

#### **Current Office Hours.....**

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS 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......

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb/1<sup>st</sup> March – **Schnapper Point Regatta**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March – **Ladies Lunch 12noon**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March – **Labour Day Holiday**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – **Good Friday**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April – **No Club Racing**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April – **Easter Day – No Club Racing** 

## **OTB** Report

It has been an exciting two weeks for our Optimist and Youth sailors at MYC.

**Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> Feb** saw 21 MYC Optis, Mt Martha YC Optis, plus a 420 take to the water on our annual sail from MYC to DBYC. The morning started slowly with very little breeze and built gradually over the course of the sail.

We were lucky enough to have Dave White coaching, who led a "follow the leader" type activity, quite a sight with his coach boat being followed by a daisy chain of Optimists, all practicing their downwind gybes and body positions.

Dave took time throughout the sail to hop in individual boats, showing our sailors the correct technique while Chris Jackson talked through from the coach boat following. It was a fabulous opportunity for our youngest sailors to learn more about the art of sailing off the wind.

Arriving at DBYC, MYC sailors took part in the Starkins-Neate Interclub Trophy, hotly contested by all 3 clubs.

We are pleased to report that MYC once again holds the trophy with 2 wins each by Stephanie Lee in the Opti and Sophie Jackson & Ella Sharman in the 420 plus of course the excellent back up of the entire MYC crew to secure the win which is worked out on an aggregate score over the boats competing – WELL DONE to our sailors, such a tremendous team effort!

For a short YouTube Video that shows the goings on to DBYC have a look at the following link...

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tp3mDfbA65M





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**Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> of Feb**, our "FUN DAY", was an opportunity for our Junior & Youth Sailors to spend some time learning from Sophie Ciszek who is currently sailing for Team SCA in the Volvo Round the World Yacht Race. Sophie is such a fabulous role model to our young sailors and has a wealth of experience, inspiring our group to follow their dreams.

THANK YOU Sophie for such a great discussion.





**Saturday, 14**<sup>th</sup> **& Sunday 15**<sup>th</sup> **of Feb** saw 29 Mornington Optimists competing in the Lidgett Trophy at DBYC. Even better, we brought 30 Optis back with us due to the fact that one new boat was purchased at the event and returned to MYC with us growing our "little" fleet some more.

Our MYC sailors did us proud at DBYC, and although there was not a lot of wind over the duration of the weekend, they were keen to learn further skills.

The Lidgett Trophy is a great coaching regatta and MYC was well represented with 6 of our youth sailors coaching at the event. Giving back to the sport is such an important part of the success for the future, so we thank all those who gave up their weekends to assist our youngest sailors to grow & develop.

Aside from sailing, our sailors swam, capsized boats, jumped off the back of RIBs and generally had a great time. DBYC held their annual wall sit, followed by the decider that included planking, and a push up competition. By the end, bodies were shaking trying to win the title.

A massive tug of war between the Northern and Southern yacht clubs completed the onshore activities, with the Southern end taking out the win.

We unfortunately didn't get in any further racing on the Sunday, not too much you can do about the lack of wind, but a FUN weekend was had by all and there were many tired sailors and parents from the weekend that was.

Congratulations to ALL MYC sailors on their outstanding efforts and a special mention to the following:

John Faulkner – 9<sup>th</sup> Advanced Lachlan Weber – 1<sup>st</sup> Intermediate James Jackson – 4<sup>th</sup> Intermediate Jack Eickmeyer – 5<sup>th</sup> Intermediate Sassy Taylor – 5<sup>th</sup> Novice Blue Jay James – 8<sup>th</sup> Novice Blue Edmund Stewardson – 9<sup>th</sup> Novice Blue Jacinta Byrne – 5<sup>th</sup> Novice Green Digby Taylor – 9<sup>th</sup> Novice Green

It is also worth noting that many of our sailors received encouragement awards and prizes for great sportsmanship, so thank you once again for doing MYC proud.

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### Dates for your Diary......

Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> Feb – MYC FUN Night Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb – MYC Club Sailing

28<sup>th</sup> Feb / 1<sup>st</sup> March Schnapper Point Regatta at MYC for both Optimist and Youth Classes – entries are now open at

 $\frac{\text{http://www.morningtonyc.net.au/schnapper-point-}}{\text{regatta.html}}$ 

7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> March – Optimist and 420 State Titles.

Optimist State Titles at Brighton YC – entries are open at <a href="http://www.vioda.org.au/vic-states.html">http://www.vioda.org.au/vic-states.html</a>

420 State Titles at SYC – entries open soon.

We look forward to another busy couple of weeks ahead. If you have photographs that we might like to publish or information / reports for any of our OTB fleets that you would like to share, please feel free to contact me by email.

Remember, Sailing is a Skill for LIFE..... See you on the water soon.

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### New Twilight 3 Series Sponsor

We are very excited to announce that we have a new Twilight sponsor for our Series 3 which starts this Thursday....."Smooch" Fashion & Décor in Somerville! & the even better news is that they offer all MYC members a 20% discount & better still from the 11<sup>th</sup> of April they are moving to Mornington!





## Rocks Menu this Thursday



On Thursday
Dim Sims
will be available
from
the members bar
from 4.45pm
&
Hot chips from
5.00pm

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## **Sunday Pursuit Series Sponsor**

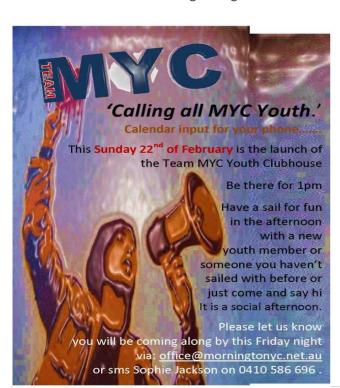
This Sunday is our next club Social Pursuit Race sponsored by Gazman, Mornington – don't forget to check out their latest offer........





## Opening of our Youth Club

Also our Youth Clubhouse will hold it's "official launch" this Sunday from 1.00pm. We'd love to see all Youth & Juniors come along for a great afternoon



PENINSULA HOME HOSPICE

# Mornington Auxiliary Light Luncheon

With guest speaker Lieutenant Commander Amy York OAM

Lieutenant Commander Amy York, a Nursing Officer at HMAS Cerberus, was awarded the Medal of the Order of



Australia (OAM) in the 2014 Queens Birthday Honours and Awards list, for her meritorious devotion to duty in the fields of general and peri-operative military nursing across a range of healthcare settings in the Australian Defence Force during her decade of Service in the Navy.

# Friday March 13th Starts 10.30am



Mornington Yacht Club
Schnapper Point Drive, Mornington
Mel Ref: 104 C9

# \$25 per person

Includes a light luncheon with guest speaker

To book your ticket please phone Lyn McGain on 5975 3271



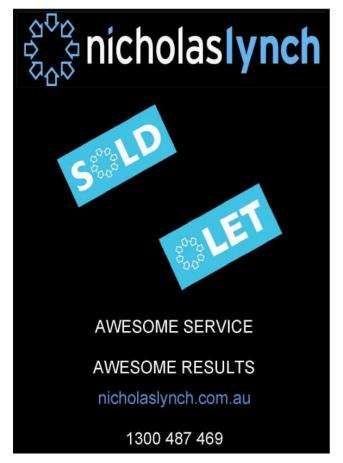
A Fundraising event organised by Mornington Auxiliary in support of Peninsula Home Hospice

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- CCTV security
- MYC club owner

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