



# Signals from

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### Dates for the diary

#### Thursday 21st November Volunteer Movie Night at The Grand Theatre, Warriewood

**“Fishermen’s Friends”** starring Daniel May

7:00 pm

Cost: Free for volunteers and their families

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#### Family Day Saturday 30th November

Families of sailors, volunteers, participants are all welcome to attend. This is always an enjoyable day, as families get together and understand what their family members are doing when they say... ‘Sailability Day today’. Please join us for this special sailing day and barbecue lunch.

#### Regatta Saturday 14th December

You are welcome to join us for this Race Day, whether a volunteer or participant sailor. Please let Denis or Ken know that you would like to race with us, as we have a limited number of sailors that day.

#### New Year’s Eve at Manly Yacht Club

I know it seems too early to be thinking of New Year’s Eve .... But just in case you’re already planning, Manly Yacht Club is a great place to see in the New Year with friends and family of Sailability. It’s a BYO, sitting on the deck which is a prime spot for Manly fireworks.

### Dates for October 2019 to February 2020

Saturday	2nd November	Camp Lionheart
Wednesday	6th November	RFW, Arranounbai, BcWc, Afford, Sunnyfield Allambie, C&C
Saturday	16th November	Rap’n’Rave, Balmoral, Housing Connection, Cooyong, Creativity Inc, Trilogy

Wednesday	20th November	Sunnyfield Allambie, Arranounbai, Verne Barnett, Achieve.
Monday	25th November	Fisher Rd, KARBEL, BIRDS
Saturday	30th November	Washington, Cooyong, Tramway, Trilogy, Sargood, Balmoral, Housing Connection, Rap'n'Rave, Family Day
Wednesday	4th December	Truscott St, RFW, Arranounbai, Sunnyfield, Unisson Fr Forest.
Saturday	14th December	<b>Regatta</b>
Saturday	4th January	Booked Groups
Wednesday	8th January	Booked Groups
Saturday	18th January	Booked Groups
Wednesday	22nd January	Booked Groups
Monday	27th January	Booked Groups
Saturday	1st February	Booked Groups
Wednesday	5th February	Booked Groups
Saturday	15th February	Booked Groups
Wednesday	19th February	Booked Groups
Monday	24th February	Booked Groups

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## *Windblown Wednesday 9th October 2019*



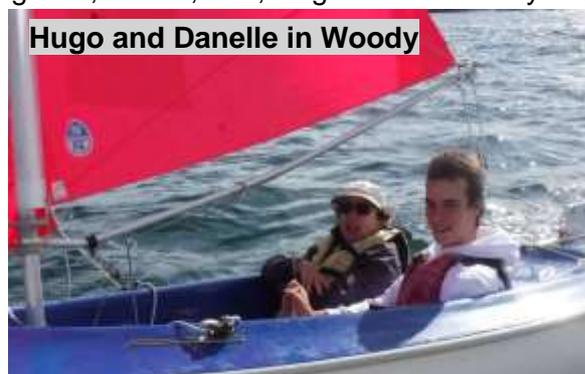
**John and Allison in Vin**

We had a very strong team today, with some very experienced sailors among us, so we decided to go ahead with sailing in spite of the forecast of strong winds and be ready to abandon sailing if it became necessary.

Our most efficient Sailing Coordinator was Ken, with Warwick and Eli on Charlie's Chariot, pontoon manager, Brian, sailors Denis, Michael, John, Ragnhild, Sasha, Ted, Hugo. We were very honoured



**Tony and Ragnhild in Eli D**



**Hugo and Danelle in Woody**

to have Sasha and Hugo on board, having a break from their training, school and work duties.

Helen was the registrar, Wilma and Ros handled the lifejackets. Corey used the radio.

New volunteers Tony, Nola, Harry, Danelle, Ben, and Allison learnt the ropes of helping on the pontoon and deck and putting away at the end of the day.



There were some moments of wild seas, that our participant sailors thoroughly enjoyed, but we did have to abandon before we had quite finished giving them all a sail, as it was just too wild and woolly.

Scott, Vanessa, Kane, Chrissie and Peter had a wonderful sailing experience, but Rodney, Charlie, Steven and Margaret chose to sight see in Charlie's Chariot.

Although we had to finish early, all agreed that it was a very successful day.

### ***19.10.19. Sublime Saturday.***

This was the best day for sailing for several months. The temperature was mild, and the breeze a pleasant 7 to 10 knots changing direction from due south to a south westerly later in the morning.

Unfortunately not many people took advantage of this, so we had a small number of participants who were able to enjoy a good long sail, with exciting moments when there were a few gusts.

Our team of volunteers slightly outnumbered the participants, making it a fairly easy day for everyone.

Sailing Coordinator: David W carried it out his role in his usual relaxed, but in control style; Scott was in charge of the Pontoon, Tony on the radio with assistance from Georgia, Helen was the Registrar, Wilma on Life-jackets, Ken the photographer. Sailors: Ivan, Abdullah, Charlie, Ragnild, Vince, Michael, Denis kept things moving, with David, Nikki, Maleea helping on the pontoon, Claire, Helene, Helen helping up on deck. John W was the Charlie's Chariot driver. Ollie was a wonderful help on the deck and on the pontoon at the end of the day.

Judith arrived for her usual sail around Manly Cove, and freedom from her chair. Unfortunately, after we had organised her into Alan Wood with the controls working, her switch developed a fault caused by corrosion. After an exciting but embarrassing few minutes of Alan Wood being out of control, Charlie's Chariot came along side, took her in tow, and brought her back to the pontoon. Quickly, Judith was lifted into her wheelchair, David had the switch out and tested with the multi-meter. This will be fixed by the next time we sail.

Alan also had an exciting morning. He went out fairly early and gave a wonderful display of control in North Harbour, sailing between buoys, up the wind, around the buoy, down the wind for about an hour, then decided to sail back across the ferry lane doing really well. Suddenly, a gust caught him as he came past the Skiff Club, which he promptly attempted to demolish. Fortunately, he was able to manoeuvre himself out of trouble and come back to our pontoon without any injury to person, boat or Skiff Club deck.

Our Sargood team arrived to take their guests for a sail. Jeremy, Andrew, Ken, John and Lynne waited their turn and had a pleasant sail across the bay, chatting all the time to their

sailors. Then Mattie arrived with helper Jenny, shook hands with everyone on deck, and went off for his sail.

Danny also had a great sail with Denis while Mum and 2 little sisters waited for him on the deck.

Our wonderful guests, Andy and Anne from the UK had a great time chatting to people on the deck and did not have time for a sail. They have invited us all to visit them at Wolverhampton next time anyone is in the UK.



### *Wonderful Wednesday 23rd October 2019*

Could anything be better than today's sailing? Manly experienced the perfect sailing day, with Northerly breezes and perfect temperatures. This brought many sailors down to our venue, including the following helpers:



Sailing Coordinator: Eli. Fabulous Pontoon Manager: Brian. Exemplary Power Boat Driver: John W, Observer: Corey, practising Driver: Ragnhild, Registrar: Helen, Life-jackets: Wilma, Radio and Time Keeper: Ken. Our sailors this morning were: John P., Sasha, Malcolm, Michael, Ivan, Jennie, Helene, Denis. Helping up on the deck was Steve, and on the pontoon Alan, Tony and Ewan. A really great team to handle the large volume of participant sailors who came down to enjoy the beautiful weather.



Some of hard workers

Because of the numbers, we were determined to cut the waiting time on the pontoon, so we had extra quick change overs. Ken remarked that with seven boats out, there were only seconds between swapping sailors, so that there were several 30 second intervals when seven dinghies came in, exchanged participants, then went off with hardly a change in rhythm. A truly amazing sight.

Our lovely participants this morning came from: Royal Far West, with carers Craig and Jenny: Charlotte, Richard, Neil, Chloe, Hayley, Vanessa, Olivia, Harley, Greg and Aaron. Most of these children are from drought ridden areas of NSW, looking for some quiet time and treatment near

unlimited views of the water.

Dee Why Special Class was next with helper Carmel: Isaac (in a boot) Arianna, Riley, Jed, Jade, Mia, Sienna, Charles, Jekobi, Soraya, Dolkar, Oliver, Nkaloos, James and Malachi. What a delightful and patient group of children, cheerfully waiting their turn, playing games, and enjoying the sunshine.

Scott was next, then David with his Dad, Richard.

Sunnyfield also were patiently waiting, Rodney, Ginny, Vanessa on Charlie's Chariot, Krissy in a sailing boat.

Steph from BeeCosWeCare brought Chelsea and Jack. Then Sargood arrived with Seb, bringing Darryl and David. Helene took Ling Ling for a quiet sailing time. Last of all, Unisson Pymble rolled up, with carer, Matthew. It was a delight to see Toby, Steven and Mark confidently getting into the sailing dinghies, each in their own idiosyncratic way.

A gorgeous day, an exemplary group of carers and volunteers, and a fabulous participant group.....every day should be like this one.

*Marvellously Manly  
Macho Monday 28th  
October, 2019*

What is a Macho Monday? One where everything happens in a strong, organised, efficient manner. That is what happened today at Manly, when our volunteers arrived pleasantly early and had 6 boats rigged before 9.00 a.m. so that our participants could go off for a sail with very little waiting in a queue.





**Jennie and Charlotte**



**Malcolm and Nikaloos**

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Super-efficient Sailing Coordinator, John P had everyone working as a well-oiled machine, having the rigging checked and down at the pontoon, then in the water for the addition of rudder and keel.

Support Boat Driver today was John W, with co-driver, Ragnhild ready for her license now, and having undergone all of the safety training. Nola was the photographer. Tony was the radio operator, Helen the Registrar, Wilma the Life-jacket helper. Ken was the Time Keeper. Sailors: Charlie, Jennie, Abdullah, Jackie, Denis, Michael, Brian kept everything moving. Helpers on the pontoon were Alan and Donelle under the watchful eye of Malcolm. Corey, Jackie and Kath worked hard on the deck.



**Ken and Michael in Alex**

Alistair and Adam were first to arrive with Greg and Kerry and quickly got ready with sunscreen and ear buds to go for a sail. George arrived next, with Stephanie, and managed to have a go on both a sailing dinghy, and Charlie's Chariot. Anna, Rosa, Rodney arrived from Sunnyfield with fabulous helper, Josh and had their turn on the water. Then Maia, Eddie, and Gwyneth went for a sail, while James sat on the wheelchair and wished his leg would get better so that he can go for a sail next time.



**Abdullah and George in Ralph Newman**

Last group to arrive was BIRDS. Steve first, with Bella, then Carlo, Danielle, May, Patrick, Peter, Denise, Brad, Jimmy, Alan, Stuart and Pete. All of these had a good sail, and enjoyed their morning thoroughly.

Point of interest this morning, was when Patrick from BIRDS managed the steering all the way back into the pontoon with very little instruction from his sailor.

Everything was put away in double quick time, making it a very lovely day for all



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