



Making Waves

Tamar Yacht Club Newsletter

TOP OF THE TAMAR - MID WEEK RACING

As a first step in re-establishing the Club up river as a visibly active sailing club, the first of a series of mid-week races was conducted on the afternoon of the 2nd March.

The organisers and particularly Mitch Ranson are to be congratulated for arranging such a well attended event at relatively short notice. A total of nine yachts competed in ideal conditions.

There then followed drinks at the Club attended by about 50 people.

The sailing attracted numerous spectators on both sides of the river and the crowd in the Club was reminiscent of similar events not seen for a very long time.

Further events will follow and the Committee continues to work towards making improvements to amenities for yachts which are based, or which venture, up stream.

The next races are scheduled for Wednesday the 16th March and Wednesday the 30th March and a winter series will be planned.

By Commodore Bill Griffiths

If you have not already entered and would like to be a part of this vibrant new initiative then please complete an entry form, prior to the next race. Forms can be downloaded from our website www.tyc.yachting.org.au or call into our office at 7 Park Street (Tues-Friday 9.00am to 3pm)

Tamar Yacht Club 2016 Regatta

A very successful TYC Regatta for dinghy's was held at Beauty Point last Saturday 27th February. We enjoyed excellent sailing conditions with a lovely 13 knot NW breeze and clear sunny skies.

A variety of 19 dinghy's faced the starter with NS14s, lasers, sabres, a 505 and a Pacer taking part. Two races were held for the Regatta over a trapezoid course with good keen racing by all competitors. It was a good day to show off our Clubhouse, Rescue boats and our sailing equipment to all who attended. The afternoon finished with prizes awarded to the winners of each division followed by a barbecue for members and sailors. Our thanks go to the donors of prizes, rescue boat drivers and crews and on shore staff for making our Regatta such a success.

Results: Laser Fleet – Josh Harriss sailing “High Voltage”
Mixed Fleet – Tony Fist sailing his sabre “Weekend Warrior”
NS14 – Nick McElwee and Isabel Cameron sailing “Under the Radar”

Kindly written by Tom Bain

ROAD CLOSURE – ACCESS TO CLUBHOUSE/YARDS

Event Road Closure of Park Street from 8am to 12 noon on 5th March 2016. For more details contact Judy Harris, Event Secretary, Ulysses Club Inc – AGM Event 2016 Launceston 2016agmeventsecretary@gmail.com

MOTOR BOAT LICENCE COURSES:

Places available for Sunday 24th April and Sunday 22nd May 2016. Please contact office@tyc.asn.au for more details or visit our website www.tyc.yachting.org.au

TREVALLYN DAM VALVE REPLACEMENT WORKS

A temporary delay

Heavy rain on the north east coast in late January 2016 caused the dam to spill. Work was temporarily stopped and the site made safe. The work has now resumed, with an approximately 2 weeks delay.

Further Information

Water levels of Lake Trevallyn: To ensure the safety of workers in the spillway, we have reduced the water level in Lake Trevallyn to approximately 1.5 - 2 metres below full supply level.

We are working in the lowest risk time periods from mid-January until mid-February, however heavy rainfall in the catchment can still result in flood events. The water level of the lake will be lowered further if significant rainfall is forecast in the catchment. This is necessary to provide adequate time for workers and machinery to vacate the site. We will do our best to keep the lake level as high as we can.

Alterations to water flows through Cataract Gorge:

Since the works commenced in early January 2016 there has been a reduced flow of water released from the dam into the Gorge. This is approximately half the usual water flow and the maximum we can safely release during the work.

On occasions we have needed to further reduce this flow for short periods of time.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss any issues or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact: Nicole Sherriff

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In the coming Weeks:**Wednesday 2nd March**

SBSS Committee Meeting

Sunday 6th March

Bart Hutton Race 3 (PDYC)

PDYC Regatta

Wednesday 16th March

Top of the Tamar twilight racing

(Club rooms open for food and drinks after racing)



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Life at the Marina by Ron

Hi all from the Marina,

I hope everybody read their last Making Waves and noticed something amiss.

The Marina report was over 12 months old, a little technological challenge on my part.

The report for February 2016 should have read: Brett & Julie McCulloch and their two children, Matilda and Nick are off to Sydney in their 42ft Bavaria, "Danseur" after living onboard in the Marina for the last 2 years.

We welcome to the Marina, Michael House in his 38ft. "Cyrena 11", Joe Pryor in his 36ft. ex fishing boat, "Barbara Ann", Rene Hidding has returned in "Älfresco", Ed Winter has arrived with his 30ft. Hartley, "Matisse" and welcome Jo Breen and her father Mike in their newly acquired S & S 34 "Morning Star".

The damaged pontoons in A Finger have all been repaired by Multiskilled Engineers of Beaconsfield and are ready for use.