



# Tuesday Tattler

Hi Everyone,

21st February 2012

**This week's hot news!!!!**

**Rhett Gowans wins Laser 4.7 Port Melbourne Youth Championship, 2nd in Victorian State Championships.**

Following his excellent results in the Brisbane Nationals, Rhett won the Port Melbourne Youth Championship completed at Somers at the weekend. The State titles were also held and Rhett was second. It is wonderful to see our juniors going on to bigger and better achievements. Well done again Rhett, Mornington Yacht Club is very proud of you.

Whilst on our youth, Sam Wood forwarded the following report on the Lidgett Trophy weekend:

"On the weekend 13 MYC Optimist sailors competed in 4 divisions at the Lidgett trophy at DBYC with great success. With light but favourable conditions 150 sailors were coached in the mornings and raced in the afternoons on both days. Nicholas Sharman was on the pace again finishing 3rd just missing second place by 2 points in the advanced fleet with Matt Bates 6<sup>th</sup>, Sophie Jackson 9<sup>th</sup>, Matt Wood 11<sup>th</sup> and Ella Sharman 18<sup>th</sup> in a hot field of 30. The Intermediate Fleet saw Stephanie Lee 11<sup>th</sup>, Jack Purcell 18<sup>th</sup> and brother Charlie 21<sup>st</sup> in a fleet of 36 which is excellent as all have stepped up a group recently. Our young gun Courtney Lee stepped up too this year to the Novice Blue Fleet and gained an 11<sup>th</sup> place to match her sister. Great effort Courtney. A new group of sailors in their first ever Regatta did MYC proud with Alec Bates 1<sup>st</sup>, Fraser Jones 2<sup>nd</sup> Luca Funston 3<sup>rd</sup> and Eliza Wood 9<sup>th</sup> in a Fleet of 25 boats. A great result and valuable experience for the years ahead of them.

Once again MYC should be proud of these sailors' qualities both on and off the water representing the club in such a positive manner."

This coming Sunday MYC will be host to the Davey's Bay & Black Rock Optis for afternoon racing.

Last Thursday the afternoon storm reduced our fleet to just 32 for the Gods Kitchen Twilight Pursuit. The front passed quickly and the race was sailed in near perfect conditions. **Lucinda** won and no doubt Julia, Barry & Stuart will enjoy the Gods Kitchen \$50 voucher. Rob Rainsford was 2<sup>nd</sup> in **Cocktail** with **Big Day Out** Remco Pen 3rd. Closest to the pin went Peter Sydes cousta boat **LincolnRose**. We had Kev's live music until quite late in the newly named Harbour View room, and for the 30 or so diehards who stayed for the festivities, The Rocks treated us to platters of delicious prawns. A big thankyou Rocks to an unexpected treat.

Saturdays racing was something else! The Hovel Light race started in near zero wind. The fleet was soon stretched over five or so miles with a mile gained or lost at nature's whim. With the leading 15 boats rounding the Blairgowrie mark at once, it appeared more like a start than the halfway mark. Finally the wind came and the leg back to Martha Cove was covered quickly. In a day where lady luck played a huge part Division 1 AMS honours went to Stuart & Andrew's **YT2**, Ray Harvey was 2<sup>nd</sup> in **Tonic** with **Seduction** 3<sup>rd</sup>. The PHS result was the same.

Division 2 AMS had **One 4 One** Alan Clark first with **Adios** Geoff Hancock 2<sup>nd</sup> and **Silicon Chip** Laurie White 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Lucinda** won the PHC from **Adios** with **One 4 One** 3<sup>rd</sup>.

In div 3 CBH **Times R Tuff** John Underwood was 1<sup>st</sup>, Phil Mannes' **Magic Pudding** 2<sup>nd</sup> and **Pippin** Hendric Hoogendoorn 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Times R Tuff** also took the honours in the PHC with **Pippin** 2<sup>nd</sup> and **BeauBrummell** Tonia & Graeme Vertigan 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Wild Goats** Peter Russell, **One 4One** & **Times R Tuff** lead their divisions in the Long Distance Series.

Peter Jones in **Twelve87** won the Etchell trophy race The flying fifteen trophy race had Richard Trembath 1<sup>st</sup> in **Fly By Night**, **Finnigan** Peter Wardlaw was 2<sup>nd</sup> and Doug Bell in **Lean & Mean** 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Sunday morning saw a regatta type atmosphere with 36 boats on the start for the Martha Cove Challenge. Again fickle would be a kind assessment of the light conditions. I am happy to report that MYC turned the tables on BYS if only by one point. With the first 5 results from each club it was MYC 30 to BYS 29. MYC had the podium with Graeme Alexander winning in **Smile & Wave** from **Seduction** and **River Deep** Mick Daddo & Scotty White 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Silicon Chip** & Tony Grundy's **Trim** got us over the line. The CBH Challenge went to **Magic Pudding** from **Beau Brummell** with **Times R Tuff** 3<sup>rd</sup>. There were also PHC results for the Challenge. Div. 1 had **Seduction** 1<sup>st</sup> from **Smile N Wave** and **Silicon Chip**. Div. 2 went to **One 4 One** from **Lucinda** and **Lady Cassandra** Mark McAuliffe & Gwen Barnett 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Magic Pudding** won with **Beau Brummell** and **Times R Tuff** filling the minor placings in Div. 3.

Marina manager Doug Pickford was on hand to welcome us to Martha Cove Marina and together with Rosemary Clarke from the Sales office we were invited for drinks served on the balcony. Many of us joined the BYS sailors at the Safety Beach clubrooms for dinner. All in all it was a great weekend thoroughly enjoyed by all those who participated. With the absence of the BYS start boat Sheila Roden & Peter Hennaman did a great job in Retriever to make the Challenge a success. The BYS showed keen interest in competing in our overnight race scheduled for the full moon on the 9<sup>th</sup> March. The Intention to Compete sheet is outside the race office, so now is the time to get your name down and organise your crew. This should be our season's glamour event; hopefully that sheet will fill quickly.

We have 25 Chisholm students around the club throughout March. We are asking for boats to take out students for Gods Kitchen Twilight races on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> of March. Hopefully we can have 25 boats as Sport Phillip Marine has donated prizes for the first student across the line. If you would like to be one of the boat please contact Pauline Cleaver on 0419 586 035 or email [p.cleaver@chisholm.vic.edu](mailto:p.cleaver@chisholm.vic.edu)

We have a combined Aggregate & Club Championship race for all divisions on Saturday. Sunday there is tackers & development racing in the morning with the extended optimist fleet racing in the afternoon.

This Thursday Seabreeze predicts 29 degrees and 10 knot breeze for the Gods Kitchen Twilight Pursuit. Hopefully this will bring out a huge fleet. Whether you are sailing or socializing, gather your friends and join in the post-mortem on The Deck or dine in the Harbour View room with food available from The Rocks or bring your own. This week we have a very special raffle. Krista & Cherie, two of our Sailability Sailors are off to Sydney over Easter for the World Championships held over 10 days. Brigitte & Ivan will transport the Liberty dinghies to Sydney and taking care of the girls. As you can imagine there are significant costs involved. Brigitte has organized heaps of great mystery prizes for this special fund raiser raffle. I ask you to get yourselves along to the club dig extra deep and buy lots of tickets. It is great that we have Sailability Sailors competing at this level so let's get behind them.

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"GT" Graeme Taylor leads the Etchell Worlds after two races on Day 1. GT had a 4th and a win on the opening day of the Worlds being held in Sydney. Good luck to the Magpie crew for the remainder of the championship. We also have Phil Coombs competing in J for Jig. Phil had credible 37<sup>th</sup> in a field of 74 but unfortunately was ocs in the 2<sup>nd</sup> race.

Looking forward to seeing many of you on Thursday,

Richard Nichols  
Division 1. Class Captain

Photos of the weekend by Steve Bolton

