



Signals from Sailability

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Diary Dates - don't miss out:

Upcoming Sailing Dates

Wednesday, 14th August 2013

Saturday, 24th August, 2013

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Sailing Schedule

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2013

August 2013						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1

September 2013						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

October 2013						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

What's on?

- 8 Booked Groups / General
- 7 Orientation day for volunteers
- 14 Training Day for volunteers

Visitors are always welcome!

Give it a go - it's only \$5 to try and annual membership includes unlimited sailing for \$30.

Register with Eli a day ahead to ensure we can fit you in. ☎ 9976 2747. Sailing starts from 9.30am.

VENUE

Manly Yacht Club

East Esplanade (end of Wood St)
downstairs dockside via accessible ramp

PARKING

Parking permits available and special arrangements for mini-buses and wheelchair lift vans.

WHAT TO BRING?

Sailors and volunteers must bring a hat that stays on, bottled water and apply a good sunscreen. Life-jackets are provided.

A Fabulous Sailing Day



10 July - To all of those branches that do not sail in Winter, this was a day not to be missed.



Samantha with Lauren

In spite of the forecasted low temperatures and strong winds we decided that it looked pretty sheltered in Manly Cove, and that it would be OK to go ahead with our booked Groups: Sunshine Forestville, MAPS St Ives and AFFORD Ashfield.

That is why Sailing Coordinator, Ray; Boat Operations Manager, Eli; Support Boat Driver, Max; Observer Kandy; Registrar, Karen and the cast of 16 other volunteers came home with the largest smiles possible. These smiles were almost outdone by the smiles on all of the participants and their carers.



Riad is lowered into the boat with David

Sailors; Ivan, Denis, Pam, David M.W. David G, Michael, Samantha, Diddy and 2 Johns, took John, Riad, Susan, Les, Shara, Adonis, Debbie, Luke, Ginny, Rodney, Ben, Vanessa, Joshua, Liam, Dominic and Lauren for a sail.



Mike – will be missed in the next couple weeks

Oliver and John also got a ride on Charlie’s Chariot, along with their carers. David G brought his nephew, Daniel, along for an introductory sail to see if Sailability would fit into his Duke of Edinburgh plans.



Helpers on the deck and on the pontoon were Tony, Corey, who also took a turn as Observer, Bob, John, and Barry, a tower of strength on the Pontoon.



The boats were de-rigged, washed and put away by a very happy team, all agreeing that this day stands out as a perfect sailing day. *Eli*

The WOW Factor

July 20 - 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 shortstaffed 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 also be back for more.

Susan, Robert and Ben arrived from Balmoral House, Robert enjoying his sailing, and Susan and Ben the ride in the Support Boat. Rap'nRave 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.



Thanks to all the helpers, old and new. We are certainly looking forward to some training days as the weather improves into Spring. *Eli*

Sailability Manly Annual General Meeting

We have now been operating in Manly as a Sailability Branch for 17 years. Every year, in August we hold our Annual General Meeting where the Financial Report for the previous year is read out, in accordance with our Constitution. Then our President’s Report is read out. Finally, we declare all positions on the Committee vacant, and elect a new committee for the coming year.

It is only a short meeting, and we usually finish with a few nibbles, and then have our ordinary committee meeting for August to get us going for the year with the new committee.

This year, we have a membership of over 100 people, and it would be fantastic if some of these people would come to this meeting to see how we operate, and maybe even take on a position, either with a specific job, or on the General Committee.

The positions we have on the committee are:

- President,
- Minutes Secretary,
- Treasurer,
- Secretary/Volunteer Coordinator,
- Newsletter Editor,
- Web-master,
- Maintenance and Safety Manager,
- Membership Secretary,
- MYC Representative,
- Sailability NSW Representative,
- Marketing Manager,
- Race Officer, Wayne Black Trophy Administrator,
- Training Manager,

- Social Secretary,
- General Committee Members.

If you have expertise in any of these areas, or if you would like to find out what goes on behind the scenes, please come to this meeting, on Wednesday, 7th August at 6.30 p.m.

From our small beginnings, we have grown into a large group, and give pleasure to over 2,000 people a year. We are an enthusiastic group, and would welcome some new blood into our ranks. We also serve some nice nibbles before the meeting that follows.

To all Sailability members: it is time to enrol with the Racing Squadron!

For the 2014 season, we are going to manage the racing practices and the regattas differently by asking people to commit to be part of the Sailability Racing Squadron. The objective is to get our seven boats on the water every single time.

The racing squadron is opened to volunteers and to clients. What is important is not the level of sailing ability or knowledge but the will to take part and learn.

Why should you want to do racing with Sailability?

- 1) You will have more opportunities to be on the water - racing practices and regattas usually take place on Saturday afternoons
- 2) You will improve your general sailing skills and your knowledge of boat racing
- 3) You will learn to work efficiently between skipper and crew to WIN
- 4) You will get your adrenaline going and enjoy a healthy dose of competition

What will be asked of you?

- 1) To register your enrolment with Helene at helene.sailabilityracing@hotmail.com by October 1st
- 2) To make it a priority in your busy schedule to participate to the practices and the regattas
- 3) To be committed to your crew or skipper
- 4) To assist in whatever way you can in making the squadron a success

The calendar for races in 2014 is as below - so check you diaries and mark them up with a practice to take place 2 weeks before the regatta.

- January - 26th - Australia Day Regatta
- May - 24th Regatta
- March - Women's challenge (female teams only)
- December - Regatta

That is 6 more opportunities (8 for the ladies) to have fun on the water! I hope you will decide to join us. – *Helene, Sailability racing coordinator*

An Honour for our team

25 May - Denis has been asked to train with the Training Squad at Rushcutters Bay.

This means that when the team is chosen for the Paralympics in Rio for 2016, sailing Sonars, Denis has a chance of being chosen in the team. We are very proud of this honour, but we will miss him from some of our Saturday sailing days in the coming months.

The good news, he’ll still be coming down on Wednesdays though. – *Eli*

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NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wed August 7th, 6.30pm
 Manly Yacht Club (upstairs)
 all welcome-

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Time to renew your Membership!

Don't forget - It is time to renew your membership for the coming year. Memberships run from July, 2013 to June, 2014. Some wonderful people have already renewed, but there are still some outstanding ones. Grab your membership form online from our website or collected a copy on sailing days!

Fees are the same this year as last year:

- **\$30.00 for a single membership**
- **\$45.00 for a family**

The membership fee covers Insurance, sun-screen, coffee, tea, etc. Please make Helen's life easy by filling in the form and making the payment as soon as possible, so that we can get this out of the way. ☺ - Eli

Help needed! August Working Bee!

Our new season commences on Saturday, 7th September, 2013.

In preparation for the busy season ahead, we need to hold a Working Bee in the second half of August so that we start the season with clean life-jackets and sails, properly maintained boats, a new prop-guard on Charlie's Chariot, and a clean, tidy boat-room, as well as several other challenges that Barry has in store for us.

It will be on one of the Saturdays that we are not sailing, to be announced later this month. If you would like to attend this Working Bee, please contact:
 Eli on 9976 2747, or Barry on 0404 470 195

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