

Tuesday Tattler

Hi Everyone, Tuesday 31st January

Last Thursday we staged a twilight social pursuit fun race which Bernie Boon won convincingly in Cinderella, 2nd was Total Eclipse John Tolar & Bob Armstrong and John Underwood in Times R Tuff completed the podium.

There was a trophy race on Saturday which YT2 Stuart Gooley won 1st Division, Alan Clark won Div. 2 in One 4 One with Total Eclipse 2nd and Adios Geoff Hancock 3rd. Division 3 went to Magic Pudding Phil Mannes, 2nd was Beau Brummell Tonia & Graham Vertigan and Remco Penn in Big Day Out 3rd. Richard Trembath in Fly By Night won the Flying Fifteens.

On Sunday the optimists had two races for the cub championship series and the aggregate. Ella Sharman won the first aggregate race in Stella with Aqua Raider Matthew Woods 2nd and Sophie Jackson 3rd in Wave Wipper. The second race again went to Stella with Wave Wipper 2nd and Optigon Stephanie Lee and Aqua Raider dead heating for 3rd. Aqua Raider is a narrow leader in Series 2 from Wave Wipper and Stella 3rd.

The first club champs race was won by Tyrone Gowans in Tyrone's Tub with Sea Axe Nick Sharman 2nd and Stella 3rd. Race 2 saw Sea Axe get over the line ahead of Tyrone's Tub with Stella again 3rd. Tyron's Tub leads the series from Sea Axe and Matthew Bates' Matt's Masher 3rd.

The Festival Of Sails at Geelong had Tony Donnellan take Shamrock out of mothballs and gather the crew together. The rewards came quickly with a win in the Williamstown-Geelong passage race. Shamrock was MYC's best performer finishing 2nd in the seven race series in both AMS & EHC. Other notable performances were Rousabout 4 John Rouse 8th and Maximum 11th in the large cruising with spinnaker division. In the Sports Boats Foam Fast Paul Heyes was 3rd and Ray White Mordialloc Greg Scherwinski4th in their series.

Next Saturday divisions 1, 2 & 3 have the Queenscliff Destination Race starting at 10 am. There will be two class races for the Etchells & Flying 15s, and a trophy race for division 3. The BBQ will not be operating this Saturday.

On Sunday the optimists have 2 races, there is also numerous training courses and MYC Sailability.

There is a Sunday Club Social Series race for Div. 1,2,3,Etchells & flying fifteens at 2.30

Our long distance program is heating up with the Hovel Light Race on the 19th February returning to Martha Cove Marina and then competing on Sunday morning with the Blairgowie Yacht Squadron for the Martha Cove Challenge. The event is open to Divisions 1, 2, 3 & Etchells and includes a trophy race home to Mornington. There will be a berthing fee of \$30 for overnight at Martha Cove Marina payable at the time of entry. Remember entries close 1800 hrs. Sunday 12 February. It would be great to see a huge turnout for this event and hopefully MYC can finish on top.

On Friday the 3rd February there will be a ladies lunch. All are welcome with food available from The Rocks or bring your own. Gather some friends and come down to MYC and relax and enjoy.

On a happy note Kim Winter and Peter Karay will marry this Thursday. We all wish them well for their special day and their life together .

Sophie Cizsek will not be about for at least the next year as she has picked up the gig on Hugo Boss and will be visiting exotic places and racing in numerous events around the world. Sophie's resume just gets better and better, well done Sophie!

Rhett Gowans was 17th in the Laser 4.7 Nationals at RQYS earlier this month. He followed up with a 7th in the Youth 4.7's which hopefully will take him to the Worlds in Argentina. Rhett is having his first season in Lasers and is definitely on the up. Well done Rhett a great effort!

This Thursday is the final race in the Splash Of Red Twilight Series. With the forecast for 27 degrees and 10-15 SE wind a big fleet should be the order of the day. The BBQ will be up and running again, bring along your guests after the race for the presentation of the series trophy. With lots of prizes to be won in our raffle it will be a great night. Even if you are not sailing get on down to the club and enjoy dinner or just join in the festivities. There will be food available from The Rocks or bring your own.

Hope to see you all at the club, Richard Nichols, Division 1 Class Captain