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COMMODORE'S NOTES

As we head into the festive season, it is hard to believe that I have been Commodore for nearly 6 months, the time having raced by! It is a huge learning curve for anyone taking on a role as complex and diverse as this one, trying to be on top of as many aspects of the club operations as possible and lead where I can.

Fortunately, I have a fantastic team of people around me who similarly volunteer their time and have embraced their tasks with enthusiasm as I delegate as much as I can (I handball more than Greg Williams in his prime!). Collectively the Management Committee is like the duck swimming on the pond, all calm on top of the water but a flurry of activity below where people cannot see, a myriad of jobs undertaken and completed without anyone outside ever noticing!

While we have disappointingly lost a few days sailing due to the weather failing to cooperate, there has also been some great breezes as well; the

first club heat a highlight for me along with the successful integration of all the senior classes with the juniors on the Tri-Series weekend. While there were definitely lessons to be learnt, the spectacle on the water with the huge number of boats was very visible to the public while the atmosphere around the club was awesome and very attractive to the general community. I am fortunate that I have a committee around me who shares the same vision as me of inclusion, where one group is not favoured over another and our overall goal is to have people out sailing on the water and supporting their club after, all contributing in their own way.

The effectiveness with which we hold and organize such large junior events should be much more streamlined in the future, with the recent structured formation of our Youth Committee. Under the control of Chairman Nicole Higgins, it is great to see new faces and people come to the fore and volunteer to be part of



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her committee. This is essential to the ongoing success of our junior programs and events, as those who are currently coaching and training look to return to sailing themselves as their kids become older and more independent. These new junior volunteers, while inexperienced, bring new enthusiasm and energy to our club and it is great to have them be part of our culture. Thanks guys!

The social side of sailing is hugely important to the viability of our club and we luckily have received a welcome shot in the arm recently.

Chris Davis, Julie Pike, Laura Baker and Jayne Pyke have all agreed to be on or assist our House Committee with the task of promoting the social activities and other aspects of our club, all under the "control" of RC Tony Gold. Goldy has insisted that I remain on his committee also, I am assuming for gender balance?!

This Xmas period will see our club host the Impulse class Nationals with much work already having been undertaken to ensure their success.

Lisa Brock has shouldered a lot of this work with assistance from Bruce Noble, liaising frequently with the Impulse reps to cover all aspects of their titles. Ian Howard-Jones has stepped up to the plate and taken on the PRO role with gusto and enthusiasm and we are very grateful. There is also a team of volunteers that have put their name down to assist with the running of the event, ranging from start and rescue boat personnel to bridge and regatta office volunteers - thank you to you all!

There are many of our members, both junior and senior, heading off to venues and Nationals all around the country to represent our club sailing. To them and our entire club membership and fantastic staff, I wish you a happy and safe Xmas and New Year on the roads and various festivities, and similarly wish you all the best of luck on the water.

Merry Christmas everyone!

Cheers Rob.



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VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

November was another packed month, the 420 and 505 State Heats at the end of November and the City of Holdfast day – a perfect sailing day the week before.

The mixed weather continues and causing an abandonment of Club Heat 2 – this heat was re-sailed for the juniors on 2nd December, we had 5 Opti's and 2 Cadets ready to take on the 20 knots of breeze, the Opti's had been out all morning, some of the Green Fleet were out in the Pacers hiking out and surfing down the waves.

I was lucky enough to be on the Junior start boat to send off the Open fleet boats and the Cadets, it was challenging for them and Alexi was the winner over the line, but the smiles on their faces and the whooping of excitement as they crossed the finish line brought a smile to all of us out in the RIBS – Hopefully this will give them some good confidence for their Nationals.

The Impulses are next on the agenda looking like 35 boats (a few less than initially predicted)

The roster is in the Log Book, so thank you to everyone who has put their name down, it is really appreciated, we will be hoping for beautiful weather for this event.

See photo here showing 2 of our 6 Pacer boats, Brett uses these 5 nights per week, they have bright yellow or

red jibs and are very popular. You will notice that they still have their previous owner on their hulls MSTs – these boats are now owned by BYSC and if, as a sponsor you would like your name on the hull instead – you can for \$200 for Term 1 & Term 4 – this year you can have a bonus term ie T1 (2018) T4, T1 2019.



New Bridge Officer

Macca has finished his trial on the bridge - I'm now looking for a new person in the bridge

If you would like to spend some time up there with Noelene and Lindy and our Trio of scorers; Don, Christine and Annabel - please come and see me!

All the junior boats will be packed up shortly into containers to head off to various parts of Australia to compete in their Nationals events.

The Sharpies and 505's will host a Junior Flea's Race on the 16th December – to keep them on the water. This will start at 10:30am – If you would like to participate either as a boat for the juniors or a junior

who would love to try a Senior boat to see what your future could look like please email the office to let us know.

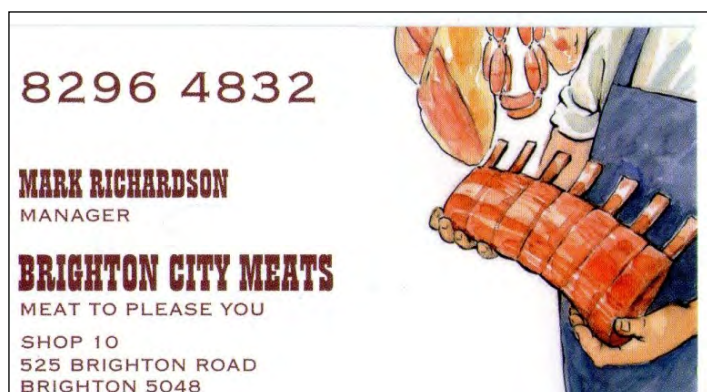
Good Luck to anyone who is competing in Nationals Events – we will be checking out the results to see how you are going.

See you next time!

Lisa

Oops forgot one piece of news that may have been missed had I not heard about it. Our sailing Professional ran out of petrol on one of the RIBS – at a crucial point during the morning session.

Now that is professional!!!!



RETIRING COMMODORE'S NOTES

It is nearly six months ago that I handed the over the position of Club Commodore to my successor, Rob Turton. With 3 years as Vice Commodore and 3 as Commodore, one's life rotated about the timelines of Club reports, meetings, representations and decisions to be made; usually not simple. I still feel guilty when I watch TV or apologise

for a meeting attendance, feeling that I should be ever available to do club duties.

To Rob, Lisa Brock, Tony Gold and Bradley Barnes, I admire your acceptance of pivotal Club roles especially as you have heavy work and young family commitments.

It is a long observation of mine that to be strong for others you must maintain your own vocational, personal and family stability.

The obvious growth of our Club in every facet is clear to see and great to be part of but in doing so we are creating an ever more complex administrative and governance demand upon Officer Bearers. More staff, equipment, infrastructure and compliance / accountability to Government. The financial expansion exposes the Club to increased risk. The burdens on volunteer Member Office Bearers and their skill sets, to manage this business, are great and may take them to 'the limit'. Some of the programs purchased to assist in monitoring and management have had limited integration with our needs. Gradually membership and records are being brought into line but good broad information is vital to the effective understanding of our expanding business.

Our Treasurer, Bradley, Commodore Rob, Rear Commodore Tony and senior Club member and advisor Martin Pike, comprise a Commercial

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and Finance Committee which monitors financial and staffing aspects of the Club. It then makes observations and recommendations to the Management Committee. This is no simple task in a competitive venue hire environment and with our emerging role of the Club's Sailing School under Brett Yardley's energetic leadership

Very significant Infrastructure has been acquired and now repair/maintenance is the consequence.

Infrastructure for race sailing, sport promotion, training and on water safety involves:

7 power boats, with radios (some frequently damaged), GPS's, outboard motors, trailers, registrations, safety gear, marks, tackle and flags. Regular fuel replenishment (diesel and petrol)

3 very aged tractors.

Approx. 25 Club sailing craft (Tackers to 420s etc.) for schools, junior and adult instruction and training. Some of these boats are on loan and others were gifted to the Club.

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and skilling. Licencing of personnel where appropriate. There is then general insurance that must cover all aspects of equipment and potential risk liability (over \$20k. a year)

Every item purchased (inc. Computers and programs) involves ongoing licensing, maintenance, repair and eventual replacement.

Volunteer Members' (many not active sailors) incredibly carry out tens of thousands of dollars of work in property maintenance and development in any year. Repairs to equipment, where practical is carried out by this group. Some structural repairs are beyond their scope and require very specific skills that involve outside labour costs.

The trick is to undertake all these items that make our Club work and be attractive to sailors and venue hirers within the funds that are available. Whilst Members Subs are important they do not go anywhere near matching these expenses.

A problem that will confront all voluntary organisations including our Club will be the imminent gradual fall away in numbers of volunteers as the 'Boomers' age. (That's me! Oh dear!)

As this is happening, our sport sailing and our Club must respond to the way that the community works and physical limitations of our location. Parking at the weekend in summer is at a premium, the beach is more and more crowded with diverse

expectations from visitors. We have lots of competition for 'our patch'. Our sports field is public property.

In every field we must be innovative but keep our feet on the ground and eyes on our finances.

The Club is in good hands and with Member support and understanding, will survive.

Members must be mindful that it is their Club. It is not a resort where you expect, receive and as a consequence, pay for individual service.

Members are the Club. The true Club spirit is best displayed on rough days when sailing and rescue boats come ashore in surf. Almost without exception members assist each other and keep fellow sailors safe in these frantic events. To me that is what Clubs are about.

Bruce Noble
Retiring Commodore

SABRE DINGHY NEWS

Around The Club

With Xmas rapidly approaching thoughts naturally turn to the national championships however this year with the Sabre Nationals being in Western Australia only three Brighton Sabres are making the long trip east. The Baker girls, Laura and Fiona, along with Dean Francis are packing their boats in the Fireball container to go over and compete at

the Perth Sailing Club. We all hope they all have safe trip over, and back, and have a successful and enjoyable regatta.

State Heats:

The first four heats of the 2017-18 Sabre State Championships were sailed at Wallaroo on the State Heat weekend of the 25-26th November. There were 18 starters for the four races sailed, with ASC's Mark Soulsby showing the way with four straight wins. Six Sabres represented the B&SYC: Laura Baker (11,8,12,12), Rob Gale (9,11,9,11), Fiona Wilcox (18,16,16,15), Graeme McLeay (7,5,7,8), Dean Francis (13,10,13,13), and Peter Leader (5,4,5,7).

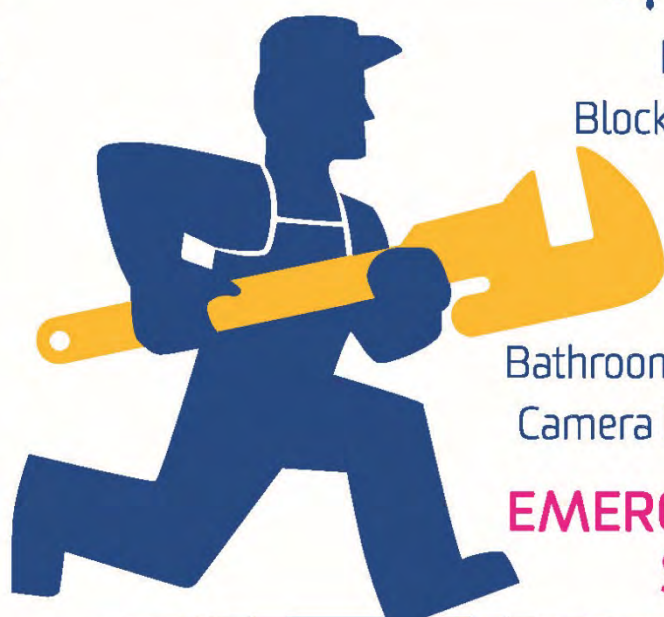
Club Racing:

City of Holdfast 19/11: The BOM forecasted a 10-15 SW seabreeze and it turned out to be a top sailing day for the afternoon's racing. 15 Sabres started in Div. 3 of the City of Holdfast fixture and at the start Dean Francis in Tiger was quick out of the blocks to lead at the first mark ahead of Buttons in second, however at the first leeward mark John Gratton in Hoodoo had gained the race lead. There was some good close racing throughout the fleet in the almost perfect conditions, excepting for the annoying seaweed factor that is! Hoodoo won in a close one from Buttons with Tiger third. Peter Verhagen in Bluebird sailed possibly his best race in Sabres so far, to get a



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deserved 4th over the line, just 39 secs behind the race winner. Bill Tucker's eighth place was good enough to secure him a valuable Consistency points win.

Consistency placings:

1. Thumbs Up
2. Hoodoo
3. Still Miss B Haven

Fastest: Hoodoo

Holdfast Div. 3:

1. Hoodoo
2. Buttons
3. Tiger

Trophy Race (N/C) 25/12: With just about half the Brighton Sabre fleet away at Wallaroo for the State Heat weekend, it was a small, but quality fleet of seven boats for the Sabres and the racing was closely contested in the prevailing 10-15 knot SW seabreeze. The course was somewhat different from the usual: loop/triangle/loop/loop with a downwind finish. Starting with the high-pointing Contenders, Impulses and others in the Dinghy Fleet was interesting for the Sabres and it probably paid to start right at the Committee Boat end and then immediately tack away on to port tack for clear wind. Bill Tucker in Thumbs Up did just that and he sailed a really good first beat to lead handily at the first mark rounding, and he kept the lead for well into the race until Hoodoo and John Rumpff in Five Stars started to put the pressure on, with Hoodoo eventually

ending up winning, Five Stars second and BT third. Don Wilson in Wave Rider sailed a top race to secure the N/C Handicap win.

Trophy Race 02/12: No racing, too windy.

Club Heat Race 2 09/12: A light 5-10 knot SW seabreeze was the wind forecast for the club heat resail - the tide was only going to turn at around 2.20pm so it was always going to be light breezes only throughout the afternoon. A good fleet of 15 Sabres faced the start and it was Hoodoo who got away well to have a handy lead at the first mark and then go on to lead around every mark to win comfortably by 2m 47s from Rob Gale in Piccolo. Floating seaweed on the course was again a major factor during the race, and probably the worst seen at Brighton for some time - if you didn't clear your foils every few minutes you were always going to lose ground, big time. Fiona Wilcox in Irish Mist sailed a good race to pip Five Stars by a close 10 seconds while Graeme McLeay in Felix was fifth ahead of Matthew Loftes in Get Real.

Club Heat Race 2:

1. Hoodoo
2. Piccolo
3. Irish Mist
4. Five Stars
5. Felix

Consistency Placings:

1. Hoodoo

2. Irish Mist
Piccolo
Get Real
Five Stars
Fastest: Hoodoo
Bye for now,
HOODOO

SHARPIE NEWS

B1..... Where for art thou? That was what I was pleading aloud last month before his shock return! You just can't get good help these days! The B-Team Writing Services has become so highly sought after that B1 is frequently off gallivanting around Australia neglecting his logbook responsibilities in the process- bad banana! He was last spotted in Fairfax media I believe.....

Anyway, all is not lost. While our recent absence has obviously been noted it is time for our return to B&SYC pages! Much has happened since we last graced the logbook, not least of all the climb to the top of the Club Management mountain by our new Commodore, Rob Turton. This completes the Sharpie master plan for social domination as they fill the majority of positions on our glorious committee- Commodore, VC (Lisa sheeted for a while!), RC (pronounced arsey- Goldy), all the committee positions (Jock, Thinny, Wit, Toddy, Turts and Jimbo) except for Bruce (Ret. Com.), Bradley ("The Numbercruncher") and Phil Scapens

(who we all know wants to sail sharpies again but Wooly won't let him!). Go the great sailing kangaroos!

Onto the sailing..... and since I wasn't confident of B1's return last month this was something I prepared earlier!

Opening Day: All sailed well but there were some standout performances. Moe's sailed near flawlessly to win from start to finish, but it was the gybing efforts of the Bear and the Angry Albino Cappybarras that had the official flagship in stitches. As Tony came into the wing mark, brother Rob was heard to remark that he was coming in pretty hot and unbalanced.... just before ponding it! Seeing how effortlessly it could be done, Toddy went with "anything you can do, I can do better", and similarly laid it over around the outside of the Bear. Outstanding stuff for our official guests, thanks boys!

The first real race on the 14th Oct, and Focus started off where they left from last year with a strong start to finish result in a nice 12 kt WSW breeze. They did show they were human though, having a little swim after Chis decided to try out a re-cleat..... not so fast! Second was the Bear after a good fight with Moe's, AAC's 3rd. The Thong (Tegan and Tim Asser) continued their improvement from last year to win the glasses.

21st Oct and the first Club Heat is met with a solid 18- 23 kt Sou' wester (just under your limit sabres??!!). Eight boats hit the water but only seven made the start, one "mysteriously" heading off to Port Vincent about 2 miles out. Needless to say that it wasn't a popular manoeuvre by Jimmy with our Bridge and Rescue boat crews! Given Kirky's amount of training beforehand, UTR decided their best course of action was to start down the bottom of the line and hit the corner, minimising tacks. It was a good plan as they managed to blast up the first beat. Just to windward of them, Moe's, Focus and AAC's were having a close battle before Mal's jib suddenly started to come down, Thinny swearing that they deliberately dropped it to avoid them being sailed over the top of by the rampant Moe's! It made no difference to Kirky as he, the Boss, and the Rear Boss went on to claim first and fastest, Moe's 2nd and a very, very, very wet Cappybarra 3rd (they do swim!).

After our first abandonment for the season, the sharpies were front and present for the Fred Neil memorial race and Sharpie state heats (3-5 Nov), in conjunction with the Tri-series. The Friday twilight race was the best FN race for some time, sailed in a classic Brighton Sou' easter and 11 starters. Using the reef marker as the leeward mark made for some interesting roundings

during the quick 4 lap race and at the end there was only about 15 secs separating the top 4- Sideshow Bob (Luke Stephens) 1st, UTR (Dave Higgins) 2nd, The Bear 3rd and Focus 4th.

The Saturday was greeted with another cracking SE breeze, another 11 boat fleet turning out. After an initial tight tussle over the first lap, Mal and co. went left while Dave in UTR went right. The dolphins, as Kretschy would say, converged on the left and that was the last the fleet saw of Focus as they sailed away to a 2 min victory, UTR recovering for 2nd, Warpig (Geoff "Sam""Highlander" McCloud) 3rd, UTR again winning the glasses. The Focus boys also backed up on the Sunday to win both state heats, some other boats sailed as well, blah, blah, blah

The highlight however was the interaction between the sharpie fleet and the junior fleets competing in the Tri-series. The club did a fantastic job catering for everyone and the juniors could get a feel for the premier senior sailing class both on and off the water. It was a wonderful atmosphere around the club, the majority of concerns some had raised failing to materialise, and reminded many of us of what it used to be like at our club 30 years ago. Bloody excellent!

Back to present day and with only 2 races conducted locally due to the

weather being unco operable it makes my task easier! 18th Nov had a nice 15kt SW breeze, Kirky and Mal going for late crew changes, Alex Hill up front on UTR, Focus opting for debutante Jeff Penter on sheets. Mal looked to have pulled off a recruiting coup until they went prawn trawling at the bottom mark first time (we all know it was Chis' fault, sheet over the bow!), allowing UTR and Moes through. Kirky and Thinny then went head to head for the remainder of the race, Thinny quicker uphill before Kirky would run him back down. UTR then overestimated the weight of Big Al as they struggled on a very tight reach allowing Moes back in, meaning it came down to the last buoy rounding. Thinny decided that it was quicker to put the bow and Wit through the mark rather than around it resulting in a 360 which ultimately wasn't that fast! UTR sailed on to victory, Moes holding out a fast finishing Focus (fisherman's basket and all), Jimmy claiming the glasses. We won't mention that Sandy and Marshy beat us all home in the City of Holdfast Bay.....

9/12- A 7 boat fleet started the 3rd Club Heat, UTR missing due to Paul McCartney and lack of forward hands! Given the light 5-8 kt breeze it was their loss as many crews utilised light replacements for the day, Mal benefitting most with son Angus and Finn Sanderson onboard.

They dominated for a clear win ahead of Moes and AAC's, Tegan in the Thong showing their continued improvement to get the glasses.

State heats were held in November and December at both Adelaide and Largs, with mixed results for all Brighton crews at both venues. Mal had a 2nd and a 5th at HBISC after gaining yet more points in the prestigious Underwater Observatory trophy, Tony in UTR snapping a main halyard in heat 1, and Khaleesi wearing out Tim Haselgrove in the first race also.... At Largs, UTR (Tony, Rob and Alex) had a better day as the breeze turned up more than expected with a 2nd and 3rd, while the forecast and Weigs birthday may have caught Mal out as he struggled a bit with Angus up front, two 6^{ths}. Sam McCloud continued his good form to lead the series.

Good luck to Toddy, Doug and Webby as they head to Yeppoon for the Nationals. To them, and all Brighton members travelling around Australia and at home, safe travelling on the roads and Merry Xmas!!

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YOUTH NEWS

Saturday the 9th December saw Santa visit the Juniors at BSYC. After parking his sleigh at the Airport for safety reasons, Santa hitched a ride on the club rib and meet our Junior fleet at the black pole. A flotilla of opti's, 420's and cadet escorted Santa to the beach where he handed our Elf made BSYC caps. Lucky those Elves made nearly 100 caps as they were popular amongst our growing Junior Fleet. Julie and team put on a burger lunch, enjoyed by all club members. After lunch it was time for club heat 3 and the Craig Baker Memorial race.

Results of Craig Baker Memorial Race:

1st Opti Open: Harry Higgins

1st Opti Green: Shalin Bigwood

1st Cadet: Issy Chisolm/Charlotte Dallisson

Post racing the Baker Family (Ann & Laura) presented cheques to the



travelling sailors who are representing the club at National o Wold Championships at Xmas. Good luck to those of you going away and safe travels.

Thank you to all our parent volunteers who are helping put kids on the water or generally around the club. As our numbers increase there is more pressure on this volunteer base. If you would like to help out please see Nicole Russell-Higgins o Brett Yardley. Training in Tractor, radio operations and/or rib driving is been organised and is lots of fun!

Merry Xmas Everyone, keep an eye on emails to inform you of training and racing over the next month.

Nicole Russell-Higgins
Junior Committee Chair





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9 Dec	NS14	Tom Vercoe	
16 Dec	Sharpies	Jim Lelliott	
23 Dec	505 PMSC Contender	Martin Pike John Whitrow Ian Kirkwood	
30 Dec	NO SAILING		
6 Jan	NO SAILING		
13 Jan	Opti	Nicole Russell-Higgins	
20 Jan	TYF	Tony Colliver	
27 Jan	Sabres	Ron Rickards	

STANDARD TASKS

<i>During the Sailing Season</i>	<i>At all times</i>
1) Staff canteen from 10am till 12pm	1) Remove sand from driveways
2) Collect glasses after sailing	2) Other tasks as assigned by officers
3) Run meat raffle after sailing	3) Empty rubbish bins around Club into wheelie bins
4) Cook Sausages	

THE DUE DATE FOR LOG BOOK ARTICLES IS THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH



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