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Upcoming Sailing Dates

**Saturday, 7th September,
Orientation Day.**

Wednesday, 11th September,

Saturday, 14th September, Sail Training.

Wednesday, 24th September.

Saturday, 28th September.

Check the Spring Roster

All hands are needed for the upcoming Spring series, so please save all dates and let Eli know early of any changes regarding the roster.

Not on the roster? Come anyway.

There's always heaps to do.

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Join the racing squad.

Skippers and crew who would like to learn to sail fast, and hone their racing skills contact Helene

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Working Bee

Maintenance and Safety Manager, Barry Newell is planning to hold a Working Bee on Monday 26th August so that we can ready and clean the boats in preparation for our Spring, Summer and Autumn Series that are about to commence.

We will fit a new prop guard to Charlie's Chariot, wash sails, clean and tidy the boat room, clean life-jackets, etc.

If you can possibly join us, please email Barry (bgnewell.newell0@gmail.com) or call 0404470195. Elaine is going to make us a very nice lunch.

Information for Sailors

What to bring:

A hat that stays on.

A bottle for water.

We provide sunscreen, life-jackets, boats to sail, a competent skipper if needed and a support boat.

Please call 9976-2747 before you come to check on weather conditions.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2013-2014

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday, 7th August, 2013.
The new elected Committee is:

President:	Brian Guest	Secretary:	Eli Demeny,
Treasurer:	Patrick Alexander	Membership Secretary:	Helen Hendry
Volunteer Coordinator:	Eli Demeny	Marketing Manager:	Kandy Tagg
Webmaster:	Alan Bimson	Social Secretary:	Sue Gladstone
Race Organiser:	Helene Francois	MYC Board Member:	Jackie Morgan
SNSW Rep:	Denis Linney		

Committee members are: Peter Hamilton, Peter Singer, Ray Rampton, Ralph Newman, Evelyn Shervington.

Our new meeting times are the second Monday evening of each month at 6.30 p.m. at Manly Yacht Club, commencing Monday, 9th September, 2013.

Orientation Day

Saturday 7th September 2013

Orientation Day is the day when we introduce the new volunteers to people who have been helping us for quite a while.

We'll have a brief training session on rigging, disability information and general information. Then you'll go for a sail just for the fun of it. Those who want to go on Charlie's Chariot, our Support Boat, will have the opportunity to do so.

We'll finish with a barbecue.

Sailing Reports.

Sailing Report

Wednesday 14th August 2013

The wonderful weather this morning enabled three eager groups of participants to go sailing on Manly Cove. The bright sunshine and steady breeze made it a pleasure for our Fisher Road students: Jacob, Hannah, Harrison, Emma, Adam and Michael. Their teacher, Caroline took some beautiful photos of the enjoyment these children experienced.

House With No Steps was next, with helper Liz, accompanied by Paul, Bec, Ross, Mikey, Stephen, Nina, Chantel, David and Nathan. Some of this group opted for a ride on the support boat. It was magnificent to see Bec in the car-seat, zooming across the bay with the hugest smile on her face, and eyes looking everywhere in enjoyment. Ross's Dad made sure that Ross was comfortable, and it was amazing to see when he returned, how relaxed he had become. It was also lovely to see how big Steve settled into the boat and thoroughly enjoyed his trip.

Last of all, we had the group from Sunshine Pymble, with helper Rachel. Shirley, Ellen, Charley, Shelley, Greg and Alyssa delighted in the sensation of being at Sailability, with only Shirley being brave enough to go for a sail.

Of course, all of this cannot happen without our wonderful volunteers: Sailing Coordinator, Barry; Pontoon Manager, David, then Brian; Support Boat Driver, Ray, then Peter, and lastly Barry; and Sailors John, Diddy, Brian, Ivan, Jim, Sam.

Our deck hands this morning were Helen, Karen, Elaine, Miki, Tony, Bob, and lastly, the magnificent Col turned up to help us put the boats away.

Eli.



The boats are ready to go to the pontoon.



Lianne at work.

The WOW Factor - 20 July 2013

This was a great sailing day!!!!

The weather forecast was forbidding, but we managed to have the best day yet out on the water at Manly Cove.

New helpers Chris, Lianne, Jean, Lynne helped us put the boats out and rig them, so that by 9.30 we were ready to start sailing. The breeze was a pleasant north-westerly, at about 10 knots, making for a little fun, and a fast ride. With Eli in charge on the day, Barry as Boat Operations Manager, Kevin on the pontoon, Ralph in the Support Boat with Niamh as observer, we were a little short staffed until a few late-comers arrived. Sailors Ivan, Ray, David Goldner, Samantha started the ball rolling, then Helene and a little later, Crosbie took their turn. In the mean-time, Alice took photos, Tony helped on the pontoon, Marie cooked lunch, Megan was the registrar, and Barry was being the Jack of All Trades, filling in for all jobs.

After their sail, Chris and Lianne became life-jacket helpers and the day was set to take Maureen, Kate, Robbie, Oscar, Jon, Jonathon and Alan out for a sail. Some interesting new sailors also tried us out today. I am sure Oscar and Miles are thrilled with the idea of sailing, as is Robbie, who will also be a steady volunteer as she lives close by. Takeshi took Ricky on his lap, and wife Hitomi took Lisa. The smiles on this family were something to be treasured and they will be back for more.

Inclusion 28 July 13

Susan, Robert and Ben arrived from Balmoral House, Robert enjoying his sailing, and Susan and Ben the ride in the Support Boat. Rap'n Rave brought Bart, Shane, Rodney, Joxara, Daniel and Mark. These young men all had a whale of a time in their boats.

Last group, a new group from Catholic Care brought Chloe, Jarvis, Aman, Daniel, Charlie, with carers Carrie, Penny, Victor, Brendon and Evan. Some of these doubled up with carer and participant in the same boat, while some sailed with one of our helpers.

Philip came down later for a sail in Alan Wood with the Manly Juniors, but the wind proved too strong, so he went home with a disappointed look on his face with Dad. Judy also came down for her final good-byes. We will miss her from sailing days.

I can't wait to see the pictures, as there will be many, many smiles among them. Thanks to all the helpers, old and new. We are certainly looking forward to some training days as the weather improves into Spring.

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Today's try out of inclusive sailing worked really well, thanks to perfect weather, a cooperative group of Manly Junior sailors from MYC as well as the Skiff Club and an interested group of parent helpers.

Philip is now ready to test his sailing skills against other youngsters in his age group, and Greg from MYC is keen to include Sailability sailors within his group.

We are starting off in a limited way to give the idea room to grow, and today was an example of how we can all work together to make this happen.

Being a first time trial, all of the boats were rigged early, then all we had to do was talk about what is going to happen once the boats get on the water, then wait for the wind.

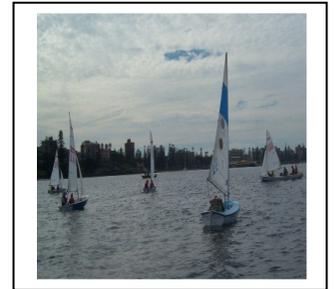
Within 30 seconds of the wind getting up, 10 Skiff Club Manly Juniors, then 4 Manly Yacht Club Manly Juniors were on the water, accompanied by one 2.3, skippered by Philip. They were trailed by Charlie's Chariot, along with 5 support boats for the remainder of the group. We set off across the ferry lane to group on the other side -one group with experienced sailors in one area to practise race skills; starter sailors in the other group to practise a course.

We were all most impressed with all the sailors, and thrilled with Philip's confident joining of the course practising group, and actually sailing with a group of friends. Yeah, Philip!!!!!!

We are constantly amazed by the intuitive increase in Philip's sailing skills, and can see that he can confidently make his way through the moored boats, across the ferry lane, and back home when fatigue sets in.

A great morning's sailing, and definitely to be repeated soon.

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Here are some photos of Philip being included in the activity with Manly Juniors and the Skiff Cub.

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NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday 9th September, 2013

Manly Yacht Club (upstairs)

All welcome

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Message from the Editor of the August 2013 Edition

I have stepped in to edit this edition of Signals because Audrey, who has been editing Signals for several months now, has gone to USA on a special assignment. A great big thank you to Audrey for all her hard work. I am not very good at editing, so please excuse the set out and the lack of photos. Hopefully, someone else will step up for the September edition. A very busy month is about to start. Orientation Day is on 7th September. Then a Sail Training Day on 14th September. We also have our regular sailing days on 11th, 25th and 28th September 2013.

Several new volunteers have contacted me in the last few weeks, so there will be enough trained people to help with these days, leading up to a busy program for the rest of the year.

Check out the training videos on the web, as they will help all volunteers, either old or new, to learn the routines. Go to the website www.manlysailability.com.au. See Training Documents and Videos on the website.

Please enjoy.

Cheers

Eli