



Tuesday Tattler

Hi everyone,

Tuesday 27th March 2012

Chris Bolton finished 6th in the Laser world masters division championship which were held at the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron during March. Congratulations Chris on a fine result in a very competitive class.

Last Thursday was the final race in the God's Kitchen Twilight Pursuit series, this time it was lack of breeze and a sinking sun which forced the abandonment of the race. This left us with just a four race series which **Allure** Robert Rolls won from **Seduction** with Tonia & Graeme Vertigan's **Beau Brummell** 3rd. It has been a great boost to the club having God's Kitchen as a sponsor for the series and we hope they will continue to support the club. A growing number of members have been seen competing in the Wednesday night trivia competition at God's Kitchen with varied success, it is an all-round fun night.

Saturday had a fleet of 17 on the start for the inaugural Geelong Destination race in cool and breezy conditions. As predicted the wind abated during the day but not before Jon & Annie Storm's **Silver Shadow** was dismasted under a particularly large black cloud. The boats in the vicinity quickly came to their assistance with the crew of **Times R Tuff** hopping aboard to help recover and secure the rig. **Seduction** won Division 1 AMS which was severely depleted by some notable absentees. The PHC also went to **Seduction** from Tony Grundy's **Trim** with **Whiskers** Terry Jones 3rd. Division 2 made up the majority of the fleet and the provisional winner of the AMS was Jim Watson in **Windsong** The provisional PHC result had Peter Morrison first in **Fransiska**, a visitor from Martha Cove, with **Windsong** 2nd and Brian & Lisa Marklew's **French Toast** 3rd. John Underwood's **Times R Tuff** won the double in Division 3. 2nd in CBH was **Mixed Nuts** Tim O'Grady with Di & Russ Kemp 3rd in **Quasar**. The PHC result had **Quasar** 2nd and **Mixed Nuts** 3rd.

Geoff Searle was at the finish to take our times and guide us into the marina. We were made very welcome at Geelong with Geoff addressing us over breakfast on Sunday and extending a warm welcome to return next year. Geoff & Steve Bardsley had extended quite a deal of effort to satisfy the Geelong Port requirements and ensure our safety in the Geelong approaches.



It was a great destination and I feel sure all those who participated will be keen to return again.

Overnite photo taken by Lee Naraway

Boats pictured from left to right Seduction & Shamrock.

The Etchells had two class races with **Quantum Leap** Chris Jackson winning the first from Grant Chipperfield's **Dark Joker** 2nd and **Easy Rider** Reece James 3rd. The second race had **Dark Joker** turn the tables on **Quantum Leap** with **Pale & Stout** Matthew Hazewinkel 3rd. **Quantum Leap** leads the series from **Dark Joker** and **J for Jig** Phil Coombs 3rd.

On Sunday the optimists had two races for both club championships & aggregate series 3. Race 12 in the club championship series went to Nick Sharman in **Sea Axe** with **Tyrone's Tub** Tyrone Gowans 2nd and **Wave Wipper** Sophie Jackson 3rd. **Sea Axe** also won race 13 from Ella Sharman sailing **Stella** with **Tyrone's Tub** 3rd. Race 1 in the aggregate series 3 was won by Alex Bates in **Speed Hopper** from **Sea Axe** with **Tyrone's Tub** 3rd. **Stella** won race 2 with **Aqua Raider** Mathew Wood 2nd and Courtney Lee's **Opti Magic** 3rd. Four of the green fleet optimists completed their first club race on Sunday; they were Frazer Brown, Alex Bates [winner!!] Luca Funston & Denver James. Well done all. We also had a 420 around the track with the big opti fleet, combined with the tacker and adult programs making for a big Sunday at MYC.

It's not long before Krista & Cherie head to Sydney for the Sailability worlds. Please keep that small change going into the collection tins on the bar.

Please keep those Easter items coming at the office for the Easter Hampers and with the football season starting in earnest it is time to get yourselves registered with the office or with Derrick at the bar.

On Saturday we have aggregate & club championship heats for all divisions. Sunday there is Optimists aggregate & club championship heats as well as Sailability, also lots of training courses both adult and youth and a club social series race at 14.30 for all divisions.

Sadly the end of twilight sailing is upon us, but we are finishing with a huge fun race. We want a huge fleet loaded with people out there having fun. This night is also the fundraiser for the purchase of a defibrillator and if everyone who sails contributes \$10 this will take us a long way towards the purchase of this life saving device. There will be envelopes available when you sign on for the race, please put your boat name on the envelope and there will be a \$50 Gods Kitchen voucher for the boat that raised the most money.

After the race join us on the deck where Kev & Dee will be entertaining us with their music. Gather your friends in the Harbour View room and enjoy a meal from The Rocks or bring your own food. There will be the normal raffle with some extra prizes so come along and enjoy the last twilight for the season.

Hope to see you Thursday,

Richard Nichols Div.1 class captain

