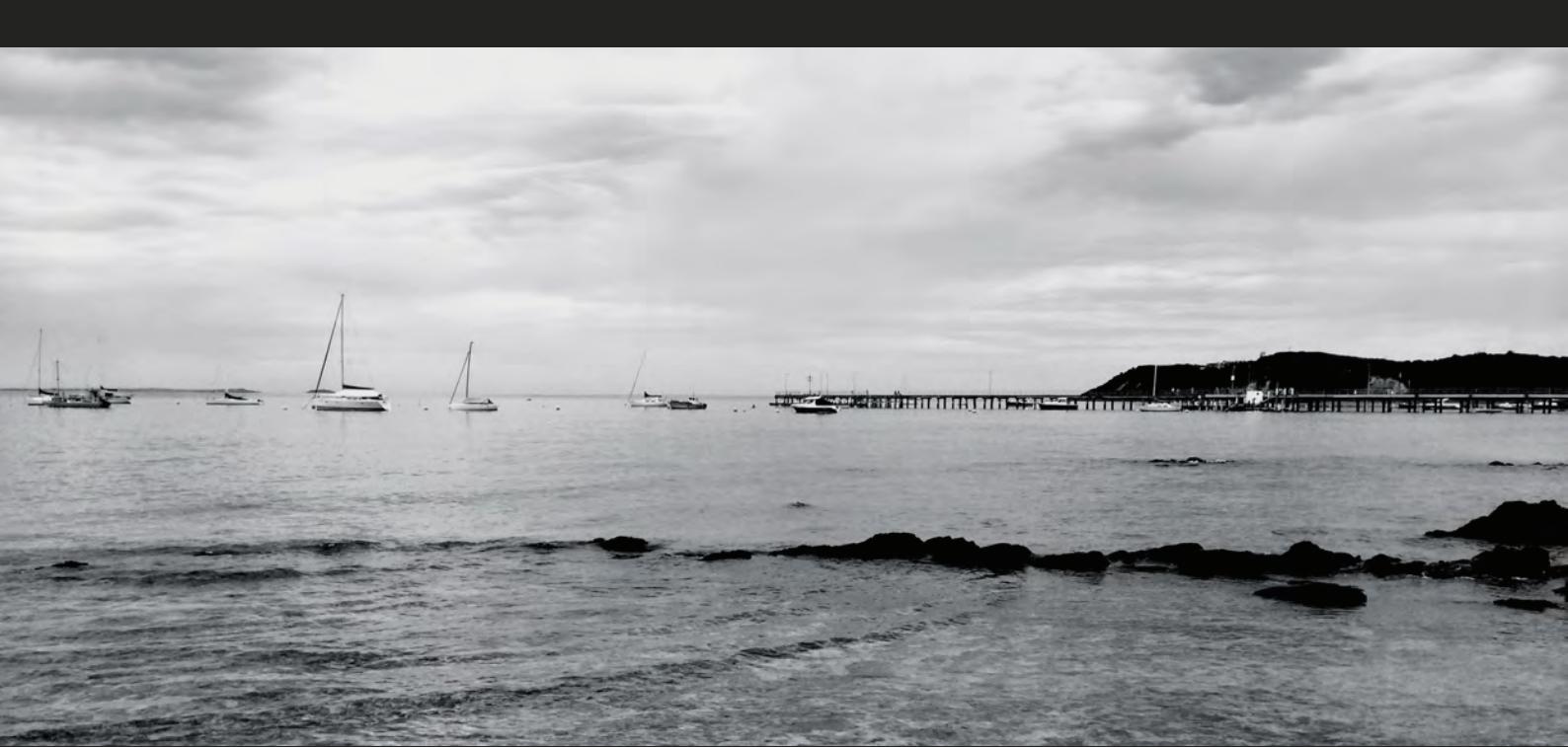


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Letter From the Editors:

Dear Members,

Welcome to season 18/19. A large edition this month, with plenty of activity around the club during the offseason.

A change of scene, with the Flinders Golf Club hosting the 2018 presentation night. Thanks to Marcus Cave and Angus Farquhar for settling the IT gremlins that always come about whenever AV is involved. A wonderful address by Anna Cave and Genevieve Popp on the Australian Women's Keelboat Regatta, and their journey to a triumphant finish. Also, congrats John Derham on taking home the Penny Nilsen award.

Big congratulations to Rob Cave (and of course Anna) as well as all who put in the hard yards at the club to get the renovations finished and looking so well. No doubt many BBQ's and drinks to be enjoyed this summer, and a great addition to the usability of the club. Also new to the club is the flagpole as restored by Clay Manners. A pirate like erection, with a great unveiling of the Jolly Rodger. Thanks also to Jennie Sweeney and Mary Iles who sorted through the clutter of the clubhouse cupboards, ensuring a new look organised, and CLEAN start to the season. I am sure all members will endeavour to keep the club looking so neat during the season.

Trish Hurley has been busy as the social coordinator putting a great calendar of events together, with the first being the season open day lunch on November 4th. See below for full schedule of events and be sure to peg it to the fridge!

Rick Barker and Lucy have taken training to another level, with high altitude 'hiking' training in the Dolomites. We are eager to see if this pays off come Nov 4th with OTB spring race 1, and agg race 1. Tedd Warden has passed the baton of Keel Boat Captain to John Sweeney, having done a wonderful job since time began. John promises to deliver some new adventures, challenging courses, and continue the great work Tedd established.

More on sailing news, we hope that all who attended the sailing rules refresher course took away some good tips, and carry this forward to ensure a safe passage for all. Racing is a wonderful pastime, however winning comes a distant second to safety. We thank Gordon Syme for his time.

A new initiative by Jim Fogarty this season is Social Sailing Saturdays. These are a perfect way for members to get in a boat, test out new skills, renew old skills, and have a lot of fun in the safety of a relaxed and supportive environment. Club boats will be available for use, so parents this is a prime time to get the younger generation moving again.

We look forward to bringing you the news as the season passes, and are honoured to once again be putting the great West Headings together.

From your editors; wishing all a safe and enjoyable season.

Warm Regards,
HughX2

Message from the Commodore:

As the days get longer and the sun shines warmer, it's time to get ready for another great season at Flinders Yacht Club.

Our opening weekend kicks off on Sunday 4th November starting with an 'Introduction to sailing' clinic at 9 am, lunch at 12, followed by a 'Sail by' of the clubhouse and club race. We are also celebrating the opening of our newly extended and renovated clubhouse which is looking fabulous. It promises to be a great day I look forward to seeing you there.

To keep our clubhouse and facilities at their peak, a work party was held on Sunday 21 October. Well supported, over 50 members joined forces to put the finishing touches to our house and grounds. Thanks to all that attended, Tedd Warden for marshalling the troops and Helen Kent for keeping us all fed and watered.

For our skippers, it's time to check your standing and running rigging, safety equipment and clean and polish hulls for a safe and fast sailing season ahead. Please remember to complete your boat registration and safety certificate.

[Annual General Meeting:](#)

The June AGM saw the election of the new committee including two new members, Alan Farrar as Vice Commodore and Hugh Dolan on general committee. On behalf of all members, I thank the committee and all our volunteers in anticipation of an exciting season at FYC.

[Club house upgrades](#)

Your committee has been very busy over winter with major upgrades to the club house, deck and landscaping. The building committee has been working closely with our builder, Wayne Mercer of Lydnways Constructions to get it all finished by opening week-end. It has been an intense period and special thanks are due. We are fortunate to have a member architect, Andrew Kings, who has dedicated 100's of hours to complete our planning and building permits and provide drawings, documentation and advice to our builder. The chair of our building committee, Tedd Warden has similarly dedicated 100's of hours supervising trades and getting hands-on. Grant 'Picasso' Mathews has excelled in the painting department.

The new turf and landscaping has been a great success. The end result is far more level and integrated with our new and existing decks. It was commented it looks so natural members may not even notice the change!

The overall result has been transformative and an outstanding upgrade that should see the club house and decks serve us well. Sincere thanks to Andrew, Tedd, Grant and all the volunteers that assisted with the massive job of laying over 240m² of turf over 70 tonnes of infill used to level the areas surrounding the new and existing decks.

[It's not just about the Club house](#)

It was remarked last season that the control tower start signal lights were difficult to see in bright sun light. I'm delighted to advise that signal lights have been upgraded to 10,000 lumen LED floods with new coloured diffusers. It's been suggested, with this amount of light power, if skippers can't make out the new light signal they should ask their seeing eye dog!

After 20 years of faithful service, the Avon has been finally retired. We have ordered a new replacement training RIB with add-on launch wheels. This should allow easy and quick launch without the use of a trailer. The small form factor and manoeuvrability also makes this boat much more suited to assisting our upcoming sailors on the water. Look forward to seeing Flinders YC 3 on the water in the next couple of weeks. Thanks to Grant Mathews and Ric Barker to organising this.

[Lacey View](#)

Over 6 months ago, Tedd Warden commenced a campaign to recognise the tremendous contribution made to our club and the local community by Ken Lacey. Ken passed away March 2017. I am pleased to announce that our private unnamed road has now been officially declared "Lacey View". Not only does this recognise our dear friend Ken but will finally result in an address for our club house, presumably 1 Lacey View, Flinders. Stay tuned on this one.

[Membership:](#)

By now you should have received your membership subscription. Thanks to Helen and Tedd for getting out over 173 invoices - this is a big job! Helen has also generously donated a dozen bottles of wine as a door prize to those who pay their subs by 30 September and attend the Opening day lunch.

[Club Hire:](#)

Club hire continues to be very popular and a major contributor to club cash flows. The peak wedding season runs from November to April and we are currently booked out until November 2019. Based on member feedback, hire dates have been reduced to exclude all Sundays during the season, all days from the 24 December to the end of January, all weekends in February and all public Holiday weekends during the season. Outside these periods, please check the Events – Private Function tab on our website to ensure a private function is not booked when using the club house. While club hire may occasionally cause some inconvenience, please consider the improvements and our fixed subscription rates for the past six years enabled by Club hire.

[West Headings and Communications:](#)

I am pleased that Hugh Kroker and Hugh Sweeney have agreed to stay on as joint editors for West Headings and thank them for their efforts. I am also delighted to announce that Imogen Tait (Kroker) has stepped up to look after club communications. The "Save the Date" and Open day lunch flyers are examples of Imogen's talent and look forward to seeing more.

[Social Sailing Saturdays:](#)

Would you like to an opportunity to sail in a relaxed but safely supervised environment? Committee member, Jim Fogarty has developed the Social Sailing Saturday's initiative. More details follow in West Headings.

[Flinders Yacht Club Foundation](#)

In response to member requests, we have established a foundation to support the club activities now and into the future. All donations are tax deductible and will be used to further improve club facilities and equipment. Donations can be easily made online so please support your club. Further details follow in this edition.

[Merchandising:](#)

A range of exclusive Flinders Yacht Club Merchandise is now available via a link on the home page of our club website. Orders are subject to a minimum quantity by order cut-off dates. Please see the website for further details.

It is going to be an exciting season of sailing and socialising and I am looking forward to seeing you all at the Club over the summer months.

We have a great club in a perfect location and I would encourage you all to make the most of this great facility. Whether you are sailing, socialising, or simply enjoying the beach, Flinders Yacht Club is a great place to be.

Rob Cave
Commodore

Flinders Yacht Club - Committee 2018/19

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Flinders Yacht Club Sailing Season 2018/2019

Let's go sailing - again!

FYC is all about participation. Flinders YC is growing, it is exciting to see new faces and new boats, and passionate voices pushing our club forward and making the sailing more challenging and available to all. The upcoming season gives ample opportunity for every sailor to participate; whether you're looking to learn, to advance, to compete or to go on an adventure, with more boats and new events. Welcome John Sweeney as the Keel Boat Kapitan ("KK") for this season, the KB programme shows John's influence already and is bound to offer some exciting challenges! Thanks go to Tedd for his work as KK for the past 4 seasons.

The Mobile Boat Shed Sailing School:

Is on again 27 – 31 Dec 2018 and registrations for Kids and Adults are open at
<https://www.flindersyc.com.au/Sailing-School>

Open to all ages – don't let the Kids have all the Fun!!

Early Bird registrations close 31 October so get in quick to avoid disappointment, contact Rick Barker if you have any queries 0412310012 please forward the link to anyone interested!

Summer Sailing:

Its high summer, everyone is having a holiday. To get the most out of your summer holiday sailing, we have scheduled the Summer Sailing! From Tuesday 26 December to Sunday 14 January we will be holding sailing opportunities almost every day; another day another activity to try! These will include the Summer Series and Junior Championship Races, the Twilight Series, the Keel Boat Aggregate Series, Sailing Clinics and the brand-new FYC Pacer Challenge on Boxing Day and Adventure Sails to Balnarring and Pt Leo! Sailors experienced and still learning are welcome to any and all of these opportunities, contact Rick Barker if you want more information on how to get involved. The full program is available on the club website at <https://www.flindersyc.com.au/Sailing-Program-Information>. Do some browsing and plan out your sailing experience at Flinders this summer.

Westernport YC "Women on Water" Regatta Sat 10 Nov & Sun 11 Nov 2018:

At Balnarring, racing and coaching by experienced female sailors including Lisa Darmanin (2016 Olympic Silver Medallist) & Tessa Parkinson (2008 Olympic Gold Medallist) amongst many other experienced sailors. Go to

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/westernportyacht/montalto-women-on-water-regatta/> for more information.



Westernport Teams Racing Championship Sunday 6 January from 9am at Balnarring: Teams of FYC Sailors Young and Old can compete in teams of 3 identical Pacers, open to all members. We need experienced skippers and no doubt teams will be looking for crew so contact Rick Barker to register your interest.

Adventure Sails to and from Balnarring:

On 5 January we will sail the FYC pacers to Balnarring for the annual Westernport teams racing the next day - open to 12 adventurous sailors and a rescue boat crew, will take about 90mins to get to Balnarring and we intend leave at 10:00AM Sharp. Sail back is scheduled for Mon 7 Jan at 4:00PM.

Sailing Clinics:

For new sailors or sailing school participants wanting to practice new skills by just getting out on the water and get some tips from experienced sailors - all welcome! To register your interest in these days please contact Rick Barker.

Boxing Day Pacer Challenge 26 Dec 4:30pm:

6 Identical Boats, 12 sailors – who will win? Best of 3 short races.

Social Sailing Saturdays:

A new initiative for this summer at FYC is 'Social Sailing Saturdays,' the perfect way to test the water for members who are not yet confident to race or for family members who would like to sail in a relaxed and safe FYC environment. Note this is a self-managed "go for a sail" initiative and not a coaching course.

Further details will be available closer to the time, but Social Sailing is planned to run each Saturday through Jan & Feb 1pm -4pm (excluding during Tackers, Teams Racing & inclement weather). Please note that all participants must be FYC members including children who must be family members. All children under the age of 16 must be actively supervised by a parent or guardian.

Bring a picnic, relax at the clubhouse and try your hand at sailing. Sharing of all club boats is encouraged, as is mentoring enthusiastic new sailors. I am making myself available to operate the safety boat so that we can have a rescue boat available as per FYC safety rules, but I welcome any assistance from other interested members.

Jim Fogarty, Committee Member

Reminder About Club Boats:

Club boats are available for use by Club Members for practice, ONLY when a designated rescue boat is on the water for the sole purpose of safety and rescue. FYC have 5 Pacers (2 handed suitable for adults and teenagers), 4 Optis (single handed suitable for ages 8-12) as well as a Status 19 trailer sailer which may be used if available and as long as there is a suitable skipper at hand.

The Optimists and Pacers are reserved at certain times of the season for use in Tackers, Sailing School and Teams Racing events. Otherwise all boats can be allocated to members on a daily basis.

The following mutual obligations apply - there is no charge for usage and we expect members to care for and maintain these boats as they would if it was owned by you (which partially, they are). i.e. please wash down after use and properly store the boat and if you break or misplace any part of the boat, we do expect that you advise the Club Captain and arrange to fix or replace as required to restore the boat to its former state.



Upcoming OTB Racing:

Spring Series - make an early start and get in form!

First of all, though, go to <https://www.flindersyc.com.au/Sailing-Program-Information> and download and submit (by email to sailing@flindersyc.com.au) the race entry form and read the Sailing Handbook, Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions as there are some changes!

Date	Race	Start
4 November	Sailing Clinic – Beginners, Spring 1 & OTB Aggregate 1	Clinic 9:00AM Racing 2:30PM
11 November	Spring 2 & 3	1:30PM
18 November	Spring 4 & 5	1:30PM
24 & 25 November	I14 & B14 Skiffs visit Flinders	
2 December	Spring 6 & 7	1:30PM
9 December	Spring 8 & 9	1:30PM

Keel Boat Racing:

First race is Twilight race 1 Friday 28 December 2018 from 1730.

Twilight races continue on Friday's through January (5 races) with a second Twilight series commencing Friday 1 February 2019 (3 races).

The Aggregate Series will be run over 10 races conducted between Sunday 30 December 2018 and Sunday 31 March 2019 all starting at 1300.

We have a blockbuster keel weekend at COWES commencing Friday 1st February incorporating two Ocean series races, the FYC Keel Team Westernport Challenge also FYC Aggregate race 5.

The Keels Westernport Challenge is Saturday 2 February 2019 at COWES with a team representing FYC. Interested skippers please see KK for more details. The curtain raiser is Ocean Series Race 1 to Cowes Friday 1st February starting 1600. Overnight on the moorings at Cowes, then race WPC Saturday, overnight again then return Sunday morning Ocean Series Race 2 starting at 1100.

Accordingly the Ocean Series in 2019 will include the two Cowes races Friday 1 February 2019 (1st race) returning Sunday 3 February 2019 (2nd race) and a final race Sunday 24 February 2019 (3rd race).

Other races in the calendar are the regular weekends including Australia Day races, Labour Day races and the finale Ian Freeland Memorial Saturday 20 April and Sunday 21 April 2019.

Cruise sailing returns to the calendar in 2019. These are one day optional cruise events scheduled on Tuesday 8 January 2019 and another Sunday 10 February 2019. There are 3 possible courses planned - Cape Schank, Pyramid Rock and a Latitude South destination. Sails commence earlier at 1130 with courses of approximately 3.5 to 4.0 hours duration. Aim is to experience some Bass Strait offshore sailing weather permitting. This is open to keels eligible for offshore sailing and interested members wishing to join a crew should contact KK for further details.

Other recreational cruise sailing is planned over summer on suitable sailing days so stay tuned.

Club Duty Roster

The duty roster is in the process of being finalised and the allocations are on the programme at <https://www.flindersyc.com.au/Sailing-Program-Information>, if you have any problems with your allocated day please make a swap with someone (and let me know) or let me know so I can make adjustments.

Tower Operations:

We need volunteers to take training in the tower operations, we have a number of experienced and capable personnel but need more! The best way to learn is to sit in with an experienced person and we have allocated "trainee" spots on 4 November and 28 December with Linda, max 2 persons per session, please contact Rick Barker to register your interest in taking this on.

Rescue Boat Operations:

Similarly, if you wish to learn more about power boat operations and have your power boat licence Rescue Boat Operations including practice time on the water with experienced operators will be provided on 2 December 2018 from 9am at FYC. New members can then participate in this important role in our Club operations.

Pro tips for the upcoming season:

Try something new! – new races, new boats, new opportunities to try! Don't be shy about giving something a go, ask questions and learn more to improve your sailing:

1. Talk to other sailors – local knowledge helps!
2. Look at your class website there are always tips to go faster, remember, the faster you go the easier a boat handles in only gets hard when you try to slow down as the pressure on the sails increases!
3. Choose a series and go for it – participation is the key to successful racing
4. Great rules session on 7 October
5. see:[https://www.flindersyc.com.au/resources/Documents/SIMPLIFIED-RACING-RULES-FOR-BEGINNERS.pdf](https://www.flindersyc.com.au/resources/Documents/Sailing%20docs/SIMPLIFIED-RACING-RULES-FOR-BEGINNERS.pdf) for a good recap of the basics or if you missed it.

Can't Wait to See you on the water!

Rick Barker
FYC Sailing Captain
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Keel Boats

John Sweeney has taken on the role of Keel Boat Captain and has some moves to expand our horizons a little with longer destination races, and sleepovers. In handing over it became apparent that the spreadsheet handed down from Ant Grage has now been caught up with and the outsourced results system for the Off The Beach boats may be more efficient, if more reactive, we'll see!

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Teddo enjoyed a few races of Hasting's winter series with FYC members Brian Hewitt and Grant Mathews on the Adams10 Act of Faith. It is very tricky with tidal currents up that end, and there are a few shallow spots where local rules allow motoring off if you get 'stuck'. A depth sounder has been purchased, and a light anchor for use when going backwards.



Foxy Lady has wintered in Brighton and enjoyed the very active Wednesday Wonders program. Rod and Sue slater have had a few other Flinders guests on board including Ed Wright (our master Laser and apprentice Wazp sailor), and Will Morgan.

David Wilkins, master mariner aboard the couta Montalto, has had his usual Bass Straight adventures enjoying the odd chilly dip down there.

Enjoyed a talk with Warren Joel after bridge one night where he responded to my query about his winter maintenance- "time to replace the rigging, replace the little rope loops that hold pulleys to things, replace the rubber knob connecting tiller extension to tiller, give it all a wash and spray, so nothing can go wrong". Great words of advice as firstly to place in a race one must firstly finish.

The Racing rules Review was well attended at the Flinders Hotel, thank you. Gordon Syme is the principal at yachtmaster.com.au giving an enlightening talk on our racing rules, that are only a few pages of the 183 in the rule book. He highlighted the importance of keeping a lookout and avoiding collisions and how the rules make the game a lot safer. If you want to charter in Croatia (and who wouldn't after talking to Alan) Gordon is the man to talk to.

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Membership Report

NEW MEMBERS

Our membership grew substantially again last season and it appears that it is continuing this 18/19 season. We happily welcome new members who wish to be actively involved at FYC so if you have friends or family that fall into this criteria, please encourage them to join. Membership details on the FYC website or contact me at membership@flindersyc.com.au

We take great pleasure in introducing a number of new families to FYC:

Christian & Phoebe Juebner and their daughters Esther (14) & Clara (12). The Juebner family are the proud new owners of Leonard James's 27foot keel boat, "Indigo" and have sailed it back to our harbour.

Derek & Serren Schindler and their two sons, Harry (17) & Jack (10). The Schindler family look forward to becoming active members of the club.

Richard Hansen, Sarah Naarden & their son Toby (8) have been drawn to the club by Richard's sister Louise Hansen and brother-in-law John Eggleston who with their daughter Anna are great contributors to FYC.

Euan & Dorothy Farquhar are well known to FYC as their son Angus has been a keenly competitive sailor for some time. They are friend's of the Caves and we look forward to seeing them become involved as they now plan to spend more time in Flinders.

Laurence & Gorgia Anderson, Charlie (18) and Alice (16) have just completed building their new home in Flinders and are looking forward to embracing all the local joys including the fun at FYC.

Peter Hercules lives at Red Hill. He has been a very keen OTB sailor at WYC and has now joined us. Peter sails a Pacer and a Prindle 16 and has offered to help Tedd Warden with the refurbishment of the 2nd Status 19.

Genevieve & Peter Rawling have joined as Social Members and are well known in the Flinders community. Gennie is keen to guest crew on a keel boat.

Victoria Padey has been lured to the club by Mike Ghenta and looks forward to becoming part of the FYC community as she catches up with friends who are already members.

Madonna Derks skipped the winning yacht crewed by ladies including Anna Cave in the Australian Womens Keelboat regatta. We hope that Anna & Madonna will gather an all female crew on one of the Status 19's this season.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Membership invoices were snail mailed out on the 20/8/2018, with a due date of 30/9/2018. Of the 173 that were sent out, only 25 are still to be paid.

If you are one of the 25, please pay your memberships NOW. If you have not received your invoice, contact me: membership@flindersyc.com.au.

We understand that life's priorities alter and so if you have decided not to continue your membership, please also contact me so I can adjust our data base.

INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

You would have all received this 6page flyer with your renewal notice. It is important that you read it and take on board the topics outlined.

VOLUNTEERING

I can not stress the benefits in becoming actively involved in the club by volunteering in one of the many areas that keep our club going. Contact details are outlined in the Information flyer sent to you. Please act upon it.

Wishing you all happy days ahead,

Helen Kent
FYC Membership Secretary

Presentation Night:

Marcus Cave and Angus Farquhar set up for the FYC 2018 Presentation Night held at Flinders Golf Club. Their AV expertise is always appreciated as is the time they spend to prepare outstanding presentations such as the visuals for Anna Cave and Genevieve Popp's inspiring talk on the journey and ultimate win of the Australian Women's Keelboat Regatta.

Cheers Pete Alexandrovic for taking and sending through a lot of pics from this night!



John Derrum - Recipient of the Penny Nilsen Award for 2018



Happy Sailors!



Annie Austin, Jane Morrell Kelly and Medine Simmons at the 2018 FYC Presentation Night



Photos From the Last sail of the 2017-18 Season:



Our Members Over Winter:



The Slaters have been carving up RBYC in the Winter Series in Foxy Lady, running First in the Pursuit Series (no spinnakers) and second in the Fleet Start Series (with spinnakers).

A screenshot of a digital scoreboard titled 'Hearnes Heroes Series 2 Pursuit' hosted by Royal Brighton Yacht Club. The scoreboard shows the results for Division 123 up to Race 5 (Drops = 1). The data is presented in a table with columns for Sail No, Boat Name, Skipper, Series Score, Race 5, and Race 4. The results are as follows:

Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Series Score	Race 5	Race 4
B126	FOXY LADY	Sue Slater	11.0	5.0	2.0
B59	REDLINE	Brian Slater	17.0	4.0	4.0
6731	TRUE COLOURS	Geoff Adams	18.0	6.0	120.0C
B6505	MATCHLESS	Gary Davison	32.0	2.0	20.0C
AUS55	FERAL	Jack Hennessy	33.0	20.0C	1.0
B1587	THUNDER	Anthony Garvey	36.0	20.0C	6.0
B38	INSTANT KARMA	Paul Wise	42.0	10	20.0C
B455	MERSEA	Neil Sargeant	46.0	20.0C	5.0
B2	BKT JAMHU	Phil Bedlington	50.0	20.0C	20.0C
B67	HOT SHOT	Graham Noel	54.0	7.0	7.0
B80	HAIDA GWAI	Geoff Brewster	56.0	20.0C	8.0
B1771	ANDALUCIA	Will Merritt	61.0	20.0C	20.0C
B888	JUST CHILLIN	David Morrell	63.0	3.0	20.0C
B407	PIZAZZZ	Ted Masur	63.0	20.0C	3.0
B911	SUN KISS	David Spencer	67.0	20.0C	20.0C

Thanks Rick Barker for letting Hugh Sweeney rent a pacer. Hugh represented FYC in the Mordialloc Yacht Club Winter Series coming 1st in Division 8.



Lucy and Rick hiking in the Dolomites in August, despite the Northern Summer is was about 5deg and 10cm of snow that day!

Sometime last season while emptying a few prosecco and shiraz bottles at the yacht club, "Let's try Sunsail's Wine and Food Flotilla on the Amalfi Coast in Italy" was cried. So, in July this year, Geoff & Genevieve Barnett, Kate & Alan Farrar with Jane & Mike Morgan set sail off Naples on a 48ft Jeanneau with eight other intrepid yachts. All crews were bent on enjoying Italy's culinary and wine delights. Sailing could have been an afterthought.

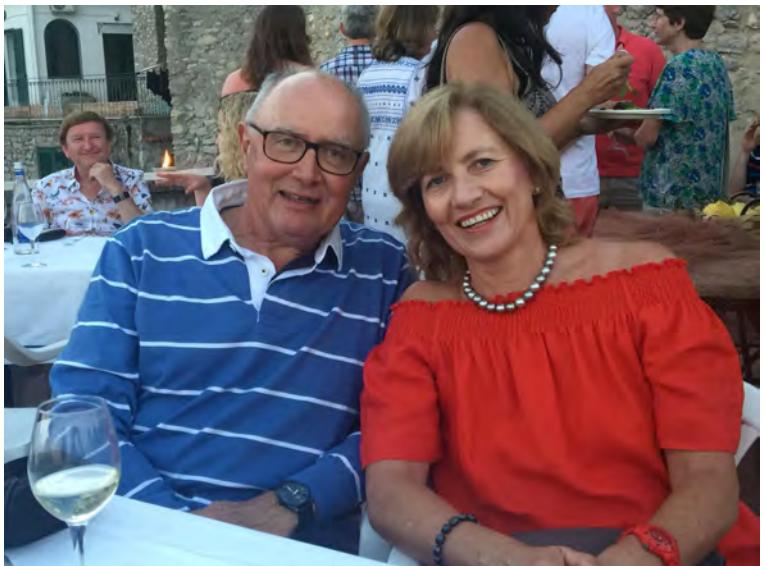
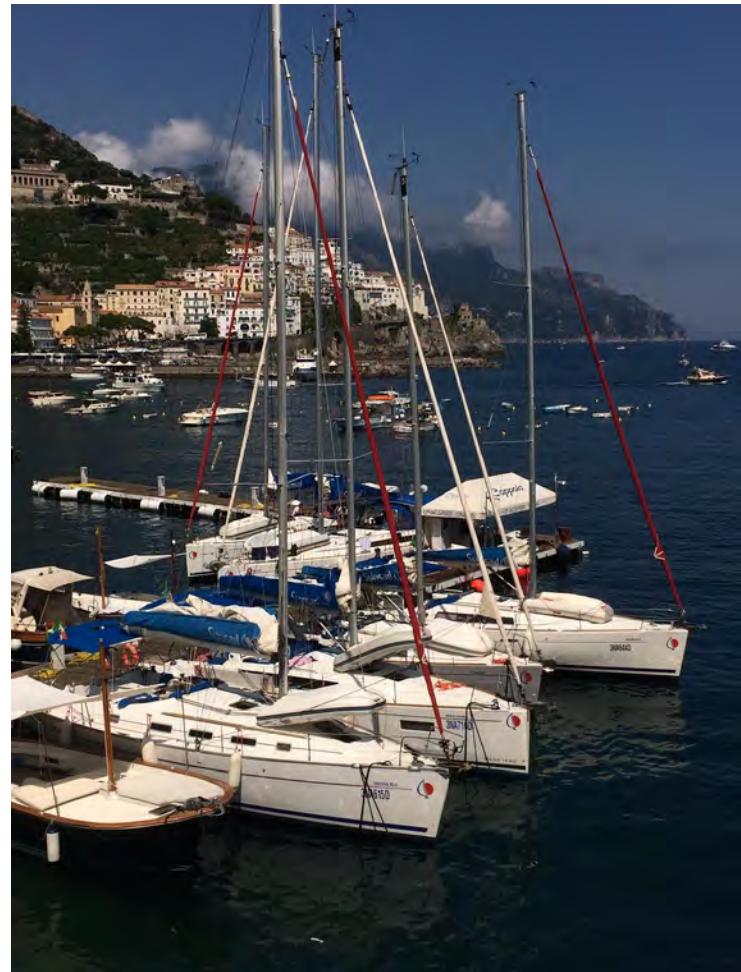
The flotilla side means that Sunsail's lead boat is manned by a professional Sunsail team who brief us each morning about weather, sea conditions, our destinations and most significantly they are at each day's destination having arranged marina paperwork, berths, etc. The wine and food side means that the Sunsail team have sorted the restaurants and wineries, each evening. Accommodation was a stateroom and bathroom (broom closet size stateroom) per couple, with a spare for luggage and snorers.

With two former FYC Commodores and a current Vice Commodore on board, the question was often asked prior to July, "How's that going to work?" and since July, "Don't try to tell me that it worked!"

Well, yes the week was fun. We wined, dined, sailed and swam. We explored the Procida, Capri, Amalfi and some hidden gems.

The FYC Amalfi Team can tell you more, though at the yacht club over the coming season while emptying a few bottles of prosecco and shiraz.

Alan Farrar



Around the Club:

Daggy stuff-

Boom gate is to be closed after each use, and locked at end of day.

The compound gate has two padlocks, one for utilities to access the meters, and ours, please padlock to the other padlock so they can get in.

Cool stuff-

Your Club renovations are coming to a head and the working bee on Sunday 21st October was a major contributor to getting the place shipshape. Thanks to all the volunteers that attended and made a big difference.

The new windows and deck sharpen the place up and offer members more amenity to enjoy our summer at Flinders as we get on the water.

Many folk have put in much to get us where we are, enabling us to maximise the value for our hard earnt dollars-

Rob Cave has been on top of the minutiae to pull us thru planning, builder selection and installation ably assisted by Anna.

Architect Andrew Kings has had to suffer much to make this happen- when he had over 200 staff, 4 were dedicated to pro bono love jobs, now 'retired' he has to do them all himself! We are indeed lucky to have him and his practical approach to our problem.

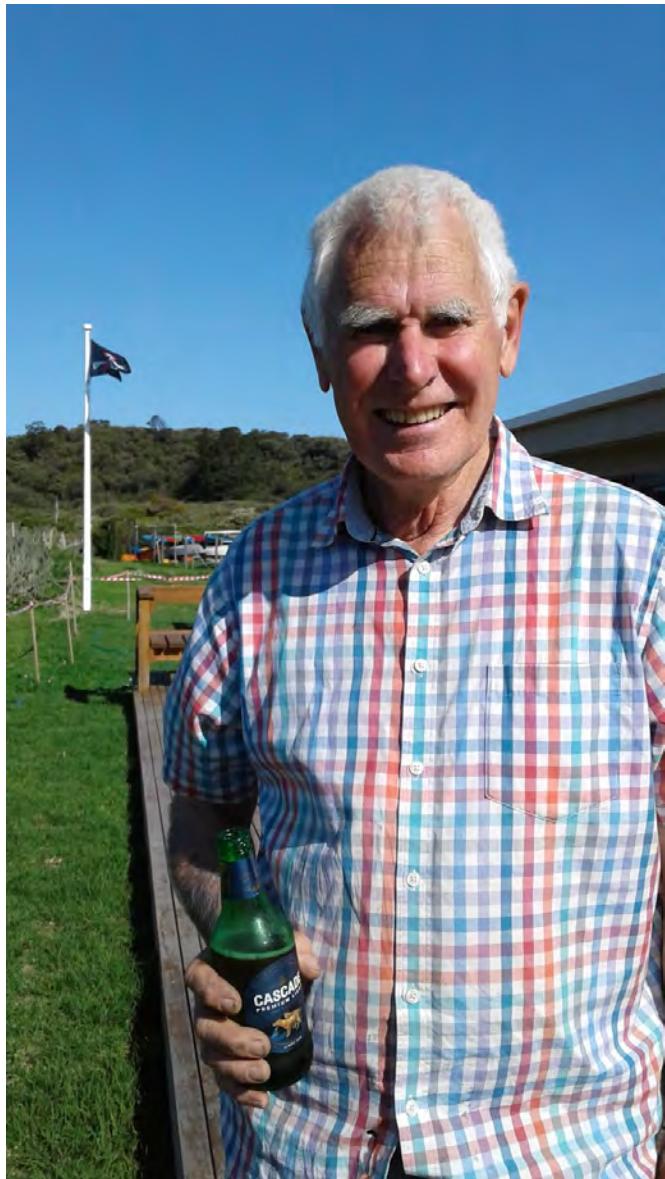
Warren Joel has always been about when needed with his tractor to clear the ramp, load a couple of trailers for the engineer's garden as payback for some quickly done comps, loading the skip with the old barbeque's concrete and bricks, or to dig some post holes for the flagpole.

Clay Manners likes standalone projects, last year he renovated the tower flagpole. The main flagpole at the entrance was a bit sad and he happily took on its restoration. It is a joy resplendent in its new standalone tabernacle that is recorded delightfully on our club's facebook page.

Then there are the loose players who are on call whenever needed that makes life so much easier- Smokey Dawson (who knows who has what to donate or we can borrow), David Lindner to move stuff around or lay turf with Jim Fogarty. Grant Mathews who can wield a delicate cutting in paint brush. And many others who put in cheerfully to bring it together,

Tedd Warden





Around the Grounds:

Turf Squad FYC division.



Mary Iles, Jennie Sweeney and other tidy-minded members sorted out the Clubhouse cupboards in anticipation of a super 2018/19 Social Season... a big thank you to all volunteers who go the extra yard behind the scenes to help the Club function smoothly.



Other Notes

IMPORTANT NOTICE RE ANT GRAGE FLINDERS PATROL BOAT

When launching but more importantly recovering the Ant Grage onto its trailer, the trailer must be disconnected from the vehicle. Failure to disconnect the trailer while recovering the boat can result in damage to the hull of the boat (potentially both rigid and inflatable sections) necessitating costly repairs. The trailer should tilt as the boat is being winched on. Snatch straps are provided in the back of the FYC towing vehicle for pulling the boat and trailer from the beach to the compound.

Safety Around vehicles At The Club:

In the relaxed environment around the Club, it is easy to overlook basic points to ensure safety around vehicles. Members are reminded of the following:

1. Drivers using the car parking area should confine their speed to a safe limit, especially when pedestrians are within the vicinity of moving vehicles. They should also exercise extreme care when reversing out of car parking areas, ensuring that there are no pedestrians, including young children, in the vicinity before reversing.
2. Drivers within the boat compound and using the ramp to access the beach should exercise extreme care and confine their speed to 5 kph or a walking pace.
3. Pedestrians should minimise their use of the car park; there are better and safer places around the Club to chat and for children to play. Parents and carers of young children using the car park are obviously responsible for their safety while in the car park.
4. All pedestrians using the car park should be on the look out for cars reversing out of car parking areas.

Your cooperation will help ensure safety around vehicles at the Club, especially at this time of the year when the Club is being enjoyed by so many members.

Stephen Kroker
Chair, Safety Subcommittee



FLINDERS YACHT CLUB FOUNDATION

DONATIONS NOW TAX DEDUCTIBLE

Would you like to make a donation to support the Club's activities?

Founded under the auspices of the Australian Sports Foundation, the Flinders Yacht Club Foundation has been established to ensure donations made to the club are tax deductible. All money donated will support the continuation of the sport and community we love, funding facilities upgrades (such as the recent renovation of our clubhouse!) and maintenance and purchase of safety boats, buoys and race monitoring equipment.

Tax-deductible donations can now be made via the dedicated FYC Foundation webpage:

<https://ASF.org.au/projects/flinders-yacht-club/>

Please don't hesitate to contact the FYC Treasurer, Michael Hollowood, or Committee Member Dino Farronato if you have any questions <info@flindersyc.com.au>

We greatly appreciated your ongoing support of the FYC and the FYC Foundation.



SAVE THE DATE



FLINDERS YACHT CLUB

2018 - 2019

Oct 7	Sailing Rules Refresher at Zegis Bar, 10am
Oct 21	Working Bee at FYC
Nov 4	Season Open Day Lunch
Dec 27 - 31	Sailing School - Tackers, Teens & Adults
Dec 30	Junior Beach Party
Jan 2	Junior Progressive Dinner
Jan 5	Commodore's Cocktail Party
Jan 10	Golf Twilight Dinner - FGC
Jan 11	Ladies Lunch at Montalto
Jan 16	Children's Movie Night
Jan 18 - 19	Eric Lucas Fishing Tournament
Jan 26	Australia Day Dinner - Fish & Chips from FH
Feb 16	Family Quiz Night
Mar 9	FYC - RMYS Fiesta at Flinders Dinner
Mar 10	FYC - RMYS Race & BBQ

All bookings for FYC social events will be through TryBooking including the free BYO events.

Members are kindly requested to book by the cut-off date for each event to avoid disappointment. Booking details for each event will be forwarded to members via email and all event details will also be on the website and in West Headings.

For more information contact FYC Social Coordinator Trish Hurley
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