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Notes from the Editor

The summer sailing program has now come to an end, with our End of Season Regatta which confirmed Denis and Nola as winners of the Wayne Black trophy, for most successful skipper and crew over our three regattas. A lot goes into keeping Manly Sailability running safely and smoothly, and there are many small but important details that our volunteer team takes care of. In the cooler winter months we run a lighter sailing schedule, but we stay very busy behind the scenes, maintaining the sailing boats, and antifouling and servicing *Charlie's Chariot*. In this issue, we're highlighting some of the many details that go into making a great day out on the water for our participants.

June Photo Board



You can find full reports about each of our past sailing dates on our website, along with a selection of photographs, under LATEST NEWS.

End of Season Regatta

For the final regatta of the season our sailors enjoyed a cool but sunny day, with a challenging 8 knot westerly wind, gusting to 15 knots at times. Once again Bruce and Pam officiated as the race committee aboard *Ready, Get Set* and the sailing was close and very competitive.

The overall winners of the regatta were Denis and Nola, with Jeremy and Gracie second and Michael and Ros in third place. John and Joe finished fourth, followed by a tie between David and Jenny and Helene and Skye, followed by Warwick and Kerry.

Despite the variable conditions, a great day was enjoyed by all who participated. An important part of the success of the day was the professional management of the races by Bruce and Pam Davis and the support provided by Jim and Clare on *Charlie's Chariot*.

Following the lunch, we presented the Wayne Black trophies for most consistent and successful skipper and crew over the three regattas to Denis and Nola. Congratulations to them both, and our thanks to all who contributed to making our End of Season Regatta such a fun filled success.



June Highlights

Charlie's Chariot antifouling

As any boat owner will tell you, boats are in constant need of maintenance and repair and ours are no exception. Brian, David and Warwick regularly repair any damage our sailing boats may suffer, during our sailing season. Several of our team have recently completed essential maintenance on *Charlie's Chariot*, ensuring its seaworthiness for the year ahead.

Our dedicated team of volunteers diligently water blasted, scraped, and repainted the hull with antifoul, leaving it gleaming and protected.

Special thanks to David, Brian, Warwick, Peter and Jim for their hard and dirty work, and thanks also to Pittwater Marine for servicing the outboard motor. With our boats ready for action, we look forward to the winter sailing ahead!

Eli Demeny OAM honoured

Our esteemed Eli has recently been honoured by Warringah Rotary with their "Pride of Workmanship" award for her long-time service to the community through her volunteering.

Eli was a founding member of Manly Sailability and for 27 years has been the driving force behind the organisation. In 2009 she was recognised with the awarding of an OAM for services to people with a disability.

The Rotary Pride of Workmanship Award is a recognition of outstanding qualities of dedication, involvement and commitment in the community. Congratulations Eli!



The maintenance team hard at work.



Eli with her Pride of Workmanship award

For **groups of up to 8**, you can book quickly and easily via our website!

Go to
www.manlysailability.com.au
 and click on BOOKINGS.
 Choose your sailing date from the list and complete the form with your details.

For **larger group bookings** (more than 8) please reach out to Jeremy. (jeremy@tebbutts.net)

Check our website on the day of your booking to confirm if sailing will be going ahead under current weather conditions

Our **Saturday sailing dates** are often the least busy, so can be a great option for a relaxed morning of sailing.

Upcoming Sailing Dates

All of our sailing sessions start at 9am and have a 'last sail' time of 11.30am.

Monday	30th June	<i>Bookings available</i>
Saturday	5th July	<i>Bookings available</i>
Wednesday	16th July	<i>Bookings available</i>
Monday	28th July	<i>Bookings available</i>
Saturday	2 August	<i>Bookings available</i>
Wednesday	13th August	<i>Bookings available</i>
Monday	25th August	<i>Bookings available</i>
Saturday	6th Sept	<i>Bookings available</i>
Wednesday	10th Sept	<i>Bookings available</i>
Saturday	20th Sept	<i>Bookings available</i>
Monday	29th Sept	<i>Bookings available</i>
Saturday	4th October	<i>Bookings available</i>

Upcoming Special Events

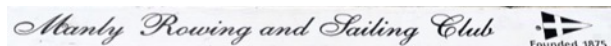
Manly Yacht Club 75th Anniversary Gala Ball

Saturday 6 September 2025
 Manly Golf Club

Members and supporters of Manly Sailability are invited to join the members of Manly Yacht Club in celebrating the clubs 75 years of sailing, community and tradition at an evening of dining, music and memories.

So please keep the date free and join our Manly Yacht Club colleagues for a wonderful night of celebration. Dress Formal.

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