



Tuesday Tattler

Tuesday 13th March

Hi to everyone,

Adam Hawkins & Ben Jones dominated the Victorian Championships for flying 15's held at Mordialloc over the long weekend winning both the open championship and open handicap. Congratulations to Hawk and Ben!!!

Greg Scherwinski ventured to Sydney for the NSW state sports boat titles picking up 3rd in his Thompson **Ray White Mordialloc Racing**. Well done to Greg and his crew.

Ian Wood has sent this summary of the Optimist States:

Over the long weekend 7 MYC open fleet and 5 green fleet sailors travelled to Sorrento for the 2012 Victorian Optimist State Championships. In very light winds and strong tides both fleets got away 12 races over the three days. With the tricky conditions the leader board was constantly changing in the open fleet right to the last race with black flags a good thing to avoid. Our kids sailed very well with some great results and big improvement. Tyrone Gowans 4th Nick Sharman 5th Matt Bates 11th Sophie Jackson 12th Matt Wood 32nd Ella Sharman 35th Stephanie Lee 38th. In a field of 67 boats with Sophie having a great regatta picking up 2nd girl and most improved girl in open fleet.

Great results also in green fleet with our sailors in their first big regatta in a large fleet of 43. Fraser Jones 18th Alex Bates 25th Courtney Lee 27th Luca Funston 34th Eliza Wood 36th.

Last Thursday we had 32 boats compete in race 5 of the God's Kitchen Twilight Pursuit series with Barry Mills winning again in **Lucinda**, Ted Warden was 2nd in **Act Of Faith** with **Allure** Robert Rolls 3rd. **Lucinda** also won The Rocks prize for being closest to his start time. **Allure** leads the series from **Seduction** with **Beau Brummell** Tonia & Graeme Vertigan 3rd with 2 races to go.

The overnight Trophy race got underway at 8pm Friday with a huge moon rising over the 13 strong fleet. The wind increased to around 20 knots down the southern end of the bay making for a quick transit towards Port Arlington. The breeze eased as we approached Point Wilson then picked up again for the run north to the spoil grounds and stayed fresh for the majority of the fleet till the finish at Mornington. The trailables were home early sailing the shorter course with John Underwood winning in **Times R Tuff** followed by **Mixed Nuts**. In division 2 Jim Watson was the winner in **Windsong** with **One 4 One** Alan Clark 2nd and **Lucinda** Barry Mills 3rd. Ed DeGabriele managed to get **Madrigal** home 4th without a headsail after gear failure. In division 1 Tony Donnellan won in **Shamrock** from **Wild Goats** Peter Russell with **Seduction** 3rd. All in all it was great night to be on the bay and we thank the tower crew for giving up a night's sleep to make the race possible.

We have an Opti Kids Disco on Friday 23rd March from 7 to 8.30pm for ages prep to 14 years. The cost is just \$5 and parents to accompany your child please.

It is time to get your footy competition entries in at the office or with Derrick at the bar.

Please don't forget that on Friday 16th March The Mornington Auxiliary of Peninsula Home Hospice will be holding a light luncheon in the Harbour View room commencing at 10.30 with guest speaker Jenny Eltham Tickets are \$20 and are available from Lyn McGain Ph.59 753 271 or from Jane Storey.

We will be conducting a special Easter Raffle and the social committee would appreciate donations for the hampers. Please leave your items in the Easter basket at the office.

Krista & Cherie are off to Lysterfield Lake next weekend for the Victorian Sailability Titles, this event is a prerequisite for their upcoming world's campaign. We wish them all the best at Lysterfield. There are small change collection tins on the bar so please drop in a coin or two and help get their Worlds campaign on track.

The Geelong Destination race is on the 24th March; overnight berthing numbers for the Geelong marina need to be in at the race office this Saturday.

This Saturday we have both Club Championship & Aggregate series race for all divisions.

Sunday there is optimist, development racing, adult & tacker courses. There is a Sunday Social Series race for all divisions at 2.30 pm.

Thursday's God's Kitchen Twilight Pursuit is the second last in the series. Hopefully the weather will be favourable and a big fleet will turn out. Regardless if you are sailing or not, gather your family and friends, come down to the club, relax on The Deck and enjoy the atmosphere. Stay and have dinner in the Harbour View room where there will be food available from The Rocks or bring your own. We will have the usual raffle with lots of prizes to be won. MYC is a pleasant place to be on a Thursday evening.

Looking forward to seeing you around the club

Richard Nichols div.1 class captain

