

Tuesday Tattler

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Tuesday 16th October

Hi everyone,

Sailing finally gets underway next Saturday with two tune up races for all divisions at 2pm. Your safety and insurance declarations need to be submitted to the race office by Saturday. Thursday twilights commence on the 25th with a fun race and festivities to follow back at the club.

We are holding our information evening for all members on Thursday the 18th October at 7pm. Anyone who will be using the crane/tractor this season is required to attend. Please read the OH & S Policy which can be found on our website under Admin, Policies & Procedures Manual. There is a section under the Yard where you will find the information & sign the form on information evening.

Just a reminder to the Optimist competitors and parents that there is a seasons briefing followed by a working bee at 9.30am Sunday.

Bunnings BBQ—Raising Money for Junior Sailing Coach

We would like to thank all volunteers who helped us raise funds for our Junior Sailing by manning the BBQ held recently at Bunnings; Wes Heron, Geoff & Angela, Cheryl Coombs, Michelle Jackson, Jon Bates and particularly the Purcell family who worked from 8.00am to 5.00pm. A big thank you to Leanne & Christine Ellerton—non sailing members, but filled the roster—Excellent effort by all & a fun day!

Sarah & Greg Sharman

The cocktail party is on Friday 26th October from 6.30 pm for a 7pm start. Tickets are \$35 and bookings are essential & must be made by Monday 22nd October. 10% of the bar take for the night will come back to the club so contact the office and get along to the Harbour View room and celebrate the start of our sailing season.

The member get member program is running again this year. Simply nominate a new member to the Club for acceptance before November 29th 2012 and you will be eligible for the draw, along with your new member, for two people to go to the 2013 Croatia Yacht Rally to be held in June.

Full details are on www.marinerboating.com.au

There are currently a number of notices on the Message Board on the club website, so if you are looking to crew on a boat this season or seeking crew for your boat now is the time to get organized.

The community scholarship program was again on the water over the weekend with the continuation of the power boat course and our sailability program was off to a busy start last week.

Crane day was on Saturday and proceeded efficiently throughout the day. Special thanks to the BBQ crew who were on hand serving breakfast and hot food throughout the day.

On Sunday the 14th we had a working bee. About 15 members made the effort to attend. The ramp to Maas landing was rebuilt and the back steps installed. At the end of the day the club was looking tidy, it was amazing to see how so few could achieve so much.

Discover sailing day is on **Sunday 11th November from 10am to 3pm**. Our local community will be given the opportunity to experience the exciting sport of sailing and yacht club life first hand as part of Discover Sailing Day on Sunday November 11, 2012. Discover Sailing Day is free to attend and we will welcome visitors to the club, answer any questions and explain the activities taking place on the day. Discover Sailing Day allows for people of all ages who may never have sailed before to participate in on and off water sailing activities and experience club life. Families will enjoy activities including supervised sailing with club sailors, safety boat rides, club tours and various on-land activities including face painting. Visitors can also enjoy a BBQ supplied by the club or lunch provided by the Rocks as they learn more about the programs and sailing courses available our club.

The Discover Sailing program is designed to increase participation in the sport of sailing. Run by Yachting Victoria, the program uses its website, a range of promotional resources and a nationally-supported and research-backed brand to encourage increased club involvement and new memberships

There will be flyers and postcards highlighting this event available at the bar and office from Thursday, so if you believe you know a great place to promote this day, you may frequent a cafe - please take some and distribute. If you would like to assist on Discover Sailing day please drop an email to Michelle Pickford – michelle@morningtonyc.net.au

All in all it is shaping up to be a great season,

Hope to see you around the club, Richard Nichols