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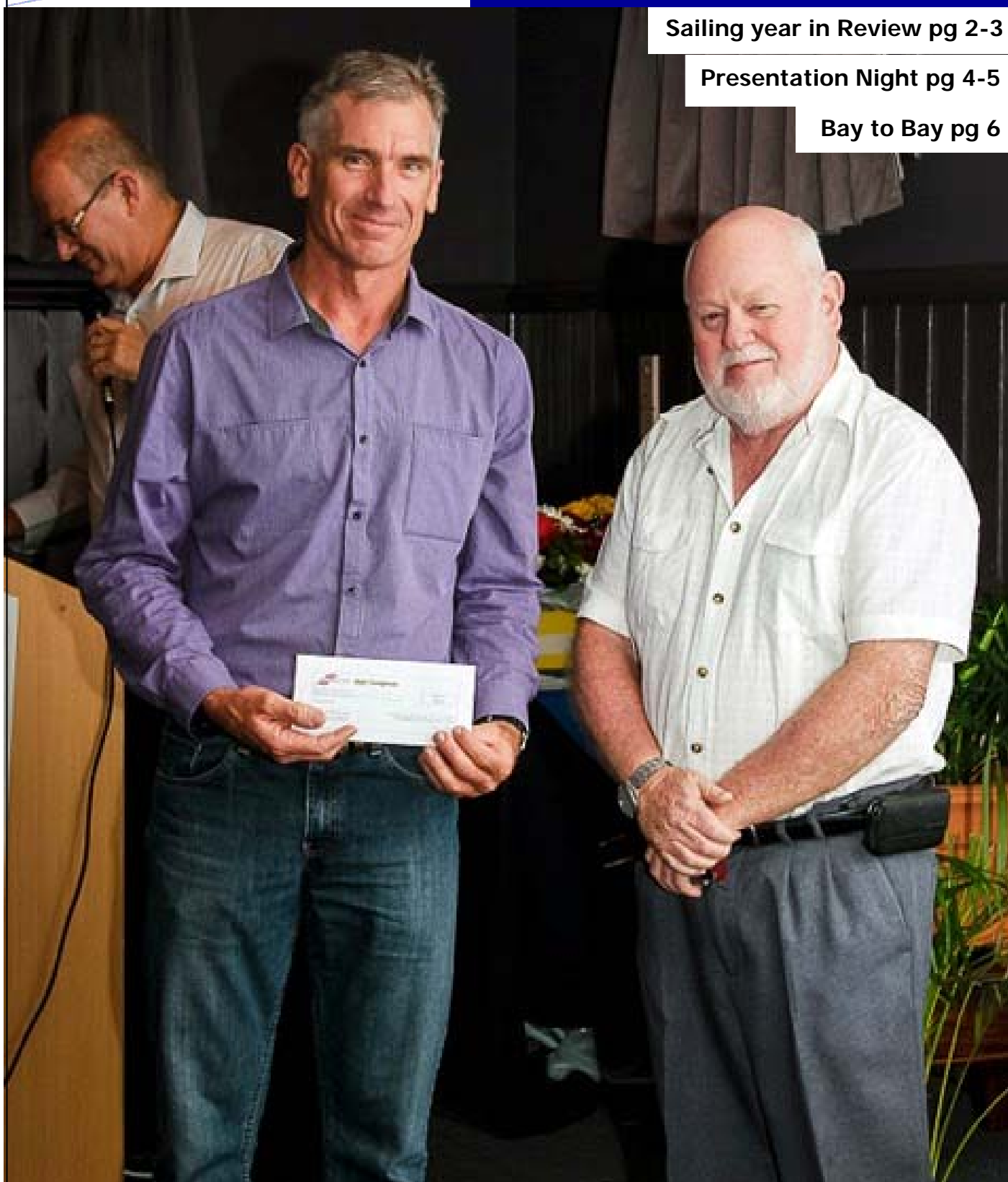
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2014 Sailor of the Year Martin Cooper

2014 ANNUAL PRESENTATION NIGHT

SAILING YEAR IN REVIEW BY VICE COMMODORE SUE DOYLE

Welcome everyone

As the season comes to a close I would like to congratulate the skippers and crew of the winning boats, and all the sailors who put up the challenge. The results this year were extremely close with several awards decided after sailing last week. Great sailing, hope you all enjoyed this season.

Again this year we had a small division 1 fleet so the preference to split the mono's and multi's into their own division wasn't possible. Handicapper Tim had an unenviable, and some may say, impossible job of maintaining competitive ratings between the very different boats. We can be proud of the result with Solitaire and Intrigue starting the last championship heat on even points. Well done Tim.

We took dinghy sailing to the Quoin basin area to improve the dinghy sailing experience. This has proved to be a popular location where we can set longer, competitive courses irrespective of the wind direction and it's out of the way of most marine traffic.

Last year, when the season finished we set about organising ourselves for Quoin. Starting with plotting out the area, liaising with MSQ and including it in our Aquatic Permit. Big thanks to the members who assisted in the trial days so we could test our plans for managing two start lines, and the finishing of both dinghies and yachts when the fleets are on the opposite side of middle bank. The new location also meant a change for our support boat personnel who now escort the fleet across to Quoin and lay/retrieve more buoys.

We said hello to the O'pen BIC – we had an opportunity for a BIC 'on loan' for four weeks, which coincided with us participating in the Yachting Australia National Discover Sailing Day, this little dinghy proved to be a popular choice with the young ones. The Eiser family purchased the BIC with Matthew naming it Mission Impossible. Watching Matt sail his BIC is inspiring and really the only task that is Mission Impossible is getting that name on the transom. Great first season Matt. We now have three club BICs, with two being funded from the Department of Sport and Recreation through the Get Going program. We will use the BIC, Sabot and Pacers in our Start Sailing programs however remember these club boats are available to members on our normal sailing days too.

A special acknowledgement goes to the Joseph family who have been exceptional hosts of their Pleiades Colosseum weekend since 2000, unfortunately the family have decided it's time to end. Thank you Helen, Marion and Andrew for fun times and fond memories.

Barry's initiative to honour our past members came to fruition in February with the dedication ceremony on the inaugural Memorial Day, it was terrific speaking with many of you as I took the attendee book around and witnessing the great camaraderie this club has. A Memorial sailing day will be on the sailing calendar each year from now on.

Social sailing – what did we get up to....

3 island race in July was enjoyed by all, with entertaining stories of crab pots, sinking dinghies and swimming.

Lynne Campbell's Lady Skipper day in August, a great day for us ladies and to the male crew – we hope you're working out your peck muscles. It's on again in August.

Tony Constance organised an Australia day cruising weekend to the Oaks on Facing Island, the weekend started off with beautiful weather, Jackson sailed his Laser with dad Martin on a windsurfer, Tim took his tinny and everyone else in their yachts. A tasty beach BBQ and good company and a great time was had by all, until.... the rain came and by morning it was blowing 10 bags full so we all made a hasty return to the mainland.

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And the season started with the first championship heat and during the season we've enjoyed Sprint Series, Head of the Harbour, Twilight, Ken Watson's ORC series, and the two Fairway & Tripod races – (Barker Fairway was the start of the end for the prodger on Doctor's Orders).

Unfortunately the weather ran interference from January onward, starting with our Australia day cruising weekend, Peter MacDonald CQ Championships in February, along with the 'alternative dinghy sailing we had in place, the ASP Youth Regatta in March was postponed with a cyclone menacing the coast, Brisbane to Gladstone had light winds, and Donald Davey Memorial Round the Islands suffered to strong wind warning in May.

The start sailing team have been busy

Two intakes of juniors, the main program in winter and another in the January school holidays. Always lots of fun we had 14 kids come through our program and are really pleased to have Matthew, Aimy, Chris and Cooper continue their sailing with the club.

Our adult program was well received with 15 adults having an introduction to sailing. All in all a busy year with 20 sessions for our team of start sailing volunteers to support. Thank you, your contribution to sailing is significant.

We added the YA Safety Boat Operators course to our YA endorsed Discover Sailing Training Centre. Many thanks to previous member, Instructor Kathy Starkey who now lives in Brisbane and visiting us during the January school holidays to run the course for our members. Six of our members gained their Safety Boat Operator accreditation which is a brilliant outcome.

Rohan Berry went on to become a YA dinghy Instructor and joins the team of Colleen and Tony. Well done Rohan, it's encouraging to have young members taking on these responsibilities.

Away events

PCSC was well represented at away events in both yachting and dinghy regattas, it is a significant commitment to prepare the boat, gather a crew, time away from work, and the financial element, and for the size of our fleet the number and level of Regatta's our members participated in is tremendous.

No presentation evening is complete without acknowledging our wonderful volunteers. To everyone who has willingly volunteered their time this season, a very big thank you. To Brian and his team, thank you for supporting our sailing and coping with my 'just in time' episodes.

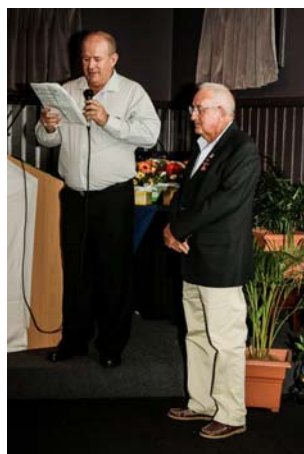
One last mention – the weather – she won on several occasions causing the postponement of the ASP youth Regatta, the Peter Macdonald CQ Championships, Donald Davey Memorial Round the Island, retired B2G sailors so we thought she may as well come to the presentation.

Thought out the evening if you hear the tropical cyclone warning signal, don't be alarmed it's part of our party games with prizes to be won.

Enjoy your evening.

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BAY TO BAY

BY LEX MORAN - DOCTOR'S ORDERS

Hope someone has given the skipper of Doctor's Orders a tide chart

Well Trevor, I will be looking for that chart in 2015 B2B. It all started with a full service on the trailer the week before. Hooked up Wednesday night, everything working as it should. Thursday morning left at 6am got 200 meters and no brakes, back to work shop - blown fuse. Off again got 170km down the road first wheel bearing went, got a replacement sent out, got 40km further and second bearing went. So what should be a 4.5 hr trip took 11 hrs to Tin Can bay.

Put the trailer in Tin Can Bay Marina slip way yard and said we will rig it in the morning, famous last words, as you know it rained Friday, (At this point I would like to thank Dave and the staff at the marina, I have not found more pleasant or helpful marina personnel anywhere).

Start of race Saturday, 5 minutes into race the prodger exploded, no more kite or screecher.

So waking up Sunday morning high and dry in a beautiful spot like Garry`s watching the great bunch of people I met the night before sail away was the least of my problems (won`t say it didn`t hurt), thanks to the 9 fishermen that turned up and lent a shoulder to push Doctor's Orders into the water or we would have been there for another half hour or more.

I know Hackett has got photos of the beached Farrier, just waiting to see how long they take to turn up on the wall at Port Curtis Sailing Club.

Peter, will need a new OMR for 2015 add 3 kg for shovels on board Doctor's Orders.

Cheers all thanks for the great weekend
Lex Moran



PCSC SAILING AWAY

BY SUE DOYLE

Come home with a story and a trophy or two.....Members enjoyed the away sailing on the first weekend in May.

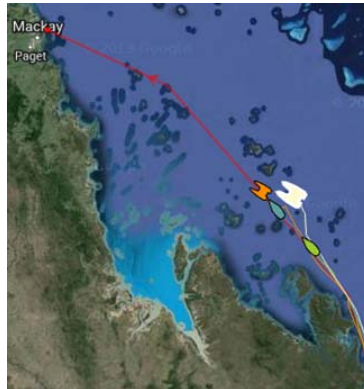
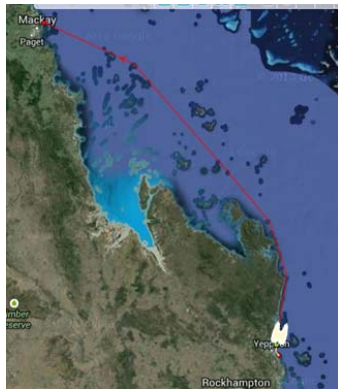
All Boats Regatta in Yeppoon

Scott Patrick – “I managed to win the Intermediate monohull division outright over 5 races with Maria getting a third. Had really close racing with a guy in a laser that was at the master's worlds 6 years ago and trained under Michael Blackburn - former Olympic medallist and trainer of Tom Slingsby, our last Olympic gold medallist. So pretty chuffed. I think I've managed to get him to convert to Impulses for the Nationals at Christmas in Yeppoon, which will be a good training partner for me and Dave Mann who has also just bought himself an Impulse for the Nationals. Also managed to win the Dash for Cash race against all the small and big monohulls and won \$400, but Aga managed to spend that at the markets pretty well straight away...oh well, at least she is seeing a benefit in going to these regattas.”

Yeppoon to Mackay

No Problem won the multihull division with an elapsed time of 18:49:39, congratulations Ray

That's Arcadia in blue, Wild Spirit in orange, and Matangi in green.

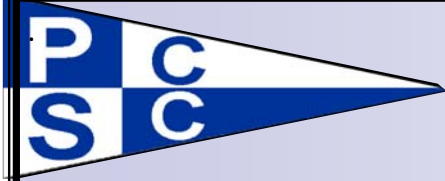


Bay to Bay

Doctor's Orders and Super Freaky ventured south to Tin Can Bay and Doctor's Orders wasn't the only PCSC boat with things going wrong. Super Freaky, with Robert and Peter Rosendahl had problems of their own with a stuffed, caput, blown, emergency anchor brand of outboard motor.

Remember Foxy Lady, she looked a picture as Doctor's Orders sailed past on Sunday. Foxy lady won the Sonata division with 1st place CBH, well done Ron Williams and crew.





FROM YOUR SAILING COMMITTEE

As the 2013/14 sailing season comes to a close we congratulate sailors on your sailing achievements both at home and away, and thank our race management team for their dedication and contribution to our club sailing.

A special thank you goes to everyone who has helped with the support boats this season. Your contribution has been invaluable

Donald Davey Memorial

Unfortunately, the weather claimed another sailing day and we had to cancel the Donald Davey Memorial race on 17th May due to BOM strong wind warning.

So we have doubled up this event onto the CQ Championships in June. Heat 2 of the CQ Championships sailed on the afternoon of Saturday 7th June will also be the Donald Davey Memorial.

Yachts and Dinghies welcome

Lady Skipper Day – save the date

Club favourite, Lynne Campbell's Lady Skipper's Day - Saturday 26th July.

3 Island Race

Currently in conversation with Gladstone Road Runners for interest this year. Tentative date Saturday 30th August, 2014.

Looking for Crew

One of our previous Junior Members Jack Pashley, now a young adult, has asked if there would be a yacht crewing opportunity next season. Unlike his father Adrian, Jack doesn't work Saturdays (or Sundays laughs Dad). Please contact the Pashley family on 0417 761 126.

Junior Start Sailing - July 2014

Our main Junior Start Sailing program is scheduled to start on 27th July 2014 and run for six weeks. Suitable for children aged between 8 and 14 yrs. If you know of anyone who is interested, please encourage them to register on our junior waiting list at Reception.. We'll have the 2014 Junior Sailing poster ready soon if you wish to promote in your workplace or school. Please see Sue or Colleen.



Sunday 27th July 0800 – 1200
For 6 weeks

Buddy Sailors and helpers much appreciated.

Safety Compliance Checklists

For the convenience of Members, our Safety Officer Rob Auty has provided a range of safety compliance checklist forms for Monohulls and Multihulls, covering Category 1 to 7.

These are available on our website. <http://www.gyc.com.au/sailing/important-information/>

Club sailing is currently Category 7, Tripod Category 5 and Fairway Category 4. Interclub ocean races with CCYC are typically Category 3.

Skippers are urged to review the requirements for their nominated Category and be ready for the commencement of 2014-2015 sailing season early September.

HEADS UP, next season all elements of the race nomination must be in place before the boat will be accepted into the race. This includes a properly completed race nomination form, certificate of insurance, safety compliance checklist, Membership renewal and race fees paid.



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4th EASTERN STATES IMPULSE CHAMPIONSHIPS

BY MARIA MOHRHOLZ SAILING WINDSPIEL

The locals were already waiting for the 24 impulse dinghies to sail on the Richmond River Ballina. The forecast was for light winds and the challenge was the river tide. The schedule was for 7 races over 3 days, but ending up with 5 races sailed.



A beautiful sunny Friday morning with no wind, but by the start at 1400 we had a good breeze 8-10knt but shifty. I was struggling with the strong tide and find myself swept away any time I made a sailing mistake. So I ended up on the 21st place after the two races. At least not last. Saturday came with no wind but a shift on the way. So we waited and waited and so did the locals.



Finally wind! Not much but enough to get us on the water. The OOD tried so hard to match the course to the wind condition. It was still tough. 2/3 of the fleet managed to finish the race when the wind stopped for the rest. Trying so hard to find this little bit of a whiff to get to the gybing mark.

I saw this little bit of consistent breeze under the mark and steered for it. Got into it, got some speed and could easily tack back in it and so got to the mark. Gillian (my friendly rival on the water) saw it too, and we got around the mark neck on neck. Concentrate now! Don't make a wrong move! Look for the wind! Neck on neck we creeping together to the finishing line. Gillian won on body weight (she is a fair bit lighter than me) and she got me by just a boat length over the line. 18th place for me hurray! A lot of good sailors were still trapped in no wind on the water. That ended our Saturday sailing and we were hoping for better winds for Sunday.

It was agreed to start the racing early @ 900 with the best change to have wind. And again the challenge was to find the right course for trying conditions. We ended up with a very distorted triangle in a light breeze and strong tide. I made a lot of mistakes and tacked into the tide, to be swept away and could not recover. 23rd place no good. We stopped the racing to reconsider the course. Time to try something out of the order. And they gave us an interesting Zig-Zag course.

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As soon we got on the water again, strong wind gusts matching a strong tide on a very odd angle starting line. So hard to keep the boat behind the start line in a ripping tide. No wonder we had a general recall after the first start. The wind gusts getting stronger as the race went on and I passed a lot of capsized boats.

Managing to stay in the boat was a challenge but still had a good race with a 19th place result. We were hoping for one more race after lunch but the storm clouds are coming closer ,and sails had to come down as the storm started and all racing was called of.



End results: Oliver Riorden in ZIPFRONT won for the NSW side and Andrew Turnbull in IMPOSTER got second place for QLD. I got last place overall, even so I was never last in any of the races. But got too many points. :-(

All in all it was a very enjoyable sailing weekend as we could all socialise in the evenings. Dieter and me struck a balance again and mixed the motor biking with the sailing.



CQ Championships

Reminder CQ Championships start this Saturday Queen's Birthday Weekend

Heats 1 and 2 sailed Saturday 7th June with the ocean race scheduled to start at 0900 (briefing 0730) on Sunday 8th, with Breaky Rolls from Salty's at 0700.

Reminder heat 2 is also the Donald Davey Memorial for yachts and dinghy sailors. For those wishing to do the alternative heat 3 this has been scheduled for 1100 start in Yeppoon on Monday so you have an opportunity to get up there. The back end heats 4 and 5 on Saturday 14th June.

Cost \$40 for the series, or \$10 per heat with \$30 for the ocean race.

NOR and SI available on CCYC website.

Race registration forms and payment can be made prior to the briefing on 7th June.

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Wk	Date	Start	Briefing	Event	PRO	MV Jack Mortensen Starter	Herc	Rescue Red	Duty Boat	Tides
						Roster Duty Boat 2 members capable of performing duties on board support boats				
						Quoin Area is the preferred dinghy course - weather permitting				
	Saturday 7-6-14	0900 1300		Peter Mac-Donald CQ Championship heat 1 and 2. Category 5	PCSC	Barry Austin				1022 1.29 1656 3.23
		1300		Heat 2 counts for Donald Davey Memorial - yachts and dinghies	PCSC	Barry Austin	Help Needed	Ken Away Help needed		1022 1.29 1656 3.23
	Sunday 8-6-14	0900		Peter Mac-Donald CQ Championship Ocean race to Rosslyn Bay. Category 3	PCSC	Barry Austin				0457 3.33 1116 1.11 1752 3.50
	Monday 9-6-14 Queen's Birthday									
	Saturday 14-6-14	SRD		Peter Mac-Donald CQ Championship heat 4 and 5 at CCYC. Category 5	CCYC					
				SRD						0958 3.67 1556 0.48
	Sunday 15-6-14			SRD						1046 3.64 1643 0.56
	Saturday 21-6-14			Club Dinghy Sailing	Sue Doyle 0419 649 764	Barry Austin	Help Needed	Ken Watson		1028 0.94 1656 3.63
	Sunday 22-6-14			SRD						0512 3.43 1131 0.90
	Start School Holidays Sat 28-6-14 to 13-7-14									
	Saturday 28-6-14			Youth Regatta	Sue & Colleen	Barry Austin				0952 3.33 1540 0.87
	Sunday 29-6-14			Youth Regatta / Val Sisley	Sue & Colleen	Barry Austin				1023 3.28 1607 0.94

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				Aquatic Permit						
	Friday 4-7-14	1800 2000		Adult Start Sailing - Theory Night	Colleen Sawatzki					
	Sunday 6-7-14	0800 1500		Adult Start Sailing - Session 1 & 2	Colleen Sawatzki					
	Sunday 13-7-14	0800 1500		Adult Start Sailing - Session 3 & 4	Colleen Sawatzki					
	End School Holidays Sat 28-6-14 to 13-7-14									
	Sunday 20-7-14			SRD - break						
	Saturday 26-7-14	1100		Lady Skipper Day	Lynne Campbell					0900 3.37 1454 0.79
	Sunday 27-7-14	0800 1200		Junior Start Sailing - Session 1	Colleen Sawatzki					
	Sunday 3-8-14	0800 1200		Junior Start Sailing - Session 2	Colleen Sawatzki					
	8th to 15th August			Airlie Beach Race Week (Thursday 8th to Thurs 15th August)						
	Sunday 10-8-14	0800 1200		Junior Start Sailing - Session 3	Colleen Sawatzki					
	Sunday 17-8-14	0800 1200		Junior Start Sailing - Session 4	Colleen Sawatzki					
	Saturday 23-8-14	1500		SIGN ON DAY						
	Sunday 24-8-14	0800 1200		Junior Start Sailing - Session 5	Colleen Sawatzki					
	Saturday 30-8-14	0900		3 Island Race (in conjunction with Road Runners)	TENATIVE					1140 3.43 1743 1.20
	Sunday 31-8-14	0800 1200		Junior Start Sailing - Session 6	Colleen Sawatzki					
	Saturday 6-9-14			Proposed Start 2014/2015 season						

YACHTIES RESTAURANT

Lunch

Mon ~ Thurs	12pm till 2pm
Fri ~ Sun	11:30pm till 2.30pm

Dinner

Sun ~ Thurs	6pm till 8:30pm
Fri ~ Sat	5:30pm till 9pm

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Fri ~ Sat from 2pm
Sun from 10am

SUNDAY BREAKFAST

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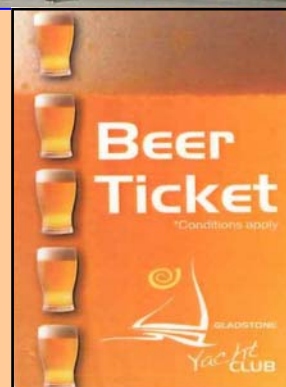
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