

## **Tuesday Tattler**

## Hi Everyone,

1 4<sup>th</sup> February 2012

Last Thursday was the first race in the Gods Kitchen Twilight Series. Twelve year old Sophie Jackson overcame a tardy crew performance to get **Quantum Leap** home first, just 2 seconds astern was Steve Young's **Basic Instinct** with **Beau Brummell** Tonia & Graeme Vertigan holding off yet another Etchell for 3<sup>rd</sup>. Glen Watson had **Burach** closest to the pin to win The Rocks prize. Sophie steered **Quantum Leap** from start to finish topping off a good previous Sunday in the Optimists. I feel sure we could find boats for any other interested junior sailors who fancy themselves sharing the helm in a twilight race.

Saturdays racing was for both the club championship series and the aggregate. Division 1 saw Brett & Grant's **Arabelle** consolidate their lead in the club championship series with a win, **Seduction** was 2<sup>nd</sup> with Andrew & Stuart's **YT2** filling the minor placing. The aggregate went to **Seduction** from **Arabelle** with the **Maximumm** team 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Arabelle** leads the series from **Seduction** & **The Doctor** Grahame Holmes.

Cameron McKenzie was successful with **Easterly** in both events in division 2. **Adios** Geoff Hancock was 2<sup>nd</sup> with Jim Watson's **Windsong** 3<sup>rd</sup> in the club championship. **Easterly** leads the series from Alan Clark's **One 4 One** with Windsong 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Adios** was also 2nd in the aggregate with Bob Armstrong and John Tolar 3<sup>rd</sup> in **Total Eclipse**. **One 4 One** leads the series narrowly from **Windsong** and **Adios**.

Steve Bolton and Phil Mannes took out the quinellain **Darkside of The Moon** and **Magic Pudding** for both series races. **Crowded House** Charlie Helquist was 3<sup>rd</sup> in the club championship and the aggregate had **Beau Brummell** filling the minor place. In both series **Darkside** leads from **Crowded House** and **Magic Pud-ding** 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Under The Pump**, sailed by Joe Etherson won from Doug Bell's **Lean & Mean** with **Ffreedom** Alan Smith 3<sup>rd</sup> in both flying fifteen events. The aggregate series to date has the trend continuing but **Finnigan** Peter Wardlaw pushed **Ffreedom** to 4<sup>th</sup> in the club championship series.

In the Etchells Chris Jackson sailed **Quantum Leap** for the win in the club championship race, **Vendetta** James Bacon was 2<sup>nd</sup> with **Easy Rider** Reece James 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Series has **Quantum Leap** leading from **Easy Rider** and **Basic Instinct**. **Vendetta** took the honours in the aggregate from **Quantum Leap** and **Easy Rider**. The series has **Easy Rider** leading from **Basic Instinct** with **Smile N Wave** Graeme Alexander 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Thirteen optimists had a fantastic sail to Davey's Bay on Sunday in a 10 knot south-easterly. After a BBQ lunch they competed in two races for the inaugural Starkins/Neate Trophy. Trevor Neate was on hand to see the MYC optimists win the trophy. Next weekend our optimists will continue their campaign competing in the Lidgett Cup at Davey's Bay.

Frosty, our Thursday night tender, has been given a new lease on life in the form of a 15hp power tilt outboard. Mercury Marine made this possible through Wes Frost Marine. We thank Wes for his continuing support. The first 420 has arrived in the yard with another two due shortly. These are the beginnings of what will become our intermediate fleet. These boats will be greatly appreciated by our growing youth membership and I look forward to reporting their race results in the not too distant future.

This coming Saturday we have the Hovel Light race commencing at 10am for divisions 1 2 & 3 and Etchells. There is a trophy race for the div 3 boats not competing in the Hovel. The Flying Fifteens & remaining Etchells have 2 class races scheduled. Hopefully there will be a big fleet on the 10am start line. The BBQ will not be operating this Saturday.

The Club social series race has been cancelled this Sunday. It is hoped that MYC can have a good fleet on the start line for the Martha Cove Challenge at 9.30am. This was a well-supported event when last staged; unfortunately Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron gave us a sound spanking on that occasion. This is an opportunity for the MYC fleet to redeem itself, so please make the effort to be part of the team that turns the tables on BYS. There will be race continuing back to Mornington on the completion of The Challenge.

This Thursday we have the second race in the Gods Kitchen Twilight Series, hopefully the weather gods will be kind. There will be live music courtesy of Kev & Dee on The Deck, and dining indoors at "Harbour View" with food available from The Rocks or bring your own. "Harbour View" is the function room's new name. Very much a case of what you see is what you get! We thank all those who participated in the naming process. There will be heaps of raffle prizes so come along and enjoy the music and the company. MYC is a fun place to be on a Thursday evening whether you sail or just socialize.

Hope to see you all Thursday,

Richard Nichols Division 1. Class Captain

