



Merry Xmas!



Sunday 15th Dec is the last Sunday training and racing day for 2019 before our Xmas Break. Two short races will be held from 2pm - Training and Bronze Fleet sailors please note: Normal training will be replaced with novelty events and general absurdity in the morning. All LTS trainees and Bronze Fleeters are asked to bring a plate (sweet or savoury) to share for lunch at 12pm.

A reduced BBQ service will be set up.

Regular members coming to race that day are also invited to bring a plate and have lunch with everyone at 12pm.

With this lunch "event", no pizza night will be held this Sunday evening. However, pending some updates on our sailing calendar, we are planning on other pizza nights* in Feb and March 2020.

***pizza night being a generic term to cover fish and chip night, curry night, paella evening etc.**

JUNIOR INTRODUCTION TO SAILING COURSE

(See Announcements: [HERE](#))

Maylands Yacht Club is running an Introduction to Sailing Course over 5 days during the school holidays.

Monday 6th January to Friday 10th January 2020

9am to 1pm daily

\$180 one child (freakishly good value). Discount on 2nd child same family.

Please pass this on to friends and family who might be interested in this short course.

Places are limited. Go to trybooking at the following link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BHEOP>

Any questions; contact James 0417 188 845 or Doug 0437 493 013

Or email secretary@maylandsyachtclub.org.au for more information.

LEARNING TO SAIL - AND OUR VOLUNTEERS

A big thanks to the club's tireless training team led by Ken Patterson and Doug Pianta. There are also a host of other regular supporters who give their time freely to the club to run our training programs - as well as a long list of other duties. Ken has mentioned some of these helpers in his Tackers Tales article below. I would like to add my personal thanks to the club's committee and all members who pitch in to assist in the running of the club - keeping sailing alive on this part of our Swan River, which has a long history of sailing achievement.

Merry Xmas to all members and trainees!

Next Support Boat Duty Roster:

For upcoming roster see MYC web-site: [Click Here](#)



Mimi Secco
Commodore

LATEST SAILING RESULTS

Results are published regularly in the *West Australian* Sports Results section each Tuesday:

See also the club website for all the 'Results'; click [here](#)

Sabres

Righting your Sabre



We will be running some training sessions in the New Year on righting your Sabre after a capsize. Use of righting ropes and techniques will be covered - stay tuned for more in coming newsletters.

Lost Maylands

Views from the past - 1913/14 when sailing began at Maylands



Panoramic 1914 view from Mt Lawley - Joel Terrace to the right.



View downwind in an easterly breeze - 14 footers - pic taken from vicinity of our current Aerodrome mark in February 1914.

A full history of sailing at Maylands is on our web site - click [HERE](#)

TACKERS TALES



*Above left - Tricksta, Seth and Mace Armstrong.
Above right - Sarah Badger with mentor, Bruce Lee.*

The Learn to Sail group began with a healthy number of 12 participants. This number very quickly changed when Seth Armstrong, father of Mace decided that Mace shouldn't have all the fun and joined the group on the second training day. Both have formed a dynamic duo – they now have their own Mirror named Tricksta that was purchased from an Albany family.

Very recently the numbers swelled when Sam Fardoe and his son Ben joined. Although they were very late starters; they both show enthusiasm and growing ability.

It has been interesting to note the ratio of adult to junior learners has been almost 50/50 and it has been extremely pleasing to see families involved: as well as Sam and Ben, Tom & Sarah Badger, Seth & Mace as well as Daniel Bromley and Sarah Tucker and the two boys Oscar and Leo all have experiences to share after each Sunday morning's sail.

It did not take long at all for Tom to realise the Mirror dinghy was not for him. On his second sail he was out in a Laser, a boat he has managed very well.

Steve Waghorn also chose to sail a Laser and he too has made very good progress.

We have now completed the first LTS course and have made very good progress through the second as well beginning to introduce some racing skills to build the background for those who we hope will take part in the State Mirror Championships to be held at MYC 21st – 22nd of March 2020. We also hope for a great turn out for the Bayswater City Regatta on the 5th April 2020.

The competence of the trainees was demonstrated when they recently sailed under the Matagurup Bridge and then on to the Causeway and return.

What was unusual about the start to the Season was that both Jerome and I launched into a never to be forgotten sailing experience off the Tasmanian east coast taking us away for 3 weeks.

Our sincere thanks go to Les Mack for stepping into the leadership role during our absence, and to Trevor Rabey and Bruce Lee, for their valued assistance. Many thanks go to the others who gave continued assistance – Alan Benn, Andrew Carter, Bob Jackson, and Steve Rose. Thanks too for all those who contributed to the repair and maintenance we gave to the Mirror dinghies earlier in the year – this effort made for a much more functional and attractive training fleet.

We are very grateful for others like Brett and Justine Barsley for the work they do in running the lunchtime BBQ and to Brendan Maine for always being there to lend a hand whenever required.

We are looking forward to seeing as many as possible participate in the Crawley Cruise voyage to Matilda Bay in 5th January, 2020.

Ken Patterson



Tom Badger



Steve Waghorn

BRONZIES

WHAT WAS THAT a skiff moth practising for the worlds - no, it was Andrew and Callum screaming past the point under kite with an 18 knot sea breeze pushing them along.

The smile was all consuming and showed hints of what is to come from the bronze fleet .

SunnyBoy with Max and Kapani are now regularly popping a kite after the major makeover their boat has undergone.

Matt and Fletcher are developing in confidence with Imp showing a regular splash of colour and producing a lovely turn of speed on a reach from race course to St Annes.

Last years Top Gun nominee, **Olivia** is showing the rest of the group how to be a confident skipper dealing with all the situations Maylands can throw at her.

We all look forward to these Bronzies taking the short course racing apart on Sunday in the arvo -
Look out **Doug and Duke** they are on the way.

Nic in his Bic and crewing on **White Mischief** has represented Maylands well at the ICR at RFBYC in very breezy conditions, while **Scarlett** has still yet to be beaten on **2Pudd** this season and is continuing to look forward to this years states at Maylands.

2PUDD

