

# Semaphore



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## NEWSLETTER OF THE PORT DALRYMPLE YACHT CLUB

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## Commodore's Report

The 2018-19 sailing season is upon us and I welcome all members to the 66th season. I also welcome our new Vice Commodore Barrie McIndoe to the Executive Committee as well as David Shepherd Treasurer, Helen Gibson and Dave Allan to the General Committee and look forward to working alongside the whole committee as we move on throughout the year.



I take this opportunity to welcome our new members to the club and hope you enjoy the sailing experience of a great family club.

Welcome to Stephen York, Noel Watson, Sallyanna Chester, David Chester, Joan Hammond, Robin Tasker, Ian Murry, Chris Statton, Andrew DeHaan, Ixa DeHaan, Roger McBain, Pat Marron, Chris Gough and Shane Hall.

Reflecting back on the 65<sup>th</sup> season that was huge for the club and was capped off by the announcement at the 2018 Tasmanian Yachting Awards that Port Dalrymple Yacht Club was awarded as being the Tasmanian Yacht Club of the year. A fantastic outcome for a voluntary family based club. A huge accolade to all the members who were involved in the running and participated in the successful World and Australian B14 Championships, the construction and redevelopment of the jetty infrastructure and the general running of the Club to make this such a fantastic club to be involved with.

The Club has now been nominated by Yachting Tasmania to stand for Australian Yacht Club of the Year.

The Club had further success with our Club Yachtsman of the Year Peter Brooks taking out the Benetto medal for off shore yachtsman of the year at the Tasmanian Yachting Awards night. Well done Peter.

The club has progressed well throughout the last season and amazing results with the jetty refurbishment now in place for all to use. The next stage now under way with the club pontoons being upgraded to aluminium frames and fiberglass decking will see the completion of this project. A big thank you goes out to Ross Edmunds and Confab for their involvement to fabricate the three pontoons.

On the sailing side this season's programmed activities on the water is ready to go to print with a big thank you to Barrie in organising the format of a once again fantastic program supported by our

many sponsors. Please take a moment to go through the program and support the businesses sponsoring the club and your sport.

The Club is once again supporting learn to sail and Discover sailing programs with principle tutor Greg Rowsell and assisted by Eric Mc Cormack. Greg has full information in his report.

Last of all to all our sailors enjoy your season of sailing and all the best to those heading to National Championship and Regattas.

Commodore Stephen McElwee

## Vice-Commodore

Welcome back to every one as we prepare for season 2018/19

This year was my first attempt at putting together the summer fixtures and it has been a huge learning curve. Thank you every one for the help, assistance and guidance, particularly Peter Sluce.

I hope it provides something for everyone with many of the old features back again, our Sabots are straight into it first week after opening day with their interclub regatta, then come November we have the double header, the "Inshore Champs" backed up with "The Classic" a week later, December will see the sabots back for their northern regatta, the souped up Sprint series for Off the beach boats, capping off with the club Xmas party and nationals presentations for club sailors competing in regattas over the summer.

The Classic and Wooden boat day is back in January, before things get serious with the Annual Block Buster PDYC Regattas in February, March will see the club participate in Clean up Australia Day before we applaud our female sailors new and old with our women on water day and cocktail party.

The busy summer season concludes with the annual cryptic navigation trial and all this is strung together with the regular mix of club championships, twilights, mid-weeks, single handed, two handed and winter races.

There are two essential elements to all this happening; sponsors and volunteers. The good news is being able to welcome back many of our old sponsors along with some new faces and a few existing supporters who have dug deeper to back the club. All these events require the support of members to pitch in to make them happening and I would hope our members will step up over the summer. It would be great to see some new faces around, many hands make light work.

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Over the winter, Glen Stanaway our new Regional Manager – Tasmania for Australian Sailing has been very active in ensuring that all clubs are up to speed with the new web service and database facilities, along with providing many learning opportunities for trainers, coaches, judges and administrators. Many Thanks to Rob Mantach and Peter Sluce who joined myself for the website and database tuition, Greg

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Rowsell and Eric McCormack who updated their Instructor tickets whilst I attended the measurers' seminar. Peter also joined me for the Annual General Meeting and State Conference, a great day providing many ideas to contemplate. The day concluded with the State Awards and after observing Peter Brooks and Jo Breen being jointly presented with the "John Bennetto" medal\* I was very privileged to represent the members in receiving the award for Tasmanian yacht Club of the Year

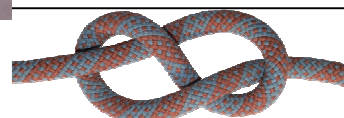
(\*This medal is presented in memory and honour of the late John Bennetto, and recognises the achievement or achievements of an individual Tasmanian sailor in offshore racing over the past 12-month period. To be nominated for this award, an individual of any age must have made an outstanding achievement in offshore yacht racing or an outstanding contribution to the organisation or administration of offshore yacht racing.)

I was fortunate to sail with and against the late John Bennetto over many seasons and one of his treasured and valued sayings was "to finish first, first you must finish" John was a great mentor to many Hobart sailors, young and old providing countless yachties with a chance to "go offshore" with a skipper with exceptional seamanship and leadership qualities, such was the calibre of the man that this award recognises current sailors that exhibit these characteristics, on behalf of the Club again, Congratulations Peter. Congratulations also go to all our members who have contributed on and off (even over) the water throughout the last season to have us recognised as the Tasmanian Club of the Year, PDYC will now represent Tasmania at the national awards in October. Greg Rowsell has continued with his commitment to youth training and the Discovery Sailing Centre, along with Eric's support and some of our talented juniors we have

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PETER BROOKS WITH THE "JOHN BENNETTO" MEDAL\* AND BARRIE MCINDOE RECEIVING THE AWARD FOR TASMANIAN YACHT CLUB OF THE YEAR ON BEHALF OF PDYC MEMBERSHIP



## Vice-Commodore

scheduled two training schools over the summer. To facilitate this and support our patrol boat crews a power boat handling course will be scheduled soon. Note this is not a Power boat licence course but designed to give rescue boat crews the skills and knowledge to perform safely and effectively. It is hoped that we can muster sufficient numbers to host an assistant instructor's course as well.

Many thanks to Bob Silberberg, Mal Stevens, Alan Livermore, Peter Haworth Eric McCormack and Leon Williams for putting their hands up to assist at the Caravan and Boating Show, whilst it is a long weekend it is important that we fly the flag, I have some ideas to work with for next year that will hopefully make our stand inviting, effective and interactive. If anyone else has some suggestions let me know.

Opening Day is just around the corner affording the chance to dust off the cobwebs and kick start another great summer afloat, what better occasion to get together with friends and "start mucking around in boats"

See you on the water, Barrie

## Rear-Commodore

aluminium frames should be a longer lasting material than the current galvanised steel. We are reusing the floats from the old pontoons after pressure testing them and they will have the same decking as the new jetty and fuel berth. We expect to have the outer pontoon in place shortly with the other two pontoons to be complete before Christmas.

On the subject of the pontoons we have been fortunate to receive sponsorship from QUBE at Bell Bay toward the costs and we are most grateful to them for their help. We are also endeavouring to obtain grant funds through Rene Hidding and are awaiting a decision in this regard. We have a shortfall of some \$10,000 to \$15,000.

We have been fortunate in securing sponsorship from CNW Electrical Wholesale to enable us to purchase a solar panel system at cost and for Tas Electrical Services to install it at no cost. This will greatly assist with our power bill. In other news we have recently undertaken an audit of all of the cradles on our slipway and identified their various capacities, beams and designs to assist firstly Leigh our Boson to quickly determine if a suitable cradle is available for your vessel to come up and secondly to clarify what maintenance work is required to keep the cradles in a usable condition. Again Ross Edmunds and others will be involved to undertake this work at little cost to the club.

As I mentioned in my report for the AGM we are intending to formulate a "five-year plan" to prioritise the capital works program and we would appreciate your input to enable us to develop infrastructure our members most desire. Suggestions as to how the various ideas can be funded would also be appreciated. Please send me an email or phone with your ideas.

Finally, we are having our usual pre-opening day working bee on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October. I look forward to seeing you all then.

Glen Cornish  
Rear Commodore  
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Phone 63272363  
Mobile 0419305490

## Rear-Commodore



The sailing season is upon us again and its time to ready your boat for the coming summer.

Work over winter has seen us commence the building of new club pontoons. Ross Edmunds of Confab Bell Bay has been working with his team to build the three aluminium frames at no cost to the club apart from the purchase of materials. The



# Notices to Members

## Trailer Park Members

It is mowing season again in the trailer park. Owners of boats in the trailer park are reminded to keep the area under boats mown and tidy. The trailer park is cut during working bees and we try to mow under boats then if we are able to. We can't move boats that have flat tires or locked tow hitches. So if your boat falls into either of these categories, you have a couple of options:

1. Leave a key with Dave Blazley.
2. Mow it yourself. The club has a couple of mowers so you won't have to bring one from home.

If we can't get under the boat you may be billed.

Having the trailer park looking neat reflects well on the whole club and avoids damage to the mowers from hitting objects obscured in the long grass.

## Moorings

Members who would like to have a mooring position in the PDYC controlled area should apply, in writing, to the committee and a position will be allocated to them by our mooring officer Glen Cornish Mobile 0419305490 if available.

The position only, is allocated, with the mooring tackle the responsibility of the member.

Current mooring owners within the PDYC controlled area are reminded that in the event of resignation from the Club or vacating the mooring site, the tackle only may be sold, with the mooring **site** reverting back to the club for re-allocation. The tackle should be removed within 14 days, unless otherwise arranged with the mooring officer, before your resignation will be accepted.

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO SEMAPHORE and club photobucket

We are always in need of contributions, articles, pictures, news items etc for Semaphore. Share some of your stories, highlights and lowlights with your fellow members.

Contributions can be e-mailed to  
'dj.allan7249@gmail.com'

PDYC members do a great job recycling. Everyone helps by separating out the readily recyclable products from waste. When it comes to glass, mostly stubbies from the bar, recycled glass saves about one third of the energy it takes to make new glass.



Please place your glass waste GENTLY into the recycling bin. DO NOT BREAK THE BOTTLES. Think how un-necessarily dangerous the handling of club waste can become and help where you can.

## Club Courtesy Dinghy

It is timely to remind members about use of the club's Courtesy dinghy. The dinghy is provided for member's use to retrieve and put boats back on their moorings, and **use should be limited to a maximum of 15 minutes only.**

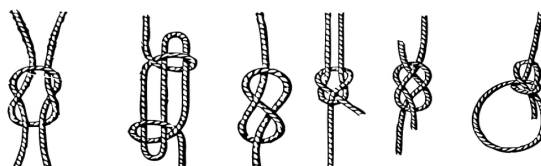
It is not acceptable for members to take the dinghy out to their moored boats and keep it there for extended periods of time while maintenance or other work is carried out. If such work is required, then bring your boat back to the pontoon or use your own dinghy.

Extended periods of use can inconvenience other members who have every right to expect that the dinghy will become available for their use after a short period of time.

It is also appropriate to remind members of the safety regulations for the use of the Courtesy dinghy.

## All people in the Courtesy dinghy MUST WEAR PFDs at all times.

Unless these safety rules are complied with the Committee will have to consider withdrawing the Courtesy dinghy facility in order to reduce the risk to the club operations. Your co-operation would be appreciated.



## Discover Sailing Centre & Learn to Sail Program

Another Season is about to commence and so will our Learn to Sail/Training Program!

For our Junior Learn to Sail participants, there will be a pre-Xmas program and also a post-Xmas program. These will allow participants to progress throughout the season with a mile stone at the end of each program. Each program will be run under two separate Australian Sailing Streams:

- **Tackers** - Aimed at children around the 6 to 12 age group. No experience necessary; boats and equipment provided.
- **Start Sailing** - Aimed at older children/youth participants. No experience necessary; boats and equipment provided (free to use own boat if you wish)

The key dates for the pre-Xmas program are:

Sunday 7 October	Opening Day	Come along and join in. We will have the boats out.
Thursday 11 October	Discover Sailing Day	Come along and join in. We will have the boats out. Bring a friend to have a look and have a go!
Sunday 21 October	Learn to Sail Day 1	Dressed ready to sail at 1000
Sunday 28 October	Learn to Sail Day 2	Dressed ready to sail at 1000
Sunday 18 November	Learn to Sail Day 3	Dressed ready to sail at 1000
Sunday 25 November	Learn to Sail Day 4	Dressed ready to sail at 1000
Sunday 2 December	Learn to Sail Day 5	Dressed ready to sail at 1000
Sunday 9 December	Learn to Sail Day 6 Fun Day & Certificate Presentation	Dressed ready to sail at 1000

The cost for the six day pre Xmas program will be \$100 for non-members and \$20 for members. This will include use of boats and training equipment (and facilities for non-members), instruction, Australian Sailing Insurance and a merchandise pack.

## Discover Sailing Centre & Learn to Sail Program



The PDYC Discover Sailing Centre is fully accredited with Australian Sailing and we have recently completed our pre-season annual review with them.

We propose running other courses during the season aimed at more experienced sailors and other skill areas.

Please contact me if you would like more information.

***Greg Rowsell***

*Principal Instructor*

*Port Dalrymple Yacht Club - Discover Sailing Centre*

*Ph 0400 342 308*





## Attention members

Special offer to members  
before advertised.  
**FOR SALE;**

### BOAT TRAILER

'Australian Trailers Pty Ltd'  
Built June 2005

Heavy duty construction. 750 kg rating. 13" wheels  
on galvanised rims. Adjustable to suit many boats  
up to 12'6" long.

Surplus to club requirements. Hardly used. Stored  
for last 10 years. No registration. No lights.  
\*\$1,300 or near offer.

### DINGHY PACKAGE

ALLY CRAFT 255 Tender

Excellent condition. No broken welds or dents.

A lightweight and very handy dinghy.

Rated to 5 hp and 2 Adults.

Australian builders plate. No registration.

YAMAHA 5 Hp 4 Stroke Outboard

Model F5AMH Serial number 6 BW S 1017509

Short shaft, Tiller control, Manual start.

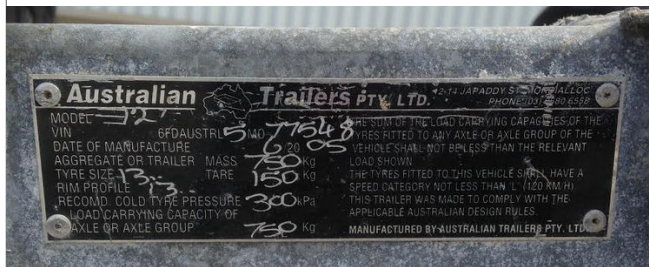
Excellent condition.

\*Dinghy and Motor package \$2,200 or near offer.

Contact; Leigh Curwen for inspection.

Contact; Glen Cornish for sale negotiations.

All proceeds will be used to assist New Pontoons  
Project funding shortfall.





## Inshores are full on and Classic returns re-invented



The Inshore Championships are on again Nov 10-11. This event inspires some great close and highly competitive sailing.

Again we have the support of Sams Sails Doyle Stratis and a social committee keen to make the off water experience on par with the sailing.

The "Inshores" will also be the Elliot 5.9 State Championship. The Elliot 5.9 class has seen strong competition in every race last year with skilled crew work, the decider.



THE "CLASSIC" SAILING LEG START AT ROSEVEARS

It seems that almost everyone has a Classic story to tell. It is just one of those iconic events that keeps coming back in one form or another.

The common theme over the years is a river race with a multi discipline relay of sorts with a good time from beginning to end. 2018 sees the Classic evolve yet again.



The Saturday NOV 17 race will be a morning start near to the Rosevears Tavern. Racing kayaks or canoes (one per team) will mass start to race through to a leg finish line at or about the Gravelly beach boat ramp.

After sufficient buffer, team sailboats will mass start at Rosevears and race to the North.

Teams will sail to a line at Gravelly Beach, where race clocks stopped, the team runner will get off to start the 13km road race to the Sidmouth Boat ramp.

Kayakers will board their team sailboat for a sailboat re-start heading north.

Sailboats will race down river, under the Batman bridge to cross a leg finish line near Sidmouth.

Race clocks again stopped, team runners are ferried back aboard team sailboats, the sail race recommences, with boats sailing north through Long Reach on to the PDYC race finish line, Beauty Point.

Dinner, refreshments, prize presentations and entertainment will follow at the PDYC club rooms.

Each yacht must carry a minimum of 3 crew of which one is a runner and one is a canoeist.

Check the club web site for Notice of Race and get a team together and be a part of the 2018 Classic.

## Robbie Hiroshima ready



The Hansa international and worlds will be held in the vicinity of the Hiroshima Kanon Marina, Nishi-Ku Hiroshima 11-18th of October with racing on the 14-18 October with 10 races planned

This will be my third worlds, one sailing a 303 in Sydney 2012 and this will be the second time competing in the liberty after 2016 in Holland.

I first gave the liberty a try in mid to late 2012 to see

what they were like after sailing the 2.3 for about 4-5 years and the 303 for 2-3 years and stuck with them since except for the nationals in Hobart 2015

With 35 liberties competing at the international and worlds, there will be some good competition from other sailors that race them a lot more than me, more so fighting for the best spot on the start line to get the best start,

I leave on the morning of the 1st of October for Japan for a look around and to make sure I'm ready

Robert Eadie

PDYC members and committee wishes Robbie every success in Japan. We hope there will be a few facebook updates if Robbie has time between races.

Good luck and fair Sailing.



KANON MARINA, NISHI-KU HIROSHIMA, JAPAN

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## Sailing with advantage



Mechanical advantage is embedded in every action in every sailboat. Understanding the mostly simple principles that guide these advantages can give you an edge. Sailing as we know it would not be possible without cranks, levers, drums, gears, screws, blocks and tackle.

Over the next few issues we will take a look at these tools, their principles and how they work on a sailboat. (Warning there may be maths involved)

The ideal lever does not dissipate or store energy, which means there is no friction in the hinge or bending in the beam. In this case, the power into the lever equals the power out, and the ratio of output to

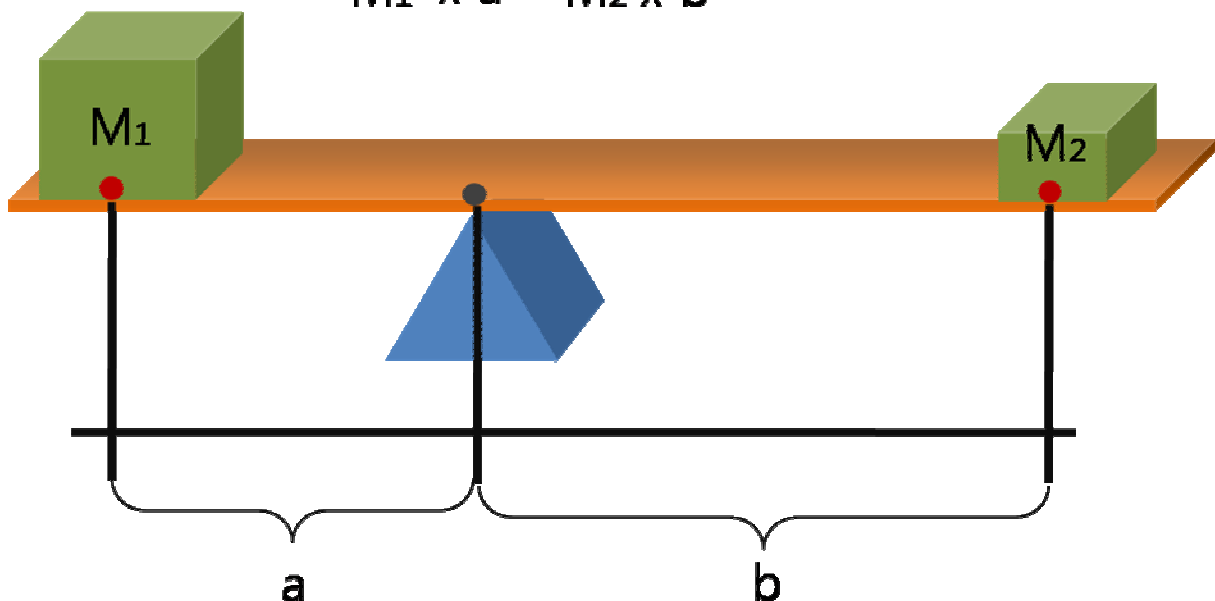
input force is given by the ratio of the distances from the fulcrum to the points of application of these forces. This is known as the law of the lever.

We are surrounded by levers in every day life but they may be a little harder to spot on a dingy.



The forestay may be levered into tension as you are setting up, far more tension than you could add without mechanical advantage. Next time you have your boat out look for the levers that help you carry the load.

$$M_1 \times a = M_2 \times b$$



## Out and about

HI DAVE, FEW PICS ATTACHED THAT YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO USE — KEVIN, GLENN MYLER AND MYSELF — 3RD PLACE AT HAMILTON ISLAND RACE WEEK. CHEERS, SHEP

THANKS FOR THAT. ANY STORY TO GO WITH IT WOULD BE GREAT

HI DAVE,  
KEVIN IS A GOOD STORY TELLER — MIGHT HANDBALL THAT ONE TO HIM !!



ROBERT EADIE, ENJOYING TRAINING IN THE LEAD UP TO HANSA INTERNATIONAL AND WORLDS