



# Tuesday Tattler

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## Dates for your diary.....

6th December	Ladies Lunch for Christmas
19th December	Ho Ho Ho Someone special is visiting the yacht club
4th—11th January 2013	Hart Marine 2014 Opti Australian Championships

<b>Summer Office Hours:</b>	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri	9.10am— 3.00pm	(Closed 12.30pm—1.30pm)
	Thursday:	11.30am—5.30pm	(Closed 1.30pm—2.30pm)
	Saturday:	9.30am—12.30pm	

Hi everyone

Last Thursday the weather was miserable throughout the day. Only 14 boats made the start for race 5 of the Harcourts twilight series. The rain stopped on cue and those who ventured out were rewarded with a great sail in a good consistent breeze. Morning Light continued to string those wins together again taking the prize with Lucinda and Seduction filling the minor placing's. Silicon Chip took the honours for The Rocks prize for the best start. Morning Light seems to have a strangle hold on the Harcourts series.

It was an early start for the PIB Geelong destination race on Saturday. As usual we were made welcome at RGYC and included in their race presentations for the day. In Div. 1 AMS Wild Goats blitzed the field with Phoenix 2<sup>nd</sup> and Seduction 3<sup>rd</sup>. YT2 won Div.2 and Messin About beat Times R Tuff in Div 3. Anna won Div.1 PHC from Wild Goats and Phoenix, YT2 won Div. 2 and Div.3 result was the same as the CBH. Geelong is always a good destination but was made even better with ideal cruising conditions both over and back.

For those who didn't get to enjoy Geelong there was a trophy race which Magic Pudding won from Adios and Pippin.

The Etchells had three races in their club championship series. The competition was hot with Dark Joker taking the first race from Smile N Wave and Twelve 87. Basic Instinct headed Easy Rider and Pale & Stout in the second race and Basic Instinct won again in race 3 with Dark Joker 2<sup>nd</sup> and Smile N Wave 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Of the three races decided in the Flying !5s club championship series Under The Pump had the best day winning the first and third race and a second in race 2. Lean & Mean and Cinderella filled the placings in race 1. Cinderella won race 2 with Fly By Night 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cinderella was 2<sup>nd</sup> in race 3 and Lean & Mean 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Under The Pump and Dark Joker lead their respective series.

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On Sunday the optimists had two race for both their aggregate and club championship series. Spencer Ko sailing Coaster won the first green fleet aggregate from Racer X Jack Eickmeyer with Sassy Taylor 3<sup>rd</sup> in Strawberry Girl. Imogen Weber in Imagine was first in the open fleet with Denver James 2<sup>nd</sup> in Eat My Waves and Courtney Lee's Opti Magic 3<sup>rd</sup>. Race 2 in the green fleet had James Jackson 1<sup>st</sup> in Speedy Stingray from Jonny Be Good sailed by John Faulkner and Optical Zoom Kate James 3<sup>rd</sup>. Imagine won race 2 in the open fleet from Eat My Waves and Opti Magic. Jonny Be Good and Charlie Purcell's Predator lead their aggregate series. Don't you just love the names these kids give their boats.

Race 7 of the green fleet club championship series was won by Coaster with Racer X and Optical Zoom filling the placings. In the open fleet Eat My Waves won from Imagine and Opti Magic. Race 8 in the green fleet saw Jonny Be Good lead James Jackson's Speedy Stingray home with Optical Zoom 3<sup>rd</sup>. Eat My Wave won in the open fleet from Imagine and Predator. Jonny Be Good and Eat My Waves lead their series.

This coming Saturday there are club championship and aggregate series races for Divs.1 2 & 3 and the etchells and flying 15s have 2 aggregate and class series races.

On Sunday the OTBs and optimists have 2 races for their aggregate and club championship series. There is a social pursuit race at 1400hrs for all divisions.

With the Optimist nationals on in January we will have a huge amount of support boats to house in our harbour. If you are planning to be away on your boat during this period we would love to be able to use your mooring. If your mooring is available could you please let the office know. Also because of our limited yard space your dinghies and inflatable need to be removed for the duration of the national's program. Thankyou for your co-operation.

This Thursday should be a great evening at MYC. Whether you are sailing or just socializing get on down to the club and enjoy the atmosphere Mornington YC offers. Food will be available from The Rocks or bring your own and relax in the Harbour View room. There will be a raffle with Ritchie's meat trays and other goodies. Hopefully the weather gods are kind as it is the sixth race in the Harcourts Twilight Pursuit Series. Apart from donating \$150 per race to the club there is a very nice bottle of wine for the winner to enjoy.

Hope to see you all around the club  
Richard Nichols

#### Ladies Lunch

Friday December 6th @ 12.00pm. Order over the bar as per usual.



**ICE:** Members please note a bag of ice is now \$4

#### Team Ronstan to rock at MYC....

On Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup> December the crew from Ronstan -Tim Melville and colleagues Derek Johns and Mike Blagojevic have offered to knock out a few songs following the twilight race (weather permitting).

The group includes Tim who most of you will know, Derek who is Ronstan's Senior Product Design Engineer and Mike who manages and coordinates the production and supply of over 3000 components that make Ronstan's myriad products.

Tim will throw sticks around the drums, Derek is key vocalist & bass guitarist and, Mike lead & acoustic guitars.

Tim suggests that "We aim to produce the best sailing products in the world; as for our music... it's early days!"



Come along and have a great night.

#### Thursday Night BBQ - looking for volunteers

Volunteers required 4.30 - 6.00 pm - no need to cook if you do not want to!! Helpers needed for assembly of food and collection of money. Good fun and an opportunity to meet and get to know others!! No experience required.



Ring Margaret Armstrong on 59757422.

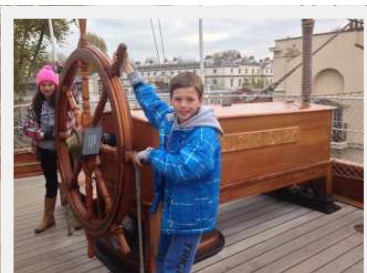
#### Wanted..

#### Dr's, Nurses, Paramedic or any first aid certificate holders.

Chris Tyrrell is looking for help with the provision of first aid officers during the Opti Championships in January—a roster will be formed based on am and pm shifts—even a few hours will help. Please contact Chris on: 0409 958 499 or christytrrell26@hotmail.com. Thank you

#### From the McKenzies...

Mornington's Opti Sailors William & Sophie McKenzie are getting in some helming practice for the Nationals. They are having lots of fun, with mum & dad (Cameron & Joanne) on their family holiday. Next they are heading south to Portsmouth to see The Victory, Mary Rose and The Warrior—much better than school.



#### Opti Regatta @ MYC

The Opti Regatta is taking serious shape with over 160 competitor entries registered this far out from the regatta—very exciting! As you can imagine a regatta of this size takes a lot of people power to run and we thank those people that have already volunteered some of their time to assist.

If you would like to assist, on or off the water, for a 1/2 day or a full day or a couple of days we are requesting you register your availability online (or via the office if easier) asap to assist us in the planning phase. The online registration enables you to select days and times that are suitable to you throughout the regatta. Yes you say—well here is how you do it..... :-)

1. Go to MYC website:  
[www.morningtonyc.net.au](http://www.morningtonyc.net.au)
2. Go to Opti National tab at top of menu bar and click Volunteers—Volunteer Registration

It takes less than 2 minutes to sign up and it will be great to have you involved the biggest, single class event ever held in the bay.

With over 300 competitors and 80 on water craft, it will be busy around the yacht club so it would be wonderful to have you come and be part of the FUN!





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