



President's Comments:

This is my last report as President of MYC written in Bangalore, India, 350 kms from the nearest ocean. Sadly, I have allowed my work commitments to temporarily interrupt my sailing but I am involved in a very interesting and challenging project. It is now time for some one else to take a turn at directing this special club. The Annual General Meeting will bring some new people to the Board and their new ideas will be welcomed.

MYC is an amazingly diverse group of people brought together by a common love of sailing. This diversity of character, skills, abilities, and experiences helps to make the Club what it is.

The volunteering aspect of the Club is very special. In the past few years, I have directed changes to the administration of the club to improve efficiency and reduce the workload of directors, but those changes have always respected the culture of MYC. I believe that all members must ensure that the volunteering and co-operative nature of this Club survives despite necessary changes that will inevitably occur over time. The highlight of my term has been MYC winning the National Volunteers Award for Sport and Recreation. This award was national recognition of the special nature of this club.

I thank all of the current Board members for their hard work and input into the management of MYC. I also acknowledge the special input of two of the directors who have worked tirelessly for many years and are not standing for re-election.

Margaret Lucas has been the quiet achiever at the Club. Soon after joining MYC, she became actively involved in its management. In addition to many other tasks, she has managed the shop and catering and at times, this has been a thankless task. It is easy to get used to having a good meal and refreshments provided after a race without thinking about the work needed to make it happen. We have moved from a roster system to cook sausages on the BBQ to high quality meals and this has been a significant factor in the success of our races. The new kitchen would not have occurred without Margaret's hard work. Margaret's contribution to this Club has not only made the Club events more enjoyable and successful, it has also made the work of those who come after her so much easier now that a system has been put in place for the MYC Shop.

Chris Shead also deserves special mention. Chris has been the director in charge of Building and Maintenance for more years than I can remember. Chris is another quiet achiever and his management and organising of working bees has held the Club together - literally! Our lease requires us to be responsible for all maintenance of our heritage clubhouse and the magnitude of this task is enormous.

I am pleased that many of the directors have nominated to continue on the Board. They have all provided good service to the Club. In particular, the Club Captain, Colin Cameron, another quiet achiever has worked tirelessly to keep the Club operating. We would not have a wharf today without Colin's work, much of it heavy work done alone in periods between his work commitments.

It has been a pleasure to meet and work with so many good people in my time as President. I will miss the role and hope that the new President enjoys the role as much as I have.

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Final farewell to all the Centreboard Sailors who have raced over the last 2 years

KEEP COMING TO THE START LINE AND THE DIVISION WILL LIVE ON!

Thank you to all Manly Yacht Club Members who have helped resurrect the centreboard fleet and supported us back to wine winning form on the deck. I have enjoyed the past three years being a yacht club member involved with sail training for juniors and adults, powerboat training and having my arm twisted to sit on the sailing committee with its very persuasive powers. The most enjoyable part of being a MYC member has been taking part in club racing with the fun loving and competitive spirit of the club members whether it be in a Centreboard boat, Twilight Race or Women's Challenge. I will very much miss my Sunday harbour outings with fellow sailors



and just hope that another membership form is available on my return.

Cheers for now,
JULES

Ian Cameron, taking home an armful of Centre Boards trophies at MYC Presentation Night

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Sailability

13th May. Picnic and Race Day. This was our last sail for the Summer Season. After days of strong winds and rain, we woke up to sunshine and a pleasant 5 to 10 knot breeze. We rigged the fleet and waited for our competitors and Race Officers, got them out on the water, and suddenly, the breeze dropped to nothing. Pam and Bruce were sitting out there in Carlisle waiting for something, anything to happen so they could set the course, and finally, it did after more than an hour of waiting.


Thanks so much to Pam and Bruce Davis for their patience with us, and the fickle breezes of Manly Cove.

Race results were: First in Woody, Peter and Mitchell.
 Second in Lionheart, Wayne and Ivan.
 Third in Dolly Wallis, Jessika and Jackie.

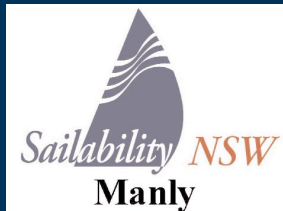
After the racing it was barbecue time, and presentations were made. Thanks you so much to all of our Summer Sailors. Now it is time to think of Winter Sailing.

Dates are: July 15th, August 12th (Saturdays)
 June 28th, July 26th, August 23rd (Wednesdays)

We are looking forward to our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, 7th June, and the election of our committee for the coming year.

As a result of publicity generated by our group, and the acquisition of Charlie's Chariot through the Paul Newman Foundation, we have been visited by reporters and photographers from NEW IDEA. If you would like to see how we shape up, buy a June copy from Monday, 5th June, 2006. **Eli Demeny** 

Check the **NEW Sailability website** for **MORE great photographs, news and events:**
www.manlysailability.com.au



Congratulations to Eli Demeny the winner of the 2005/2006 'Graeme Cotton' Memorial Trophy, 'MYC Citizenship Shield'.

Eli Demeny was awarded the Manly Yacht Club's annual Graeme Cotton Memorial Citizen of the Year Award at the Club's recent Presentation Night.

Eli, as Secretary of Manly Sailability, has had a very busy and active involvement with our organisation over many years. She is a wonderful person who has spent a lifetime teaching and caring for people with disabilities and has a genuine empathy with the disabled.

This is the first time this award was given to a member of Manly Sailability. Congratulations to Eli on joining a long list of outstanding recipients of this annual award.

Peter Hamilton - Commodore Manly Sailability



Peter Hamilton - accepting the award on Eli's behalf



*13th May Picnic and Race Day
 Just a few of our members enjoying the socialising (and food) at MYC*



Top left: Peter and Mitchell, winners are grinners!

Charlie's Chariot and the race fleet of six 303s



Wayne Black, accepting his Volunteer of the Year Award

**THE 'GRAHAM COTTON' MEMORIAL TROPHY.
THE 'MYC CITIZENSHIP SHIELD'**


For some of the newer members of MYC let me give a little insight into the name behind the trophy, which is the **Premier Award, on Presentation Night.**

A 'wee bit' over twenty years ago Graeme spotted some MJs pottering around, off East Esplanade, and he, and his wife Anne, decided that this was the ideal sport for their young family, namely Greg, Steven and Lucy, and through his enthusiastic involvement at MYC he resuscitated an ailing yacht club by building a large centreboard fleet, with a strong family base.

Graeme had a passion for the timber construction Manly Juniors (MJs), which were reasonably priced and gave everyone the opportunity to own a boat and compete on the water. Many families have very happy memories of idyllic Sundays, at MYC, or adventurous sorties to MJ State and National Titles under his selfless leadership.

Unfortunately Graeme succumbed, after a long battle, to cancer and it was suggested, by Ken Wray, that a memorial trophy should be created to acknowledge the qualities and values that Graeme had instilled in the club.

Anne Cotton keeps in touch with developments, at MYC, Lucy can sometimes be seen at MYC on a Dragon Boat, or guest skippering on 'Bokarra'. Steven is a keen 16' Skiff sailor, at Manly. Greg went on to achieve a 2nd place in the World Taser Championships among many sailing achievements.

Colin Cameron 



Thank you Greg Cotton, Brian Wilson and Robert Fagan



ALONG with Richard Donaldson and Deanna Smyth



MYC Presentation Night 2006

*The Long and Short of it!
IT WAS A GREAT NIGHT*

We were promised a trip down memory lane on the Manly Ferries and who'd have thought there would be so many! John Darroch's enthusiasm for his topic was the highlight of this year's event. The wonderful photos, slides and memorabilia he shared with the club underscored the place these beautiful ferries play in our local identify and culture.

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Manly Juniors Presentation Night 2006

Boat	Attending	Awards / Achievements
Broadreach	Alice Donaldson Natalie Schultz	1st Australia Day Regatta 3rd Cristal D'Arques Women's Challenge Handicap Pointscore Club Championship
Red Stripecy	Claire Gilet Angus Clarke	1st Cristal D'Arques Womens Challenge Handicap Pointscore Club Championship
Blue Stripecy	Jasmine Lumsdaine Hugo Lumsdaine	3rd Australia Day MJ (Corrected time) Hugo - 2nd Cristal D'Arques Womens Challenge (with Alyce Brown) Handicap Pointscore Club Championship
The Swick Too	Angus McKenzie-Wills William Langley	2nd Australia Day MJ (Corrected time) Handicap Pointscore Club Championship
Two Fruits	Alyce Hodgson Sally Brown	Alyce - 2nd Cristal D'Arques Womens Challenge (with Hugo Lumsdaine)
Flying Eleven	Hugh Vidler Graham Egan-Wyer Sally Brown	Most Improved Sailor


Manly Juniors



Presentation Night

Thanks to all the Manly Juniors who attended our Presentation Night. Very lucrative for some and we are lucky to have such a broad range of Trophies to award. Congratulations to all and well done on some well deserved awards. A Big thank you to The Club for their support of the Juniors and a special thanks to Maz for ensuring we had some trophies to present.

RICHARD DONALDSON

If you are interested in joining our MJ or Cadet fleet contact the **MYC Sailing Committee.** 

MYC Members - Time to Party

We have a wonderful Club House perfect for your next party, why not hold your next party at MYC. Members of more than 1 year get a 50% discount. The cost to members is \$717 including cleaning and security for a Friday or Saturday function, and there is no need for members to use Forte's food or beverage packages. For more details please call Forte Event Management on 9984 1111 or speak to Sorrell 9976 2692. Think of MYC for your work's Christmas party or work conference. Let us know if anyone is looking for a daytime venue, we can give special rates!

Sorrell Hall Hire ▶



WORKING BEES FOR THE YEAR!

This past year has seen only a few, but worthwhile working bees attending to needy issues of maintenance at the Club. Painting, general maintenance and recently, the commencement of construction of the lower toilet and shower room have seen a number of keen volunteers attend on Saturdays to undertake this work. Keith is addressing this latter, major task elsewhere.

The recent painting on the upper deck has made that area look a lot better and present favourably to visitors. That Bee, on May 13 last, saw Rob Steffens, Dave Lewis, Colin Cameron, Candice Christensen, Blue Robinson, Dave Fairclough and others slap white paint about with gay abandon...well with abandon anyway!

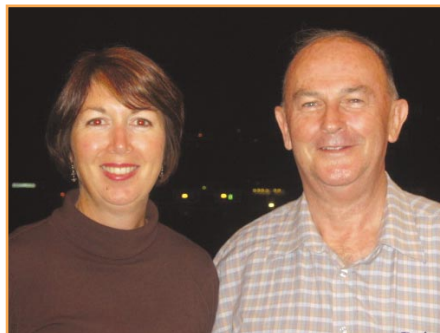
Many jobs remain though, like, for example, the final edge sealing of the new roof to the adjacent brick walls. This has proven to be a difficult and time consuming task and was extremely hot work when attempted in summer.

I'd like to thank all the volunteers for their hard work over this year and others. As I step down from the Board after 10 years, I reflect on the extraordinary efforts of often a few, but sometimes many Club members, and say a sincere thanks for all the work that everyone did during that time.

Chris Shead ▶



Chris holding the Club together - literally!



A BIG thank you to Ann Webber and John Darroch

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This year's presentation night was ably managed and controlled by the inimitable talents of Robert Rove Fagan. Looking resplendent in this season's Armani tuxedo (100% cruising Kevlar held together by a combination of half hitches and bowlines) his wit, presence and boyish good looks kept the audience entranced. A behind the scenes pre-event panic in the back office allowed the talented Robert to improvise before the start proving one sailing committee's calamity is another man's extra half hour of limelight. Maz and Dee in their Cat Women and Bat Girl guises saved the day and by the end of the night most prizes went to the right people.

And so much talent, so many winners! The biggies were won by Hector and Sorrell Lambie on Slangivar, Division 1 Club Champions for the second year in a row (The Lambies clinched the trophy in the final race of the series in a nail biting finish). Dee Smyth and Ian Dennewald on Ratty were popular winners of the Flotto Lauro Cup, Whitworth's Summer Trophy, 2nd Women's Challenge Div 1 and 4th Ryan Wines Twilights.

Once again, the sailing committee pulled off a very successful evening with over 80 people attending. Thanks go to each member of the committee for contributing and hosting this year's celebration. Ken and Robert's slide show was a happy reminder of the past year (the photos of races through Venice's canals had completely slipped my memory). Thanks also go to Brian and Craig - their third year behind the bar; to the kitchen crew ably lead by Jenny Wilson with Robyn and Yuko; to Ann's young neighbours Tom and Taylah. This is the fourth year the junior duo helped fetch, carry and sell from midday to midnight. (This year we hope you all got the right change).

Again, congratulations to all the winners and good luck for the coming season.

Ann Webber ▶



PS: All the gridders with winning trophies, need to return them to the MYC office by 24th June 2006, so don't forget to take a few photos for the family album to share with family and friends.

Thank you: Sailing Committee ▶

Overall results of the Trophies, Skites Plates, Plaques & Medallions on the MYC web site: www.myc.org.au



Jim Thomas 'Dances with Waves' won the Ryan Wines Twilight Prize.

Thank you Ryan Wines for a great Twilight Series



Maz presenting Sally Hitchman 'Pacific Breeze' Twilights 1st Place



The Ratty Mob with the all goodies!

Navman Winter Series		Race 1 28 May 2006							
Sail No	Yacht Name	Helm	Yacht Class	Div	Start Time	Actual Start	Finish	Elapsed	Place
6510	Poets Day	Steve Wilton	Elan 40	1	12:33:00	12:33:25	14:51:08	2:17:43	1
MH22	Cape Fear	Kevin Boxhall	Cape 35	1	12:40:00	12:40:11	15:00:03	2:19:52	2
M366	Windy Point	Kathy Brown	Adams 8	1	12:28:00	12:28:05	15:02:53	2:34:48	3
MYC2	Cuckoos Nest	Nigel Holman	Bavaria 42	1	12:41:00	12:41:16	15:03:38	2:22:22	4
6776	Dances with Waves	Jim Thomas	First 40.7	1	12:40:00	12:40:22	15:04:00	2:23:38	5
2090	Morna	Greg & Leanne Zyner	Cavalier 35	1	12:24:00	12:24:28	15:08:07	2:43:39	6
MYC100	Shear Magic	Robert Steffens	Adams 10	1	12:30:00	12:30:59	15:12:23	2:41:24	7
5830	Cheap Thrills	Barry Miffin	Ross	1	12:28:00	12:28:52	15:35:24	3:06:32	8
1060/MYC7	Ten Sixty	Phil Vidler	Radford 1060	1	12:29:00	12:29:54	15:35:49	3:05:55	9
KA16	Pam	Peter McDonald	5.5	1	12:25:00	DNC	DNC		
4863	Two Can	David Lewis	Masram	1	12:26:00	DNC	DNC		
KA55	Atalanta	Dave Harris	J 24	2	12:13:00	12:13:39	15:12:24	2:58:45	1
MYC5	Eos	Brian Wilson	Brittany Sloop	2	12:23:00	12:23:25	15:12:51	2:49:26	2
127	Carinya IV	Jim Nixon	Carmen Class	2	12:25:00	12:25:00	15:13:17	2:48:17	3
MYC24	J Curve	Jack Morrison	J24	2	12:17:00	12:17:15	15:25:38	3:08:23	4
MYC6	Aida	Bill Spence	S80	2	12:21:00	12:21:15	15:27:00	3:05:45	5
MYC33	Lautrec	Helen Ebeling	Passage 33	2	12:16:00	12:16:51	15:31:26	3:14:35	6
MYC20	Manyana	David Fairclough	Cole 26	2	12:12:00	12:12:05	15:32:00	3:19:55	7
3683	Ratty	Deanna Smyth	Northshore 27	2	12:21:00	12:21:07	15:34:20	3:13:13	8
MYC820	Good Intent	Peter Bennell	Clansman 30	2	12:16:00	12:16:04	15:43:08	3:27:04	9
929	Soujour	Harold Hooper	Catalina 34	2	12:16:00	12:16:19	15:53:44	3:37:25	10
951	Eclipse	Ben Howell	Endeavour 24	2	12:10:00	12:10:52	16:26:50	4:15:58	12
A73	Top Odds	Karen Petersen	Northshore 27	2	12:14:00	12:14:06	16:22:20	4:08:14	11
5216	Starship	Peter Richter	Hudson 32	2	12:23:00	12:24:14	15:18:28	2:54:14	13
MYC202	Isaea II	Matt Collis	Bluebird 22	2	12:00:00	DNC	DNC		
1255	Melody	Ken Terrens	Swanson Dart	2	12:06:00	DNC	DNC		
983	Pacifica	Rob Carah	Catalina 30	2	12:16:00	DNC	DNC		
MYC1	Aussie Rules	Gene Scott	Cavalier 975	2	12:18:00	DNC	DNC		
AUS32	Avanti	Chris Shead	Soling	2	12:23:00	DNC	DNC		
PH88	Tantrum	David Owen	Endeavour 27	2	12:15:00	12:16:09	DNF		

Race one of the Navman Winter Series saw some typical Sydney Winter sailing with a tricky South Wester blowing, or maybe that should read not blowing.

The race started well enough in about ten knots of breeze and those who managed to negotiate their way around the CYC big boats eventually sailed into a wind shadow the size of a small African State. With a strong out going tide and very little breeze some of the smaller boats struggled...we on Ratty tacked over the same spot three times only to be overtaken by the bubbles off our own stern wave.....I am happy to report that after a tough battle we were victorious.....Ratty 1....Bubbles 0.

Eventually the breeze kicked back in and the remainder of the race was sailed in perfect winter conditions.

The only newsworthy event involved Manyana who was busy helping out Sydney Ferries by checking the anchor attachments on the ferry Narrabeen.....Dave reports that all is satisfactory and that the closer a ferry gets the bigger it looks.

Division one saw Poets Day take the honors, Cape Fear was second, and Windy Point third (welcome to Division 1).

In Division 2 Atlanta took home the silver ware....or at least collected the red wine, ahead of Eos and Carinya IV.

We welcomed two new boats to the fleet, Tantrum, an Endeavor 27, and Cheap Thrills, a Ross 820, Barry Miffin's new yacht.

We now have Navman burgees.....if you can find your burgee from last year it can be reused, if not please grab one from the MYC office or Davis Marina.

A reminder from the race committee that no yacht is to be in the starting area (behind the start line) with in 5 minutes of her start time, and that no yacht is to have practice starts. The race committee has the discretion to call any boat that crosses the line early an early starter and a 5 minute penalty will apply.

See you for race 3 on July 2nd
Ian Dennewald



Congratulations and Best Wishes are in order for the following MYC members: Chris Shead and Bronwyn Mason are getting married in July and Det-Supt Kim Mckay, is now Manly's new local area commander. Well done!

New Members



We are delighted to welcome to our Club the following new family members.
Graeme and Karin Gaggin and their son Jack, we look forward to meeting you, perhaps at the AGM or on the deck after Sunday Racing.
See Diary dates on Page 6

BOAT FOR SALE
'Broadreach'
Sail No 2584.
False floor conversion.
Well rigged and dry, light hull.
Good starter boat.
Stored at the club.
\$1,000 ONO
Richard Donaldson
0418 209 668

WANTED - DINGHY
MYC TO PURCHASE A STABLE DINGHY SUITABLE FOR MEMBERS TO ROW OUT TO 'MELODY' CONTACT MYC
myclub@tpg.com.au

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Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of Manly Yacht Club will be held on Saturday 24 June 2006.

Drinks will be served at 7:00pm

and the meeting will commence at 7:30pm.

The following nominations have been received:

BOARD POSITION	NOMINEE
President	Brian Wilson
Vice President	Ian Dennewald
Honorary Secretary	Christabel Casimir
Treasurer	David Lewis
Commodore	Maz Theaker
Vice Commodore	Jim Nixon
Rear Commodore	David Fairclough
Club Captain	Colin Cameron
Director (Sailability)	Peter Hamilton
Director (Hall Hire)	Sorrell Lambie
Director (Historian)	Helen Ebling
Director (Mooring, Security)	David Fairclough
Director (Boats and Equip)	Bruce Davis
Director (Buildings & Maintenance)	Keith Woodward
Director (Sponsorship)	Patrick Lynch



Keith Woodward
President



DIARY DATES

Sat 24 June	Annual General Meeting and Dinner
Sun 25 June	MJ's WPS 4
Mon 26 June	Sailing Committee Meeting
Wed 28 June	Sailability
Sun 2 July	Yachts Winter Trophy 3
Sat 15 July	Sailability
Sun 23 July	MJ's Training
	Yachts Winter Trophy 4
Wed 26 July	Sailability
Mon 31 July	Sailing Committee Meeting
Sun 6 Aug	MJ's WPS 5
	Yachts Winter Trophy 5
Mon 10 Aug	Board Meeting
Sat 12 Aug	Sailability
Wed 23 Aug	Sailability

DUTY ROSTER CREW:

Call Ann Webber on 9948 6724

Please double check your 2006-2007 Handbook

Notice of Annual General Meeting and Election of Office Bearers for 2006 - 2007

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Manly Yacht Club and election of Office Bearers for 2006 - 2007 will be held at the Clubhouse at 7:30pm on Saturday 24th June 2006.

All positions on the Board of Directors are open for nominations. The Club is required to have a Board consisting of the office bearers and up to twelve other directors. The Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore and at least five other board members must be boat owners.

Only financial members may vote at the Annual General Meeting. Persons who are not members are invited to attend the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Notice convening the meeting
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of the minutes of the last AGM held 9/07/2005
4. Receive and consider the Annual Report
5. Hold elections if necessary and announce Board of Directors for 2006 - 2007
6. Consider proposals to alter the Articles of Association re Membership
7. Appoint auditors for 2006 - 2007
8. Other business



MYC AGM, another PREMIER EVENT

Dear Members,

I would like to invite you to the Manly Yacht Club Annual General Meeting. You can enjoy your complimentary drink on the deck from 7:00pm before the formal proceedings begin at 7:30pm. These will be followed by a delicious meal followed by coffee and sweets. Drinks will be available from the bar and everyone will have a chance to win the Lucky Door Prize.

The music will start around 9.30pm and those who want to, can dance the night away on the deck.

Be quick with your bookings, table numbers as always, are limited. Please contact the secretary Christabel Casimir

It has been an amazing year and I look forward to seeing you on the night.

Keith Woodward: President

What a Fantastic Sailing Club!

Since putting the last 25 newsletters together, I am more aware of how many fantastic people are involved in the MYC club, from the Sailability Sailors and Volunteers the Mums and Dads helping the MJ kids, Dragon Boat members, the new and regular members continuing the maintenance and improvements to the club, the Sailing Committee the Board of Directors the Secretary and Volunteers, it has made my job as Editor so much easier with all your beautiful stories and photos (please keep them coming for 2006-2007).

Hope you can make it to the AGM Dinner on the 24th June and enjoy the company of other members, family and friends over a relaxed dinner and the opportunity to support the club, meet the Board Members and give a BIG HAND OF APPLAUSE for all Keith Woodward's hard work as MYC President and give yourselves a big pat on the back for making this a fantastic sailing club. **Thank You, Margo**

There will be no July MYC Newsletter Deadline for the August issue:

Thursday 10th August. email: margaretlucas@bigpond.com PH: 9977 1611