

# The Muppler

*Summer Edition  
December 2021*



*Jamie Wilson and David Scammel accelerating out of a tack in Jamie's new Fireball.  
November 2021*



Albert Sailing Club Inc.

# EDITORIAL

This December edition comes from a mystery editor given external commitments from our regular editor, Maddy Paul.

It contains a great article on Jamie Wilson's new boat, a Fireball, seen recently racing down the start line with crew member David Scammel out on the trapeze, and an article on Race Flags which should be useful for novice sailors and any sailor wanting a refresher.

Then there's an article showing how your membership fees assist the club, the roster for the coming quarter, the usual update from the Commodore, next year's draft sailing calendar, details of forthcoming activities at the club and a photo collage of ASC's return to sailing after the CoVid lockdowns.

May you enjoy a wonderful Festive Season with family and friends and a safe and happy holiday period.

Mystery Editor

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## CLUB COMMUNICATIONS

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## 2021-2022 ASC COMMITTEE

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Vice Commodore	Rod Thomas	Strategy, juniors & IT
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	Graeme Blunt	Marketing & Membership
	Mike Gratton	Assisting the Rear Commodore
	Greg Ryan	Strategy
	Tony Schalken	Security/Club Access, databases

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***The Committee meets at 7:30pm in the Club rooms on the second Thursday of each month. Members are welcome to attend on a non-voting basis. For further details, please contact the Commodore***

# COMMODORE'S REPORT—DECEMBER 2021

Cindy Tilbrook

As I prepared to write this report, I went back to my report from 12 months ago and reflected on my comment at that time: "It is only now that we are starting to see sailing return to the lake, albeit under 'CoVid Normal' conditions". Little did we know then that the Delta strain of the virus would throw us in to another year of concern and worry about loved ones, more lockdowns, the need to get vaccinated, and restricted sailing and activities at the club.

But as I did last year, I am delighted to report that the club has weathered the storm well and we have re-opened (yet again) in a strong, sound financial position and with a positive outlook about the future. The lake remains in great condition with good water levels and a weed cut now due (or done by the time of this newsletter) and the sailing over the last few weeks has seen good fleet numbers and some great sailing.

The disappointment of the last year was the deferral of the vote on unification with the Albert Park Yacht Club due to their 150<sup>th</sup> celebrations, which were due in October 2021. These celebrations have now all been deferred until 2022 and it is therefore likely that any further discussions in relation to a potential unification will also be deferred until such time as those celebrations have concluded. We will keep members advised of developments in this area.

In the meantime, our focus has been on encouraging our own members back to the club and engaging with the club and utilising their memberships as much as possible. I am delighted with the support and ongoing commitment to the club of our members, with over 80% of members making a very prompt renewal of their membership subscriptions when renewals went out in early October. We've included an article on "How does my membership payment assist the club?" in this Muddy to let members know how our income and expenditure is impacted by membership subscriptions.

Members have also been more than willing to provide Proof of Vaccination as they return to the club and this has made the task less onerous for committee members responsible for ensuring we abide by government directions in relation to CoVid.



Show your COVID-19  
digital certificate



Shortly after the Sabre Race start 20 Nov 2021

## Looking Forward

### Planning:

The planning work being undertaken by Greg Ryan and Rod Thomas will kick off again early in the New Year. We felt it was more important, in this late part of 2021, to focus on getting the club operational again and encouraging as many members as possible back to active participation at the club.

### Social Sailing and Social Activities

Our social activities have re-commenced and it was great to see a number of members at our first Friday Evening Social Sail and BBQ on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

Our Festive Season celebrations will be held on December 11<sup>th</sup> with a delicious spit-roast dinner subsidised for club members. Bookings are essential and must be made by Dec 4 via the Snippets link or via the home page of our website, [www.albertsc.org.au](http://www.albertsc.org.au).

Our first social sailing Sunday was held on Nov 28 and enjoyed by all who attended. Put the last Sunday of each month into your diaries and come along and join us for a casual, relaxed opportunity for a sail or kayak and lunch at the lake.

Plans for our annual Trivia Night are also underway with a tentative date of 12 February, 2022.

### Club Facilities

We continue to investigate options for a lift, all-abilities toilets/changerooms and associated works at the club. These works have been 'in the pipeline' for a number of years and with both state and federal elections coming up in 2022, the club wants to be in a good position to apply for any available funding that will assist us in installing these much-needed facilities.



# COMMODORE'S REPORT cont

Until the optimal location of the lift has been determined, the upgrade of the decking at the club has been deferred, requiring some minor maintenance work on the deck in the meantime.

Those members who have been at the club over the last few weeks will have noticed our new 'café corner', which is proving extremely popular with club members. It's a great place to sit and catch up with friends with a birds-eye view of the sailing on the lake.



## Seasons Greetings

I wish all club members every best wish as we enter the festive time of the year. It's a time for relaxing and catching up with family and friends and celebrating the good things and the wonderful Australian lifestyle available to us. Stay safe, enjoy the silly season, and I look forward to seeing you all next year.

Cindy Tilbrook

Club Commodore



## Australian F1 Grand Prix & Road Closures from 20 December

The 2022 Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix has been scheduled for 7th to 10th April.



The Australian Grand Prix Corporation have advised of resurfacing works on Grand Prix circuit roads over the Christmas New Year period from 20 December.

\* Lakeside Drive (eastern side of Lake) closed for five days commencing 20 December.

\* Aughtie Drive from Albert Road gates past MSAC and the F1 Pits will be closed for

- Night Works from 7.30pm Tuesday 4 January to Friday 7 January.

- From Monday 10 January to Sunday 16 January with a detailed day by day program on section closures to be developed.

Updates will be on [www.grandprix.com.au/](http://www.grandprix.com.au/) community. We will also seek to provide further updates on [www.albertsc.org.au](http://www.albertsc.org.au)



## BOATS FOR SALE

The club has some old but useable sailboats which have been left by retiring or resigning members which are FOR SALE. There is wooden Mirror, Sabot and Impulse and a fibreglass Laser. Contact Graeme Blunt in person, or via [sailing@albertsc.org.au](mailto:sailing@albertsc.org.au).

## Upcoming Activities @ ASC in Summer months

Updates will be provided in our weekly Thursday Snippets emails and on our club website [www.albertsc.org.au](http://www.albertsc.org.au)

Event	Date	Details
Life Members Day Festive Celebrations	Saturday 11 December 2021	Life Members' Trophy Race at 2.30 p.m. Festive Season Dinner and celebrations from 6 p.m.
Twilight Sailing	Friday 17 December 2021	Twilight Sailing & BBQ on club decking
Midweek Sailing	Wednesday 22 December 2021	Midweek Sailing for all or part of day for everyone, incl. Junior Sailing Day 9.30 to 4pm. For Green fleet and intermediate level juniors. Own boat or club boat options. Go to: <a href="https://albertsailingclub.wildapricot.org/">https://albertsailingclub.wildapricot.org/</a>
Club Sailing	Saturday 8 and 15 January 2022	Club sailing with Commodore Series races at 2.30.
Club Sailing	Saturday 29 January and from 12 February 2022	Summer Sailing Season
Learn to Sail	Saturday 5 February 2022	ASC/Boatshed Learn to Sail program (details will be on <a href="http://www.albertsc.org.au">www.albertsc.org.au</a> )
Top of the Bay	Saturday 12 February 2022	Top of the Bay Regatta at a club Northern end Port Phillip (To be confirmed)
Trivia Night	Tentative: Saturday 12 February 2022	Details to follow. Join us for a fun evening of Trivia and frivolity. Compete for the ASC Perpetual Trivia Trophy.

**Midweek Sailing** There are some ASC members sailing informally on Albert Park Lake mid week most weeks, usually on a Wednesday depending on the likely weather and who is interested. There is a smartphone Whats App group for ASC midweek sailors. To join email Tony Schalken on [ascsocialsail2021@gmail.com](mailto:ascsocialsail2021@gmail.com) with your name and mobile phone number.



Start brushing up on your Trivia knowledge.

Watch Snippets for further details as the date approaches.

# FIREBALL SAILING RETURNS TO ALBERT PARK

*Jamie Wilson*

Fireballs were once a fixture on Albert Park Lake, with a large fleet sailing early in the class's introduction to Australia in the 1960s. Numbers started to dwindle at Albert Park Lake in the late 1980's like a lot of other doublehanded classes.

The Fireball was designed in 1962 by Englishman Peter Milne, it was a very unusual design and still is, being based on American scows with a flat bottom and a pram bow (sounds a bit like a Mirror but really has more similarity with a scow Moth).

The Fireball is 16ft long with an upwind sail area of 123 sq ft and a spinnaker of 140 sq ft. The horsepower is tamed by a crew on trapeze so even more of a challenge on Albert Park Lake!

The Fireball gained international status in 1970 and over 15,000 boats have been built to date. Fireballs are sailed in approximately 17 countries including locations as diverse as the UK, Kenya, Japan, Switzerland and USA.

I have always been a fan of the Fireball class. They always look like a lot of fun when you see them flying past you on the course (well everything blasts past you when you sail a Mirror...). With a significant birthday approaching and Royal Geelong Yacht Club hosting the World Championships in 2024, it sounded like a good opportunity to get into the class before I was past it!

My search for a suitable boat started during lockdown 3 via the Fireball website. There was a boat for sale in Geelong but it was unfortunately just sold on the day I made my enquiry. There were a couple of boats in SA

and one in NSW. The SA boats were a little over my budget so I enquired about a Fireball with the appealing name of "Temeritous" (adjective, displaying disdain or contempt for danger) which did appeal to my sense of humor. The owner had recently moved from Gosford to Albury which was a bit more convenient as it was in the border bubble at the time, so I would be able to collect.

Only problem was the owner had to be in quarantine for 2 weeks, so I couldn't collect. By the time the owner was out of quarantine, we were locked down and I could not collect. When it was announced that we were out of Lockdown 5, I sprang into action and took Friday off work to collect in Wodonga, it seemed like such an exciting adventure.

As things were rapidly developing, the owner took the boat down to his mate in Yackandandah so I could collect from there if Wodonga became out of bounds. Friday came around and there were no changes, so the owner took the boat back to the originally organised pickup point in Wodonga and we did the change over. On the way back I had to go through the checkpoint and the Police officer started asking questions about the boat and asked if I had just bought it, I answered yes and he said correct answer as this was the 2<sup>nd</sup> time he had seen the boat in the last 2 days. (I guess you don't see many Fireballs coming down the Hume!).





I made it back in the nick of time as a couple of days later we were back into lockdown 6. Now I had the boat at home but couldn't leave home to sail it! This continued for months! I was intending to not make any changes before the first opportunity to sail, but the temptation of online shopping and lack of much else to do resulting in a bit of a refit. I made up a new carbon fibre spinnaker pole, ordered new undercover, top cover, mast cover, mainsheet and boomvang dual cam jammer (a fireball specific fitting from the Allen Brothers in the UK). I also received a custom tacktick compass cradle from Suffolk Sails in the UK, courtesy of the Scammell clan. I then reconfigured the layout of the control lines with the instillation of a few exit boxes and cam cleats to lead the boom vang, out-haul and downhaul back to the helm position.



*Upgraded Cockpit fitout*

As soon as lockdown allowed, David Scammell and I took the Fireball for a test sail. So far it hasn't disappointed in the practice sail and the one race to date! It is a challenge to sail on the lake, but if we can master it here, then Geelong will seem easy! David is certainly getting plenty of practice coming in and out on the trapeze!



*Nervous Crew before the first race*



*With our wet spring, perhaps Jamie and David should try this lake for a sail*



## AND SAILING RETURNS TO ASC







# SAILING FLAGS: AN INTRODUCTION

Cindy Tilbrook

It's race day. You're a new sailor, keen to start racing, or someone looking for a refresher on sailing flags and starting. You're concerned about the sound signals going off all the time, various flags going up and down, and boats milling around everywhere. How do you make sense of all this?

This is the first article of a short series on Sailing Flags and this article focuses on the main flags used as part of the starting sequence of a race. It will hopefully simplify the flags for you and help you to concentrate on those flags most applicable to you because, in reality, a sailor doesn't need to know and understand all flags when they first start sailing. Your knowledge of flags will increase as you gain more experience and potentially attend racing or regattas at other clubs, so these articles will focus on flags as we use them at ASC.




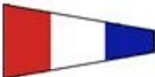
There are three pieces of knowledge you need to have before sailing your boat to the start area. These are referenced in the Sailing Instructions and are set out on the Course Board posted at the Information Session for the race. They are

- What is the flag being used for my type of boat?
- What is the actual time of the starting sequence?
- What is the course for my type of boat?

## What flag is being used for my type of boat?

At Albert Sailing Club, where we have mixed-fleet racing (different types of boats all racing together), boat types (classes) are allocated to Divisions designated by numeral pennants. The course board (located on shore at the clubhouse) indicates which types (classes) of boats belong with which numeral pennant. See the table at the end of this article for our usual allocation of boats into Divisions. At class events the generic class flag is often used and will be as per the Sailing Instructions for the event.

## Examples

	TYPE OF BOAT	
	Optimist	Sabre
The class flag		
The division and numeral pennant used at ASC	 Division 6 flag	 Division 3 flag

## What is the actual timing of the Starting Sequence?

The actual 'Start Sequence' will be a specified number of minutes. At larger clubs and some regattas, the start sequence is 5 minutes, but at ASC (and many other smaller clubs), we use a 3 minute start sequence. Also, at ASC and because we have multiple different classes, our course board on shore specifies an estimated order of starting these different classes. For example, we may plan to start Lasers first, Impulses second, Sabres third and so on. However, this planned sequence can be changed once the race management crew gets to the starting area, so it is important to watch the start boat for your specific class flag to go up.

## What is the Course for my type of boat:

The course for each division is specified on the Course Board posted at the Information Session for the race. The specific components of the course are covered in the Course schematic and descriptions in the Sailing Instructions.

You now have the basic information on the race and can head off to the start. When you reach the starting area, first find where the start line is.



The start line will be defined by an imaginary line between

- The mast on the anchored start boat (or, very occasionally, the club jetty) and
- A buoy flying a blue and yellow vertical striped flag (Nautical flag “G”).


You then need to know a few key pieces of information about the flags, because they will let you know:

- what direction are we sailing around the course?
- when the start sequence will commence for your particular type of boat,
- once in the start sequence, how long you have got until your race starts and
- if there are any delays or problems with the start of the race, what to do about it.

#### What direction are we sailing around the course?

A red or a green flag will be raised on the start boat prior to the commencement of racing.

- The red flag means you must pass all marks of the course on the port side (i.e. you round the mark leaving the mark to the left of your boat i.e. an anti-clockwise direction)
- The green flag means pass all marks on the starboard side (i.e. you round the mark leaving the mark to the right of your boat in a clockwise direction)

*Note: Key points are indicated with a *

Whilst horns accompany flag signals, the flags take precedence over the horn and so it is important to watch the flags on the start boat.

#### When will racing commence for my type of boat?

This one is easy: racing will commence 3 minutes after your class flag is raised.



Until then, ignore other flags and hoots, stay clear of the muddle of boats close to the start line and those who are in their starting sequence, but be alert and watch the start boat at each hoot to see if your class flag has been raised.

#### How Long have I got until the race starts?

Once the class flag has been raised, you have 3 minutes until the start of the race. You can tell how far through the start sequence you are by observing the flags and listening for hoots on the horn.

From the start of the sequence (3 minutes) until 2 minutes: At the 3 minute mark, a hoot will sound and the class flag will be raised. Note: there may be multiple classes starting at once so don't be confused if other class flags are also showing.



Class flag raised

From 2 minutes until 1 minute: At the 2 minute mark, there will be a hoot and the Prep flag (preparatory flag or 'Blue Peter') is raised. At ASC, this flag is usually the one shown in the next diagram. The use of different flags to that shown here will be explained in a later article.



from 2 minutes until 1 minute: 2 flags (the class flag and the Prep flag) are showing.

From 1 minute until the race start: At the 1 minute mark, there will be one long hoot and the Prep flag is lowered, leaving only the Class flag displayed.



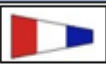

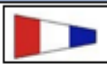


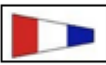


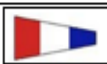

listen for the long hoot, watch for the lowering of the Prep flag and prepare to start racing in 1 minute

The race start: there will be a hoot and the class flag for your boat type will be lowered. Note: other class flags for the next type of boat to race may be raised. Ignore these!! and



start your race.

To illustrate, if you were sailing a Sabre at ASC, the start sequence would look and sound like this:

Time to start	Signal	Flags Raised/Lowered	Sound	All Flags Showing
3 mins.	Warning signal	Class flag raised 		
2 mins.	Preparatory signal	Prep flag raised 		 
1 min.	One minute signal	Preparatory signal flag(s) removed	 Long	
0 min.	<b>START</b>	Class flag removed		

### Delays or Problems with the Start of the Race

#### *Prior to Racing Starting or during the Starting Sequence*

##### Postponement

Problems can be encountered with the running of the race, such as timing equipment malfunctions on the start boat, sudden wind changes, or a drop in wind that makes a start impossible. In these cases, the Start Boat will raise the Postponement Flag (AP flag) with 2 hoots.



If this happens, do not leave the Start area. When racing is about to commence again, the Postponement flag will be lowered with 1 hoot which will let you know to start watching for your class flag again.

Be ready to start the sequence again when the Postponement flag is lowered with 1 hoot.

#### *After the Starting Signal*

OCS: On the Course Side: it is important that you do not cross the starting line before the relevant time (i.e. you must not be OCS). There are penalties for doing this which are outlined in either the Racing Rules of Sailing or the club's Sailing Instructions (or simply ask someone!). In general, if you cross the line early, you will need to come back and cross the line again.

This is a time when you should be alert for the sound of the hooter, as you don't want to be looking back at the start boat to watch flags once racing is underway.

If you hear one or two hoots shortly after the start but are unsure what they mean, then quickly check the start boat to see what flag is flying

There are 2 relevant flags to know if this happens.



This is the individual recall flag. If you hear one hoot and this flag is displayed shortly after the starting signal, it means one or more boats did not start correctly and must return and start again. You may not know what boats these are, so if you feel there is any chance you may have been across the line too early, return to the starting area and cross the line again.



This is the general recall flag and will be raised with two hoots. This means that multiple boats have crossed the line early and that the Race Officer has not been able to see the sail numbers of the boats that crossed early. In this case, all boats in the race must return to the starting area and the entire starting sequence will start again, either immediately or after all other classes have started their race.

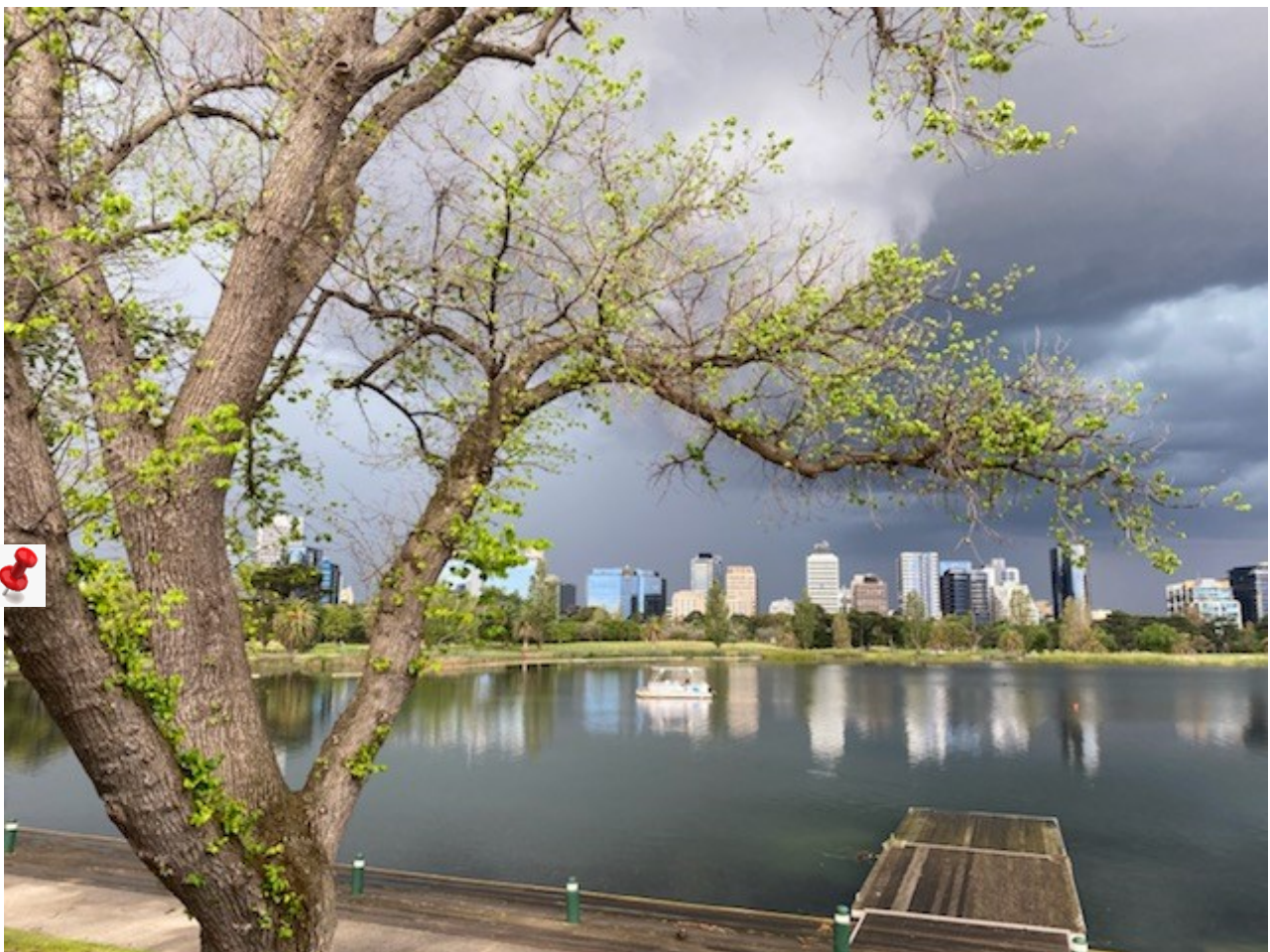
Listen for these recall sounds (one or two hoots shortly after the start) and confirm by looking at the flags whether it is an individual or general recall. Return to the starting line if necessary.

More on other flags to come in the next article. And don't forget that the Race Officer is there to assist you, so speak to them prior to the race to clarify any questions you have. Also, most club members are only too happy to help you get on the water and racing --- we all had to start sometime!



## TABLE OF BOAT CLASSES AND DIVISION ALLOCATIONS

Division	Flag	Classes and Yardstick range
1		Fireball / Laser / Aero / OK (YS < 119)
2		Impulse
3		Sabre / Laser 4.7 (YS 120-127)
4		Zest/Pacers / Flying Ant (YS 127.5-137)
5		Mirror / Heron (YS 138-149)
6		Opti/Minnow/Sabot (YS > 161)
7		Solo
8		<u>OBic</u> / Int. Cadet / Green fleet/ Green fleet (newer sailors) (YS 150-160)

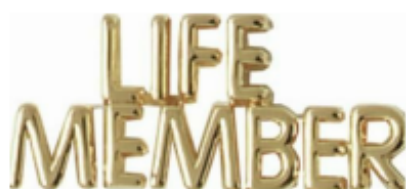


*A view of our lake at dusk — sans Boats  
Thanks to Sue Schoene for this stunning photo.*



*The Festive Season is upon us, and the Albert Sailing Club invites you to celebrate the season with us on December 11.*

**CELEBRATION DINNER:** Join us at 6 p. m. for a spit-roast 2 course catered dinner, with prices subsidised for club members. Dinner will be followed by some seasonal festivities with prizes and the bar will be open. Bookings are essential and must be made no later than Dec 4 for catering purposes. Further details and bookings are available from the front page of our website at [www.albertsc.org.au](http://www.albertsc.org.au) or [BOOK HERE](#)



**LIFE-MEMBERS DAY:** this is also the day we celebrate the contribution to the club of our life members. Join us at our 1.45 p.m. pre-race briefing, when we will acknowledge those life members.

**LUNCH:** will be available from the galley, or BYO and enjoy a prime spot on the lake-front or the balcony for lunch or to watch the afternoon's racing. Racing commences at 2.30 p.m. and the viewing from the shore should be great.

### **BE COVID SAFE**

**YOU WILL NEED TO BE FULLY VACCINATED TO ATTEND THESE INSIDE EVENTS AND WILL BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF YOUR VACCINATION IF NOT PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED.**

All attendees will also be required to adhere to CoVid safety guidelines. Bring your mask and sign in either using the club QR code on the clubroom door or manually sign-in at the table in the foyer.

Please also sanitise your hands frequently and maintain your social distance.

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO JOIN US ON THE 11TH, WE WISH A SAFE AND HAPPY FESTIVE SEASON TO YOU, YOUR FAMILY, AND FRIENDS. MAY THE HOLIDAY PERIOD BE FILLED WITH JOY AND LAUGHTER.**



# SAILING CALENDAR 2022—PRELIMINARY

The Committee may change dates and events as they see appropriate

Date	Event	Other Event	Duty Club	Description
<b>JANUARY</b>				
Sat. Jan-01				No organised sailing at ASC
Sat. Jan-08	ASC/APYC Commodores Series 1		ASC	
Sat. Jan-15	ASC/APYC Commodores Series 2		APYC	
Sat. Jan-22	Australia Day W/E	Social sailing		
Sat. Jan-29	Summer Championship 2		ASC	
<b>FEBRUARY</b>				
Sat. Feb-05	Summer Handicap 3		APYC	
Sat. Feb-12	Top of the Bay (TBA)			No organised sailing at ASC
Sat. Feb-19	Summer Championship 3		ASC	
Sat. Feb-26	Summer Handicap 4	APYC Opening Day 150th	APYC	
<b>MARCH</b>				
Sat. Mar-05	Summer Championship 4		ASC	
Sat. Mar-12	Labour day W/E			No organised sailing at ASC
Sat. Mar-19	Summer Handicap 5	Possible Grand Prix W/E		May change TBC
Sat. Mar-26	Summer Championship 5		ASC	
<b>APRIL</b>				
Sat. Apr-02	Summer Handicap 6		APYC	
Sat. Apr-09	Grand Prix			School Holidays start
Sat. Apr-16	EASTER			
Sat. Apr-23	Summer Championship 6	Verna Templeton (AM)	ASC	School Holidays End
Sat. Apr-30	Resail or Trophy?	Working Bee ?		Discover Sailing Day?
<b>MAY</b>				
Sat. May-07	Winter Championship 1	Virgo Ladies (AM)	ASC	
Sat. May-14	Winter Handicap 1		APYC	
Sat. May-21	Winter Championship 2		ASC	
Sat. May-28	Winter Handicap 2		APYC	
<b>JUNE</b>				
Sat. Jun-04	Winter Championship 3		ASC	
Sat. Jun-11	Queens Birthday W/E			
Sat. Jun-18	Winter Handicap 3		APYC	
Sat. Jun-25	Annual Regatta	Wint Championship 4	ASC	School Holidays 1st W/E
<b>JULY</b>				
Sat. Jul-02	Winter Handicap 4		APYC	
Sat. Jul-09	APYC Junior & Youth Regatta	Working Bee ?		School Holidays last W/E
Sat. Jul-16	Winter Championship 5		ASC	
Sat. Jul-23	Winter Handicap 5		APYC	
Sat. Jul-30	Winter Championship 6		ASC	
<b>AUGUST</b>				
Sat. Aug-06	Winter Handicap 6		APYC	
Sat. Aug-13	Winter Championship 7		ASC	
Sat. Aug-20	Winter Handicap 7		APYC	
Sat. Aug-27	Bill Hooper R1		ASC	
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>				
Sat. Sep-03	Bill Hooper R2		APYC	
Sat. Sep-10	APYC CitySail WGIS	Working Bee ?		No organised sailing at ASC
Sat. Sep-17	Bill Hooper R3		ASC	School Holidays 1st W/E
Sat. Sep-24	AFL Grand Final Day			No organised sailing at ASC
<b>OCTOBER</b>				
Sat. Oct-01	Summer Championship 1		ASC	School Holidays last W/E
Sat. Oct-08	Summer Handicap 1	APYC Opening Day 151st	APYC	
Sat. Oct-15	Summer Championship 2		ASC	
Sat. Oct-22	Summer Handicap 2		APYC	
Sat. Oct-29	Summer Championship 3		ASC	
<b>NOVEMBER</b>				
Sat. Nov-05	Melb Cup W/E	No Organised Sailing		
Sat. Nov-12	Summer Handicap 3		APYC	
Sat. Nov-19	Summer Championship 4		ASC	
Sat. Nov-26	Summer Handicap 4		APYC	
<b>DECEMBER</b>				
Sat. Dec-03	Summer Championship 5		ASC	
Sat. Dec-10	Life Members Trophy	Summer Handicap 5	APYC	
Sat. Dec-17				School holidays 1st W/E

# HOW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE USED

With most members having now paid their annual subs, the committee felt it may be useful for members to know how important membership and racking fees are in keeping our club in a sound financial position.

The graphs opposite show a breakdown of our key income and expenditure areas, averaged over the last 3 years. Items which vary significantly from year to year (such as grant funding received) have been excluded from these graphs.

Our income varies from year to year but in a typical year, looks something like the graph opposite. As this indicates, membership and racking fees combined provide two-thirds of the club income. The rent received from SEDA (7%) and training income (7%) are also significant contributors to club funds. Other income includes items such as galley, social and regatta income and interest received, which has reduced significantly over the last 2 years due to lower interest rates on our investments.

On the expenditure side, our property costs, insurances and depreciation costs are the main areas of outlay. Property costs (excluding property insurance) total around 26% of our total expenditure, insurances 21% and depreciation, 19%.

Our property costs include all areas such as Rent, Cleaning, Waste Collection, Repairs and Maintenance (eg plumbing breakdowns), Rates, and Electricity and Gas.

Our insurances are a very significant, but also very important, expenditure. Our principal areas of insurance provide coverage for us for:

- The property itself. This insurance is paid to Parks Victoria.
- Our club boats, including the start boat, Ribs and our training/hire boats
- Our voluntary workers
- General Business and Public Liability Insurance

We do not pay separately for the insurance coverage provided by Australian Sailing for every club member. This insurance is part of our annual affiliation fee, which is a further 8% of the club budget.

Depreciation, which accounts for 19% of our expenditure, is a 'book figure' which requires some explanation. When the club purchases a new asset (such as a new rib), we charge it to a 'Fixed Asset' account and the cost amount doesn't appear in our Income and Expenditure accounts. Instead, we then charge a depreciation amount to the Expenditure accounts for

each year that the asset is in use.

For example, let's say we buy a new Rib for \$20,000 and we expect it to last 10 years. The full \$20,000 is charged to the Fixed Asset account when we pay for the Rib, and this Fixed Asset account appears in our annual Balance Sheet. Then, for each of the next 10 years, we reduce the fixed asset account by \$2000 and charge \$2000 to the Depreciation expenditure account. At the end of the 10 years, the asset no longer has any value and the depreciation amount ceases to appear as an expense.

By doing this, club members in any particular year don't bear the full cost of new asset purchases. And because depreciation is a non-cash item (i.e. there is no actual outlay of cash each year related to the depreciation expense, only when the boat is first purchased), it ensures that the club has sufficient cash available at the end of the asset's life which will allow us to purchase a replacement if required.

A further 8% is outlaid on boat and race costs, and includes fuel, routine boat repairs and maintenance, periodic major servicing of the start boat and rib motors, and any race costs, such as the purchase of new flags, reimbursement of power boat licence costs to members etc.

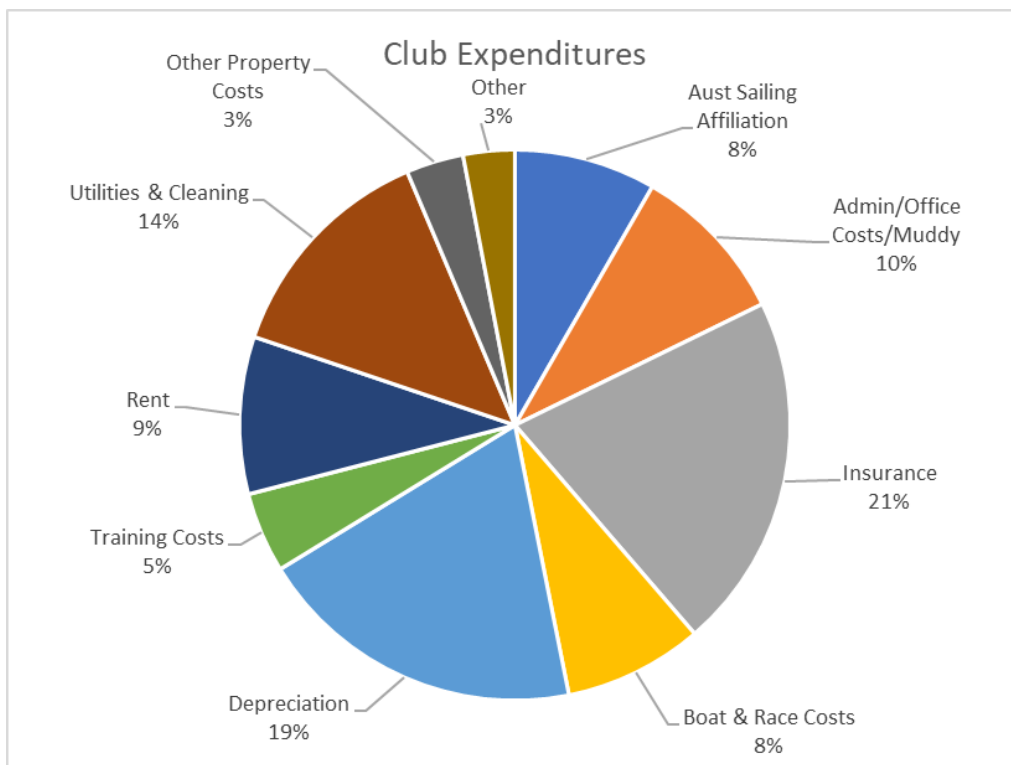
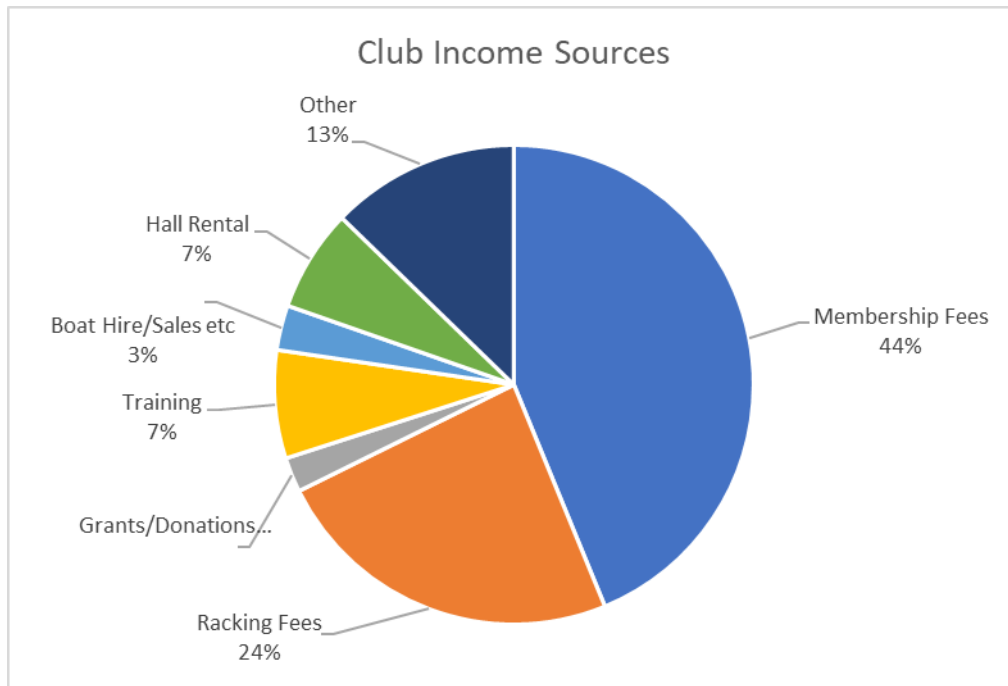
The club's general aim is to 'break even' or make a small profit in each year of operation. The committee sets an annual budget each year and reviews our financial position at every committee meeting.

For 20/21 and 21/22 Membership Fee discounts have been offered to compensate for COVID19 related lockdowns. In the main these have been balanced by reduced expenditures due to lockdowns in areas including: Rent (2020), Cleaning and Waste Collection; Boat and Race costs, and some administrative related costs.

We have achieved sound financial results in recent years and have been extremely successful in obtaining significant grant funding, which is not reflected in the graphs opposite. For example, the club Quest and Zests were the result of grants received from Parks Victoria in recent years.

Please don't hesitate to contact our club Treasurer, Joe Chircop, or the Commodore if you have any queries in relation to our club finances.

**ASC Income and Expenses per year,  
averaged over the period 2018-2021**





# Summer Duty Roster 2022



**RO & CREW: Please be at club on duty day by 11 a.m.**

**If your date is not convenient please arrange a swap with another member**

**Albert Sailing Club**

<p><b>Saturday, January 8</b>      <b>ASC Start</b>  <b>COMMODORE SERIES 1</b>  <b>RO Don McKenzie (pbl)</b>      0421 333 743  <b>Crew</b> Arthur Misson (pbl)      0490 183 073               Faye McKenzie (pbl)      0412 139 169               Byron Ko      0410 546 088</p>	<p><b>Saturday February 19</b>      <b>ASC Start</b>  <b>SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP Race 3</b>  <b>RO Paul Farrell (pbl)</b>      0419 133 641  <b>Crew</b> Jaemie Wilson (pbl)      0420 362 575               Ron Lackington (pbl)      0421 788 145               Michael Gratton      0414 271 876               Simon MacDonald      0430 069 795</p>
<p><b>Saturday, January 15</b>      <b>APYC Start</b>  <b>COMMODORE SERIES 2</b>  <b>RO Don McKenzie (pbl)</b>      0421 333 743  <b>Crew</b> Jack Woods (pbl)      0438 541 802               Damien Blumenkranc (pbl)      0433 804 775               Ian Coleman      0417 744 456               Michael Black      0405 794 516</p>	<p><b>Saturday February 26</b>      <b>APYC Start</b>  <b>SUMMER HANDICAP Race 4</b>  <b>RO Tim Falkiner (pbl)</b>      0417 107 440  <b>Crew</b> Richard Rawlins (pbl)      0421 472 684               Anne Kaczorowski (pbl)      0427 877 964               Stephen Tillman      0418 536 575               Juergen Heiser      0449 664 195</p>
<p><b>AUSTRALIA DAY WEEKEND</b>  <b>Saturday, January 22</b>    <b>No formal racing</b>  <b>Social Sailing at ASC</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday, March 5</b>      <b>ASC Start</b>  <b>SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP Race 4</b>  <b>RO Cindy Tilbrook (pbl)</b>      0438 988 772  <b>Crew</b> Walter Green (pbl)      0433 082 505               Ron Lackington (pbl)      0421 788 145               Joe Chircop      0467 468 163               Helen Jenny      0487 141 153</p>
<p><b>Saturday January 29</b>      <b>ASC Start</b>  <b>SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP Race 2</b>  <b>RO John Whelan (pbl)</b>      0414 251 669  <b>Crew</b> Geoff Saliba (pbl)      9807 8560               Jim Glover (pbl)      0468 354 997               Steve Milton (pbl)      0425 719 124               Ingo Mueller      0475 182 811</p>	<p><b>LABOR DAY WEEKEND</b>  <b>Saturday, March 12</b>    <b>No Organised Sailing at ASC</b>          Those with yard entry can take the boat out for sail</p>
<p><b>Saturday, February 5</b>      <b>APYC Start</b>  <b>SUMMER HANDICAP Race 3</b>  <b>RO Charles Bagossy (pbl)</b>      9555 5967  <b>Crew</b> Philip Gardyne      0433 672 875               Keith Staite (pbl)      0354 241 815               Pam Webster (pbl)      0400 241 815               Lindsay Berge      0412 287 333</p>	<p><b>Saturday, March 19</b>      <b>APYC Start</b>  <b>SUMMER HANDICAP Race 5</b>  <b>RO Ian Skinner (pbl)</b>      0499 605 108  <b>Crew</b> Anthony Berger (pbl)      0413 651 345               Damien Blumenkranc (pbl)      0433 804 775               Margarete Lee      9877 7973               Max Beaton      9857 7454</p>
<p><b>TOP OF BAY REGATTA</b>  <b>Saturday, February 12</b>  <b>Venue: Ellwood Sailing Club</b>          no provision for resail on Sunday 13th            If Top of Bay Regatta is cancelled          Social Sailing will be available at ASC</p>	<p><b>Saturday, March 26</b>      <b>ASC Start</b>  <b>SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP Race 5</b>  <b>RO Cindy Tilbrook (pbl)</b>      0438 988 772  <b>Crew</b> Ron Lackington (pbl)      0421 788 145               David Scammell (pbl)      0408 003 166               Ian Coleman      0417 744 456               Greg Ryan      0418 321 632</p>

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