martha Cove Destination Race

After the MYC race on Saturday:

1. Tie up at Martha Cove Harbour for the night.

Book a pen (\$30/night) with Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron Sailing Office

by 23:59 hrs on Thursday 5th February 2015

2. Enjoy dinner organized by Safety Beach S.C.

Prior bookings are essential: book on line @

www.trybooking.com/GTVC NO BOOKING = NO MEAL

Then on Sunday morning:

09:30 Challenge Races 1 & 2 scored on AMS H/C

For more details of the Sail Peninsula Regatta go to BYS website:

www.bys.asn.au

for the Notice of Race & Sunday morning Sailing Instructions



TACKERS FLEET CARNIVAL @ 2015 OPTI STATE CHAMPS SUNDAY 8TH & MONDAY 9TH MARCH

At the Victorian Optimist State Championships, Yachting Victoria will be engaging with families new to sailing and Tackers 2 & 3 participants to provide exposure to the opportunities and pathways available to them in the sport.

TWO PROGRAMS WILL BE AVAILABLE:

1. Tackers Fleet Carnival:

Designed for kids that have already completed a Tackers course, this program will provide added experience and skill development along with plenty of fun delivered through skilled, fully qualified instructors. The Tackers Fleet Carnival is \$30 per participant. Parents will be invited to a morning tea & presentation with Yachting Victoria on 'the next step in sailing for their children.'

Sunday 8 March 9.30am – 4.00pm

2. Tackers Introduction:

This course is designed for kids that have not undertaken any sailing and provides a fun, safe and easy to understand introduction to the sport. The intro course is \$20 per participant.

Monday 9 March 10.00am – 12.00pm

To enrol please visit the Yachting Victoria website.



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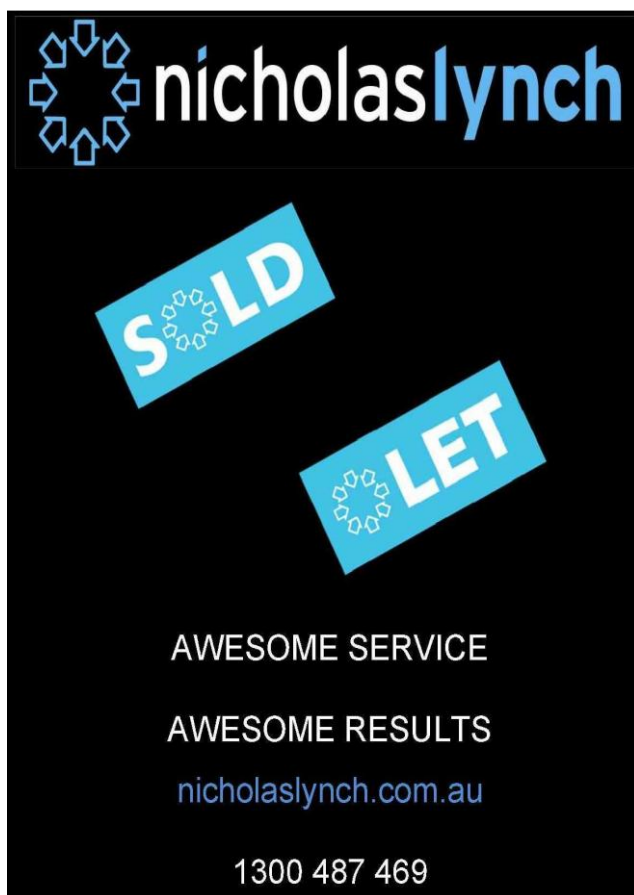
Tony Coco

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