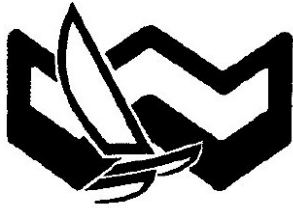


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1.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2.0 NEWS

2.1 Windrush Factory

Windrush Yachts (93141317)

3.0 COMING EVENTS

3.1 Windrush State Titles

States is being held at the Princess Royal Sailing Club, Albany, from 30/12/2014 to 2/01/2015. Camping will be available at the Albany Rifle Club from 29/12/2014 to 5/01/2015. Camping is \$25.00 per powered site or \$15.00 per unpowered site per night.

To secure your camping a booking fee is required. A deposit of \$30.00 per camp site can be made into the Windrush bank account or cheques can be posted. Please ensure all of your information is given with each deposit to ensure you secure a site. If you choose to direct deposit your booking fee please accompany it with an email to me confirming this. If you post a cheque, include your details in or on the envelope.

Booking fees must be paid by 01/07/2014!

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4.0 CLUB REPORTS

4.1 Port Denison

Hello to all Windy sailors and support crew. As with all clubs we have come to the end of our season, and had our wind up. A great time has been had by all, even the stragglers (Dawson Clan). With all of us there enjoying the odd bevie and great food, with plenty of sledging along the way, (so unlike the PDYC crew), of chances missed when racing throughout the season and embarrassing moments were regaled through the evening, and congratulations to all the winners and the members for a great season.

So with this season over and done with one would think it was time to tuck the boats away and enjoy the break and possibly do some maintenance on the gear and boats, 'Ahhh' I hear you say (or is that just the Support Crew sighing with relief). Well this was not to be the case as the Carnarvon Regatta was not that far off.

For those who have not been to this Regatta you need to mark it on your calendar and come and enjoy the fantastic crew from the CYC. They go out of their way to put on a great event which they have done throughout 4 years of sailing, that I have been lucky enough to be there for. They are there to welcome you and help you with anything you need (thanks Benny for the help with my annex which I will put on before I raise the camper next time.) There was about 14 boats and with light winds it was very trying at times unless you got a lift to surge pass others, only to watch them look on in jealousy (it must be said I did that a great deal, the jealousy part I mean.) That said there was a lot of tight racing over the weekend with a few love taps between boats (I can see a Cat Splat skipper saying love tap my ass, hehe, sorry again mate.) And there would be a few who think CYC have markers with minds of their own which seem to seek out victims to force penalties. Ah the joy of close racing, variable winds and channel markers that seem to conspire with the marker buoys and hunt for victims (OMG HAVE TO PUT MY HAND UP FOR THAT ASWELL).

As always after the racing of each day we all got to sit and enjoy a good natter with each other over nibbles and drinks and have a laugh. There were six of us who made the trek up from PDYC, a couple of boats from Exmouth which I and the rest of us up there take off our caps to these 2 boats as they were skippered by two twelve year olds (Super Sloop) and they did a fantastic job and was a great thing to see, as well as finally the longest travelling couple, Rob and Vicky.

However I found the highlight of the weekend to be Monday morning while packing up to see a bewildered Cat Splat skipper looking around to see where his mast was. As it had been laying down off the beam and on the ground in-front of his boat the previous night, left waiting and ready

to trip all the campers over on their way to and from the clubhouse. Ah the call of that first XXXX must of made him forget to pack it away. Luckily for us there were a few OHS people noticed it and put in a safe place out of the way, and not sharing the information with said skipper. He was getting dizzy going around in circles looking for it, which us campers watched with a giggle and a smile.

So to finish of all of us from PDYC say thank you to CYC for yet another great weekend. To everyone else PDYC is looking to do a opening regatta on Queens Birthday long weekend so we will email all clubs ASAP once we get more details.

4.2 Safety Bay Yacht Club

4.3 Augusta Yacht Club

Easter Regatta 2014

The Augusta Yacht Club held an Easter Regatta for the first time this year and invited the Windrushes from Safety Bay to join in. The invitations were limited this year to see how the event would turn-out.

Three boys came down (Rob T, Ron E and Martyn) and Justin Bellanger came over from Denmark to join his local brother-in-law Mark Heyink. Add to this the other locals (Mal Buzza, Eion Lindsay, Brent Ettridge and Keith Leech) and we had a fleet of 9 Windrushes and a local Hawke cat.

We all sailed in the “Blackwood Sloop” class except Ron who didn’t have his Jib with him. The first race on Saturday started in 1 knot of wind and then became a drifter (typical Easter weather). Despite this the finish was so close officials could not separate Mal and Rob in a dead heat for first with Justin third.

The next 3 races were sailed in better conditions of 5 to 10 knots with Rob, Mal and Justin each claiming a win.

Saturday night we were treated to a delicious BBQ with meat supplied by local butcher and fellow sailor “Baz”.

Sunday dawned and we were treated to a serious downpour of 12mm of rain and a promising breeze. However by start time the rain had stopped and the breeze as well. Once again we started in 1 knot of breeze which gradually died but somehow Justin opened up a race winning lead followed by Rob and the rest of the fleet bunched up but well back.

Then something strange happened. Rob stopped dead 200m from the finish and the whole fleet sailed past. “Poor Rob” we all said – where’s that Pink Elephant when you need it?

The last race was cancelled as the river had completely glassed-off. Despite the light winds the event was a great success and the club intends to hold a regatta again next Easter and invite more

boats including any interested Windrushes. So mark Augusta Yacht Club Easter Regatta on your 2015 Sailing Calendar.

Results

Championship

equal first: Justin and Mal

Third: Rob.

Handicap

first: Martyn

second: Mark

third: Keith.

Buzzbox.

4.4 Shelly Sailing Club

5.0 HEARD IT ON THE WATER

6.0 WINDRUSH ON THE WEB

6.1 Windrush online forum

There is a web forum site which is good and all about cats. It's mainly used by over east guys but us WA guy should get on there and start using it: <http://catsailor.net/forums/forum.php>

It's got a Windrush page now as well, maybe you could put it in a web site section

6.2 Windrush Association Website

Check out our association website: www.windrushassociation.com

If you want to add something or perhaps give Robin, (our website administrator) a hand with it get in touch with him.

ROBIN HOLMES

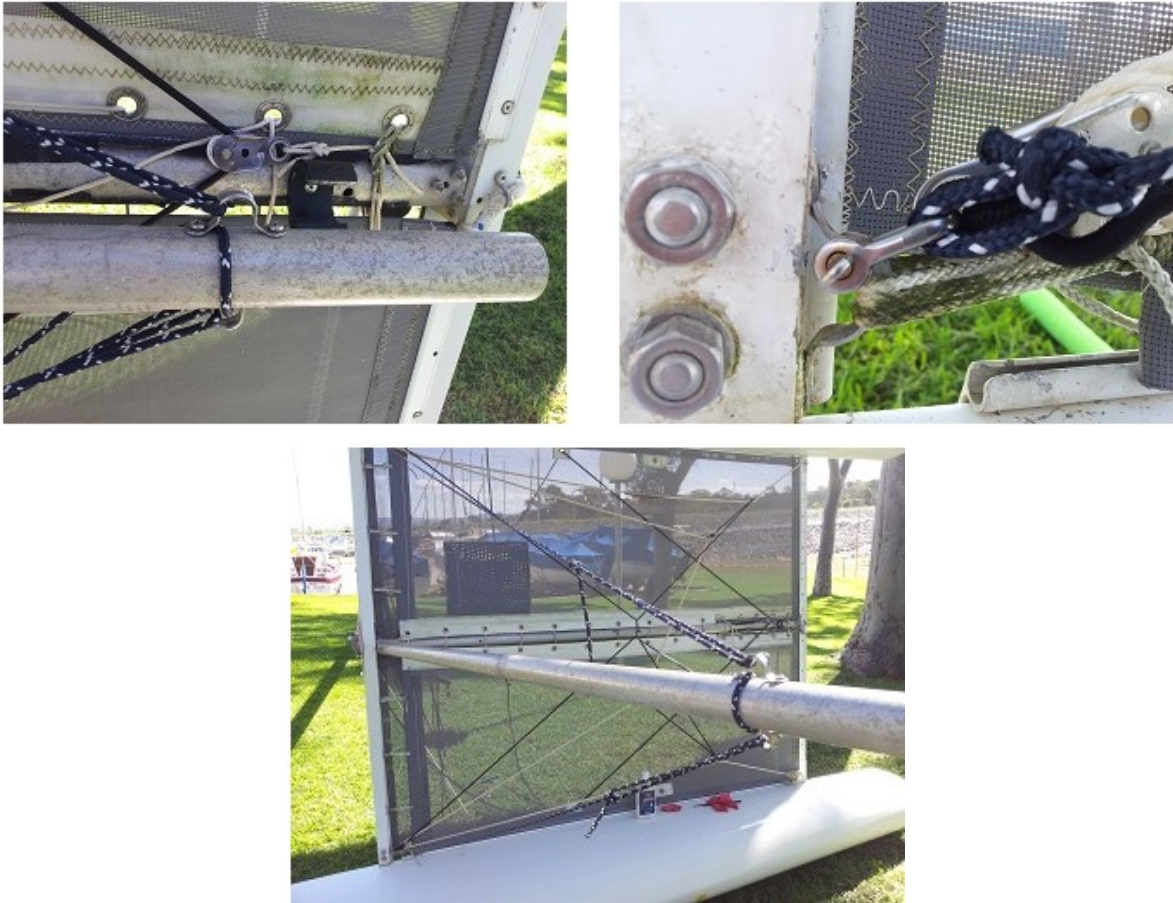
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6.3 Righting pole

Hi guys,

This is a righting pole a guy made for his catamaran. It's a great idea and looks easy to make. This may help those that find it hard to get there boat up in a blow. The photos are on the second and third pages. There is smaller shots of another one someone else made using rope stays for the pole instead of s/s wire. This set up would work well on any catamaran and is simple to make at home. <http://www.catsailor.net/index.php?/topic/5923-cat-righting/>



Regards, Quin

7.0 BUY AND SELL