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## Dates for the diary



### Regatta Saturday 14th December

You are welcome to join us for this Race Day, whether a volunteer or participant sailor. Please let Denis or Ken know that you would like to race with us, as we have a limited number of sailors that day.

### New Year's Eve at Manly Yacht Club

I know it seems too early to be thinking of New Year's Eve .... But just in case you're already planning, Manly Yacht Club is a great place to see in the New Year with friends and family of Sailability. It's a BYO, sitting on the deck which is a prime spot for Manly fireworks.



## Dates for December 2019 to February 2020



Wednesday	4th December	Truscott St, RFW, Arranounbai, Sunnyfield, Unisson Fr Forest.
Saturday	14th December	<b>Regatta</b>
Saturday	4th January	Sargood, Tramway, Washington, General.
Wednesday	8th January	Unisson Pymble, Unisson St Ives, Achieve, AFFORD, Sunnyfield, General
Saturday	18th January	Creativity Inc, Washington, Tramway, Cooyong, Balmoral, THC, General
Wednesday	22nd January	Beecos We Care, Unisson FR Forest, Sunnyfield, House With No Steps, Achieve, Choose and Connect, General
Monday	27th January	Australia Day Regatta
Saturday	1st February	Washington, Cooyong, Sargood, Tramway, General
Wednesday	5th February	RFW, Unisson Pymble, Unisson St Ives, Achieve, AFFORD, Sunnyfield, General
Saturday	15th February	Trilogy, Washington, Sargood, Balmoral, THC, Cooyong, General
Wednesday	19th February	Truscott St, Unisson, FR Forest, House With No Steps, BeeCos We Care, Arranounbai
Monday	24th February	Fisher Rd, KARBEL, BIRDS, Michael Toetoe, A Team
Saturday	29 <sup>th</sup> February	Rap'n'Rave, Washington, Cooyong, Sargood, Balmoral

## Camp Lionheart Saturday 2nd November 2019



Every year, Camp Lionheart is a stand out day in our program because that is the day that we welcome the children from Westmead Hospital outpatients to commence their weekend camp at Narrabeen. Today was an outstanding day for the children, their staff, and the volunteers at Sailability. The weather was perfect, not too much wind, and not too little. Thirteen children took advantage of the opportunity to go for a sail. Our volunteers started the day early by rigging the boats, and getting everything ready on the deck. While we were waiting for the Campers, we took Ben, Kerri, Anna and Judy for a sail. Michelle, a new volunteer, was given her sailing trial, and then sent out with her first participant sailor.



At this stage the Telford bus pulled up in our parking area and we welcomed: Jordan, Cameron, Cadan, Amena, Jordan, Ryley, Elaina, Annabelle, Reda, Ahmad, Hannah, Kiarnhi, and Wesley to our sailing area. What beautiful smiles and happy faces greeted us. As soon as we could get the correctly fitted life-jackets on the children, they were taken down to the pontoon, were lifted or climbed into the boats and were away for their first experience of sailing. All came back with huge grins of thank you, then sat in their groups on the deck for morning tea and a chat before they were driven off to their next adventure. Thanks so much to their staff for organising this so well; Louise, Tina, Jason, Meagan and Jenny.

After the children left, Danny, Makina and Nina, (channelling Elsa from Frozen) came for their sail. Danny was incredibly brave today...starting with a ride on Charlie's Chariot, and finishing with a sail with John. Makina chose her favourite colour, pink, and loved her sailing, and Nina couldn't wipe the smile from her face while she was in the boat.

Our team for today was:  
Sailing Coordinator Extraordinaire: Warwick. (and unsurpassed chef)  
Pontoon Manager without peer: Nikki.  
Remarkable Radio Operator: Tony.  
Time Keeper Fantastic: Lyn.  
Life-jacket Manager: Wilma.  
Sailors: Denis, David, John, Jim, Ivan, Jackie, Michael, Michelle.  
Tony and Ollie helped on the pontoon.  
Support Boat Drivers: Vince, Mal.  
Photographer: Ken.

Nola was everywhere...on the pontoon, on the deck rigging, helping with life-jackets, then rushing off to an appointment afterwards.  
Alan came down to socialise.

Thanks, all in all it worked out a memorable day for us and all of the participants.



**Hannah and Ahmad**



**Wesley**



**Elaina**

## *A Perfect Wednesday 6th November, 2019*



**Ivan and Seayn from Wagga**



**John B and Savannah in  
Black Swan**

Our fantastic team turned out early this morning to put boats out for the 4 groups on the list. It was a perfectly beautiful day with light and very variable winds, making it difficult to steer a direct course.

Tamara was the Sailing Coordinator, Ken the Support Boat Driver, Ted the observer and photographer, Helen the registrar, Wilma the life-jacket lady, Tony on the radio, Corey the Time Keeper. Sailors were: Jim, Peter, John, Helene, Ragnhild, Denis, John B, Warwick, Helene and David. Michael was Pontoon Manager, with help from Donelle and Euan. Ted



**Warwick and Riley in Ralph  
Newman**



**David and Ted**

took a turn sailing after his stint on Charlie's Chariot. Malcolm did a magnificent job getting all boats and rigged before his time to leave at 9.30.

We welcomed Seayn, Zavier, Zeb, Boaz and Savannah from various country towns. These children are staying at Royal Far West while taking a break from their small country town. All were very eager to start their sail, so the boats were filled and left the pontoon very quickly.

Zoe, Mikey, Rex, Riley and Margaux arrived next, from Arranounbai School. All had a delightfully long sail, while we waited for our next group. Scott arrived on the pontoon just as these children were unloading, so he had very little waiting time. Then David arrived with Dad, so it was a quick change over...David into a sailing boat, Dad into Charlie's Chariot. Last of all was Toby, who came with his mate, Matt from Unisson Pymble. There was time then, for volunteers to have a training time before needing to put the boats away.



**David G and Toby in Alex**

### *Scrumptious*

*Saturday 16th November 2019*



**Jim and Gerard in Alex**



**Jim and Sheree in Alex**

Our fabulous team for today featured Ragnhild in the starring role of Sailing Coordinator;

Support Boat Driver, Mal; observer and photographer, Nikki; new volunteers, Kat, Chuck, Gabe, Diane, Kristoff;



**Michael and Sophie in Vin**

Ken and Tony on the radio; Sailors, Abdullah, Crosbie, Charlie, Ian, Jim, Helene, Denis, Michael.

Help up on deck was provided by Time Keeper, Lyn; Wilma; and helping on the pontoon were; David, Eli, Nola. Thanks so much to everyone here to help this morning, as our teamwork is amazing, and we were able to keep 6 boats moving all morning, then packed up and stored very efficiently.

We welcomed participants from Rap'n'Rave with helper Lynne: Kate, Michael, Rob, Sophie, Gerard, and Jenny. This group is new to us, so it was interesting to see how well they settled in to this new environment and enjoyed their sail.



**Kate and Denis in Woody**



**Crosby and Jennie in Deli D**

Pam brought Judith down for her 50<sup>th</sup> birthday sail.

Justine brought Hayden down, and he absorbed the atmosphere, having fun wandering around the crowded deck, but decided not to sail this time.

Peter brought Ben for his ride on Charlies Chariot.

Then Sargood arrived with Emma, Sheree, Robert and Dana. What a delight it was to take these 4 people for their holiday sail.



**Nina and Michael in Vin**



**Kristoff and Leonie in Black Swan**

Luis brought Malaika for her sail, which was extremely enjoyable.

Kundan brought Diane and Duncan.

Karen brought Nina. Nina was very unselfish this morning. She decided that Rebecca should sail before her, so she missed her turn, and took the next boat.

Then our main group of the day arrived, a little late, but absolutely excited to be going sailing at Manly, after a long drive from Hornsby. Sophie brought this group, and all enjoyed either a run on Charlie's Chariot, or a sail on Manly Cove. Chacris, Laura, Jon, Nathan, Liam, Leonie, Mat, Trent,

Arjun, Sophie, Anish, Giulia, and Rajmani loved their sail, and a pleasant lunch before leaving us ready for the long trip home.



## *A Whale of a Wednesday 20th November*

What a wonderful Wednesday this was. With just enough cloud to keep it cool, a very slight South Westerly breeze, perfect sailing conditions for Manly Cove, and a wonderful team of helpers and participants in today's activity.

Helpers Tamara (Sailing Coordinator), Warwick, (Support Boat Driver), Danelle, (Observer and photographer), Brian, John W, John P., Michael, Ivan, Peter, Kristoff, John, (sailors) organised and rigged 7 boats and we were ready to go, with Wilma as Registrar, Tony on the radio, Corey the Time Keeper, Denis and Ken helping up on deck, Steve, Tony Ragnhild, helping on the pontoon and we were ready for our participants:

First up Jan and Richard from Sargood, then Rosa, Chrissy, Rodney, Vanes sa and Kane from Sunnyfield. orestville School, Verne Barnett brought Koby, Mason, Liam, Luka, Jack, Aria, Scarlet, Adam, Joseph, Max, Stephen, with helpers Laura and Yasmina. Scott arrived with Oscar, then Elias, better known as Batman, arrived with Oliver, Jamie, John, Geoffrey, Malcolm and Cath. What a whale of a sail they had, keeping us busy until the afternoon put away time. If only all sailing days were like this one.

*Waiting for the Weather Sailing Day  
Monday 25th November 2019*



1. Ivan with Kristoff in Black Swan
2. Mason and Charmaine on Charlie's Chariot
3. Rosa and John W in Ralph Newman
4. Richard and Jon B in Woody
5. Scarlett with John P and Alex
6. John B and Joseph in Woody

The forecast tells us it is going to rain and storm, but everything looks fine at 6.30 a.m. What are we to do? We go ahead of course. Hopefully we'll get a good days sailing in for our groups for today: The A Team, with Greg and Kerri, consisting of Adam, Alistair and Greg. These three had a great sail, in the perfect conditions. Greg chose to use Charlie's Chariot to keep an eye out for his friends.



Guests from Sargood arrived next, with Seb: Simon, his children Chantal, Joshua and Amelia, and wife Olivia. All had a wonderful time on the water judging by the huge smiles.

Last group for the day, BIRDS, with Bella and Gaynor used up the rest of the time: Patrick, Brad, 2 Alans, Carlo, Stuart, Jimmy, May, Steve, Danielle and Denise used the sailing dinghies or Charlie's Chariot to get out onto the water. Conditions were still perfect when all had had a go, so boats were cleaned and put away,

well before that forecast storm came in later in the day.

Our fabulous team for the day consisted of:

Sailing Coordinator: Jennie

Pontoon Manager: Malcolm

Registrar: Helen, back from her holiday on safari in South Africa

Radio: Tony. Time Keeper: Denis

Support Boat staff: Brian, Corey. Photographer: Eli and Danelle



Sailors: Ragnhild, John, Ian, Michael, Warwick, David, John  
 Pontoon crew: Nola, Jackie, Ken  
 A great team for a great day



**Simon from Sargood and Ian**



**Danielle from Birds**

## *Stupendous Sailing Saturday, 30th November, 2019*

What a perfect morning for our last General sailing for the year, and our Christmas Party to wish all of our volunteers and participants a Happy Christmas and a great New Year. To



**The McKenzie family on Charlie's Chariot**



**Fin with Robe in Eli D**



**Ash with John in Ralph Newman**

celebrate the end of the year, we all got together down at our venue, and wished each other all the best by going for a sail in what were borderline conditions for sailing, and all thoroughly enjoyed the experience of getting wet and wind-blown, and then feasting on a beautiful lunch provided by Helen and Wilma.

Our incomparable team for today consisted of  
 Sailing Coordinator, Ragnhild,  
 Support Boat Driver, Warwick.  
 Observer and photographer, Nola.  
 Radio: Tony.  
 Sailors: Denis, Rob, Jennie, Mal, John, David W and David G.  
 Pontoon Manager, Nikki.  
 Help on the pontoon, Helene and Oliver.

Help on the deck, Alan, and new volunteer, Emily.

What a well organised, super team this was.

We managed to take:

Fin, Beau, Tess, Ash, sailing and for a ride on the support boat with Grandad, Warwick. Susie, Juliette, Tom, Margaret with David. Danny, Elinor, Rodney, and Mark from Rap'n'Rave, with helper Carl. Judy, Vanessa, Rebecca, Sharon, Danny, Anna, Duane from the community who just came down for an exciting sail.

Thanks also to Molly and Ted who came for the party and stayed to help us clean up afterwards.



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