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April 2019 Edition

I want to say "Thank You" to those members who assisted in any way and gave their time and efforts to support the club over Easter. I think every member was aware this was an important time for us to maximise profits and I am happy to say that with a great deal of strategic planning we have been successful in doing this. I will inform members in a separate letter once the figures are complete.

It was an honour to be invited by Nigel Stratham Race Director from QCYC, as a guest on the start boat for the Monohull race, with an interesting mix of guests and some great reminiscences and memories shared. The start did not disappoint, with rain and squalls adding excitement to the hoisting of spinnakers and the general melee of yachts.

I witnessed a moment in history recorded as the infamous 'Bullet proof' Raine & Horne kite (at least 25 years old) shredded a few minutes after setting. I believe John has sent her away for careful stitching – she may return to fly another day.



At a time when the club needs stability, it is unfortunate to lose another Manager. Ms Jade Thompson has taken an opportunity to advance her career in a setting that embraces modern young women in their work force; I personally wish her all the best for the future. I know Jade believes she departs with new skills, and has learned from the opportunities enabled in her short tenure at the Port Curtis Sailing Club.

We have yet to see how the next Management team will look, however the Committee is determined to continue the work we have started to bring the Club into a new and profitable era.

Marina Hobbs (Commodore PCSC)

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- Easter and Brisbane to Gladstone races
- She Sails female Leadership workshop
- Clubs Conference
- New CQ Beakhead Series Off the Beach classes multi club regatta

Brisbane to Gladstone 2019

71st Brisbane to Gladstone Yacht Race
and
55th Brisbane to Gladstone Multihull Yacht Race

We are proud of our Gladstone yachts
Restless and No Problem with their great
performances

Congratulations to skippers and crew !

Restless in the 71st B2G
In her Division : IRC 3rd, ORCi 3rd, PHRF Modern 2 1st

No Problem in the 55th Multi Easter Race
OMR 5th, Performance 3rd



39 yachts competed in this years 71st race, results published by QCYC

Line Honours: **Black Jack**

Winner of Race, IRC Winner, Courier Mail Cup Winner: **ENVY Scooters**

PHRF Winner: **Kerisma**

ORCi Winner: **ENVY Scooters**

Cruising Winner: **Pagan**

Four Cities Cup: **Black Jack**



Photos of the start line by
Marina Hobbs

Brisbane to Gladstone 2019

55th Brisbane to Gladstone Multihull Yacht Race

12 yachts competed in this years race, results published by MYCQ

Line Honours: **Beau Geste**

OMR: **Rushhour**

Performance Rating: **Rushhour**

2019 Brisbane to Gladstone Multihull Yacht Race



No Problem 2019

Another fine year. Pleasant cruise down with favourable winds all be it three days waiting for the bar crossing. Half crew abandoned ship leaving three for a pleasant trip across and down to Mooloolabah sailing. Few days in Sandgate but very little work to be done apart from paperwork and audits.

The race an interesting event with favourable winds in the right direction. Biggest difference was the variation in strength and the amount of squalls that brought 30 knots and rain. So lots of sail changes, spinnaker/screecher/jib and bare handed.

Quick trip out of the bay. No real windward or tacking around Caloundra by 4.30pm. Stayed on rum line up to Double Island then let ourselves slip inside line for predicated current advantage. Passed couple multihulls and the majority of the mono hull fleet including RESTLESS but no idea where or when.

Off to Elliot on the favoured gybe, one gybe on to 210 degree straight to S2. By now no spinnaker left so square and screecher. Down the harbour to finish at 6.15pm. A good fast race.

Crew recovered well apart from Sheldon Haines who injured on the walk home. He was fine when left the boat!

All over for another year.

Ray Hobbs

Restless B2G 2019

Restless campaign for the 2019 B2G started in early 2019. Rudder repairs, cracking at stem and sticking bearing, were the critical works required for the old girl. There was the normal painting, cleaning and sealing of deck fittings also carried out. Many thanks to all people involved with maintenance and preparation on the old girl before we left. It is greatly appreciated.

The delivery date kept getting pushed back as the big guy upstairs couldn't find the low switch on his fan.

With a crew of Kenny Watson, Georgia Mossman, Bruce Janson, Sue Doyle and myself we finally had a window of opportunity and departed on Sunday morning the 7th April. The first day saw 10 to 15 knot Sou' easterlies for 24 hours. We made good time with no issues and arrived at Hervey Bay just after sunrise, as planned. A couple of crew were a little hesitant about getting sea sick. However, the calming nature of the crew and Restless assisted in them not getting sick and also being able to go below for some sleep during the night.

We enjoyed a nice bacon and egg breaky as dinner the previous night was missed as we steamed through the Great Sandy Straits. Just a hint! If you have old plastic salt and pepper shakers on board just check the threaded area is not cracked as you might just end up with more salt on your food than you bargained for! We timed the crossing on the shallows in the Straits perfectly and dropped anchor at Inskip Point at 1500 hours, ready to cross the bar on Tuesday morning as planned. Happy hour was commenced and dinner had with an early night following.

Tuesday saw us crossing the bar an hour before high tide as planned. Winds were from the Sou' west at 10 knots. The worst part of the crossing was the leg from Inskip Point out to the Hook Light turning point. This area was like a washing machine on full speed! Crossing the bar was better this year as we had 4.1 metres under our keel at the shallowest part with hardly any swell. Much better than last year when we had 2 metres of swell and zero under our keel at stages! The ladies enjoyed their first bar crossing also.

Prediction was for a northerly to blow us down the coast. However, it didn't come in until late in the day. We finally saw 15/20 knots behind us, so we drove onto Brisbane, arriving at 2300 hrs on Tuesday night, pretty well to plan! It was a great delivery and everyone and everything travelled well. Many thanks to the delivery crew for your help. It is greatly appreciated and I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

Restless was left in Brisbane while we returned to Gladstone. Bruce Janson, Kenny Watson, Geoff Waterson and myself then returned to Brisbane on Tuesday the 16th April to prepare the old girl for the race. Many small tasks were completed over the next two days which saw her ready and eager for the race. Many thanks for your assistance and also for driving the support vehicle home, even with a trailer that wasn't quite attached properly! 😊

Friday saw predictions of Sou' East for the race, 15/20 and building to 25/30 around the top end of Fraser Island with rain squalls prevalent all weekend. The crew, Paul Janson, Bruce Janson, Martin Cooper, Matthew Ibell, Kerry Millard and myself were prepared for the conditions and keen for a quick ride. The race start was hectic as a rain squall hit as the gun went, so we went into stealth mode while everyone around us had fun with kites blowing out, round ups and general mayhem.



Restless B2G 2019

We eventually popped Old Yella up and were cruising nicely with much larger vessels around us. Unfortunately one of these vessels took our wind and collapsed Old Yella onto the leeward shrouds. When the wind refilled her she tore where she was stuck on the shrouds. The end may be in sight for the 23 year old! Luckily we were near the rounding mark and went to working gear.

The trip out of the bay was met with varying wind conditions and during a jibe near Caloundra the boom vang decided to give up the ghost. Quick work by the fitters on board saw a jury rigged vang in place and we were back in the race. We passed the Caloundra Fairway Buoy around 1600 and headed North hoping to give the new assy kite, Priscilla, a run. Unfortunately the breeze was too much in the east and gusting so we went under working gear for the night.

The new Number One headsail worked a treat through out the night with squalls of 30 knots and driving rain becoming an hourly event. Wet, wet, wet is about the best way to describe Friday night! We were averaging 7 to 8 knots all night and Saturday morning saw us off Indian Head and in the company of many larger yachts. Breeze was still too far in the east and some squalls were building. We saw a few squalls at 37 knots and dropping back to a pleasant (?) 25 to 30 knots after the squall. The decision was made to stay as close to the Spit as possible which was made easy due to still being under working gear.

After the Spit we stood on as the squalls continued and we wanted to achieve a lay line for Lady Elliott. When we turned the corner and started heading inshore the breeze acted as predicted and was slowly dropping with the squalls slowly decreasing. We put up the symmetrical kite, Old Blacky (Old Yella's replacement), which saw our turn of speed increase and handling of the seas improve. The course had us on line for S2 at the Gladstone Harbour. We were presented with some great rides across that 70 miles with speeds of 14 knots for 1 to 2 minutes common. Top speed reached was 18.9 knots with the boat in total control.

We made ground and places across the Paddock and saw us finish in Gladstone at 2240 on Saturday night. PJ guessed our finish time with 6 seconds. However, we were pipped at the post, apparently. In the end we ended up with 1st in our PHRC division, 3rd in our ORC1 division, 3rd in our IRC2 division and Best Performed Gladstone Yacht. Due to Wistari not being able to do the race we carried her staysail as a memento for her. This staysail has completed all 50 races Wistari has entered!

If I had to rate the whole B2G experience, delivery to race, I would give it a 9 out of 10! This is only possible due to the many people and businesses involved in the activities required to see this happen. Many thanks goes to the crew and helpers for their works, advice and general support for Restless and myself. As I stated, it makes me feel proud to be heading up Auckland Creek knowing the support we have received along the entire journey.

Many thanks to the owner, Leanne, for letting me go and play with her yacht too! 🥰🥰

Also many thanks to the sponsors, Janson Engineering, E-Marine/EHSG, Ship and Sail Chandlery, MAD Detailers, Port Curtis Sea Safety, Nixon's Communications and Busted's Upholstery. Without you this may not have happened, your assistance is greatly appreciated. Looking forward to 2020!



125 State Titles

The 125 State Titles were once again contested at Hervey Bay over the Easter long weekend with three Gladstone boats representing Port Curtis Sailing Club in the 13 boat fleet. The racing was held in mainly 15-20 knots of Hervey Bay south easter with a few squirts well into the 20's.

Chris Mann and Luke Johnson took out the weekend sailing Pigs In Space Too with one race to spare, luckily as they broke a spinnaker pole on the second reach in the last race. Second place overall was sailed by a couple of ex sabot champions from Darling Point, and third was Waterloo sailed by the most experienced combination in the fleet with John and Jack Anderson.

Pigs In Space Too Too struggled a bit in the stronger Conditions, not helped with Alexa being under the weather, culminating on Sunday with Alexa being too sick to sail. Pete grabbed a couple of ring ins for the final 2 races to finish the weekend 4th overall.

The Oakley family sailing The Feelgood Shift of the Summer was the next placed Gladstone boat in 7th overall. Morgan did a fantastic job as the youngest skipper in the fleet even keeping his more fancied rivals honest on a couple of occasions. Morgan and Lana also took home the Brenda Steinback Memorial Trophy for their efforts.

Once again Maryborough Sailing Club hosted a fantastic event both on and off the water and we are all looking forward to next year.
Peter Mann



Congratulations to our young sailors (and one not quite so young) participating in the 125 State Titles. Well done, Chris, Alexa, and Pete Mann and Morgan and Lana Oakley !



QLD 125 State Titles 2019 Scratch Results - Maryborough Sailing Club												
Fleet	Sail No	Boat	Skipper Name	Crew Name	Club	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Total	Nett
A Div	3198	Pigs In Space Too	Chris Mann	Luke Johnson	PCSC	1	1	1	1	(14 DNF)	18	
A Div	3125	J	Angus Sherring	Luke Richmond	DPSS	2	2	2	(3)	1	10	
A Div	3121	Waterloo	John Anderson	Jack Anderson	DPSS	3	(5)	3	2	2	15	
A Div	3201	Pigs In Space Too Too	Peter Mann	Alexa Mann	PCSC	4	3	4	(5)	3	19	
A Div	3025	After Thought	Caleb Palmer	Keely Strauss	BSS	(7)	4	5	6	4	26	
A Div	3117	Apollo	James Beveridge	Will Reed	MooYC	8	6	8	4	(14 DNF)	40	
A Div	3115	The Feelgood Shift of the Summer	Morgan Oakley	Lana and Jordi Oakley	PCSS	6	7	6	7	(14 DNS)	40	
A Div	3082	She Waits For No Man	Catherine Colbert	Jessica Vanden Berg	LHCSC	5	(9)	9	8	6	37	
A Div	3129	Roche Racer	Hannah Thorpe	Laura McKay	LHCSC	9	10	(11)	9	5	44	
A Div	3142	Limited Edition	Hannah O'Gorman	Dean Steinback	BSS	(14 DNF)	8	7	12	14 DNS	55	
A Div	2980	Sticky Moments	Connor Eaton	Chris Eaton	OSC	(14 DNS)	12	12	10	7	55	
A Div	3116	Nikita	Natarsha Moloney	Megan Strauss	BSS	10	11	10	11	(14 DNS)	56	
A Div	3159	Osterley	Jessica Bidden-King	Caitlin Healy	LHCSC	(14 DNS)	13	14 DNF	14 DNF	8	63	

QLD 125 State Titles 2019 Handicap Results - Maryborough Sailing Club												
Fleet	Sail No	Boat	Skipper Name	Crew Name	Club	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Total	Nett
A Div	3129	Roche Racer	Hannah Thorpe	Laura McKay	LHCSC	1	1	-12	4	1	19	
A Div	3117	Apollo	James Beveridge	Will Reed	MooYC	6	2	3	-1	(14 DNF)	26	
A Div	2980	Sticky Moments	Connor Eaton	Chris Eaton	OSC	(14 DNS)	4	5	3	2	28	
A Div	3025	After Thought	Caleb Palmer	Keely Strauss	BSS	-7	3	6	6	3	25	
A Div	3115	The Feelgood Shift of the Summer	Morgan Oakley	Lana and Jordi Oakley	PCSS	2	8	4	5	(14 DNS)	33	
A Div	3121	Waterloo	John Anderson	Jack Anderson	DPSS	8	-11	8	2	5	34	
A Div	3116	Nikita	Natarsha Moloney	Megan Strauss	BSS	5	9	1	10	(14 DNS)	39	
A Div	3082	She Waits For No Man	Catherine Colbert	Jessica Vanden Berg	LHCSC	3	-13	11	-7	7	41	
A Div	3125	J	Angus Sherring	Luke Richmond	DPSS	9	6	7	-11	6	39	
A Div	3198	Pigs In Space Too	Chris Mann	Luke Johnson	PCSC	4	7	10	9	(14 DNF)	44	
A Div	3201	Pigs In Space Too Too	Peter Mann	Alexa Mann	PCSC	-10	10	9	8	4	41	
A Div	3142	Limited Edition	Hannah O'Gorman	Dean Steinback	BSS	(14 DNF)	5	2	12	14 DNS	47	
A Div	3159	Osterley	Jessica Bidden-King	Caitlin Healy	LHCSC	(14 DNS)	12	14 DNF	14 DNF	8	62	

Australian Sailing News

SHE SAILS Female Leadership Workshop 8th & 9th June – <https://www.sailing.org.au/events/35592/>

FREE – Encouraged for clubs who would like to increase female participation within their club. Become part of the Queensland She Sails Networking Group.

QUEENSLAND CLUBS CONFERENCE – Brisbane – 20th & 21st July

<https://www.sailing.org.au/events/35545/>

FREE – Every club should work towards be represented at this annual conference. A great opportunity to network and learn from your fellow club administrators/volunteers/committee members. A great line up of hot topics relevant to clubs. Combined with the QUEENSLAND SAILING AWARDS on the Saturday night and a Yachting Queensland General Meeting on the Sunday morning. Don't miss out on this great event. *Travel assistance available for regional clubs.*

SHE SAILS SHIRTS

Ladies (and fellas), anyone interested in purchasing a She Sails Shirt with our PCSC and She Sails logo. Australia Sailing are taking expressions of interest from clubs. Please let Sue know (sue_doyle@ymail.com) so we have an idea of numbers.

Ladies sizing from XSM to XL. Mens sizing from SM to 3XL.

Price to be advised, pending bulk purchasing savings.

Message from Annie Watson, Australian Sailing -

It is the plan to offer your club the facility to purchase these shirts with your burgee or logo in place of the Australian Sailing logo on the front of the shirts.



CQ BEAKHEAD SERIES - Save the Dates !!

New travelling sailing series for Central Queensland with Off the Beach class boats for the 2019-2020 sailing season is being organised by Ben Callard, Australian Sailing. The CQ Beakhead Series has been created to foster good relations between clubs in the region and to help participation at already established events.

The following Regattas constitute the 2019/20 Australian Sailing CQ Beakhead Cup.

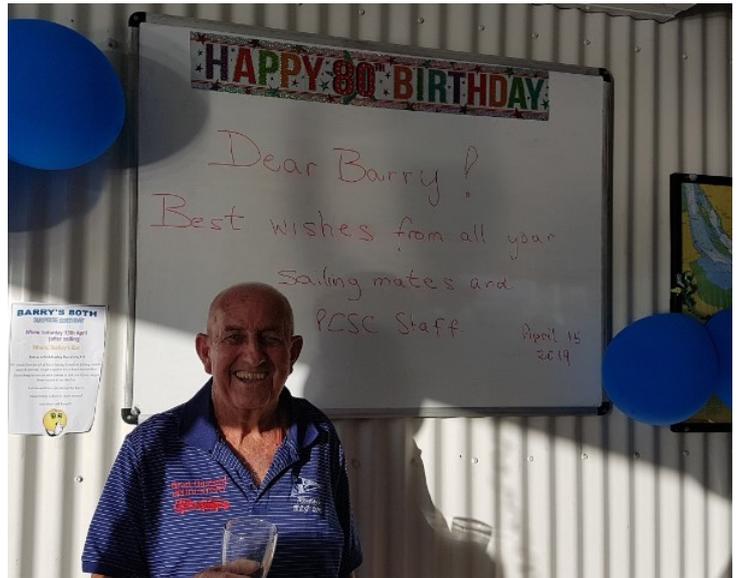
- Mackay Sailing Club (Dinghy Regatta ~ 7th & 8th September 2019)
- Port Curtis Sailing Club (All Boats Regatta ~ 21st & 22nd September 2019)
- Port Denison Sailing Club (Sail Bowen, Bowen ~ 2nd & 3rd November 2019)
- Bundaberg Sailing Club (Bundaberg Regatta, Bundaberg ~ 7th & 8th March 2020)
- Whitsunday Sailing Club (Easter Regatta, Airlie Beach ~ 10-12th April 2020)
- Keppel Bay Sailing Club (May Day Regatta, Yeppoon ~ 2nd & 3rd May 2020)

All clubs will run their event with the same divisions so that series points can be collated on an event basis

There will be no club championship racing on the signature event dates to give everyone the opportunity to travel.

There will be two drops in the series to allow for non attendance for the longest distance events.

Barry Austin's 80th Birthday Bash



BARRY'S BASH

Club members and PCSC staff managed to keep Barry's Bash a secret until the day of the surprise party for our Club Patron, Life Member and Starter, Barry Austin, was held at Dudley's Bar on 13 April to celebrate his 80th Birthday.

Unfortunately weather saw planned sailing cancelled that afternoon but sailors, PCSC staff and Barry's family still met to ensure that it was for Barry a special day. A plaque to be placed on the PCSC flag pole was presented to Barry by Vice Commodore, Martin Cooper in recognition of his significant contribution to the Club over many years.

Best wishes again, Barry for the very best of health and happiness!

Colleen



Upcoming Member Events

SAFETY BOAT COURSE - dates and outline

June dates and session content for Safety Boat Operator and Crew Certificates.

We have seven Members who have enrolled with Sue. Enrolments are still open so if you would like to join the support boat team and contribute to the safe running of Club events we welcome you.

Safety Boat Operators and Crew encouraged. Please enrol with Sue (sue_doyle@ymail.com)

The Safety Boat Operator course is an Australian Sailing accredited course with pre-requisite powerboat handling, however the practical sessions have been designed as a pathway to build skills with two levels of competency based assessment, Crew Certificates and Safety Boat Operator.

Date	Tides	Start	Event	PRO
Saturday 08-06-19	0702 1.01 1305 3.18 1858 1.25	0830	Safety boat theory and boat familiarisation Herc and Red Rib, PFDs, Radios. Onboard equipment including first aid/safety equip. 10am rescue boat launching. Buoy laying practice. Radio communication. Boat controls - steering, engine tilt, throttle, neutral engine. General boat manoeuvring skills, hold position, come alongside fixed object (pontoon).	Sue Doyle Lex Moran
Sunday 09-06-19	0803 1.06 1415 3.18	0800-1300	Safety Boat. Leaving pontoon, general boat manoeuvring skills, come alongside dinghy, hold sailboat into wind, capsized assistance on capsized dinghy. Towing procedure. NEED Dinghy sailors. Rescue boats back on trailer, flush engine, clean and storage	Sue Doyle Lex Moran
Saturday 15-06-19	0737 3.65 1347 0.69 2012 4.21	0830 til done	SRD. Safety boat. Launch rescue boats. Advanced boat handling skills. Lee Shore, Non Lee Shore, man overboard recovery. Rescue boat back on trailer if tide permits.	Sue Doyle Lex Moran

ATTENTION ALL DINGHY SAILORS!

In conjunction with Lex and Sue delivering the Support Boat training, all dinghy sailors are encouraged to attend a **theory and practical session on RESCUE awareness in the morning of Saturday 8th June.**

This session is aimed to increase DIV 4 sailors understanding by referencing documents, training literature and group dialog between all sailors to cover;

- Skipper responsibilities
- Self-rescue
- Getting back on-board & MOB retrieval
- Rescue
- Dropping main
- Tidying and securing preparations
- Towing
- Dinghy safety compliance and recommended safety equipment
- Risk assessing equipment failure – likelihood and consequences.

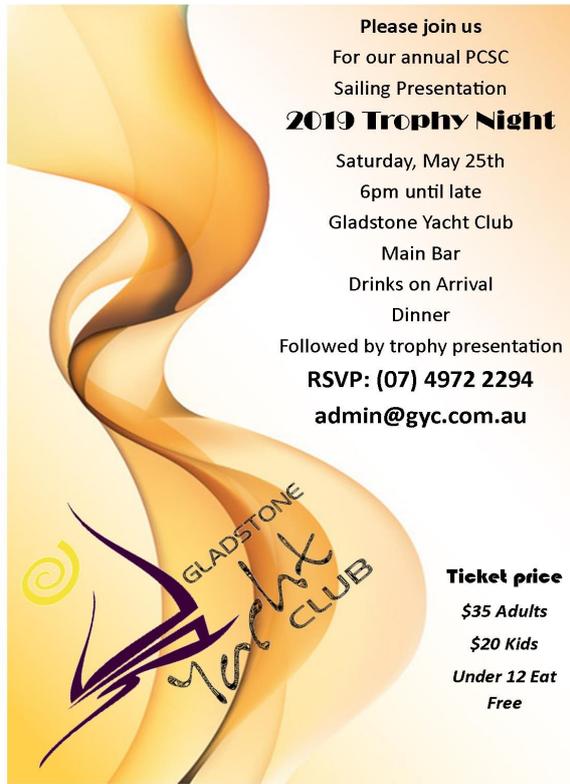
Martin is calling on experienced sailors to participate and help by sharing their experience with newer sailors. Some practical exercises may be done to aid Support boat training / certification.

Marty

Sailing Goss

REMINDER !

Please return any perpetual trophy to the Club you may still have for engraving asap



Please join us
For our annual PCSC
Sailing Presentation
2019 Trophy Night
Saturday, May 25th
6pm until late
Gladstone Yacht Club
Main Bar
Drinks on Arrival
Dinner
Followed by trophy presentation
RSVP: (07) 4972 2294
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Ticket price
\$35 Adults
\$20 Kids
Under 12 Eat
Free

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TRADITON LASTS

Thanks must go to Barry for manning the Training Room over Easter as he has done for numerous past years. As usual the position of the yachts and multis were regularly plotted on the paper maché chart on the wall. Much appreciated help was given by some members, especially Wayne and Kathy Taylor on the night shift.

BIG thanks to Murray and Dannon Ware for laying the Great Raft Race buoys for the Harbour Festival

Good sailing and safe travels to all PCSC sailors attending regatta's over the May day weekend !

ONLY TWO CLUB SAILING EVENTS LEFT THIS SEASON

Port Curtis Sailing Club Calendar 2018-19					
Wk	Date	Tides	Start	Event	PRO
30	Saturday 11-05-19	0818 1.33 1426 3.01	0900 1400	Intermediate Sailing Head of Harbour 2 Heat 4	Sonofabeach
31	Saturday 18-05-19	0839 3.95 1450 0.52	1400	Sprint Series 2 Divison 1 Heats 3 & 4 (Rescheduled) Division 4 Heats 5-8	Solitaire TBC

AVERAGE POINTS POLICY

Average Points policy has been updated to include skippers crewing on support vessels. Rationale 2 now reads:-

“Skippers assisting Race Management as designated Principal Race Officer or required to crew on support vessels will be awarded average points for each race in their division that was to be sailed that day.

The average points will be recognised on the result sheet of the race/races of that particular day.”

Keppel Bay May Day Regatta 4th and 5th May 2019. To view NOR and register go to <http://kbsc.com.au/may-day-regatta/> For more info contact 4939 9542 or saiing@kbsc.com.au



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Opening Times & Contacts

NEW OPENING HOURS

Tuesday to Sunday from 11am to late

Treasurer: Maria Mohrholz
Secretary: Selina Mossman
GLADSTONE YACHT CLUB
Manager: Jade Thompson
Functions - Sarah Perez

PORT CURTIS SAILING CLUB

Commodore: Marina Hobbs
Vice Commodore: Martin Cooper
Club Captain:



The view from the water