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# Straphanger

# March April 2021 Edition

## Commodore's Comment

What an amazing victory "Wistari" recorded in this year's Brisbane to Gladstone yacht race. There are quite a few factors that make it amazing. The yacht was launched in 1965. That's right, last century. It was designed by our late life member, Noel Patrick who had no formal qualifications as a naval architect. It was built in the garage in the back yard of the Patrick family home in Boles Street here in Gladstone. It has won this race on four previous occasions and three of those wins were against then current Australian Admirals Cup team yachts, "Caprice", "Love and War" and "Police Car". It was fabulous to see Noel's son Scott again skipper "Wistari" to her 5<sup>th</sup> victory this year and, on behalf of our Club, I offer Scott and his crew our very sincerest and heartfelt congratulations.

In other areas, I am also pleased to see our new trailers arrive for our rescue boats and a water blaster for ramp cleaning and general use around the Clubhouse. These have resulted from grants that were very tenaciously pursued by Tony Constance, and additional items (such as a new outboard motor) are still to arrive as yet.

Your Management Committee has already engaged auditors to complete our annual audit in preparation for our AGM. I would therefore strongly urge all members to give serious consideration to putting themselves forward for the various positions that will need to be filled at that AGM.

The Club's finances are progressing as per the "road map for recovery" that was tabled at our last AGM by Club Treasurer Sue Doyle (in fact, we may be even a little bit ahead of our planned position by AGM time) and the Club's weekly sailing programme and social activities are also growing slowly but surely. I am personally aware of at least one new yacht that will be joining our regular Saturday racing fleet in the new season, and there may be others as well.

So, all in all, the Club is progressing well and it is interesting times for anybody that feels inclined, to join the Management Committee, Sailing Committee or other volunteer positions in the Club for the forthcoming season.

Fair sailing  
Tot Moran.

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# WISTARI

## WINNER – 2021 BRISBANE TO GLADSTONE



By Scott Patrick

After now owning Wistari 28 years, exactly the same duration as my dear father Noel Patrick, I had started to wonder if I'd ever be writing this article. Despite winning Division 2 outright for the last three races and regularly getting podium finishes for the last two decades, proving she was still competitive, I struggled to believe this 56 year old plywood boat still had it in her to win a fifth race 50 years after her first win in 1971, and 39 years after her last win in 1982. Certainly had written off the idea she could win in an outright drag race against the best there is in likes of Maritimo. A light start, heavy finish blow home – maybe.

Maritimo was especially imported into Australia from US by owner of this luxury cruiser brand, Bill Barry-Cotter, and completely stripped and refitted with the latest carbon gear and manned by the most experienced professional offshore skipper in Australia – Michael Spies, especially to win this race. They achieved a miraculous line honours, outlasting much bigger boats, with the double being beyond their wildest dreams on debut. All that stood in their way was this ancient plywood freak called Wistari.

As noted in a conversation with Grant Cooper and Glenn Butcher after the race, even if Wistari had an unlimited budget I would not change one thing about boat setup or change a single member of the crew after this race. It was a perfect combination of over 20 years of learning, proven hull design and a crew that was an ideal combination of skills, experience, fitness and personalities. And we had four Impulse sailors on board – how could we lose!

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# WISTARI

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There were many memorable experiences from this race.

Getting to the start line was a story in itself. After the anticlimax of all the excitement completing the 70<sup>th</sup> Brisbane to Gladstone and 50<sup>th</sup> for Wistari in 2018, combined with a debilitating injury of the owner preventing entry in the 2019 race, there were serious discussions with the Maritime Museum about taking her over. After finding out they weren't given the room I asked around friends and acquaintances via Facebook if anyone would like to take her over. There were a couple genuinely considering it. With new found enthusiasm, we entered the 2020 race, then Covid hit. Poor Wistari had now sat virtually unused for three years and the crew hadn't been near her for the same time. The trip to Brisbane this year was really pushed with barely four hours broken sleep in 24 to meet a number of race and insurance requirements. Tony Craner and myself realised we are getting too old for this! We made Brisbane and all preparations were well under way and then Covid hit again. We didn't know we were racing until lunchtime Thursday. If this race was cancelled I was taking her to an investment berth at the Gold Coast with a for sale sign put on her.

Fortunately the race went ahead. About 10 of the nominated 48 boats had already pulled out due to a mixture of not being able to fly in crew and being a bit intimidated by the forecast conditions. The forecast was 25 knots gusting to 30 knots. At the start line it was a solid 30 knots already. Was pretty mind blowing having Blackjack buzz us a few times before and during the start. They did a bear away, coming head on at well over 20 knots passing 1m to windward just before the start and passed 2m to leeward even faster just after start. Wish we had had a camera going the whole time.



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The start was total confusion. The leeward mark for the starting line was missing! Turns out someone put too short a tackle on it and apparently was 10 feet under water. Due to a combination of this and the conditions, with a spinnaker start the whole fleet held well back. My theory was to hang around behind where the line should be according to chart plotter and just ahead of the majority of the fleet. When the fleet started passing us after the gun we just popped the kite and ended up with a pretty good start.

Down the first leg suddenly realised only about half a dozen boats were game to put up a kite and we were absolutely flying, mixing it with 40-50 footers. We were holding speed with a Farr 40!! There was a lot of big boats around us at the first mark.



Waterline length ruled to windward on way to island and we dropped back a bit. Then kite went up again for a wild ride out of the rest of the bay. Rounding Fairway Buoy only 4.5 hours after the start was definitely one of the quickest.

Up went the fractional asymmetric at Fairway again. A few round ups and soon we were under some sort of control. Time for start of watch system. Come 8 o'clock and we were already approaching Double Island Point. Although we were at the bottom edge of the heavy winds, we started seeing 40 knots. Apparently the leaders were seeing 48 knots. So much for the forecast 25 to 30 knots. Nephew Andy was on helm and mentioning something about being half out of control, hitting 20 knots speed and we were now heading for the beach and not making Double Island Point. Picture videos you've seen of Volvo 70's with white water across the deck and going down the companion way. By now my bunk and locker was full of water. No dry clothes left and absolutely freezing. Time to get spinnaker down in 40 knots. Andy and Tim did a remarkable job to put it away. Spent next eight hours two sailing back out to sea. This is boring – time to put Scott on the helm. Was still doing up to 13 knots! Lost a bit of ground against the bigger boats on the rumb line.

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Passed Indian Head around 4am and up went the symmetric spinnaker this time. Was barely holding it around Breaksea Spit. Andy on helm and Scott in bunk again when the call came – “We need to get the kite down, breakers ahead”. Up came Scott and just said “Too late keep going”. Shallowest part with largest breakers was already abeam – just! Rounded Breaksea Light early Saturday morning. Never done that before.

Ride across the ‘paddock’ not as ideal as should be. Very large and confused sea conditions with squalls from different directions. Andy to Scott – “You should give Andrew T break on helm” Scott to Andrew T “Like a break” – “No”. His smile between grimaces said it all. Gybe around Elliott Island late Saturday morning and on the home run. This is going to be one fast race. Andy on helm and Scott in bunk again – common theme happening here. Suddenly in middle of a squall and Wistari on side, held down by main and spinnaker. First time ever in history of race we’d just done a wild Chinese Gybe. Boat was not coming back up. Your’s truly was standing on side down below and couldn’t climb out companionway. Looking out port window under water watching poor Tony under water trying to hang on and breath for dear life. Need to mention about here had put my head through a window on this side early that morning. Fortunately had taped up all the cracks.

Andrew T. thrown on helm and Andy and Tim on foredeck trying to work out what to do next. Got main across and smoked the kite and somehow pulled it in. Boat popped up and Scott managed to get on deck and Tony was breathing again. Son Tim was laid flat and exhausted on foredeck and Andy mentioning something about us almost killing my son. We were still doing 13 knots under reefed main only. Foredeck was a disaster, spinnaker halyard and topping lift gone. The boys somehow then recovered the spinnaker halyard, sorted out the mess and got the headsail up. Big discussion followed. Andy wanted to know what we should do next. He was pretty shattered. I looked at drop off in wind and suggest same kite should go straight back up. There was something said about having almost lost boat and would be suicide to put kite back up. We should go to poled out headsail was the thought. It was then mentioned we should go to the 2.5oz chicken chute, which Wistari has been carrying a rating penalty for since 2007, just for such an occasion. Reluctantly it was agreed. Andy went to tell Tim to find it and get it ready. Tim said “It’s already on the hooks” - that’s my boy! As it turned out this was the decision that won the race. This ‘dead weight’ for many years proved to be very docile under the conditions and a perfect choice.

It wasn’t until we reached Bustard Head and received mobile coverage that all the messages started flooding in. Former crew member Johnno messaged Andy – finish by 9:10 to win. Tony and self did some number crunching and agreed “doable but frigging tight”. Fortunately the wind held all the way up the harbour and the ebb tide turned before we got to Gatcombe. It all fell into place as usually happens with a win.

For most of that afternoon, there was more than the odd comment about this being the last race, never doing this again, etc. This was of course forgotten after the rum at BSL and the incredible welcome we received by Gladstone. Went instantly from five buggered blokes on a very wet smelly boat to cheering everywhere. Having Matt Burnett let off the fire works early especially for us going up the creek was brilliant. Surprised the Pontoon at the club didn’t sink with all the people on it to welcome us. These are memories for a lifetime. Thanks to everyone.

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# WISTARI



As a final note, what can I say about the true hero here – Wistari. 56 years old doing her 51<sup>st</sup> race and managed to hold together for a win like this. Pretty much unheard of in major offshore racing. In recent years I have been turbo charging her with larger mast and spinnakers to improve light air performance hoping for the perfect light start/heavy finish race that might just snag a win. The consequence was a rating penalty. For this race we ran the whole way with a reefed main and fractional kites – basically her original rig. She was still able to sail far enough above her rating to win.

Thankyou to all the congratulations and well wishes we have received from all over. Also thankyou to this year's sponsors Multitrade and Pronamics who have made the task that bit easier.



# What a Race !

Congratulations to our PCSC yachts Wistari and Restless for their great performance in this year's B2G !

Excellent seamanship by skippers Scott and John saw both yachts back in Gladstone without any major damage on the Saturday night. Well deserved trophies were awarded to both yachts, but special mention must be made of Wistari, who this year had ideal conditions for her design, achieving a first place in seven divisions.

I am sure that Scott's father (designer and builder of Wistari) would be proud.

Gladstone sailors who crewed on these yachts will certainly have a race to remember !

Joining Scott on Wistari were his regular B2G team: Tony Craner, Tim Patrick, Andrew Patrick and Andrew Turnbull, while Matthew Ibell, Bruce Janson, Robert Rosendahl, Mitch Brown and Sheldon Haines sailed together as a team on Restless with John Ibell for the first time. Tony Constance also crewed on Storm Bay in the Multi Hull race to a third over the line and in OMR.

## **WISTARI Scott Patrick**

- 1st PHS Overall
- 1st PHS Vintage and Veteran
- 1st IRC Overall
- 1st IRC Div 3
- 1st ORCi
- 1st AMS



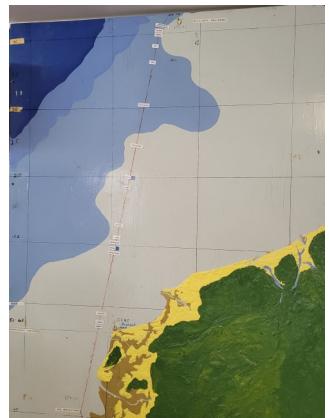
## **RESTLESS John Ibell**

- 10th PHS Overall
- 3rd PHS Modern 3
- 10th IRC Overall
- 3rd IRC Div 2
- 5th ORCi

## **Thanks, Barry !**

Our Club patron, Barry Austin, with helpers Mo Shamin, Kathy and Wayne Taylor and Sue Doyle was again at his post in the PCSC Training Room where he has always been for the race for many years.

Although the tracker allows anyone to follow the yachts, the Training Room is always visited by Gladstonians and visitors alike to see the plotted positions on the Historical chart board which is now also becoming a Club heirloom, and have a chat.



# Welcome Home and Congratulations



# Grant Acknowledgement

## GLADSTONE REGIONAL COUNCIL CONNECTED COMMUNITIES FUND



Two new mainsails made by sailmaker North Sails in Brisbane have arrived.

Funded through Council's Connected Communities Fund Sport and Recreation Grant, Pacers, Wet Wet Wet and Wind & Water not only look fabulous with their white and orange sails, but are easily seen on the water. David Cue and his daughter Miranda enjoy sailing on Saturdays.



## QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT COVID19 ACTIVE INFRASTRUCTURE RECOVERY GRANT

The Queensland Government provided \$16,513.20 to Port Curtis Sailing Club Inc to purchase new boat trailers for support boats MV Jack Mortensen and Red Rib to enable Queenslander's to participate in sport and recreation activities.



PCSC acknowledges this valued support from the Queensland Government. The Club used this funding opportunity to replace the aging and fatiguing boat trailers with new trailers, which will enable Club sailing and Start Sailing programs for learners to be run safely well into the future.

## QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT GAMING COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND



The Club received \$18,411 to replace the outboard motor on Herc and purchase a pressure washer for ramp cleaning from the Qld Government Gaming Community Benefit Fund.

The pressure washer is here and stored in the Herc shed. Tony has placed an order with a local supplier for a Yamaha F90LB outboard with 6Y5 digital gauges, binnacle control box, alloy prop and control cables.



Thanks go to ANTHONY CONSTANCE for his dedicated work and success with our grants.

# Adult Start Sailing Feb/March 2021



PCSC members have stepped up again to run the Discover Sailing Adult Start Sailing Course. Without their support these courses cannot happen.

Thanks goes to Sue Doyle, Barry Austin, Garth Breayley, Shauna and Dave Taylor, Mo Shamim, Matt Brown, Maria Mohrholz and to me.

Not only did I appreciate their help, but I know that the participants did also. And what a great group they were! Enthusiastic and keen to get into our activities, it was an instructor's delight to work with them.



Lisa Warn



Daniel Keonig and Judith Marks



Bronwyn Baddiley

Matt and Karen Stoneley



Ryan Cunningham



Brett Whiteley



## Certificate Verse

A busy five Sundays have flown by,  
With eight keen sailors up to try.

This great group quickly grasped what to do,  
Rigging day one, leaving, tacking, and returning too !

Then capsize drill with Garth and Ray,  
Provided some fun on the second day.

Out of the creek we sailed on day three,  
All good sailors they could be.

Everyday saw more confidence and skill,  
It really gives me and my helpers a thrill.

Sailing to windward, reaching and running,  
Tacking, gybing and avoiding capsizing.

Watching for gusts and sail trimming,  
With PCSC members your progress aiding.

## Congratulations to all !

Keep sailing when the chance your way does fall.

Colleen (Instructor)

# Zonta Club of Gladstone Living Treasure Award

Club member, Wendy Barker was recently honoured with the Zonta 'Living Treasure' award. Congratulations Wendy !  
We treasure you too for all your work Saturdays on MV Jack!

**For Members who are not familiar with how accomplished our Wendy is, the following is a reproduction from a Facebook post from the Zonta Club of Gladstone following Wendy's award.**

"Congratulations to the winner of our Living Treasure Award, Wendy Barker! It is our honor to celebrate the achievements of this wonderful woman. Thank you Wendy, for all you have done (and will do) for our community.

Wendy has made an invaluable contribution to Gladstone's cultural life, particularly dance, over such a long period. Wendy is a true Gladstone local and despite the challenges of growing up in regional Queensland she has achieved at a high level on the world stage.



When Wendy realised her love of and talent for ballet as a child she had to leave her family at the age of 12 to further her studies in Rockhampton. She then moved to Brisbane to gain experience and opportunities. At the age of 14 Wendy danced as an extra with the Royal Ballet Company while it toured Australia leading to an opportunity to attend the Royal Ballet School in London, sailing for London with her mother on the Fairsky at the age of 15. Wendy then danced professionally overseas between the ages of 17 to 30 including roles as a dancer with the London Ballet, Royal Winnipeg Ballet, Pennsylvania Ballet and American Classical Ballet II. With the latter, Wendy danced with Rudolf Nureyev.

After finishing her professional dance career, Wendy turned to teaching. She was a guest teacher in New York for American Ballet Theatre, Ballet Hispanico of NYC, Mary Anthony Dance Theatre and Brooklyn Music School before opening her own school on Staten Island in 1984. Wendy returned to home in 1996 to care for her father and decided to stay in Gladstone.

In 1998 using the experience, skills and connections gained while dancing in North America and Europe Wendy established the Youth Ballet Company in Gladstone which later became known as Young Dancers CQ. The company provided young local dancers with the opportunity to gain experience as pre-professional dancers without having to leave home to achieve their dreams. Such an opportunity for students was unique in the local cultural community. Some of the dancers taught by Wendy continued on to dance professionally with the Australian Ballet Company, Qld Ballet Company, Bangarra Dance Theatre, Brisbane Ballet Company and West Australia Ballet Company. Young Dancers CQ gave their final performance in 2015.

In 1998 Wendy also established her own dance school, Wendy Barker Dance Studios, with three locations in the Gladstone region. She mentored dance teachers, established the Tanyalla Summer Dance Camp and taught hundreds of local students through her dance school until 2015.

Wendy still teaches dance in Gladstone. She is also serving her second term as a committee member of the GRC Regional Arts Development Fund."

# Snippets

## GLADSTONE STATE HIGH SCHOOL



22 March saw the tourism classes of GSHS visit the Club as part of their course . Margie Lubke, Tot Moran and Colleen Sawatzki welcomed the students, gave information re the Club and answered questions. We wish them all the best for their assignment !



## SUCCESSFUL WORKING BEE ON 27 MARCH 2021

Sincere thanks to everyone who helped with the recent Club working bee ahead of the Easter B2G and post race celebrations. Your time, dedication and skills are very much appreciated. Not only was the ramp cleaned but also the Training Room, under the Club, and the Herc Shed.

## CLUB MOBILE PHONE NUMBER

The Club has a new mobile phone number: 0491 027 443. This number will be published on our website, letterhead and Straphanger and used in official documents as our official contact number.

The phone will be monitored on a roster basis by members of the Management Committee for the moment. If you receive a text or call from 'PC Sailing Club' you'll know it's a fellow member looking for some advice on a customer enquiry.

## START SAILING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PLEASE

Undeniably our Club not only gains from the Discover Sailing Start Sailing courses which we run, but also grows in membership. The success of the courses is very much due to the support we have from our Club members who help with the support boats, on shore, in capsized drill, and buddy sailing. The year has started well with thanks to Club members, Barry, Garth, Mo, Ray, Shauna and Dave Taylor .

Our next Adult course starts 8 May 2021 for five consecutive Sunday mornings 8am to 12noon.

As with every group, we ask for assistance from support boat operators and buddy sailors. Hoping to hear from you.

**Annual General Meeting**

**Wednesday 28th July 2021**

# Snippets continued

## CHECK IN QLD APP FOR COVID TRACING

PCSC has registered to use the 'Check In Qld' APP for COVID tracing. Whilst this is voluntary, it will help considerably with our obligations to obtain attendance records under the COVID Safe Plan requirements.

The Check In Qld APP may look familiar as all hospitality outlets are required to use this APP from the 1 May 2021.

Download the Check In Qld APP to your device. Enter your details into the APP once. Then every time you attend a hospitality outlet or our Club, open the APP and hold the camera over the QR code to scan you in.

You will see our Check In Qld QR poster in the sailing sign on book and in the training room.

If you require any assistance downloading or setting up the APP on your device please contact Sue



## STRAPHANGER - POSITIONS AVAILABLE !

Good IT skills (Microsoft Publisher) and editing skills are all that is needed to produce the Straphanger.

This could be coupled with all our communication needs: Social media, members updates and our website.



**No Card, No Start !** This is the rule applied by the Justice Department to all organisations in regard to Working with Children.

All PCSC Members are encouraged to hold a Working with Children Bluecard, and we thank those Members who have already done this, and strongly encourage others to do the same.

## WORKING WITH CHILDREN BLUE CARDS

Applying or renewing is done online with a three step process.

1. Create an account with Bluecard Services: [my.bluecard.qld.gov.au/account/registration](http://my.bluecard.qld.gov.au/account/registration)
2. Provide your account number to Sue via club email: [admin@gyc.com.au](mailto:admin@gyc.com.au). Sue will link you to PCSC.
3. Logon to your Bluecard services account: [my.bluecard.qld.gov.au/login](http://my.bluecard.qld.gov.au/login) and apply/renew as a volunteer.

The most difficulty our members have experienced is with creating their Bluecard Services account in the first place as you will need either your mobile or email address linked to your Drivers License.

Department of Transport 13 74 68 or 13 23 80 can assist in this regard.

# Going Sailing !

## GOOD NEWS!

Our sailing fleet will soon be increased. Club member Mo Shamim, has recently purchased a Mericat.

Already there has been some action on the water. Mo reported that on her maiden voyage the hull fractured. Happily Dave and Louise Cue came to his rescue.

A keen learn to sail candidate, Mo is nevertheless pleased to have had some ditching practice already. Titanic is Mo's apt choice as name.

We look forward to seeing her colourful sails on the harbour.



## PRESENTATION NIGHT PREPARATIONS

**Presentation Night—Saturday 12th June 2021 upstairs in the Gladstone Room.**

Preparations are underway for our Presentation Evening celebrations and trophy engraving. Please return any perpetual trophies to the Club asap. The Training Room will be open on Saturday sailing days.



## SAILPASS—What is it and who needs one !

A temporary membership initiative of Australian Sailing, SailPASS provides an opportunity for people who are not a member of an affiliated club to participate in our sport and be covered with AS on water insurance for the day they attend.

This includes family and friends who sail on your boat once in a while.

PCSC recognises the opportunity SailPASS offers Clubs to build membership and re-engage with previous members, including Start Sailing graduates, who may have drifted away from the Club.

If you have a non Member visitor or friend going sailing with you please contact Sue Doyle on email [admin@gyc.com.au](mailto:admin@gyc.com.au) to arrange a SailPASS.

This season SailPASS is offered at no cost to Members' guests (not the general public) and is provided in the spirit of safety and inclusion.

Beyond an occasional sail sailors should apply for Club Membership.

# Sailing Calendar

Port Curtis Sailing Club Calendar 2020-21					
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Date	Tides	Start	Event	PRO	MV Jack Mortensen Starter
Saturday 24-4-21	0659 4.23 1323 <b>0.67</b> 1931 3.99	1000	Austin Family Fairway - Div 1/1A (No Dinghy Sailing)	Barry Austin	Barry Austin
Sunday 25-4-21	0743 4.36 1405 <b>0.46</b>		SRD		
Saturday 1-5-21	1226 3.23 1806 1.27		No PCSC Sailing - May Day Weekend <b>KBSC All Boats Regatta 2021</b>	NA	NA
Sunday 2-5-21	0737 1.35 1333 3.00		SRD		
<b>Labour Day Mon 3rd May 2021</b>					
Friday 7-5-21	NA	1800	Adult Start Sailing Theory Night	Colleen	NA
Saturday 8-5-21	1330 0.89 1943 3.88	0900 1400	Intermediate Group Session Handicap Series Div 1 heat 3 Div 4 heats 5/6	Dave Cue Rob Graham	Dave Cue Rob Graham
Sunday 9-5-21	0751 3.79 1401 0.84	0800	Adult Start Sailing Session 1	Colleen	NA
Saturday 15-5-21	1053 3.05 1633 1.27	0900 1400	Intermediate Group Session Handicap Series Div 1 heat 4 Div 4 heats 7/8	Dave Cue Tot Moran	Dave Cue Tot Moran
Sunday 16-5-21	1129 2.91 1702 1.44	0800	Adult Start Sailing Session 2	Colleen	NA
Saturday 22-5-21	1156 0.86 1813 3.75		SRD		
Sunday 23-5-21	0621 4.01 1245 <b>0.63</b>	0800	Adult Start Sailing Session 3	Colleen	NA
Saturday 29-5-21	1123 3.40 1710 0.93	1000	Barker Family Fairway (No Dinghy Sailing)	Brad Barker	Brad Barker
Sunday 30-5-21	0622 0.98 1218 3.20	0800	Adult Start Sailing Session 4	Colleen	NA
Saturday 5-6-21	1211 1.08 1831 3.63		SRD		
Sunday 6-6-21	0638 3.49 1248 1.00	0800	Adult Start Sailing Session 5	Colleen	NA
Saturday 12-6-20	NA	TBA	End of season Presentation Night	Colleen Sawatzki	Sue Doyle

## Fairway Buoy Races

Austin Fairway Saturday 24 April 2021

Barker Fairway Saturday 29 May 2021

**PRESENTATION—12th JUNE 2021**

# Dinghy Instructor Course

Colleen and I strongly encourage Members to consider joining our Club's Australian Sailing accredited training centre especially as qualified Dingy Instructors. Colleen and I are becoming quite concerned for the future of our Centre with just one qualified dinghy instructor.

Pre-requisites for the Dinghy Instructor course:-

- Competent dinghy sailor.
- HLTAID003 Provide First Aid Certificate.
- Valid Working with Children Blue Card.
- Australian Sailing Safety Boat Operator Certificate.
- 16 years and over.

More information on the Dinghy Instructor course: <https://www.sailing.org.au/events/98983/>

Assistant Instructors course is open to members 12 years and over.

More information for Assistant Instructor Course: <https://www.sailing.org.au/events/98989/>

Sue Doyle  
PCSC Training Centre Principal



**19 and 20 June 2021**  
Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron—Manly

**Assistant Instructor**  
Cost \$100 per person  
Run on the first day.

**Dinghy Instructor**  
Cost \$400 per person  
Run over two days.  
Pre-Requisites are required.

**Australian Sailing DINGHY PROGRAM**

**DINGHY SAILING INSTRUCTOR & ASSISTANT DINGHY INSTRUCTOR**

**Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron**

If you are interested or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sue Doyle  
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from you !**

#### **REMINDER !!**

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