KURNELL CATAMARAN CLUB

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President's Report

Start of 2011

Half way through the season already, where did it go? The big news this month is the continuing build up of the Junior Division, especially the addition of the two boats donated by Caltex. We had an official handover from Caltex last Sunday, 12/12 and the day could not have gone better. The weather was perfect and Doug took some great photos, check them out on the website.

Following from this I have been requested to take part in a video clip for showing at Cronulla Beach on Australia Day. This is a Sutherland Shire Council Australia Day initiative and apart from mentioning Caltex being a major KCC sponsor, I will be giving the club exposure in front of a couple of thousand people. Who knows, we may gain some more members from this exercise.

Speaking of Australia Day, this falls on a Wednesday, so I hope to see KCC well represented in the Australia Day regatta. Please note start time has been rescheduled for 1.00 pm to fall in line with the river clubs.

Along with the Junior Division the Senior Division membership also continues to grow as evidenced by the number of new faces and boats on the water. More on the new members elsewhere in Cat Chat.

While on new members, welcome to the Lowderís new family addition, Charlotte Anne Lowder. Congratulations to Trevor and Kylie and proud grandparents Brian and Leah.

We have been requested, along with other clubs, to assist GRSC in running a youth regatta from January 6th to 10th. Obviously weíll need members assistance with boat crewing and time keeping. Anyone available to assist please see either myself or Brian Chapman.

Have a safe and happy Christmas and see you in the new year.

Barry

Check out "Boats for Sale" on the Website, **www.kcc.asn.au**

Up Coming Events

Australia Day Regatta / KCC Marathon

January 26th

Briefing is at 12.00 noon and start is at 1.00 pm.

Club Racing resuming

January 16th, Olympic Series

KCC Botany Bay Classic & Cock of the Bay Regatta

Sunday 27th February 2011

ORDER NOW KCC Shirts

Limited number of the NEW KCC Shirts are now available for order

$35.00 each

ORDER NOW.

A new Tornado has joined the club now owned by Doug and family

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TOP GUN REGATTA

Report

We had 26 boats ranging from the maricat to windrush and onto the top of the line F 18's over the weekend. The weather was very fickle on the Saturday, however Sunday was one of those dream 15 knot Nor-easter days at Kurnell. The type of conditions every catamaran sailor dreams about.

It was great to see the boys from the north side of the harbour including the Waterhouse team sponsored by "The Sailing Scene" and further North, Mannering Point sailing club all competing

It was quite a showdown between the AHPC /C2 and the Hobie-cat/ Wild Cat F-18 boats but the Hobie won out by a mere point or 2. The quality of sailors was certainly world class with Steve Brewin taking out the regatta overall.

Thanks all for coming and hope you enjoyed the weekend.

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ahpc australian high performance catamarans
Taipan, Capricorn & Viper

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Brewin Sails

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Quiet Please, MAN AT WORK

Old !!! talk about old, struth itís nearly as old as the blokes in the KCC pensioners club and done a hell of a lot more work than them all combined in its lifetime.

It... like us all, succumb to the ravishes of time and exertion which wearies and weakens the very soul and structure we need, to continue an active life.

So it was decided without too much fan fare, the scheduling of ìOperation Head Gasketî by the good Doctor of mechanical engineering, John Stone (aka ìStoneyî) on our very old and indispensible tractor.

Over several days many body parts were removed, cleaned and when necessary replaced till at last the blown head gasket was accessed. Then it was all to be put back together again and only at the last moment the keen eye of the ìgood doctorî noticed a broken valve spring so then there was a further delay and requisitioning of said part amid curses at the assisting technicians who had not noticed the problem.

At last, with the blood of life dripping from his hands and elbows (after changing the engine oil), the intravenous petrol drip line was inserted with a new stent personally made by Ross Newman and with the first contact on the defibrillator start key the old tractor roared into life, singing in strong voice the praises of Stoneys expertise.

With Thanks from all.

article by Barry Argall

Wonder where this bloody goes.

AARH there tis

Connecting the blood drip..... she will be sweet

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Regatta's Update

KCC has been requested to assist Georges River Sailing Club in running the annual Youth Regatta on Botany Bay. This regatta will be held over January 6th to January 10th 2011. KCC will be the start boat for Hobie 16s and 420 classes. Thanks to the members who have volunteered their time to man our boat for this period, especially Brian Lowder and Allan Quinn who will be there for the duration.

The Australia Day regatta has already mentioned, please note the start time has been altered to 1.00 pm.
We have our annual Cock of the Bay regatta coming up on February 27th. This is a one day regatta and we hope to attract a large fleet, both KCC members and visitors.

KCC will be hosting the A Class and Taipan State Titles over March 19/20, 2011. We expect forty boats and have agreement from GRSC for them to assist us with a "mark" boat that will enhance fleet safety.

Following on from the above state titles, we have expressed interest in hosting the A Class Nationals December 2011/January 2012. This looks like it will be a goer.

We will be running Mega Multi regatta over the Easter weekend next year. Tony Wainwright and Peter Backhouse have done a great job in securing Seawind as major sponsor and have created a lot of interest in the Seawind world. We will be looking for KCC members to assist in running the event and assisting as crew on those boats that are not familiar with Botany Bay and/or racing tactics.

Bundy Visit

It was a pleasant surprise to have Darren Bundock sailing with us last Sunday. Apparently he is based in Holland, sailing F16s and Formula 18 cats. He's back home for the European cold snap and will be returning late January. As expected, Steve Brewin gave him some very serious competition and crossed the line in front as Darren unexpectedly tripped his boat. You're always welcome at KCC Darren.

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Junior Division

Arthur and crew

Mick with trusty offsider

Captain, John Flewin

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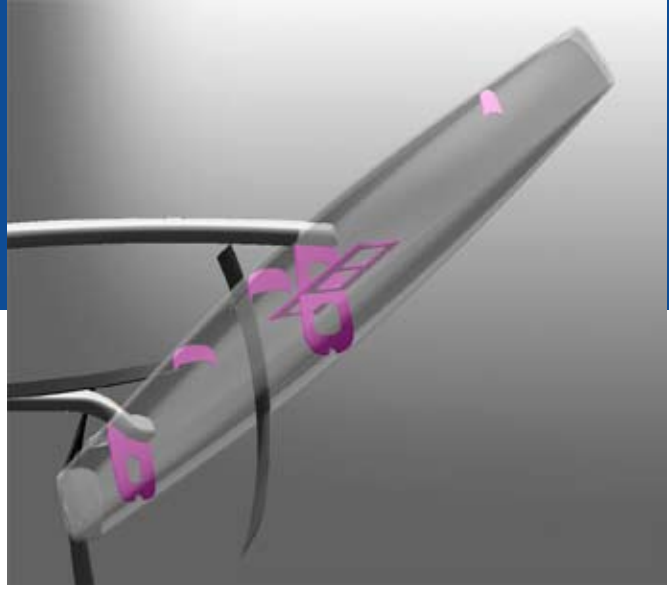
Boat Review

IIntroducing the new dna® a-class catamaran



Advanced Racing Catamarans has introduced the dna A-class catamaran. it is on the way to become the single hand sailing class. No longer ‘the best kept secret in the sailing word’ (Seahorse magazine) but the ideal boat for the club sailor, the weekend racer and America’s Cup helmsmen.

During the German Nationals for instance it was obvious that, in some races, you could sail faster downwind while being on the wire! It was great fun doing this together, but imagine a whole fleet going round the marks this way! But even apart from this we believe the boat to be faster and easier to sail then the “old style” boats.

75 kgs is the mininimum all up sailing weight. After subtracting the weight for the rig, appendage, fittings and trampoline, we are left with the ideal weight for a bare but painted platform of 40-42 Kgs.

Loads of power is what you need on the dna downwind. Both Chris and Stevie are showing us the way. They beat F18’s around the course by matching the speed of these gennaker boats downwind, which is quite remarkable.

So 18 DNA’s will compete in the Australian Nationals, which will be a great regatta with all the big names present. Landy, Glenn and Stevie will use their special and latest rigs and in Europe sailors will follow the races with a huge interest.

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NOTICE OF RACE

"Australia Day Regatta" and KCC Marathon

Single Marathon Race - Scheduled Wednesday 26th January 2011

Kurnell Catamaran Club Incorporated
Prince Charles Parade, Kurnell. Sydney Australia.
(PO Box 255, Caringbah. NSW Australia 1495)
Phone: 02-9668 9295 on Sundays
Email race-secretary@kcc.asn.au

This Notice of Race (NOR) is issued by Kurnell Catamaran Club Incorporated (KCC). The organising authority and officials consists of the KCC elected Committee for the 2010/11 season and rostered duty personnel. The KCC Race Secretary maintains the original NOR which is dated 24th December 2010 and is valid until superseded by a later dated version as issued by the KCC Race Secretary, Assistant Race Secretary or an authorised Committee Member.

1. Rules

The Regatta and Marathon will be governed by rules as defined in the 2009/12 Racing Rules of Sailing, the Special Regulations of Yachting Australia, individual class rules, rules of the Australia Day Regatta Committee and KCC Sailing Instructions 2010/11, as modified by the "Regatta Notes".

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 The Regatta is open to all "off the beach" catamarans and "cruising multi-hulls".

2.2 Eligible boats may enter on the official entry form, available at the KCC Clubhouse at least 2 hours prior to the scheduled start of the first race.

3. Fees

Fees are payable at the KCC Clubhouse. Boats must complete and sign the entry form and pay the prescribed fee prior to competing. Results shall not be recorded where boats have not completed and signed the entry form and/or paid the prescribed fee.

2 man boat	$20
1 man boat	$15
Cruising Multihull	$20

4. Schedule of Events

NOTE: THE AUSTRALIA DAY REGATTA/KCC MARATHON IS A SINGLE RACE STARTING AT 1:00 pm

The Race Briefing is at 12 noon Wednesday 26th January 2011.

The warning signal for the first Division is at 12:55pm.

5. Class Rules/Measurements

Class compliance certificates and/or measurement certificates are not required.

However, the KCC Race Committee reserves the right to inspect any boat and vary KCC class yardsticks for individual boats, where considered appropriate, at the Committee's absolute discretion and without right of protest.

6. Sailing Instructions/Regatta Notes

The Regatta is governed by KCC Sailing Instructions for the 2010/11 sailing season, as modified by the "Regatta Notes". The "Regatta Notes" (final copy) containing the course and any specific rules pertaining to the event will be available by 11am on race day at the KCC Clubhouse. A draft final copy may be available on the KCC web site, www.kcc.asn.au, prior to this time.

7. Racing Area & Course

Botany Bay – Sydney, Australia.

Course as shown in the "Regatta Notes" and/or described at the Race Briefing.

8. Scoring

Low point system of Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing.

The "Australia Day Regatta" results are calculated on KCC yardsticks and submitted to the Australia Day Regatta Committee.

The "KCC Marathon" will be scored separately to the "Australia Day Regatta" and is a handicap event for club members only.

9. Prizes

"Australia Day Regatta" prizes/trophies are presented at a combined ceremony at a date/venue to be announced.

"KCC Marathon" prizes/trophies are presented at KCC's annual Presentation Night – Saturday 28th May 2011 at a venue to be announced.

10. Further Information

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