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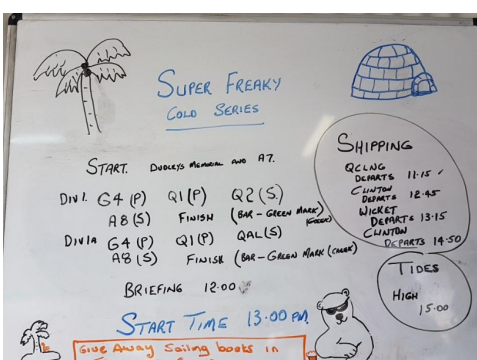
March 2020 Edition

Sadly our season's final weeks of Club sailing, Adult Start Sailing and Club activities have been put on hold with Coronavirus threat to us all.

Nevertheless, we will make every effort to complete our program as soon as it is possible.

Presentation Night planned for 30 May is also postponed.

We will keep you informed as to what will happen as information comes to hand.



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Special points of interest:

Management and Sailing Committees wish all Members a safe passage through this Coronavirus pandemic. Keep safe and virtually connected. Sailing will recommence as soon as possible.

Adult Start Sailing March 2020

Congratulations go to the small group who have been attending Adult Start sailing this month for their efforts, and thanks to Club members who acted as “Buddy sailors”, support boat crews and helpers for the March course.

The new sailors have done particularly well in spite of a gale warning forcing us not to sail one Sunday, and winds, at times, stronger than we really wanted.

The first Sunday on the water in the creek saw the “buddies” having lots of fun as well. Our next Sundays saw us out on the harbour in front of Spinnaker park, where there was more space to sail all points sail – lots of good tacking and gybing, and even some extra capsized recovery. On our last day, our new sailors had the fun experience of sailing back to the ramp at the Club against a strong out-going tide into the wind. Unfortunately, we have had to postpone our next / last session with the ghastly virus situation.

Nevertheless, we can award all who participated with Start Sailing 1 accreditation and plan to finish Start Sailing 2 in the next course.

Sue and I much appreciate the help given by Rob (Auty), Shauna, Tiernan, Brian, Garth and Tot.

Disappointing as it is not being able to finish the course, we are looking forward to being out on the water as soon as circumstances allow.

Colleen Sawatzki



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Towards Trophy Presentation

This season has been a most extraordinary one. With our delayed start and postponed finish, the Sailing Committee remains optimistic that enough sailing will have been completed (in the end) to award Club trophies.

PCSC has several coveted awards, and in the spirit of passing on that history to Members who may be unaware of the history behind them, a new Trophy in Focus section of the Straphanger has been designed leading up to our 'eventual' presentation ceremony.

TROPHIES IN FOCUS

Performance Awards and the most prestigious Club sailing awards

Jack Mortensen Wheel

For the best senior on handicap on Championship days.

Inaugural Life member, Jack, had a long association with the Club, being instrumental in supervising its construction, as well as being a keen sailor. All sailors see our acknowledgement of his involvement in the Club when they see "MV Jack Mortensen" on the water as our Start Boat.



Craig Armour Fez Award

For the best junior or senior at an away regatta.

The Fez was donated as a perpetual award by Craig's father. After Craig had sailed in a youth laser radical regatta (World's) in Morocco, he bought a Fez, which Alan Armour (father) turned into a trophy. Points are awarded to sailors from a formula adopted by our Club recognising success in International, National or State events.



Nick Waugh Memorial Trophy

For first on line honours on Championship days.

This award was donated in 2013 by Dave and Jackie Waugh for ten years in memory of their son, Nick.



Wistari Trophy

Calculated as the highest points through all the handicap series over the season. (Aggregate handicap points).

This award is sponsored by Scott Patrick.



Sailor of the Year Award

Sailor of the Year award was introduced in 2007 in recognition of an all round contribution to PCSC and the sport of sailing.

This award constitutes more than sailing success, taking into consideration sailing performance in Gladstone, representation of the Club at major away events, as well as the individual's contribution to the Club and the sport of sailing. It can't be awarded to the same person within 10 years.

Nominations are received and the winner is selected by a confidential panel of three members. The award is kept secret until it is presented on Trophy Night.

The award has seen various sponsors over the years starting with the owner/operators of Heron Island sponsoring a trip to the island for a weekend. Unfortunately a change of island ownership resulted in this sponsorship ceasing, and in current times the award has been sponsored by RoadPak Industries with an oversized cheque for \$500.

If you wish to nominate a Member for the Sailor of the Year Award please email the Club Secretary at admin@gyc.com.au with brief outline of how your nomination meets the award criteria. All nominations will be passed onto the selection panel.



Congratulations Tim Williams

Congratulations Tim !

We heard on the grapevine lovely news that our past member Tim Williams, who took a career move and left for Brisbane a couple of years ago, found his life partner Lisa and married in a lovely ceremony on 7th March 2020.

From all of us here at PCSC we wish you and your family all the happiness life can bring.



*The wedding took place at Henzells Chapel, Dayboro on March 7th. Baby Isla and Buster the dog are in the photos plus Tim's best man, Daniel Donaldson.
Marina Hobbs*



Snippets

ACCESS TO BOAT STORAGE UNDER THE CLUB

Members who wish to access their boat stored under the Club while Club is closed please contact either Garth, Mitch or Dave Cue. Please be mindful of social distancing rules.

Garth: 0427 031 642, Mitch: 0402 331 489, Dave Cue: 0437 833 158

DO YOU HAVE A LASER SAIL FOR SALE?

Tot Moran is looking to buy a second hand laser sail. Please contact Tot on 0407 156 505

RETURN TROPHIES PLEASE

We do have most of the perpetual trophies back, but if you still have one to return, please contact Sue Doyle (0419 649 764) or admin@gyc.com.au to arrange a time.

MISSING CLUB PACER BULKHEAD CAPS

Disappointingly, we are still searching for the missing caps. Please ferret around and see if they can be found.

BOX STORAGE

We have a number of boxes containing business records of GYC which need to be retained for several years. When things settle down we'll need a working bee to move them under the clubhouse. Your assistance will be appreciated when the time comes.

CLUB SECRETARY

Thanks and welcome to Margie Lubke for joining the team as Club Secretary. Margie requested a steady introduction so Sue and Margie are sharing the role for the moment.

DINGHY INSTRUCTORS REQUIRED !

If you are interested in doing an Australian Sailing Dinghy Instructor course from 0900 28th to 1700 29th Nov 2020 at Southport Yacht Club, please see Sue for details.

SUPPORT THE LOCAL GUYS

Last month we ran an article on the sewer pipe repairs. Pedro's Industrial Vacuum Service provided a Vac Truck and expertise which contributed significantly to the job.

We since hear that PEDRO'S INDUSTRIAL VACUUM SERVICE have donated their time to PCSC and we did not receive an invoice for their service.

In our currently financial situation this is very much appreciated.

We encourage Members if you need an industrial vacuum service to please consider

PEDRO'S INDUSTRIAL VACUUM SERVICE (07 4973 9796)





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Opening Times & Contacts

GLADSTONE YACHT CLUB RESTAURANT AND BAR

Restaurant and Bar opening hours
11.30am - late 7 days.

Dudley's Bar opens 4pm – late Wednesday & Thursday
and 12 - late Friday, Saturday & Sunday.

Bookings for functions or tables of 8 or more:
managementGYC@hotmail.com

No bookings required for smaller tables.

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