



# Signals *from*

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### Dates for Your Diary.

Volunteer Recognition Evening,  
Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May, 6.00 for 6.30 p.m. at Manly Yacht Club.



A great evening for volunteers to meet each other socially, and for members to say a huge thank you to the volunteers who make each sailing day a success. Please put this one in your diary now. More details in April Signals, and in the invitation following in a few days.

This is always a great evening and everyone is welcome.

### President's Cup coming up on Sunday, 7th April.

All of our boats will be used by sailors from Manly and some from other branches. Help is needed to prepare the boats for being towed across to Middle Harbour by Charlie's Chariot. We need a group of volunteers to help put the boats on the water from 7.00 a.m. on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> April, and to help pack them away in the boat room at Manly Yacht Club from 4.00 p.m. on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> April. If you would like to be a member of either of these teams, please contact Eli at [eli@manlysailability.com.au](mailto:eli@manlysailability.com.au), or 9976 2747 now.

### Results of Special Olympics at Abu Dhabi in March, 2019.

I sent results from Abu Dhabi to all members and friends. I made a terrible error by looking at the web-site and read information from what was supposed to be the last day of sailing, 20<sup>th</sup> March.

Unfortunately, they did not sail that day, so the results were as displayed on 19<sup>th</sup> March.

Alyse (from Crystal Bay) won the Bronze medal for her efforts on the Laser Bahia, Catharine (from Canberra) came 6<sup>th</sup> in her division, and Chelsea (from Perth) tied for 1<sup>st</sup> in her division, with Belinda 3<sup>rd</sup>. Still good news, but not quite as good as I had first thought. Congratulations to our Aussie Sailors, and to Sailability for providing experiences for these amazing sailors.

*Dates for sailing in April and May 2019*  
*Groups we will be supporting in April*

Wednesday	3rd April
Sunday	7th April President's Cup
Saturday	13th April
Wednesday	17th April School Holidays
Saturday	27th April
Monday	29th April
Wednesday	1st May
Sat/Sun	4th/5th May
Saturday	11th May
Wednesday	15th May
Saturday	25th May
Monday	27th May

Choose and Connect, Unisson St Ives, Unisson, Pymble, Royal Far West School, Freshtracks, Sargood, Tramway, Washington House, Achieve, Because We Care, AFFORD, Sunnyfield French's Forest, Balmoral House, Housing Connection, JARBEL, BIRDS, Arranounbai School.

These groups will still receive a reminder of their Sailing Days by Email, one week ahead of the day. Volunteers will receive a reminder 2 or 3 days before the Sailing Day they have nominated to be on the roster.

*A Superb Saturday 2nd March 2019*

The best things about today were the glorious weather, with not quite enough breeze for the more competitive sailors, but beautiful sunshine and lots of willing volunteers to make the day go smoothly.

Everyone seemed to arrive early, and it was lucky that we already had the boats in the water for the team from Rap'n'Rave Adam, Ben, Chris, and Daniel with Carl then James with Min.

Anna and Kerrie, came down with Ashley and had a great time on the water.

Danny went out with sailor John and ended up on John's knee as he was missing his Dad in the boat for height so that he can see over the side.

Then Fiona, arrived after many weeks of not being able to make it. Judith arrived soon after, and it was lovely to see the two similar ladies having a lively conversation about sailing while we readied

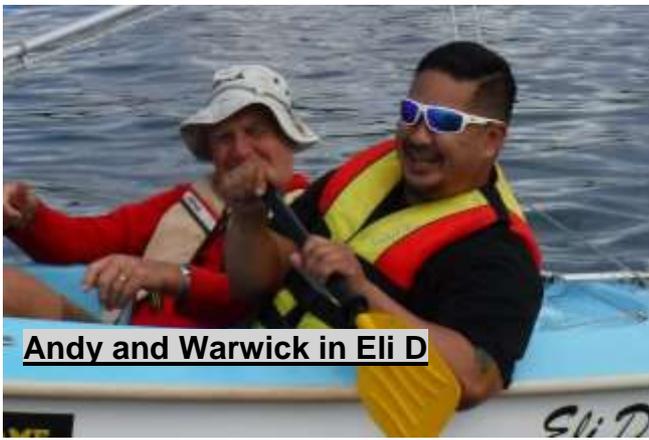


**Michael and Ben from Rap'n'Rave in Vin**



**Judith in Alan Wood**

Judith's boat, Alan Wood.



**Andy and Warwick in Eli D**

Next, from Sargood, with helper Angela, we saw Andy and Raymond. By this time, it was getting difficult to find some shade, so Marita moved Judy and Adonis around the corner a little bit so they would not become overheated.

The sailing was quite slow because of the lack of wind, but calmly and eventually, we managed to give some sailing time to Tim, who chose a ride on Charlie's Chariot, and Joshua from Wesley Mission. Then Ruth arrived from Curl Curl, with helper, Ruth and Scott from Parramatta with Mum, Christy. Then Ollie went out for his sail after waiting patiently for quite a long time.



**The group from Creative Inc**

Last of all, Max, Noah, Alex and Lachlan arrived with Helper Rose from Creativity Inc for the last sail of the morning.

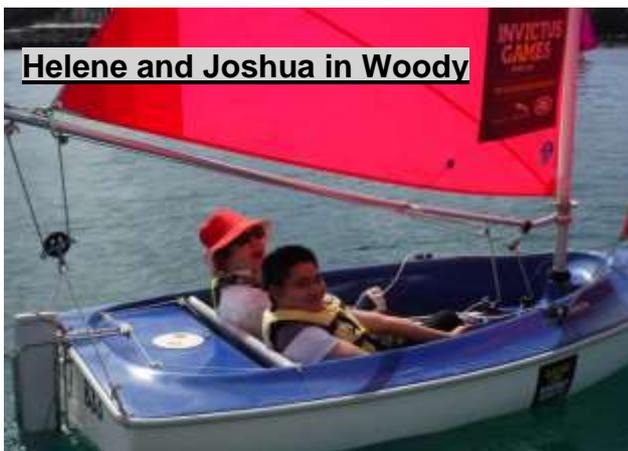
As the day wore on, Judith tested Alan Wood thoroughly, staying out on the Reef Beach side of the bay for over an hour, and pronounced the renovations "PERFECT". Thanks for this work, David.

This perfect day would not have been possible without our wonderful volunteers:

New volunteers: Paul, Madeleine, Ollie did a fantastic job of learning the ropes. Erek, Claire, Ella fitted in wherever possible.

Charlie's Chariot was managed by Jasmin and Nikki, with Ken on board with the camera.

Registrar and chef up on deck was Helen with cooking help from Ella, Claire and Madeleine.



**Helene and Joshua in Woody**

Maleea was time-keeper, Tony the radio-operator, Denis in charge of Boat Operations.

Sailors, and sometime paddlers: Jim, John, Scott, Ivan, Michael, Helene.

At the end of the morning, the three musketeers, Madeleine, Claire and Ella got a ride on Charlie's Chariot, and Paul his first sailing lesson.

So the day was pronounced a huge success, especially because we discovered Chris's bag floating in the harbour after searching the deck high and low for it earlier in the morning. Thanks for fishing it out, Warwick.

*Super Heroes and Pirates? What next?  
Wednesday 6th March 2019*

Our incomparable team, led by the wonderful Tamara, had a lot of fun with today's program.



**Breanna and Rob in Vin**

On the pontoon Brian and John were kept busy and wet, under attack from the Super Heroes from Royal Far West who kept everyone cool with their water pistols busily refilled and emptied before the changeover of participants in this battle.

Sailors Rob, John P, Ollie, Ted, Ivan, Denis, Michael, Helene and Steve ran a continual gauntlet of water power to get their charges around Manly Cove.

Charlie's Chariot Driver, Observer and photographer: Ken, Peter, Tony wove in and out of the boats exchanging water power with the Super Heroes in the galleons on the water until all were vanquished, wet and very cheerful on their return to the pontoon.



**Ted and Bub in Eli D**

Kept busy on the deck were Ros, working with life-jacketing, Helen the registrar, Tamara managing the order of battle, Corey the Time Keeper and Radio operator. Thanks so much to this crew, who enjoyed their roles, and at the same time did a wonderful job in keeping things moving so that everyone who came down for the spectacle, or a sail had a wonderful time.

Sailors from Royal Far West were: Jasper, Breanna, William, Isabelle, Dylan.

Bub came down for a first time sail with her Mum, Sue.

Scott S came down with his helper and had a good lesson of how to embark.



**Ollie and Murray in Woody**

Then Scott and Jack came with Beecos We Care.

Murray, Melvie, Denise, Desmond came with Laura. Of these, only Murray sailed, very comfortable in the sailing dinghy supported by the Fluke, while the others watched and enjoyed the glorious sunshine and the rest of the scenery. Melvie and Michael ventured as far as the pontoon, which was a wonderful challenge overcome. Maybe next time, they will be brave enough to embark and go for a sail.

Travis, Sandra, Michael, Vicki and Philip came with Stephen. Of these, Vicki and Travis sailed while the rest watched.

Toby and Margie came with their group and took the last sail of the day while the clouds started to come over and the breeze became a little uncomfortable.



**Helene and Toby in Dolly Wallis**



**Margie and Rob in Alex**

Thanks so much to our new volunteer this morning, Ollie who seemed to score the more needy of our participants, and did it all with a great smile of enjoyment on his face.

## *Helly Hansen's Women's Challenge* *Saturday 16th March 2019*



**Support boat ready to go**



**Support boat crew**

What a wonderful day we had for the Women's Challenge; grey skies, a little bit more wind than we wanted, warm water and warm friends.



**Support crew with binoculars and radio**

The helpers: among these were the men who came down to support us, either by helping rig the boats and de-rig at the end of the race, or help in very specific tasks.: Will, Warwick, Tony, James, Mal, Erek, Jackson, Luke, David, Crosbie, Mal. People from MYC who wanted to join the fun: Catherine, Lisa, the photographer

whose name I did not catch. Helen who provided an exceptional lunch. The cake person whose name I also did not catch. Pam and Bruce, Race Officers in Carlyse.

### The sailors and crew:

Judith in Alan Wood, sailing solo in winds that were a little much for her tiny boat, so she left the race early.

Ragnild and Ros in Woody.

Helen and Claire in Alex.

Catherine and Maddy in Ralph Newman.

Nikki and Lisa in Vin.

Helene and Ella in Dolly Wallis.



**The fleet spread over the start line**

**Judith getting ready to go**



What a magnificent race this was. Run in three sections by Pam and Bruce, the 7 entry boats sailed across to the Western side of Manly Cove while Warwick, Tony, Jackson, Erek set up the course Eli and Jackie in Black Swan. under direction of the Race Officers. The wind was rising, and the swell became quite difficult to manoeuvre while this was being done. Finally, all was in order, but Judith was having some problems managing her boat in the huge seas, so she was tied on the back of the Support Boat to await rescue.

The first race commenced with a magnificent start, with all boats crossing the start line almost together and heading all the way across the bay, choosing different routes to get to that first buoy. Black Swan and Ralph Newman arrived almost together, and it was just a matter of luck (with a little good management thrown in) that Black Swan managed to get around in front. This set the pattern for these two boats,

who stayed neck and neck most of the way throughout the 3 races. Somehow or other, Dolly Wallis managed to pass Ralph Newman, so was second in the first race.

In the second race, Ralph Newman took the lead from the beginning and managed to stay in front for the whole race, with Black Swan coming in second, and Dolly Wallis third.

In the final race, Black Swan came in first, Ralph Newman second and Alex, third. Alex made a wonderful improvement over the series, starting with a 6<sup>th</sup>, and finishing with a third. They are the team to be watched in future.

Thank goodness for the helping team who came in after the race to get everything away, as all of the sailors were wet, cold and exhausted, even though the wind had almost died and the swell was



decreasing by the time we arrived back at the pontoon.

Lunch was delicious, thanks Helen, The photos are gorgeous, thanks Mal.

The prizes are fabulous, thanks Helly Hansen, and the atmosphere was out of this world....Thanks everyone involved.

## Wonderful Wednesday. 20th March 2019



Our wonderful team of volunteers this morning managed a fabulous sail for 17 people of many and varied abilities in spite of passing showers. Thank goodness we decided to go ahead, after a few anxious moments under torrential rain while we were rigging the boats. Our Sailing Coordinators were John W and Rob Southam, who had the idea of a swap around, so that we all could experience a selection of roles.

Warwick drove Charlie's Chariot, Kath observed and took photos. Sailors: Denis, John P, Rob,

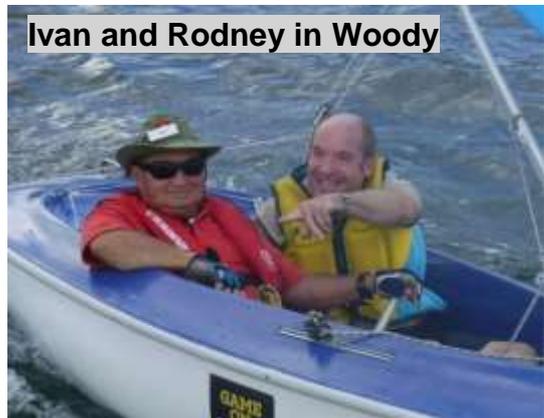


Brian, Ted, Ivan, Helene sailed through a variety of weather conditions, while Tamara, David, Ros, Tony, Corey and Peter helped up on deck, Malcolm on the pontoon, and Helen the Registrar. Our three sailors from Royal Far West, Anna, Lily and Lawson, hailed from Wagga, Quirindi and points further West, escaping the drought into rainy Sydney to go for a sail and have some medical attention.

Monique brought 3 sailors from Because We Care, Jack, Chelsea and Scott with extra helper, Steph.

Then Glen brought Vanessa, Rodney, Luke, Linda and Kane from Sunnyfields. Kris flew over from AFFORD in Ashfield with his mates: Adam, Andrew, Jack, Michael, Gus and Alistair.

What a great morning that was.



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