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Wet n' Wild! by Candice Novello

We hope everyone enjoyed their **Easter break** with family and friends. It's been a bit of a mixed bag with the weather, sometimes bringing sunshine and sometimes bringing rain but we managed to get some sailing days in! On those rainy days, where we haven't had participants, those sailors willing to brave the weather have had chance to sail in different weather conditions to further hone their skills on the water.

Our old girl **Charlie's Chariot is in need of some love and care** to keep her looking beautiful! Now 16 years old, she will be lifted gently on to the slips next door on 14th May. There is a fair amount of hard work to be done as she needs a good scrub down, a coat of anti-fouling, a new hydraulic lifter for the engine and a brand-new engine. The engine will take a few months to be delivered and so Charlie will be lifted out of the water and transported to Cromer for the engine refit when it is ready to be delivered. Meanwhile, sailing will continue as scheduled and plenty of notice will be given if any Sailing Dates will need to be re-programmed.



Memberships are due in July for the coming sailing season. If you renew your membership now, you will be fully paid up until 1st July 2023. Membership can be renewed via our website: manlysailability.com.au/membership

We are looking to the fun and frivolity of our **Volunteer Recognition evening** this coming Wednesday, it's always a great night! Doors open at 6pm and the party kicks off at 6:30pm. We will be excited to announce who will be our Volunteer of the Year winner who will be announced on the night, so stay tuned!

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Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 4th May – Volunteer Recognition Evening. If for any reason you are unable to make it or have not yet paid, please contact Eli as soon as possible 02 9976 2747. **This is the last call for bookings.**

Saturday 21st May – End of Season Regatta. This end of season Regatta will take place on Saturday, 21st May. Please send your name and request to be crew or skipper to Ken Boyes, krboyes@optusnet.com.au or call on 0412 399 062 to take part. This is the last Regatta in the Wayne Black series for this year, a very hotly contested cup, so please book early.

Sailing Dates - May 2022 to August 2022

2022		
Saturday	7 th May	General Sailing
Wednesday	11 th May	General Sailing
Saturday	21 st May	End of season Regatta
Wednesday	25 th May	General Sailing
Monday	30 th May	General Sailing
Saturday	11 th June	Long Weekend General Sailing
Wednesday	15 th June	General Sailing
Monday	27 th June	General Sailing
Saturday	16 th July	General Sailing
Wednesday	20 th July	General Sailing
Monday	25 th July	School Holidays General Sailing
Saturday	13 th August	General Sailing
Wednesday	17 th August	General Sailing
Monday	29 th August	General Sailing

Don't forget to **book online** by going to the '[bookings](#)' page on our website manlysailability.com.au

You can also **check if sailing will be going ahead** on the day due to the weather by checking the '[bookings](#)' page on our website. The green message indicates sailing will be going ahead, while the red indicated that sailing is cancelled.

Thursday Evening Series

As the Thursday evening series has wrapped up, we would like to say congratulations to the people who joined in with Manly Sailing for the **Manly Cup** this year!

Over the 12-week session, we had a number of people involved in racing including: John W, David W, Kieran, Ben, Dennis T, Michael, Nola, Denis, Sarah, Nikki and James.

Although everyone was vying for 1st place each week, counting down the results from the series as a whole, shows that the most impressive input was from Denis in his trusty Hansa.....Woody. Congrats Denis!

**Photo Below:
Sailing 13th April**



**Warwick & Elsa in
Charlie's Chariot**



Riley & Shintaro

**Photo Below:
Sailing 23rd April**



Karen & Betty



Duncan in Ralph Newman

Thank You to Our Generous Sponsors!

Macca, Freelance Electrical (0418 239 053): Contributed cost of labor when adding electrical power points inside cupboards
Britta Huttel: \$500 to help with starting up again
David Webb: \$1000 for help with trolley and cupboard builds
Betty and Peter Baines: \$500 for help with Mooring Repairs
Patron, Michael Regan: Mayor of Northern Beaches Council
Hansa Sailing Systems: \$5000 for seven new sail suits for Invictus Games, and then donated to Manly Sailability
Premier Automotive, Jeff Smit: Boat trailer inspection
Manly Yacht Club
Lion's Club of Manly: \$1,500 towards maintenance of Charlie's Chariot
Whitworths, Brookvale: Generous subsidy on radios and life-jackets
Balgowlah Masonic Lodge: 2019 Donation \$3,000
Bendigo Bank: New Marquee \$1533.40
David Goldner and David Webb: Improvements to storage, trolleys & cupboards
Phillip Long bequest: Membership for BIRDS and Royal Far West.
Lynette Gould: Ruffled Painting bought Stabilo Equipment
Federal Government: Grant paid for First Aid Courses
Northern Beaches Council: Supplied Parking Permits for our volunteers.
Northern Beaches Council: Grant for radios and radio training, \$1650.00
Northern Beaches Council: Storage for our boat & trailer
Hood Sails: Sail repairs and Lion's Club Logo.

The Committee of Sailability Manly 2021 / 2022

President: Warwick McKenzie	Secretary, Volunteer Coordinator: Eli Demeny
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Sailing Reports

Saturday 9th April 2022

A Soggy Saturday today!

Our extra efficient crew for today was:

Sailing Coordinator: Ken

Sailors: Jertermey, John, Nola, Michael, Joe, Jim, Denis, Ivan, Helene, Ros, Francois.

Registrar: Helen

On the radio: Ken.

Support Boat Driver: Warwick.

Observer and Photographer: Eli.

Because of the uncertainty regarding the weather, we only had one extra participant this morning: Grant.



Joe & Jeremy

The others rigged 5 boats and went for a sail, polishing sailing skills in the perfect South Easterly breeze, and dodging the showers as they went.



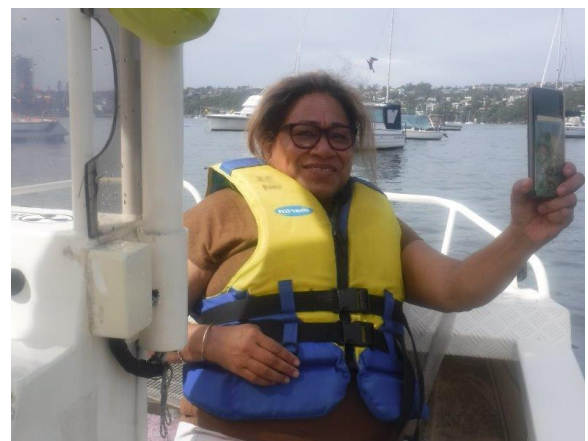
Ken & John



Grant & Michael



John & Francois



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Sailing Reports

Wednesday 13th April 2022

It all began when wishful thinking made for a very shaky start to sailing. The positive message was put on the web and sailing went ahead with people who had faith in Eli's forecasting powers. The wind was at its highest allowable limit and that rain which kept pouring down had been forecast as a few showers.

Our crew decided to jump right in with some race-training in the less than perfect weather while we waited for our participants to arrive when it improved. We went ahead with the planned racing: John P and Dennis together in Vin, Jim and Sophie in Black Swan, Francois and Michael in Eli D, Denis and Ben in Ralph Newman.

The wind stayed strong, the rain beat down, and these intrepid sailors took to the course laid by John W with gusto. Denis and Ben came first, a miracle because the boat was full of water. Michael and Dennis T came in 2nd in Eli D, John and Dennis were third in Vin, and bringing up the rear, just a few short metres behind were Sophie and Jim in Black Swan.



Hanlin & John P



Riley & Michael



David & Eva

We hurried back to the pontoon to discover that our participants had arrived, the wind had abated a little and the rain had disappeared.

So, one after the other Hanlin, Shintaro, Benny, Riley, Harry, Elsa, Ava and Kanga took their turn in the boats. When everyone had had a turn, Shintaro and Riley opted to help with putting the boats away, and in the rapidly improving weather the participants ate their lunch.

We couldn't have done it today without Helen the Registrar, Corey on the radio, Malcolm, Warwick driving Charlie's Chariot, Steve, helping with rigging as well as sailors and crew. Thanks so much to Sophie for turning up for her Duke of Edinburgh stint.



Denis & John P



Michael & Francois



Jim & Sophie

Sailing Reports

Saturday 23rd April 2022

This morning reminded us of how we used to be before Covid 19 and the terrible weather we have been experiencing cancelled many Sailing Dates. It was a beautiful morning, with blue skies, a gentle South Easterly breeze, and a fabulous crew to make our morning work perfectly.

Our crew put out 5 boats, had a short chat about watching out for ferries and who was on the list, and off we went.

Crew for today was John in charge of the day;

Registrar, Helen, Radio, Ken, Charlie's Chariot skipper, Warwick, Sailors: Jeremy, Michael, Jim, Denis, David, Vince, Helene; Photographer; Caroline. Nola was busy on the pontoon, Francois helping on Charlie's Chariot, along with Sophie. Joe helped on the pontoon and with Life-Jackets.

Our lovely participants this morning were: Kieron; Shane, James, Stan (from Northside) Kerri from Washington, Michael B from the other Washington; then Ban, Andy, Emma, Chris from Hornsby Achieve, Duncan and Jackie from Housing Connection.

Thanks to the helpers of these groups who were efficient and sensible so that the time on water was maximised.



James & John



Kerri & Vince



Ben & David



Jackie & Michael



Jeremy & Andy



Vince & Chris

Sailing Reports

Wednesday 27th April 2022

A small group of volunteers got together this morning in spite of the forecast rain. No extra participants were going to turn up, so we decided to go ahead, with a race session of more experienced with less experienced sailors, and an alternative way of running the racing.

4 boats, 4 buoys used up most of the helpers. Each boat stood next to a buoy with sails flapping. Charlie's Chariot stood in the centre and blew the horn. One at 4 minutes to race start, one at one minute to go, and a final blast at race start. Everyone started sailing as fast as possible to the next buoy, then a Port Rounding and on to the next buoy. This was fine in theory until the rain started in earnest and tipped the boats full of water within a few minutes. At the same time, visibility was reduced to nil, so a consensus using the radios decided to ABANDON RACING.

In the meantime, Jeremy and Brian in Black Swan had pipped all others and so was declared the winner.



Brian & Jeremy

There followed a real race back to the pontoon, where a barbecue was being prepared in the rapidly reducing rain. Everyone declared it a fun race, and we will do something similar at a different time.

Thanks so much to the people who took part:

Peter and Steve in Eli D

Denis and Michael in Woody

Jennie and Warwick in Ralph Newman

Brian and Jeremy in Black Swan.

Helen was registrar, Corey on the radio, John driving Charlie's Chariot and race starter, Francois laying buoys, Eli taking photos and cooking sausages.



Denis & Michael



Brian & Jeremy



Jennie & Warwick



Peter & Steve