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1.0 FROM THE EDITOR

Thanks for all the input for this edition of Wavelengths, especially from our country clubs....well done.

We've had a number of Regatta's take place and no doubt club windups are happening or not far off, so looking for the stories, bragging rights and tall tales to flow in for the newsletter sometime July/August.

Pete Robinson

'Rumour Has It'

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2.0 WINDRUSH FACTORY

2.1 Team Edge Competes in the World Match Racing Tournament (WMRT)

Perth based 'Team Edge' consisting of Windrush sailors Brett Burvill, Ryan Duffield recently competed in the WMRT series that came to Fremantle in Feb/March 2016. After narrowly missing out on qualifying in the top 4 at South of Perth Yacht Club, the team were given a last minute wildcard to compete. Unfortunately with such tough completion they were knocked out in the first round.

The muscle on the Mainsheet was Gavin Parker, owner of Sun Industries, a Perth design and printing company, and a very experienced cat sailor. Gavin has spent over 15yrs sailing catamarans and while spending much of that time on Hobie Cats he has been concentrating on F18s in recent years and started this WA season with a bang on his brand new Windrush Edge F18 - designed and built by Burvill at Windrush Yachts.

Ryan Duffield is Burvill's long term crew for whatever catamaran he's sailing - be it the former Olympic class, the Tornado, or F18s, and the established relationship between the two men on a boat is clear to see. He has multiple State National and World Championship Campaigns under his belt and Burvill and Duffield have recently returned from Sydney where they took out the 2016 Australian F18 Championship on their Windrush Edge. Duffield is an electrician and runs Velocity West Electrical.

Another crew member whose boss has been kind enough to give him time off is the 'boat tart' of the crew, Max Puttman. Max will sail anything anywhere, and this talented sailmaker and owner of Next Gen Sails really knows how to make a sail work out on the water. Despite only being in his early 20's Puttman already has a long list of achievements in 'half boats' - having grown up sailing monohulls - Cherubs, Javelins and Moths and has changed over to catamarans, and F18s, in the past few years.

The WA catamaran community supported Brett with a crowd fund by his fellow Perth cat sailors. 14 'sponsors' put in at least \$500 each to get these guys on the world stage in their own backyard - a great show of support and mateship from his fellow sailors. Well done to Brett, Ryan and the 'Edge Racing Team' and all who supported them and the WMRT event. Let's hope it's the beginning of more things to come for the racing team.

Windrush yachts will next compete internationally in Germany in June 2016.



Go Edge Racing Team.

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2.2 Skipper Profile



Brett's early years were dominated by motorsport with my father and brother both Kart racing champions. First sailed recreationally with family and friends around age 5 in the Swan river.

Living in Geraldton aged 8 the family moved from motorsport to sailing due mainly to the costs of travel to events. Brett began sailing a Flying Fish (small lanteen rigged monohull) to learn his sailing skills in the ocean off Geraldton whilst either his older brother or sister raced with their father on a Sloop rigged Windrush 14 Catamaran.

Brett began to sail first crewing for his father and then later on his own Windrush 12 and 14 catamarans, developing a passion and talent for multihulls that still burns almost 40 years on.

Winner of many national titles in several classes Brett also developed the first fleet racing hydrofoil moth in 1999/2000 that now hangs in the Fremantle maritime museum.

Sailing History

Has spent almost 40 years racing various sailboats, along the way there has been much success. Began sailing at the age of 5 with family friends on a small dinghy during a summer holiday. First tasted Multihull sailing aged 7 with an Uncle on a Windrush 12 foot catamaran, first racing at the age of 9 the on Windrush 14 catamaran as crew for either Father or Brother and also honed balance skills on a single handed dinghy know as a Flying Fish.

At the age of 12 went to a 5 day performance sailing camp for juniors and showed potential, forward 4 years and was awarded the medal for Best Junior in Western Australia by Yachting Western Australia having already won open state titles in 14 foot catamarans.

Over the following years graduated high school with an interest in Aeronautics (to improve knowledge of air flow and wing design so it could be adapted to sailing knowledge)

Became a boat builder and continued to sail with success.

1999 Developed the Hydrofoil moth concept to race winning performances at the 2000 world titles, boat subsequently placed in the Western Australian maritime museum along with Australia 2. 2001 Developed the radical Hydrofoil sailing catamaran "Spitfire" a 12m long, twin unstayed mast, flying catamaran capable of high speeds around 40knots and more.

Awarded the Yachting WA "Male sailor of the year" award in 2011.

In all 16 Australian championships have been secured and many, many state championships have been won over 8 different classes showing a diverse range of skills. Classes in which success has

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been gained include, Windrush 12, Windrush 14 Cat rigged, Windrush 14 Slop rigged, Windrush 14 Super sloop, International Moth, Trailable Multihull class, Formula 18, Tornado.

Since joining the Tornado class catamaran fleet in the lead up to the China Olympics 2008, 5 consecutive Australian Tornado championships have been won and finishing places in the past 6 World Tornado titles of 4, 3, 5, 3, 2 & 4.

More recently some sailing on large Monohulls has produced a race record for the 1500 mile Fremantle to Bali yacht race as part of the crew of the Super Sled team.

2016 saw the largest ever F18 Australian title won by Brett on a boat of his own design and construction – The Windrush F18 Edge.

In 2016 Brett also formed 'Edge Racing Team' to Compete in the Fremantle round of the WMRT on the new M32 Catamarans. On a lease/hire agreement, each boat is worth close to \$300,000 and weigh in at about 500kg each, which is an impressive weight ratio of boat this size.

2.3 Results

POS	SKIPPER	TEAM	PRIZE MONEY
1	Ian Williams	GAC Pindar	\$33,000
2	Hans Wallén	Wallén Racing	\$23,000
3	Yann Guichard	Spindrift Racing	\$18,000
4	Nicolai Sehested	TREFOR Match Racing Team	\$18,000
5	Matt Jerwood	Redline Racing	\$12,000
6	Murray Jones	Full Bants Racing	\$12,000
7	Taylor Canfield	US One	\$12,000
8	Mattias Rahm	Rahm Racing	\$12,000
9	Phil Robertson	WAKA Racing	\$5,000
10	Evan Walker	KA Match / CYCA	\$5,000
11	Steven Thomas	Royal Perth Yacht Club	\$5,000
12	Keith Swinton	Black Swan Racing	\$5,000
13	Eric Monnin	Albert Riele Swiss Match Race Team	n \$5,000
14	Sam Gilmour	Neptune Racing	\$5,000
15	Chris Steele	36 Below Racing	\$5,000
16	Nicklas Dackhammar	Dackhammar Racing	\$5,000
17	Sally Barkow	Team Magenta 32	\$5,000
18	Brett Burvill	Edge Racing Team NYC/JBSC	\$5,000
19	Joachim Aschenbrenner	Royal Danish Yacht Club	\$5,000
20	Mark Whittington	South of Perth Yacht Club	\$5,000

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3.0 LANCELIN, A CLUB IN THE MAKING?

3.1 Quin Plozza

I got contacted by Shane Grosser from Lancelin a little while ago to help run a regatta there. Shane and a few mates would like to have an annual Lancelin regatta each year and wanted to know if it was possible.

I called in on the way back up to Dongara and had a chat about what was required and checked out Lancelin. It would be a good spot being protected waters and only an hour north from Perth. There's camping and good amenities.

Port Denison YC could hold a regatta there but would need some support from you guys. It's a fair way from Dongara so maybe a support boat & help on the start finish boat; I asked them if they could supply a good size committee boat.

They were going to hold it on a long weekend if one was free next sailing season but are now looking at giving themselves a year to get a few boats on the water and get some local support.

They have a few old Windrush but are looking for more. They don't want to start off with race boats; they haven't formed a club yet. They are looking for old Windrush they can fix up a bit and practice sailing. I know there must be old boats around, so if you know off an old Windrush laying around contact Shane on the below email.

Help him build the start of a club, they just want some boats they can mess around on and build up interest and numbers. Once that happens PDYC could hold a regatta there. They may not be able sail in the regatta the first year unless they get memberships and insurance sorted, but with our support and all our boats there it would kick things off for them and they could then get all that sorted.

Contact Shane & Dana Grosser bigcrissy@hotmail.com mob 0403704464

3.2 Kim Lindsay

From a WA Multihull perspective I can probably help them out with some of the paperwork and process for getting the club going, and help them get hold of some funding sources. (Is everyone aware of the \$500 one from DSR right now for 'shared sporting equipment'?)

From a Jervoise Bay perspective we keep the trailer for our support RIB licenced, so when the time comes I would suggest a letter of request to the committee:)

Regards

Kim Lindsay
Flag Officer - Sail - Jervoise Bay Sailing Club
0412 453 314

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4.0 ALBANY/ DENMARK / WALPOLE

4.1 Labour Day Regatta

South Coast Sailing has been pretty patchy this year in both Denmark and Albany due to a variety of factors and as such not a lot of water time has been had.

We have also had a declining number of boats as a few of our long term sailors opt out of the Windrush to take up the leisurely pursuit of trailer sailors.

The Walpole Regatta on the Labour Day long weekend was a highlight though. We had a good fleet of Cats among the 99 boats competing in the mixed fleet regatta. Windrush 14's had our own start as we had 13 boats in our division. In previous years we have been bundled together in a Mixed Cat Division.

4.2 Labour Day Regatta

It was great to see boats from Augusta, Bunbury/Busselton, Safety Bay as well as Albany, Denmark and Walpole. The Walpole Yacht Club Put on a very well organised event and is a credit to this small country yacht club and community.

For those interested there were 5 Hobie 16's competing this year in the mixed cat class, and 2 x 12ft Windrush which sail in one of the dingy divisions (Jay Macfarlane doing well on his Green Machine!)

The Racing was all conducted with Handicaps based on a back counted yardstick performance. This is very much White man's magic except for a chosen few, so almost all the presentations on the Sunday night were for Handicap.

As we had our own starts this year we were able to apply the Windrush yardsticks to the results for the mixed fleet of Super Sloops, Cat Rigged and Sloops to give an overall Championship result.

Congratulations to Justin for the Overall win, closely followed by Cliff who had his new "older" Boat really fired up and was nearly unstoppable (watch out for him if he ventures north to sail).

Frank had decided to hang up the rudders after this regatta, and I am pretty sure his boat has found a new home in Augusta.

Regards Roger Thurecht
Albany 0407444029

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4.3 Results

2016 Division 8

Champion

						05/03/16	05/03/16	06/03/16	06/03/16	06/03/16
Pos'n	Boat No	Boat Name	Skipper/Crew	Total	Nett	1	2	1	2	3
1	6399	RAMSHACKLE	Justin Bellanger	10	6	3(3)	1(1)	1(1)	4	1(1)
2	6292	FRISKY	Cliff Rolfe	10	6	1(1)	2(2)	2(2)	1(1)	4
3	6398	CHARDONNAY	Roger Thurecht	15	11	2(2)	3(3)	4	3(3)	3(3)
4	6354	BUZZ BOX	Mal Buzza	19	14	5(5)	4(4)	3(3)	5	2(2)
5	6411	BUZZ OFF	Frank O Keeffe	28	21	4(4)	6(6)	5(5)	7	6(6)
6	6262	FEELING LUCKY	Michael Cameron	32	22	10(10)	5(5)	10	2(2)	5(5)
7	6353	YEEHA	Martyn Hewitt	33	25	6(6)	8	6(6)	6(6)	7(7)
8	6413	FLYING UNICORN	Mark Heyink	42	32	8(8)	9(9)	7(7)	10	8(8)
9	6347	SHECANTOO	STUART YOUNG	46	35	7(7)	10(10)	8(8)	11	10(10)
10	6191	FOOTLOOSE	Paul Todd	49	37	9(9)	7(7)	12(DNF)	9(9)	[12](DNC)
11	6125	MISCHIEF 2	Michael Thompson/Paul Thompson	49	37	12	11(11)	9(9)	8(8)	9(9)
12	6325	OCEANIC	Trent Anderson	58	45	11(11)	13	11(11)	12(12)	11(DNF)
13	2469	ONE FOR THE ROAD	Norm Tysoe	62	49	13(13)	12(12)	12(DNF)	[13](DNC)	12(DNC)

Handicap

						05/03/16	05/03/16	06/03/16	06/03/16	06/03/16
Pos'n	Boat No	Boat Name	Skipper/Crew	Total	Nett	1	2	1	2	3
1	6398	CHARDONNAY	Roger Thurecht	26	16	5(5)	5(5)	10	5(5)	1(1)
2	6353	YEEHA	Martyn Hewitt	28	19	6(6)	9	4(4)	3(3)	6(6)
3	6292	FRISKY	Cliff Rolfe	28	19	4(4)	4(4)	7(7)	4(4)	9
4	6413	FLYING UNICORN	Mark Heyink	30	20	8(8)	10	3(3)	7(7)	2(2)
5	6399	RAMSHACKLE	Justin Bellanger	34	22	11(11)	6(6)	1(1)	12	4(4)
6	6354	BUZZ BOX	Mal Buzza	31	22	9(9)	8(8)	2(2)	9	3(3)
7	6325	OCEANIC	Trent Anderson	36	23	1(1)	13	5(5)	6(6)	11(DNF)
8	6262	FEELING LUCKY	Michael Cameron	36	23	13	2(2)	11(11)	2(2)	8(8)
9	6125	MISCHIEF 2	Micheal Thompson/Paul Thompson	36	24	12(12)	12	6(6)	1(1)	5(5)
10	6411	BUZZ OFF	Frank O Keeffe	36	25	3(3)	7(7)	8(8)	11	7(7)
11	6347	SHECANTOO	STUART YOUNG	40	29	2(2)	11	9(9)	8(8)	10(10)
12	6191	FOOTLOOSE	Paul Todd	45	33	10(10)	1(1)	12(DNF)	10(10)	[12](DNC)
13	2469	ONE FOR THE ROAD	Norm Tysoe	47	34	7(7)	3(3)	12(DNF)	[13](DNC)	12(DNC)

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4.4 South Coast Boats for Sale

I know of 2 Bulkhead boats both with late numbered Mylar sails that are coming on the market from Denmark - they will probably get put up on Gumtree, but if anyone wants their contact numbers then you can give me a call & I will put you in touch.

Also I know of One Pre-Bulkhead boat coming on the market – has Dacron Sails (with Dacron Battened jib). This one is located in Albany.

Regards Roger Thurecht Albany 0407444029

5.0 AUGUSTA EASTER REGATTA

5.1 From the Commodore

The Championship and Consistency series have been decided already with Mal B and Mark H resp. being successful narrowly from Herman G and Eion L. Other good performances at times were shown by Peter V, Ian T, Dylan, Ian S and Andy W. Martyn H sailed really well in his "reserve" Windrush but not often enough to figure in the results. Ron E was a "no show" as there was too much farming to attend to and Keith L is still recovering from a serious leg injury.

The Easter regatta was again a huge success with 14 cats participating and perfect weather for sailing and for the happy campers. (see Marks report).

This year 6 crews of both Cats and Monohulls travelled to Walpole for their Labour day weekend Regatta and a great time was had by all. 100 entries including 13 Windrushes and caught up with some old Windrush identities including Frank O'keefe, Jay Macfarlane and Tim Hodgson who was one of the organisers. You can imagine how efficiently it was run with Tim involved. Everyone that went from Augusta plus a few more that didn't have already booked for next year.

There has also been quite a lot of upgrading of boats and equipment amongst the Windrush fleet lately. Mark and Eion have upgraded to foamies courtesy of Frank O'keefe and George Barnetson (both Frank and George have sadly retired from sailing). Mal has a new square top main, Herman has inherited Mal's old mylars and Dylan has got some better sails from Martyn.

So with more monohulls sailing as well next season is shaping up to be even bigger and better than ever.

Cheers,

Buzz Box

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5.2 Augusta Yacht Club Bendigo Bank Easter Regatta

With Friday's wind observations at Cape Leeuwin reaching average speeds in the 20's (knots), gusting to the 30's and the dark clouds gathering, it seemed that Augusta would live up to its reputation of being wet and wild. Visitors to the Augusta Yacht Club for the annual Bendigo Bank Easter Regatta were setting their tents up and rigging their boats with a few things in mind, but foremost, on Friday afternoon, was the weather and the amount of rain that might come. BOM was issuing severe weather warnings about flash floods in various locations around the southwest almost every other hour. Despite these ominous predictions, some boats managed to get out on the water in an attempt to orient themselves to the local features.

Saturday dawned, more boats had arrived and even more were being launched or gotten ready. The yacht club was becoming a hive of activity – the only thing that didn't seem overly busy was the weather. Yes, it was still grey and slightly ominous, but the wind had dropped – and this, as it turned out, was just the beginning for the day, but not for the weekend.

Saturday saw 4 heats completed (two in the morning and two in the afternoon) in a fading E - ESE breeze. A course change occurred during the lunch break to allow for the more easterly nature of the breeze (and for competitors to sail in areas of more wind. The fantastic support team from the AYC started up the BBQ and a warming sausage sizzle was had in readiness for the afternoon's races. Heat 4 turned out to be a drifter as both the daylight and breeze faded. The night was spent reminiscing, a few drinks were had and the gentle lapping of waves helped all the campers drift off ready for another day...

Sunday morning dawned, the sun had come out – and Huey was more than just riffling the water. The final two races were sailed in a building breeze that provided for a little more excitement during the remaining 2 heats – but not much changing in fleet positions. People were now more familiar with the 'lay of the land' and racing was close. The regatta closed with some close finishing and whitecaps beginning to show themselves.

With a total of 12 Windrush 14's from the Shelley, Geographe Bay, and Augusta Yacht Clubs; a local Hawke 12; and some visiting locals on a Nacra 5.8 (as well as a small fleet of local monohulls); racing over the 2 days was enjoyable, challenging and very friendly. The fact that some of the locals were either proud owner's of new boats (or new sails for their boats), meant that this regatta provided a good testing ground for the new combinations against a bigger fleet of boats.

The weekend concluded with a great BBQ lunch put on by the AYC – soaking up the warmth on the deck while looking out over the inlet – and race presentations which included some fantastic local wines.

Many thanks to the sailors; the team in the start box; our race statistician and handicapper; caterers; organisers; safety crew, all other members of the Augusta YC and of course, the Augusta Bendigo Bank – without this great support and your involvement, the regatta would not have been what it was – an excellent weekend of racing and camaraderie! Until next year, fine sailing and happy days.

"White Horses"
Mark Heyink, Augusta YC

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5.3 Results

Championship Results

1stBuzz BoxMal BuzzaAugusta YC2ndFriskyCliff RolfeGeographe Bay YC3rdWhite HorsesMark HeyinkAugusta YC

Handicap Results

1stSpindriftJulie PlummerShelley YC2ndYellow CatEion LindsayAugusta YC3rdMoment of MadnessAlec DuncanShelley YC



5.4 Windrush Competitors

Buzz Box Mal Buzza

The Pirate
Yellow Cat
White Horses
Knot Working
Herman Gerritsen
Eion Lindsay
Mark Heyink
Martin Hewitt

Willy Willy lain and Maddy Stephens

Frisky Cliff Rolfe
Oceanic Jeff Casellas
Moment of Madness Alec Duncan

Mendad Kent and Amelie Howlett

Spindrift Julie Plummer **Hummingbird** Brett Bassett

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6.0 PORT DENISON REGATTA

Thanks to all the people that helped out with the running of our PDYC regatta. Also thanks to those that came and made it a great weekend. Cheers Quin.













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7.0 SHELLEY WINTER SAILING SERIES

7.1 Club Update

G 'day fellow Windrush sailors, on Sunday February 28th, we had our biggest fleet for a couple years, we had 10 boats on the water. There are still 2 members to come out of hiding. We have picked up 4 new members in the last 12 months and there are a couple of new members looking for boats. If anyone knows of boat for sale please let me know.

Shelley is a river club, located on the Canning River. We have a long narrow course which provides fast close racing. Thanks to climate change we've had an increase of water depth, so shallow rudders are not needed. Classes sailed; Windrush 14, Heron, Laser, Minnow and Mudlark.



Cheers Brett Basset

7.2 Winter Series

For those who are able and are already feeling the winter sailing blues and want some fun racing opportunities, Shelly is having some winter sailing.

Weather permitting, come along for some fun and if you can make any of the dates you will be welcome. If a race day is cancelled it will be done so via webpage update.

Details on: https://shelleysailingclub.com.au/2016/05/08/winter-sailing-dates-4-sailing-afternoons/

.....or Below

Start time 2:00 pm each day:-

- 15th May
- 24th July
- 21st August
- 18th September

The winter sailing is subject to adverse weather or forecast of bad weather, and the notification will be on this website as a minimum.

Cheers

Stephen Gallagher

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8.0 CANARVON REGATTA

8.1 Notice of Race

The Carnarvon Yacht Club invites entries to participate in our W.A Week Regatta from the 4th June to 6th June 2016.

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules of the 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing, Class Rules and the CYC Sailing instructions.

2. Entries

This Regatta is open to all **off the beach classes**. Including Junior's (Fire Bugs & cherubs). Five Boats to constitute a class.

3. Fees and Costs

Entry Fee per boat \$40

All junior nominations free

Saturday MEAL \$30.00

Social Functions-Music / Sunday Night BBQ Presentation : Adult \$20 / children(12&under) \$15

4. Sailing Instructions Available at registrations. Saturday 9.00 to 10.15 at CYC.

Sailing instructions will be discussed at race briefing prior to Race 1(10.15hrs).

5. Scoring System

Lowest point scoring system five races to count.

6. Trophies and Prizes

Trophies will be awarded to the first three places in Championship and Handicap. Other trophies or prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the CYC.

7. Course

The course will be conducted in the fascine area directly in front of the club house. The course will consist of a triangle, sausage, triangle course or close too. (shallow rudders ONLY required) CYC have blades available \$10.00 Pair

8. Accommodation/Camping

Camping is available on the CYC grounds at no cost. The Best Western Hospitality Inn is adjacent to CYC Contact No 99411600

9. Schedule of Events

Saturday 4th		Sunday 5th	
Race 1	1030hrs	Race 4	930 hrs
Race 2	B/B	Race 5	B/B
Race 3	1330hrs	Race 6	1230hrs

Meal 1830hrs BBQ Presentation 18.30hrs

Monday 6th Teams Event 0930hrs

The CYC members look forward to seeing you on the waters to compete and enjoy the social events programmed. For more information please contact Benny Dei Giudici MOB# 0418 412 039

Please notify by the 10 th May 2016 for catering.

All entries received after this date will incur a late entry fee of \$20.00.

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8.2 Entry Form



CARNARVON YACHT CLUB

June Long Weekend Regatta Entry Form

I here by make application to participate in the 2016 June Long Weekend Regatta held at the Carnarvon Yacht Club, from Saturday 4th June to Monday 6th June 2016

Entrant Details

Boat Name		Sail No			
Class					
Sailing Club	•••••••				
Skipper		YA Membership No			
Address					
Home Phone No	•••••••••	Mobile			
Email					
Crew		YA Membership No			
Entry Fees					
Per Boat	\$40.00				
Juniors	No fee				
Shallow Rudders	\$10.00	Windrush Yachts			
Camping	No fee				
Saturday Night	\$30.00 me	als			
Presentation BBQ	\$20.00 per adult				
Chn under 12	\$15.00 per child				
Signature: Skipper		Date			
Please complete and re	turn with money to				
B & L Dei Giudici P.O Bo	x 871 Carnarvon W.A	6701			
If paying by direct debit	please Email <u>b.l.build</u>	ling@bigpond.com for bank details			
Please attach complete					
Entries received later th	ıan 10 th May 2016 will i	ncur a late entry fee of \$20.00			

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9.0 FOR SALE

Windrush 14, Cat Splat for sale, foam sandwich hulls, square top sails like new.

This boat is in perfect condition, if you want a very competitive racing Windrush you can't do better than this one for \$6500

Contact Huon Morgan

0448 691 118







10.0 WINDRUSH ON THE WEB

10.1 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

10.2 Windrush Association Website

Check out our association website: www.windrushassociation.com

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

11.0 KITING

Good to see the kites out there, looks like great fun



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