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Dates for your diary

1. State Championships: 6/7/8/ March 2020 at Coomba Park. Places filled.
2. Helly Hansen Women's Challenge, Saturday 28th March, 2020. Get your names in now for Skippers, Crew, Support Boat Driver, rigging and de-rigging crew, Chef. Volunteer to Ken Boyes: krboyes@optusnet.com.au
3. Volunteer Recognition Evening: Wednesday, 6th May, 6.00 for 6.30 p.m. MYC. This is our 25th Anniversary at Manly.
4. Sailability End of Season Regatta: Saturday, 23rd May, 2020.

Alan hard at work in his den. Alan is our hard working Webmaster. At the moment he is working on putting short movies on the top left hand corner of our web-site.



Raffle Prizes. From January to the end of February, we ran a quick raffle for Prizes at the Manly 16ft Skiff club which had been very generously donated by Matt Hazell.

Assorted prizes were awarded to Corey Nicholls, Nate Smith, Mal Grimmond, Marianne, Jackie Morgan, Tony Rowse.

Thanks everyone who contributed to this great raffle, which resulted in a donation of over \$750.00. This will be spent on a new barbecue, new tools, and cleaning materials for the barbecue. Thanks to all the people who helped with this.

An abandoned Sailing Day. Usually, when we abandon sailing we do not report, as the weather is obviously not suitable. However, due to a very unusual set of circumstances, we had to abandon sailing on Wednesday, 19th February. On the evening previous to this, there were massive storms all over Sydney, with flooded roads, trees blown over, rooves torn off houses, and blackouts to more than 20,000 homes. Manly was not spared. A branch blew off the huge Moreton Bay Fig Tree in the grounds of Manly 16ft Skiff club. On the way down, the tree tore down the electricity poles and wires. This resulted in a blackout to all the homes on Addison Rd between Oyama Ave and the harbour end of the street which lasted from 12.00 midnight to around 9.00 a.m. This meant there was not a telephone line to run the answering machine that allows information to be passed to the participants and the volunteers. Without this information, and with the damage to the streets in the different areas, we were not able to arrange enough volunteers, or enough participants to run the day. This picture of the storm approaching Manly appeared in one of the newspapers the following day.



Dates for March to May 2020

Wednesday	4th March	RFW, Unisson Pymble, Achieve, AFFORD, Choose and Connect, Arranounbai, R.G. Sunnyfield, General.
Fri., Sat & Sun	6th, 7th and 8th March	Hansa Regatta. Coomba Park Denis/Ivan. Michael/Eli, Warwick/Ken.
Saturday	14th March	Washington, Cooyong, Trilogy, Sargood, Flexible Respite, General.
Wednesday	18th March	Beecos, Verne Barnett, Arranounbai, Unisson St Ives, UNisson Pymble, Sunnyfield.
Saturday	28th March	Women's Challenge
Monday	30th March	Fisher Rd, KARBEL, BIRDS, A-Team
Wednesday	1st April	RFW, Unisson, Pymble, UNisson Terrey Hills, Achieve, AFFORD, Verne Barnett, Arranounbai, R.G. General
Saturday	11th April	No Sailing, Public Holiday
Wednesday	15th April	Sunnyfield, AFFORD, House With No Steps, Achieve, Bee Cos, Choose and Connect, Unisson St Ives
Monday	27th April	No Sailing, Public Holiday
Wednesday	29th April	Beecos, Unisson Pymble, RFW, Sunnyfield, Choose and Connect, Unisson Terrey Hills.
Wednesday	6th May	Volunteer Recognition Evening
Saturday	9th May	Rap'n'Rave, Cooyong, Sargood, Washington, Sahara.
Wednesday	13th May	RFW, Sunnyfield, Achieve, AFFORD, House With No Steps
Saturday	23rd May	Manly Regatta
Monday	25th May	Fisher Rd, Sunnyfields, BIRDS, A-Team
Wednesday	27th May	Arranounbai, BeeCos We Care, Unisson Terrey Hills, Unisson St Ives, Sunnyfields, Unisson Pymble

Saturday, 1st February, 2020.

A shortened crew, and fewer participants made for an interesting day today. Just 8 people signed on early in the morning, forcing the decision to start with just 3 303's, and the 2.3 that Judith sails.

Ken was our photographer, Ragnhild the Support Boat Driver, Helen the registrar, sailors Denis, David and Ivan, Tony on the radio, Nikki minding the pontoon. And that seemed to be that. Later, Michael, Christoff and Emily arrived to swell the numbers and Marc arrived to help put away the equipment at the end of the day.



Denis and Vanessa and that gorgeous smile



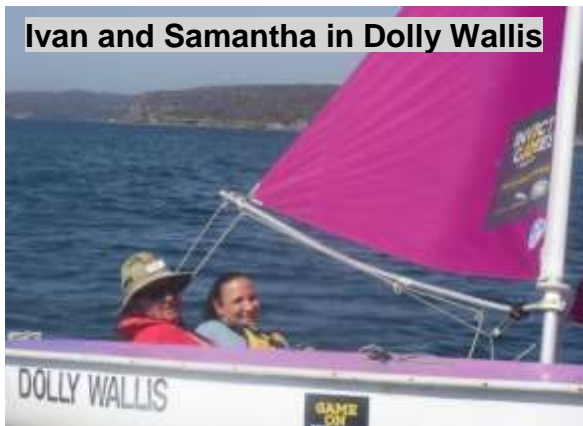
Ivan with David and Danny



Meaghan and Michael in Vin

Luckily, we did not have many people booked in. Judith took off in Alan Wood for a monster of a sail that lasted from 9.30 to after 11.00 a.m. The wind was perfect for her little boat, and she danced around all over Manly Cove in and out of the moored boats, over to Reef Beach, back across the ferry lanes; I am dizzy just thinking about it.

Vanessa arrived with Evo and looked at Denis with admiration for his sailing skills as he gave her the best ride



Ivan and Samantha in Dolly Wallis

ever. Danny arrived with Dad, David, and went off with Ivan. Michael, David and Christoff rigged another couple of boats when the Sargood group arrived, so Samantha and Chan Hu were able to go with their parents watching proudly from Charlie's Chariot. Also down for a sail were Meaghan and Kerri from Washington with helper, Rob.

All in all, it turned into an excellent day for a sail and everyone was very happy with the effort.

*Wednesday, 5th
February, 2020.*



David and Ellis in Alex

Our wonderful Wednesday team arrived early to put out all the boats because we were expecting 10 participants down to sailing by 9.30. Malcolm was our Sailing Coordinator, Tony on radio, Helen the Registrar, Wilma and Ros on Life-jackets, Peter on Charlie's Chariot with Ken; observer/photographer, Denis, Michael, John P and John W, Ivan, Ellis, new volunteer, Luke, Steve, Ragnhild. Brian was the Pontoon Manager. All in all, a fantastic team. David and Helene arrived later, in time to replace some of two of the exhausted sailors, and then help with the putting away.

Sailors from Royal Far West with helpers Craig and Jenny arrived early with Harley, Susanna, Noah, Asher, Mahlia, Wesley and Rachel. All went for a wonderfully calming sail while we waited for the rest of the company.



Our busy pontoon



Michael and John in Ralph Newman

Tamara, Luke and Dave arrived from Sunnyfield, then Scott with helper, Katerina. Michael, Alessandro, Jack, and Lauren arrived with Kris, then Scott from Unisson Pymble arrived. A little later, Audrey, from Achieve brought her crew of Felix, Fowzia, Rishabh. Annalies from Unisson St Ives brought Malcolm, Kath, Ollie, Nancy, Leesa, Elias and Paul. Last to arrive was Zak, from Royal Rehab, with Kel. Zac had a most comfortable sail, and has vowed to come back for more soon.

It was a beautiful day for a sail, and all enjoyed the company, the sailing and the morning tea before we put everything away, ship shape and ready for next time.



*A
15th*

*Gorgeous
Saturday,
February,*

2020

This morning was a beautiful morning for a sail, and we had lots of keen and eager volunteers to make it easy.

Maleea and Scott are back from their honeymoon, looking well and rested. Hopefully, some photos in next report.

Mal started off in Charlie's Chariot and quickly handed this job to Ragnhild, with Jim as observer. Sailors Denis, Crosbie, Ivan, Scott, Michael, Vince, David, Helene were kept busy taking participants for a sail, while Nola and Nikki worked on the pontoon.

Helen was the registrar, Wilma the chef as well as helping people into life-jackets, Lyn was the time-keeper, Tony the radio operator. Alan came down for a sail, and was reasonably happy with the seating arrangement, but needs an extra head-rest to ensure comfort.



Alan in Clea



Scott and Michael in Ralph Newman

Our participants today were two new groups: Mona Vale CPA, with Jessika, Charlie and Kate. Tendo brought these 3 people. We knew Jessika and Kate from a long time ago, when they were small girls, and they have grown into beautiful young women. Jessika was very happy with her new seating arrangement. The Stabilo pillow seems to be working well. Kate confidently embarked with none of the anxiety she demonstrated when she was smaller. What fun they both had as they sailed away in boats close to each other so that they could chat and giggle their way across the cove.

The other group is Northside, with Lara. James, Keeran, Tarek, Adrian, Mark, Rhett, had a great time on the water, some of them having a go on a sailing boat as well as Charlie's Chariot.

Rita brought Judy, who definitely needs a strap to hold the life-jacket down, Danny came with Dave, Sargood brought Scott.

Greg brought Kerrie and Anna, Alex brought Vanessa, Sofan brought Matthew, Ruby brought Rebecca and Helen. Hannah brought Fiona down for her sail, then Kunden arrived with Jackie, Diane and Duncan.

Thanks so much to all of these carers, who took wonderful charge of their people.



James in Alex

Monumental Monday, 24th February, 2020.



An incredibly beautiful sailing day was held this morning made even more beautiful for a huge number of reasons: the dedicated volunteers who helped our new volunteers to settle in to the work that needs to be done, the day itself, which could only have been improved by a little more breeze, the familiar crowd who came for a sail, and their helpers and family who came to share the day.

John was our exemplary Sailing Coordinator, who shared the job with Jackie, John P and John W on the pontoon, Warwick in charge of Charlie's Chariot with his mate, Paul to help, and later, Nola. Eli and later Corey on the radio and time keeper table.

Sailors: Luke, Brian, Ellis, Peter, David, Denis, Michael.
Life-jackets: Danelle, extra person on the pontoon, Monika, photographer, Nola and Warwick.



We started early with our lovely new group from Fisher Rd, with teacher, Matt. Dylan, Henry, Andy, Aidan and Liam will be joining us regularly on a Monday.

Stephen arrived from Penrith, so we took him for a sail.

Adam, Alistair and Greg came with Greg, younger Greg opting for Charlie's Chariot as it can accommodate him physically more easily than a 303.

Then Sargood arrived with Mel, Michelina, Trent, Ken, Claire and James with beautiful helper Angie.

As regular as clockwork, the Sunnyfield team arrived:

Luke, Rosa, Libby, Kane and went off for their sail.

A special photography team arrived with BIRDS for some publicity shots of their team and took a while to set up.

Then BIRDS arrived for their monthly socialising and sailing session with wonderful helper, Gaynor: Danielle took off solo across Manly Cove, followed by Carlo, May in Charlie's Chariot, Patrick, James, Jimmy with the loud voice, Allen, Stuart with the trendy hat, Brad, Denise and Steve.

A little later, Steph arrived with George and his wife.

Thanks, team, you made the day a dream.



Denis and Dylan from Fisher Road



Our pontoon team hard at work

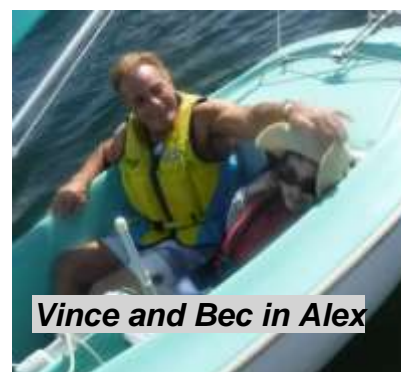
Super Saturday 29th February, 2020



Judith getting into Alan Wood



Meaghan and helper



Vince and Bec in Alex

What a lovely morning greeted us on arrival at Manly Yacht Club. The sun was dazzling on the water, just a little North Easterly breeze, and lots of boats other than 303's getting ready for club sailing.

We waited a little while until those 'other' boats left, then quickly rigged 5 303's, and the 2 2.3s as we were expecting both Judith and Alan to go for a sail on such a lovely morning.

Our crew of Sailing Coordinator: Mal, Pontoon Manager, John, Power Boat Driver, Warwick, Observer, Ken, Radio Operator, Tony, Registrar, Helen, Sailors: Ivan, David W, Ben, Scott, Jim, Michael, Vince went for a 'getting the feel of things' sail, and then came back to pick up their participants. Wilma was in charge of Life-jackets, Lyn the Time Keeper, extra help on the pontoon; Nikki, Maleea and Nola were always in the right place when needed.

Our eager participants arrived quite early, and the day just swung along smoothly:

Bec from Mona Vale with Margaret.
Kerrie, Meaghan and Anna from Washington with helper Russell,
Karl and Jan from Sargood with Angie,
Dionis, Mark, Elinor from Rap'n'Rave
Judy from Wandella with Haley
Fiona with Hannah
Vanessa with Evo
Judith in Alan Wood
Alan in Clea.

All had an extremely calming sail a most important part of their week.

We had been holding a raffle for a few weeks, raising money to buy a new barbecue as our old one is rusting rapidly.

Thanks to the ultimate in selling teams, which involved around 20 ticket sellers each in their own community, we raised over \$750.00 with prizes generously donated by the 16ft Skiff Club:

- 2 people won \$20.00 prizes to be spent at the Skiff Club.... Corey and Nate
- 2 people won \$45.00 vouchers to be spent at the Skiff Club....Mal and Marianne
- 1 person won a \$70.00 voucher: Jackie
- And one over the top lucky person won \$150 dollars to be spent at the Skiff Club: Tony Rowse, one of



David and Fiona in Alex



Scott and Kerrie in Vin



Michael and Elinor in Eli D

our Wednesday helpers. What a successful enterprise.

Thank you so much to our sponsors:

• David Webb \$1000 for radio and extra bits and pieces
• Betty and Peter Baines \$1000 for membership subsidies and Volunteer Recognition Evening
• Patron: Michael Regan, Mayor of Northern Beaches Council
• Hansa Sailing Systems \$5000 for seven new sail suits for Invictus Games, and then donated to Manly Sailability
• Premier Automotive, Jeff Smit, Boat trailer inspection for registration.
• Manly Yacht Club
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• Alice Cleary's Running Team, Membership for BIRDS and Royal Far West.
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