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The Master & The Apprentice
Jack Carroll & Lucas Thredgold
(Most Improved Cadet)



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Pub Night - 22nd June

**Next Race Winter Series -
25th June.**

**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:
SAT. 25TH JUNE - 10.00AM**

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Commodore's Comments

Congratulations to all those sailors who were awarded hard earned trophies at the AGM, you truly deserve them. A wonderful celebration of your hard work and dedication to your sport; a great achievement as the water disappears before our eyes to become adaptable by putting into practice stump-jumping.

Thank you to the Sailing Committee for your meticulous record keeping throughout the season, always ensuring we have correct results, the trophies/awards were beautifully prepared for presentation on the day, we acknowledge it is a massive task.

There are always many, many people who work in the background throughout the season who go unnoticed and to a large extent unappreciated, so, thank you to those hard working members who are silently going about their tasks.

Thank you to those 2015/16 Committee members who are retiring and have contributed so much to the General Committee.

Russell Denholm, Commodore, who now becomes Immediate Past Commodore and his mentorship to the new committee is a great asset. A number of major achievements were seen under Russell's leadership not least the soon to commence Clubroom renovations, the purchase of a fire pit, update to the drainage systems and roads, installation of the big screen TV and incorporation of Sailability to be brought under BeYC management. Russell also kindly donated trophies after racing on Saturdays to the well-deserved recipients.

Greg Devlin as Chair of the Sailing Committee who learned firsthand the enormous role this position entails, not limited to the weekly sailing and extends to other areas such as preparation of the Sailing Committee report for inclusion in the Annual Report, collation, collection and preparation of the trophies for the AGM Trophy Presentations.

Dennis Scammell who along with his lovely wife Sonja capably managed the caravan and camping sites. Dennis and Sonja collated and maintained the caravan and camping register, allocation of sites for caravans, all the time ensuring that all regulations were met.

Gentlemen your contribution to our club has been phenomenal and is always appreciated.

Welcome to the volunteers who make up the 2016/17 General Committee. Some with experience who can't get enough of a good thing and others new to the job who jumped on board to guide the club onward into an uncertain future water wise. However, in the recent few days we have witnessed a rare event, rain, let us hope it continues.

This year the General Committee consists of John Maher Rear Commodore, Sailing Committee Chair; Ron Mason Vice Commodore, Buildings and Grounds Manager; Russell Denholm Immediate Past Commodore; Ken Mann Secretary; Simon Carter Treasurer; Sonja Scammell Caravan & Camping Manager; Rowan Gillies Risk Manager & Sailability; Warren Matheson Marketing and Social Manager and Steve Phillis IT & Membership Protection Manager. We all aim to do our best for the club now and for the future. All contact information and responsibilities will be available on our website and displayed at the club. Please feel free to contact any of us, share your ideas and suggestions for the club.

We will be commencing renovations of the club rooms shortly, hopefully it will be completed before the commencement of the summer series. All hands on deck, so if you can spare time, know anyone who you can haul in who has particular skills even better, many hands make light work. We will keep you updated on the commencement and time frame in the near future

Thank you Jen Coulson for again taking on the of production of Mainsheet each month, we continue to enjoy the stories and keep up to date with planned events. Please all keep up your contributions to the newsletter. Jen is always happy to receive articles and/or stories from all members. Maybe you could encourage our younger members to send in their achievements/stories for inclusion.

Not to be forgotten are the ever hard working Discover Sailing coordinators, Anita Hunter and Mick Floyd, again giving up their Saturday mornings to introduce and instruct a new cohort of sailors who we hope will take the natural progression to becoming competitive members of our club.

We are calling for volunteers to undertake canteen duty for the coming season. Hopefully we will have enough volunteers to undertake the job. Failing that it will be necessary to roster members onto a Canteen duty roster. So, if you think you can help out please make yourself known, all assistance is always greatly appreciated.

Andrea McGregor, Commodore

Wanted - Bookkeeper

To maintain the Club books in association with the Club Treasurer. This position is open to members/non-members and will attract appropriate remuneration.

Expressions of interest should be directed to:

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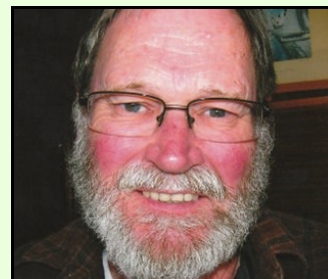
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Sailing Committee
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Commodore**



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Vice Commodore.
Grounds &
Maintenance**



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Secretary**



**Russell -
Immediate
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General Committee

2016/17



**Simon -
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Risk Management
& Sailability**



**Steve -
IT &
Membership Protection**



**Sonja -
Caravan & Camping
Manager**



**Warren -
Marketing & Social**

2015/2016 Trophy Presentation



Club Champion - Russell Denholm
Reg Wills Trophy



Alex Lott -
High Achiever Cadet



Club Junior Champion -
Alyssa Hunter
Foreman Family Trophy



Championship Series - Trailables
John Foreman



Winners & Grinners. Awards 2015 - 2016

Perpetual Trophies

Club Champion	Reg Wills Trophy	Russell Denholm
Club Junior Champion	Foreman Family Trophy	Alyssa Hunter
Most Improved Cadet	Evelyn & John Carroll Trophy	Lucas Thredgold

Championship Series

Senior Monohull	Col Hawkins Trophy	Russell Denholm	Impulse
Trailables		John Foreman	Castle 650
Inter. Catamaran (80>YV)	Palframan Family Trophy	Stuart Ridge	Mosquito Mk 1

Metcalf Series

Outright

Division 1	1st	Phillip Mann	Mosquito Mk 1
	2nd	Stuart Ridge	Mosquito Mk 1
Division 2	1st	Russell Denholm	Impulse
	2nd	Chris & Toby Clarke	145
	3rd	Bernie Young	Sabre
Division 3	1st	John Foreman	Castle 650
	2nd	Doug Carswell	Timpenny 670

Handicap

Division 1	1st	Phillip Mann	Mosquito Mk 1
	2nd	Michael Anthony	Mosquito Mk 1
Division 2	1st	Steve Phillis	Sabre
	2nd	Russell Denholm	Impulse
	3rd	Chris & Toby Clarke	145
Division 3	1st	John Foreman	Castle 650
	2nd	Ron Mason	Timpenny 670

Commodores Trophy

Steve Phillis	Sabre
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Kimbolton Series

Outright

Division 1	1st	Stuart Ridge	Mosquito Mk 1
	2nd	Phillip Mann	Mosquito Mk 1
Division 2	1st	Russell Denholm	Impulse
	2nd	Chris & Toby Clarke	145
	3rd	Mark & Elliot Hawkins	Taser
Division 3	1st	John Forman	Castle 650
	2nd	Doug Carswell	Timpenny 670

Winners & Grinners

2015 - 2016 Awards (cont'd)

Kimbolton Series

Handicap

Division 1	1st	Stuart Ridge	Mosquito Mk 1
	2nd	Michael Anthony	Mosquito Mk 1
Division 2	1st	Alyssa Hunter	Laser 4.7
	2nd	Chris & Toby Clarke	145
	3rd	Steve Phillis	Sabre
Division 3	1st	Ron Mason	Timpenny 670
	2nd	John Foreman	Castle 650

Tom Glazebrook Trophy

Ron Mason	Timpenny 670
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Classes

1st	Stuart Ridge	Mosquito Mk 1
1st	Bernie Young	Sabre

Hudson Handicap

Catamaran	1st	Stuart Ridge	Mosquito Mk 1
Monohull/Trailable	1st	Mick Floyd	Laser

Twilight Series

Outright

1st	Russell Denholm	Mosquito Mk 1
2nd	Mick Floyd	Laser

Ancient Mariner Series

<u>Outright</u>	1st	Bernie Young	Sabre
<u>Handicap</u>	1st	Bernie Young	Sabre

Winter Series 2015

<u>Outright</u>	1st	Russell Denholm	Impulse
	2nd	Mick Floyd	Laser Radial
	3rd	Doug Carswell	Timpenny 670

Handicap

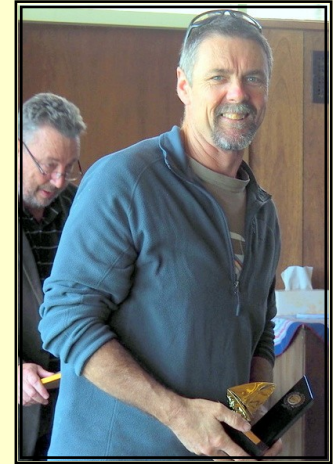
1st	John Maher	Sabre
2nd	Adam Blakiston	Impulse
3rd	Russell Denholm	Impulse



Steve Phillis -
Commodore's Trophy.



Stuart Ridge -
Palframan Trophy.



Mick Floyd -
Hudson's Handicap -
Monohull/Trailable.



Bernie Young -
Ancient Mariner Series



Phillip Mann -
Metcalf Series Division 1



Ron Mason
& Warren Matheson -
Tom Glazebrook Trophy



Winter Series.

Next Race:

Saturday, 25th June - First warning 1400 hours

also Saturday 30th July

&

Saturday 27th August



Notice of Race

is available on the club websight

www.bendigo.yachting.org.au

RACING REPORT – 2ND RACE WINTER SERIES. 28/6/16

From Ron in the Rescue Boat

The second race of the series was sailed in very good conditions, especially for this time of the year. There was a little bit of sunshine, a moderate wind, mostly from the south east, and enough water to set a reasonable length race course.

A mixed fleet of eight boats contested the race. Because of the wind direction and because the Lake isn't at full capacity, our race course was set to incorporate a downwind start which was a little unusual but totally acceptable to all boats. The start was uneventful and the quicker boats soon exerted their superior speed and before long had spreadeagled the field.

Mick and Anita in the Mossie and Rod and Chris in the Taipan were soon lapping the field.

As usual Russell was sailing well and keeping Tim Dean honest. Johnny Maher and Alyssa were having a great race with John leading for most of the race except for the most important time, at the finish.

Doug and Rowan had got together for this race and it was great to once again hear the gentle chiding of skipper to crew coming from UOME, especially when their spinnaker failed to set properly. I doubt that the reunited team will last though.

Does John Lockie have no sailing friends, or does he just prefer sailing on his own? Whatever, he did a good (but slow) job of sailing his Nomad trailer sailer one up.

The winner on the day was Russell in his Impulse, with Mick and Anita second and Doug and Rowan in the Timpenny, third.

Highlights of the race were Doug and Rowan trying to sort out their chute, Alyssa nearly capsizing and the masterly performance of John Lockie sailing his Nomad 20 solo.

After boats were put away sailors adjourned to the very welcome fire pit where toes and bodies were warmed and a cold beverage was downed. All in all a great days sailing with everybody already looking forward to the next race day.



Pub Nights are Back

Winter's here and with it comes
Yes **Pub Nights.**

The first of these nights will be on **22nd June** at
The Foundry Hotel Stirling Room, High Street, Golden Square
at 6.30pm

Please come along and join fellow club members for a meal and
an enjoyable get-together.
Friends and family welcome.

Mark it on the calendar - 22nd June

So that we can establish numbers please contact Jenny
Email: jenkencoulson@gmail.com or phone on [0498353380](tel:0498353380)



The challenge is on -
UOME v Sixpenny Bit.
Kimbolton Series Race 5.

Crews

There are number of boat
skippers who would like to sail on
Saturdays but don't have crews.
The Committee would like to have a
register of skippers who are wanting
crews and of sailors who would like
to act as a crew.

Would members who are
interested in being on the register
please forward their names to the
Secretary, Ken Mann.

Not only would it be beneficial
to our crewless skippers, but just to
have more boats on the water would
make a better spectacle of our fleet
for those who watch the racing.



Kimbolton Series Race 16



Kimbolton Series Race 5

PROPOSED CRUISES 2016

September Mildura to Wentworth
Sat. 10th - Thurs. 15th

October (weekend cruise) Ovens River
Fri. 14th - Sun. 16th

November Cowens Creek (NSW)
Sat. 12th - Sun. 20th

Phone Ken - 54 353380
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Bull Sheet

Myall Lakes Cruizin' & Snoozin'.



The Guv'ner General - Brian and Marilyn Coman
Freewind - Kevin Long
Flying Circus - Rob Heath
Shamrock - Ken & Jenny Coulson
Arakana - John & Jenny Lockie
Bumblebee - Greg and Helen Goodall.
Gracenote - Warren Matheson

We were finally all together with *Bumblebee*, after the "trip from hell", arriving late. The Goodies, with rigging still to be done, were able to join us at the Tea Gardens pub for our traditional pre cruise dinner.

The morning of the 31st March dawned and as the Goodies shopped and stocked *Bumblebee* with supplies, the other boats were slipped into the water. The jetty at the ramp was quite small so most of us moved down to the town's central jetty. There seemed to be a problem with no sign of *Arakana* and *Bumblebee*. It appeared the "Sonata Syndrome" had struck with *Arakana* experiencing centre-board problems at launching. While waiting, some of us enjoyed exploring the shops and the delicacies of Tea Gardens - the Guv'ner and his lady partaking in a huge plate of pancakes. Repairs were done to *Arakana* and by midday we at last set sail (or at least started our iron spinnakers) and made our way up the tea coloured Myall River. A little bit of "Deliverance" revisited as we wound our way up to the first of the three Myall Lakes - "Bombah Broadwater".

The river finally opened up and we had a brief sample of what was to come as we raised sails and headed the short distance to Mungo Brush - a campsite on the eastern shores of Bombah Broadwater. According to some campers at Mungo, it was quite a sight to see the armada of seven boats all together crossing the lake and advancing on the small beach. There wasn't a huge amount of space and five of us squeezed onto the beach near the boat ramp whilst the *Circus* and *Bumblebee* reversed into a small spot on the other side. Professional prawn fishermen seemed to have claimed this ramp as their own and Warren, who was on the end of the beach next to the ramp, received a bit of abuse. These fishermen, who were chasing the small Myall River prawns to sell at the Sydney markets, roared in and out late into the night with what seemed to us to be foolhardy antics.



We found Mungo Brush to be a great camp site and set up brilliantly for bush camping. The toilets were spotless and the sites were grassed and had plenty of space and there was an abundance of clean barbecues and picnic tables. We were visited by kookaburras, dingoes and huge goannas. The following morning we strolled through the rain forest and across the sand dunes to the beach. NSW have every right to be proud of their beaches on this coast - they are beautiful with kilometres of white sands and brilliant blue water and rival any that Queensland can produce. Unfortunately these beaches may now need a little time to recover after the recent East Coast Low. The Goodies missed out on the excursions. The "Sonata Syndrome" had struck again with electrical problems in *Bumblebee* needing attention.



All too soon we left the lovely Mungo Brush and a short sail found us at the northern end of Bombah Broadwater where we found civilisation which included a car ferry for all those "land lovers" and Legge's camp where coffee and icecream could be bought. Here we found a public mooring and rafted up for lunch and a quick swim while John (with Kevin's help) did some running repairs on *Arakana*. Yes - the "Syndrome" had struck again and it was starting to look like a competition between *Bumblebee* and *Arakana* as to who could have the most maintenance issues.

During lunch, we decided to get up to the northern most end of the lakes as quickly as possible and then slowly cruise back.... This meant a "fast trip" through the second Lake, "Boolambayte Lake", to our next evening stop at Violet Hill. Here some reversed into the very small beach, or nosed into the bushy bank while others took advantage of the public moorings. Brian and Marilyn had just taken possession of one of the moorings and had begun to cook tea on the kettle cooker when around the corner came a house boat with "doof doof" music blaring - the bane of Brian's life. It was a boy's weekend and they were fully charged and chose to tie up to a mooring not far from *The Guv'ner's* back door. The good thing about a yacht is that you can choose your



neighbours. The *Guv'ner* was quickly untied and cruised around to the tiny beach where the skipper and crew managed to squeeze the little Farr into a minute space to spend the night. The houseboat boys must have got the message as it wasn't long before they untied and headed off, not before running aground though. It was quite entertaining watching the antics of the inebriated passengers attempting to refloat their vessel.

The following morning all boats converged on *Shamrock's* mooring for a quick briefing before entering the largest of the lakes - Myall Lake - and sailed north to Neranie Sands - the furthest most point of the lakes system. We started under full sail, but as the morning drew on, the temperature rose, the wind died out and we found ourselves marooned. Time for lunch, and a swim. No need for anchors as we allowed our boats to just drift on the blue millpond.

Due to high water in the lakes we were finding that the beaches that we had been told of, were few and far between. On arrival at Neranie Sands *Flying Circus* and *Freewind* nosed into the bank close to the campers. *Bumblebee* and *Arakana* reversed in as far as possible further over which meant getting wet feet when wanting to go ashore. With very little room available *Gracenote*, *The Guv'ner General* and *Shamrock* cruised south to Kataway Bay and the public moorings where swimming and duck diving for Ken's lost glasses kept us entertained for ages. The exercise unfortunately failed and Ken spent the rest of the cruise having to borrow glasses.

Having spent the night snugly tucked in the sheltered Kataway Bay the three boats cruised up to find the group in the north. All was quiet. Perhaps they were still asleep. Having no space to beach our boats, a cruise around the area seemed to be appropriate and morning tea and lunch were spent in some lovely bays. We once again returned to the waters off Neranie Sands only to find the Northern group had gone for a walk and in such a remote area



communication was impossible. A message was left on John's phone in the hope that he would receive it at some stage, and we turned our boats and headed south back towards Violet Hill making the most of a good steady breeze.



The Northerners stayed some extra time in the top lake enjoying the scenery. They blew the cobwebs out and sailed around the island and then inflated the inflatables and paddled into the creeks taking some great photos. And of course, they enjoyed some "nana naps".

Meanwhile at Violet Hill we Southerners, having beached the boats were relishing being on dry land for the first time in three days. Legs were a little unsteady at first, but strolling around the camp ground and visiting with the local wildlife was a treat.

The next morning around the Violet Hill point came two defectors from the north. Rob and Kevin (both early risers and both on a schedule) had decided to leave their snoozing companions and begin to make their way towards home port. Later, in the top lake, the crews of *Bumblebee* and *Arakana* woke to discover that four boats had become two and began to wonder if BO was the problem.

Both groups enjoyed their next couple of days - we Southerners (now 5 in number) cruised slowly down Boolambayte Lake stopping in for some civilized refreshments, icecream and real coffee at Legge camp before crossing a bumpy Bombah Broadwater. We made our way to the Upper Myall River and found the sheltered campsite of Rivermouth complete with towering trees, toilets, bush rats and, according to our resident naturalist Brian, bandicoots. We were also visited by Mr Goanna who considered boarding *Shamrock* via the princess plank to investigate these strange creatures who had invaded his domain. Here in the peaceful surrounds, fishing, photos and relaxing were the go .

Up north the group in the top lake had found a lovely camping spot at Shelly Beach, but once again, the beach was missing.

The next morning five boats set out from Rivermouth to cross the Broadwater to the Myall River. The wind was coming in on the beam giving a slight rolling motion. Following the channel we entered the river and wound our way towards Tea Gardens fully aware of the rapidly falling tide. All boats made it safely back to port although several very shallow spots were encountered. Retrieval was made and crews stowed gear in readiness for the trip home and then headed for the pub. With the Northerners two days behind it seemed odd not to be celebrating the conclusion of the cruise together.

The Myall Lakes are brilliant and a fine example of the NSW national parks. The banks are lined with rain forest and thick coastal scrub, the water is clear (particularly in the top lake), there are plenty of fish to be caught AND it's a great spot for snoozin'. The camping grounds are clean and extremely well kept but occasionally logs grow legs (which is a little off-putting when attempting a walk to the toilets).

Seven little ducks made it home safely and all agreed this was another great trip leaving cruisers wanting more.

Jenny

With input by Helen and Warren (thanks guys).



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