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Soraya with John W waves

to Holly with Jeremy

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Notes from the Editor

Sailability is not only a fantastic way to bring fun and enjoyment to our participants, but a chance for our volunteers to learn new skills as well. I, for one, have become a more confident sailor, and have started working towards my motor boat license, thanks to the time and patience of many people. This month we're celebrating achievements both on and off the water, which are testament to the generosity of our volunteers in sharing their knowledge and passing on skills to others. The genuine love of sailing, and willingness to teach, is one of the many things that makes this organisation so special.

April Photo Board

A special visit from John W's granddaughters: Gigi and her grandmother Kerry in Charlie's Chariot... ...and Sophia with mum Rebecca and John in Vin



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

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April Highlights

Duke of Edinburgh Awards

Congratulations to Hugo and Max for completing the volunteering portion of their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Awards! They are regularly found cooking up a sausage sizzle for hungry sailors, and all their efforts are much appreciated. Their work at Manly Sailability inspired them to sign up for the Duke of Edinburgh program, and we wish them the best of luck as they take on the remaining challenges.

Congratulations also to Sophie who has completed her Bronze award and is now on her way to attaining Silver. Sophie is a very accomplished sailor on both dinghies and our rescue boat, Charlie's Chariot, with her skills on the water going from strength to strength.



Ken sailing solo under Jeremy's watchful eye

Spotlight on Our Members: Hanlin

Hanlin first came to Sailability when he was in school, and now aged 28, he has a long association with us. After he left school, Hanlin attended Day Programs but the activities didn't engage him and he left. Now Hanlin's Indepent Living carers bring him to Sailability, where he loves the sea breeze and watching the waves, and feels happy and calm out on the water. Hanlin is one of our most enthusiastic regular sailors and it's always a pleasure to have him aboard!



Sophie skippering Charlie's Chariot



Ken Flies Solo

On the last sailing day of April, regular volunteer, Ken, experienced the thrill of taking the helm alone for the first time. Ken started volunteering with Sailability in 2015 and since then he has been learning to sail under the tutelage of most of our experienced sailors, and particularly Denis, Michael, Warwick, John W and Jeremy. Ken honed his skills crewing in our regattas and credits the patience and support of the whole team for his achievement. His next goal is to convince his daughter that his grandson is safe on the water with Pop! Congratulations on this milestone, Ken.



Hanlin in action on Black Swan

Upcoming Sailing Dates

Saturday	6 th May	Bookings available
Wednesday	10 th May	Bookings available
Monday	22 nd May	Fully booked
Wednesday	24 th May	Bookings available
Monday	29 th May	Fully booked
Saturday	10 th June	Bookings available
Wednesday	14 th June	Bookings available
Monday	26 th June	Bookings available
Saturday	8 th July	Bookings available
Wednesday	12 th July	Bookings available
Monday	31 st July	Bookings available
Saturday	12 th August	Bookings available
Wednesday	16 th August	Bookings available
Monday	28 th August	Bookings available

Upcoming Special Events

Volunteer Recognition Evening Wednesday 3rd May 6pm, Club Totem, Balgowlah

The deadline for bookings has now passed and we look forward to seeing everyone there.

Regatta Saturday 20th May 8.30am dock call

Look out for updates from John W as to skipper and crew assignments!

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

Go to <u>www.manlysailability.com</u> 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 Jerem

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.

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Spotted at Manly Cove

We share our stunning home at Manly Cove with all sorts of other clubs, visitors and marine life. Spotted this month: a blue groper swimming happily under the reflection of our sails, just off our pontoon. Spotted and snapped by Sophie.

