

Tasar Talk

The TASAR Association of W. A. newsletter



February 2015

Presidents' Corner

The second half of the summer season is flying by with the next major regatta on our sailing calendar being the conclusion of the States at Hillary's Yacht Club over the weekend of the 21st/22nd March. It would be great if we could get a good turn out and at least equal the number of entries we had for the 1st half of the States at GBYC in November

For those of you who are travelling to Walpole for their 'Regatta in the Trees' over the March Labour Day Long Weekend have a great time and I hope to see you on the water soon.

Australia Day Regatta at Safety Bay

Five Tasars planned to sail in this traditional Regatta however Matthew and Leanne Hoffman were a late withdrawal due to injury.

Starters were then Scott and Nico, David and Tiffany, Brendan and Kate and Lloyd and Fiona.

David Meehan's early sailing years were spent at Safety Bay and it was interesting to hear how the Yacht Club, that is now about 100m back from the beach with sand dunes and scrub in between, was once right on the beach. Launching and retrieving the boats was a novelty, involving either a tractor or a four wheel drive, and even a tiger snake. David tested out his four wheel driving skills one day and despite being stuck for a while he tells us he was not technically bogged, as he managed to get out again without a tow.

The sailing was superb, with Scott and Nico leading the way in all races except when they started on an extra lap. The SBYC committee did a great job getting enough races each day before very strong afternoon breezes. The course area was close to Penguin Island. David and Brendon's local knowledge showed the rest of us up at times.

The highlight of the weekend was a Roast put on by Scott and Julie at their house. Matthew and Leanne joined us as did Robin and Sue Olsen. The Best family also dropped in for the evening. We all enjoyed the chance to debrief about the recent Worlds and toss around some ideas about how the WA fleet could build on the fantastic legacy of that event.



RPYC Mini Series 7 & 8 February

A fleet of five Tasars competed in a variety of conditions on Matilda Bay. This included a couple of hours of hot and windless conditions which kept the fleet onshore on Sunday. Kate Best with crew of Ian James took first place, second was Mark and Stephanie Stowell, and third was Nick and Graeme Willis. Full results are on our Facebook page and also the RPYC web site.



Next Events

Saturday 28th February to Monday 2nd March Regatta in the Trees at Walpole Yacht Club.

Saturday 7th March Pot of Gold Regatta at Hillarys Y.C.

Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 March State Championships (Part 2) at Hillarys Y.C.

Friday 3 to Monday 6 April Easter Regatta at Mandurah O. F. S. C.

Calendar of events at rear of this newsletter.

“Regatta in the Trees” at Walpole February 28, March 1 & 2.

This regatta at Walpole is on a huge inlet, on the Labour Day long weekend with **races on Saturday afternoon and Sunday**. Presentation Dinner is on Sunday evening, to allow plenty of time on Monday to travel home. Breakfast and Lunch will be available on Saturday and Sunday. BBQ packs available on Saturday & Sunday evening.

Information has been emailed to Tasar sailors and the nomination is available online at <http://www.walpoleyachtclub.com.au/nominate-now> where you can also see nine Tasars have already registered.

This great location has a caravan park next to the beach and sailing club. Caravan contact <http://www.coalminebeach.com.au/> phone 9840 1026 The townsite with more accommodation is a short drive from the regatta location.



Join your fellow Tasars for this event!

Pot of Gold Regatta at Hillarys Y.C. Saturday 7th March

On **Saturday 7th March** all Tasar sailors are invited to take part in this annual event with **cash prizes**. Four race series on the waters close to the Hillary's Boat Harbour. Notice of Race is with this newsletter, which has a link to the online Entry Form which is at <http://www.hillarysyachtclub.com.au/sections/dinghies/dinghy-racing-application-form.html>

Enjoy this four race series and the post race gathering.

Registration 8 am to 9 am.

Briefing 9am.

Warning Signal 10am.

Food and refreshments available. Parking on site.

Contact HYC on 9246 2833 or Greg 0409 203 686 or gjennings1@bigpond.com

TAWA State Championships (Part2) at Hillarys Y.C. 21 & 22 March

Notice of Race and Entry Form are available on the TAWA web site www.tasar.org/regions/australia/western-australia/state-titles/ and were emailed prior to the Part 1 of the Championships, plus information on TasarWA facebook.

Saturday 21 March 2015 12 noon Competitors briefing.

2 pm First race of day, followed by subsequent races.

Sunday 22 March 10 am First race of day, followed by subsequent race.

There are three races planned for Saturday and two for Sunday, subject to scheduling and weather conditions.

Presentation of prizes and trophies is planned for approximately 3pm (or earlier if practicable) on Sunday.

On **Saturday evening** we can have a meal and drinks together at HYC in the wet bar area of the Clubhouse.

There is a variety of **accommodation** in the Hillarys Boat Harbour and surrounding areas.

Examples are: <http://www.hillarysresort.com.au/> 1800 240 078

<http://www.sorrentobeach.com.au/> 9246 8100

Club Reports

Note that there are also Club items and events on our Facebook page.

Royal Perth Yacht Club

RPYC hosted a successful Mini Series Regatta over the weekend of the 7th/8th February. Congratulations to Bill & Lesley who took out honours on Day 1. On Day 2 it was a consistent Kate & Ian hanging on to 1st place closely followed by Mark & Stephanie in 2nd and Nick & Graeme in 3rd. Thank you to everyone who participated as a sailor or volunteer over this weekend.

Outside of the Mini Series there has been regular club racing on Sunday and even a special Guest appearance by the Giants - Diver & Little Girl and a flotilla of boats.

Roger



Hillarys Yacht Club

On 24th January had a small fleet sail for the Commodore's Cup which had been postponed from this season's Opening Day. Chris Carmichael sailed well to win the series of races.

It was back to Club racing on Saturday 31st January with the usual four Tasars enjoying some gusty offshore winds on courses which have been amended to include some triangles to give us some great reaches.

There was no Club racing on the weekend of the RPYC Mini Series.

There was a cold front providing unsuitable weather on Saturday 14th February, so all dinghy sailing was cancelled.

We will all be keen to get back out on the water on Saturday 21st for some racing to get us ready for the next weekend when most of us will be at the Walpole regatta.

Greg

Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club

Since all the championships are now over (and the bodies recovered) normal weekend Saturday sailing has returned to the Mandurah Dinghy fleet with fresh southerly breezes in the pristine Comet Bay. Suddenly there is a strong interest from Laser sailors, grown up Opi sailors, young and old wanting to try out a Tassar so 'watch this space'. We are looking forward to joining fellow Tasars at the Walpole in the Trees Regatta in a few weeks time. So keep 'Zailing' along!

Photo - Rigging time at the Worlds in Busselton.



Geographe Bay Yacht Club

Sunday 8th February.

Bill Steele Memorial – yardstick race will all classes competing. We had 4 Tassar's competing Dean Dixon, Merv Forster, Ken Waller & Neil Forster. The race was held in a steady Nor'Wester and with most of the club boats on the water Geographe bay was a beautiful site. Dean & Zoey took out yardstick Honours in a thriller, 2 seconds in front of Sharpie Amber Dreams. Well done Dean & Zoey and a great result for the Tassar's.

Sat 14th February.

Alan Forster Memorial Race for the Sharpies with Line honours to Amber Dreams.

Naturaliste series raced by the Tassar's.

The South wester was in early and steadily built all day. We experienced a testing 12-22 knot wind range, a number of willy willy's and 30° shifts. There was only two of us today with Neil & Myself. It was close racing from the get go. Neil got off to a good start on port at the pin end after a significant shift and being forced to gybe onto port. A willy willy knocked us over near the windward mark which saw Neil grab a significant lead & hold on to the next windward. At this stage I thought we had blown it, however my daughter reminded me of what I said before, don't worry Dad there is plenty of

race left we can catch them! On this windward we managed to snatch the lead at the top mark and rounded about 4 boat lengths ahead. We were able to hold off Neil's aggressive downwind tactics with about 2 boat lengths at the bottom mark and cover him closely up the next work and stretch the lead a bit. The last work Neil managed to grab the lead again by sticking further left and picking us off at the top mark by about 2 boat lengths. The race to southern seas was a straight line sprint with the building breeze. Neil went higher and we went lower and managed to pull ahead at the last minute to round the southern seas mark a less than a boat length ahead of Neil. It was now a 300m sprint to the finish line, with jibs cracked, we were reaching to the finish and both boats were humming. I think the finish line crew in the tower would've needed the camera for a photo finish for this one, with Neil taking line honours. Well done Neil & Sue, and what a thoughtful guy you are Neil, taking Sue out for a pleasant afternoon sail on the bay for Valentine's day

This week we have Geographe Race week and we are looking forward to the Walpole Regatta for the long weekend.

Anton.

Help to promote Tasar activities and your Club

by sending items and photos for either our newsletter, Facebook page or web site to our Publicity Officer.

Contributions for the next Tasar Talk newsletter are due by **Monday 16th March 2015**

and can be emailed to the TAWA Publicity Officer, Greg at gjennings1@bigpond.com. Photos and stories/comments are welcome.

See TAWA on Facebook

at www.facebook.com/tasarsWA for news & information, events, race results, etc, from our Clubs and Tasar Association.

Some of the features include photos and video of current and past events, provide updates & answer enquiries for events, and being able to indicate if you intend to attend an event which will help with planning and participation.

Tasar web site

The new **Tasar web site** www.tasar.org contains **TAWA** at www.tasar.org/regions/australia/western-australia/ which includes items such as our Calendar of Events, TAWA contacts, Club contacts & information, State Championships section, State Championship records, photo gallery, Membership information & forms, and History. Contributions and suggestions are welcomed by the **TAWA Publicity Officer**, Greg at gjennings1@bigpond.com. Photos are welcome.

Boats & equipment for sale advertisements on the web site are now processed through each State's representative for the Tasar web site, and for TAWA it is our TAWA Publicity Officer.

The old Australian Tasar web site is being shifted to the new site and will close soon.

For Sale**Tasar 1929**

Good condition, aluminium launching trolley,
Road Trailer, Dacron sails, Boat cover.
Price has been reduced to \$1950

Contact Mike Walker 0419 913 837
mikewalker@amnet.net.au

**Tasar 782**

Two sets of mylar sails, one suited to training.
TackTick compass and boat cover.
New type rudder and foils.
Aluminium launching trolley
Price \$5200

Plus purpose built licensed road trailer \$1,950
Contact Dave 0419 913 837 vdmeng@inet.net.au

**Tasar 2878**

2010 model in excellent condition.
2 jibs and 2 mains.
New jib and main sheets, all running ropes replaced
with spectra.
Aluminium launching trolley.
Rigged boat cover and also towing cover.
Road Trailer.
Price \$13,000
Contact Bill Quinn 0414 462 244

**Tasar spare parts**


MAST top and bottom sections
Jib

All new items at low cost.
Available now from TAWA in Perth.

Contact Kayne Binks 0411 699 822

Also see Boats For Sale on the Tasar web site
www.tasar.org

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	TASAR Association of WA Calendar of Events for Season 2014-2015						
Key Event	Sat	Sun	Mon	Event	Venue	Social Events	Notes
Yes		28/09/2014		Worlds 2015 Test Event	GBYC	BBQ afterwards	All visitors welcome
	4/10/2014			Opening Day at Mounts Bay S.C.	MBSC	Stay for drinks	All visitors welcome
		5/10/2014		Opening Day at Hillarys	HYC	Band, food, drinks	All visitors welcome
	11/10/2014			Opening Day at Royal Perth Y.C.	RPYC	Band, food, drinks	All visitors welcome
	11/10/2014			Opening Day at Busselton	GBYC	Stay for drinks	All visitors welcome
Yes	25/10/2014	26/10/2014		SAIL Fremantle	FSC	Meal, drinks	All visitors welcome
	1/11/2014			Opening Day at Mandurah	MOFSC	Band, food, drinks	All visitors welcome
		9/11/2014		Super Sprint Series	MBSC	Band, bar, cash prizes	All visitors welcome
Yes	29/11/2014	30/11/2014		Worlds 2015 Test Event & TAWA State Championships 2015 (1st Half)	GBYC	Meal, drinks	Be part of it
Yes	2/1/2015 - 9/1/2015			TASAR 2015 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (including Aust. Championships)	GBYC	Various	Be part of it
	17/01/2015			Cow Rock Race	HYC	Band, food, drinks	All visitors welcome
			26/01/2015	Australia Day Regatta at Busselton	GBYC	Food & drinks	All visitors welcome
			26/01/2015	Australia Day Regatta at Safety Bay	SBYC	Food & drinks	All visitors welcome
Yes	7/02/2015	8/02/2015		RPYC Mini Series	RPYC	Food & drinks	All visitors welcome
	28/02/2015	1/03/2015	2/03/2015	Regatta in the Trees at Walpole	WYC	BBQ, drinks	All visitors welcome
	7/03/2015			Pot of Gold Regatta	HYC	Cash prizes, food, bar	All visitors welcome
Yes	21/03/2015	22/03/2015		TAWA State Championships 2015 (2nd Half)	HYC	Meal, drinks	Be part of it
Yes	4/04/2015	5/04/2015	6/04/2015	Easter Regatta at Mandurah	MOFSC	Band, food, drinks	Training day Friday 3rd
				Winter Series - To be advised			All visitors welcome
	30/05/2015	31/05/2015	1/06/2015	Batavia Regatta at Geraldton	GYC	Food & drinks	All visitors welcome

A **Key Event** is when all TAWA members are requested to participate

Club or Venue name:

- RPYC** Royal Perth Yacht Club, Australia II Drive, Crawley
- HYC** Hillarys Yacht Club, Northside Drive, Hillarys
- MBSC** Mounts Bay Sailing Club, Australia II Drive, Crawley
- GBYC** Geographe Bay Yacht Club, 1 King Street, Busselton
- FSC** Fremantle Sailing Club, 151 Marine Terrace, Fremantle
- MOFSC** Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club, Breakwater Parade, Mandurah
- SBYC** Safety Bay Yacht Club, corner of Safety Bay Drive & Arcadia Drive, Safety Bay
- WYC** Walpole Yacht Club, Knoll Scenic Drive, Walpole