



Making Waves

Tamar Yacht Club Newsletter

The Outdoor Boat and Caravan Show

Congratulations Julie Binder for managing the TOBACS which has been an outstanding success.



Many thanks also go to the collection of Volunteers who manned the TYC stand and ticket collections over the weekend.



Coming Up

Saturday 19th September

Motor Boat Licence Course-FULLY BOOKED

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SBSS working Bee

Thursday 1st October

MAST Motor Boat Licence Provisional Course

Friday 2nd October

MAST Motor Boat Licence Provisional Course

Sunday 4th October

The opening of the 2015/16 sailing season

Saturday 17th October

Motor Boat Licence Course

Sunday 27th December

TYC Open Day Beauty Point L2H



Clearly there is little benefit in having NRM North take samples of the water in the upper reaches of the Tamar River once a month.

It needs to be done on a daily basis and particularly so during the Summer when many would wish to make use of the upper reaches for aquatic activities.

On occasions, and apparently after rain events, the pollution measured in the upper reaches can be 50 times greater than safe levels for even secondary contact.

That our river has deteriorated to that extent is unforgiveable and, since it is largely within our power to do so, simply must be remedied immediately.

It might be that in five or 10 years the major causes of pollution in the upper reaches will be largely resolved but for the meantime there needs to be a flow of water down the Gorge timed to coincide with those occasions of expected high levels of pollution.

Such a flushing may well also be beneficial to those charged with removing silt to avoid risking a degradation in the effectiveness of the flood levies.

— W. M. GRIFFITHS, Tamar Yacht Club commodore.

Examiner Newspaper- Letter

Friday 11th September 2015

River pollution

THE article "Surge Against Silt" was all very well and the benefits of providing some water flow down the Gorge to provide some sport for kayakers is a good idea.

What is surprising however is that neither the State Government, the Launceston Flood Authority, Hydro Tasmania, Treasurer Peter Gutwin, the Australian Maritime College, ETS Worldwide or NRM North appear to have uttered a solitary syllable about the cleansing effect a flow of water down the Gorge will have upon the cesspool in the upper reaches of the river. Despite that, none considered the matter worth mentioning. We spend large amounts of public money in employing those who prepare expensive colourful brochures to tell us how unhealthy the river is, and indeed how much worse it is this year than it was last year, and otherwise do nothing except pontificate upon 5 or 10 year plans.

Important Notice to Boat Owners - Slip Yard

Do you intend to slip your boat before Christmas? We need to confirm all bookings now so the club can arrange cradle availabilities. Please contact Sam our Bosun on 0408 318 013 for booking confirmations.

Advertising Space Available:

Please contact Rowena at the TYC Office on 63318013 if you or your company are interested in purchasing advertisement space on our Pacer sailing dinghies at Beauty Point. This is a great way to sponsor Junior Sailing at the same time as spreading the word about your business. Pacer sponsorship for 3 years is \$895 per boat per year, plus signage. The Opi's below show the type of advertisement we present.

**TAMAR YACHT CLUB OPENING DAY
BEAUTY POINT MARINA AND CLUBHOUSE**

Adorn your boat, dress up your crew and join the annual Parade of Sail on **Sunday 4th October** to celebrate our **137th Season Opening Day**. Great prizes for the best dressed boat and crew. Please assemble at Beauty Point Marina for the Official Opening at 1300 for a 1350 sail past start. All Land lovers welcome too. Members please bring an afternoon tea plate of goodies to share.

The Sydney Boat Show Weekend Away

The Tamar Yacht Club Office is organising an interstate weekend away to the 2016 Sydney Boat Show.

Friday 29th July- Sunday 31st July 2016

We are now taking names of people who are interested in joining us on this TYC weekend away. Ring the TYC Office to secure a place on this social trip north in 2016.



Maritime Spirit: We will respect and celebrate our traditions, yachting history and the maritime spirit and leave a legacy for future generations.

Quiz: *Name the only boat on the Tamar River to have a Wankel rotary marine engine fitted.*

MAST-Marine and Safety Tasmania**School Holiday Provisional Boat Licence Courses
Tamar Yacht Club**

Thursday 1 October-9:00am (4 places available)
and

Friday 2 October- 9:00am (6 places available)

\$85 Kids only 12-17 years of age

Ring 6331 8013 for bookings

Trailable Yachts

The Australian Trailable Yacht and Sports Boat Rule is to provide a national system for even and fair racing on a Class Based Handicap in a mixed fleet of trailable yachts and/or sports boats. This should result in racing success being primarily determined by the skills of the crew.

The Rule may also provide a basis for the conduct of national and state-level championship for trailable yachts and sports boats, as well as for club and other events.

The Class Based Handicap (CBH) is an allocated performance factor applicable to an individual trailable yacht or sports boat, or a class of trailable yachts or sports boats, to achieve the objective of the Rule when sailing in a mixed fleet.

The rule was last updated September 2015.

See link below for the updated Australian Trailable Yacht and Sports Boat Rule.

<http://www.yachting.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/150908-Australian->

Marine and Safety Tasmania

Notice No.: M124-15

Title: Navigation Lights - Batman Bridge, River Tamar

Valid From: 11/9/2015

Valid Until: 11/10/2015

Notice Content:

Mariners are advised that the fixed red, green and blue navigation lights

located on the Batman Bridge on the River Tamar have been restored to normal.

Interesting Facts- "A Dictionary for Yachtsmen" -Burgess-

Cheese Cutter – A type of drop keel.

Jolly Boat – A boat used for general utility work.



Diary Note: Friday 9th September to Sunday 11th September 2016

2016 Tasmanian Outdoor Boat and Caravan Show