

# The Muppler

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Autumn 2022



AS Quest Junior Team Winners 2022 Stonehaven Cup



Albert Sailing Club Inc.

# EDITORIAL

*Madeline Paul*

I would like to start by thanking all of the many members who have contributed articles, content and images for this edition.

This edition has some great content! It features key achievements from some of our sailors over recent months, an overview of the APYC 150th Celebrations, various updates and articles on club related matters, details of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, and a summary of upcoming events.

I hope you enjoy this edition of the Mudpuddler. Stay well and happy reading!

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## CLUB COMMUNICATIONS

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## 2021-2022 ASC COMMITTEE

Office	Name	Portfolio
Commodore	Cindy Tilbrook	Club databases, social, strategy & representation
Vice Commodore	Rod Thomas	Strategy, juniors & IT
Rear Commodore	Steve Dunn	Sailing and racing
Secretary	Tim Falkiner	Members, minutes & records
Treasurer	Joe Chircop	Finance & club databases
Club Captain	Paul Farrell	Sailing committee
Committee	Don McKenzie	Training principal & club boat maintenance, child safety officer
	Peter Bennell	Grants
	Graeme Blunt	Clubhouse Improvements & Membership Spruiker
	Mike Gratton	Assisting the Rear Commodore
	Greg Ryan	Strategy
	Tony Schalken	Security/Club access, databases

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Frequently asked questions from Current and New Members are provided under the FAQ tab under the top level "The Club" tab on [www.albertsc.org.au](http://www.albertsc.org.au). The FAQ's cover subjects such as: club duty requirements; access to the Lake; car parking; boat racking; key to the club, car parking, bringing visitors to the club; and use of club training boats.

# COMMODORE'S REPORT

*Cindy Tilbrook*

It appears that we are finally out of the last few years of COVID closures and how great it is to see members again and the vibrant level of activity around the sailing clubs on a Saturday. Fleet numbers have been good over recent weeks and members are obviously also enjoying the 'off-water' aspects of club life, including being able to socialise with each other without face masks, sit out on the balcony after sailing, and enjoy a tea/coffee in our 'coffee corner' with our new lounge setting.

A highlight for me since our last edition of the Mudpuddler was the success of our ASC team of juniors, led by Hamish Gilsenen-Rawlings, in the Stonehaven Cup. This team dominated the event from start to finish in our ASC Quest boat, and I'm sure our club is going to be seen as the 'team to beat' at next year's Stonehaven Regatta as well. See some more details of the event in this newsletter. Many thanks to the non-sailing people who contributed so much to our success, including Jon Rawlings, Rod Thomas and Don McKenzie.

We also had a fantastic evening of Festive Season celebrations to close out the 2021 year, and if you weren't at the celebrations to see 5 people trying to draw reindeers and Christmas trees on paper plates balanced on their heads, then have a chat to Richard Rawlings who was simply amazing at getting the red nose actually onto the reindeer and the Christmas tree actually inside the house.

We have recently been advised that our application for a Parks Victoria grant for a first aid defibrillator has been successful. The defibrillator will be installed in the club foyer and replace the older one which is no longer in service. Thanks Peter Bennell for organising the grant application and Tony Schalken for obtaining quotes and organising the purchase.

This Mudpuddler also includes Notice of our forthcoming Annual General Meeting to be held at the club on Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. This meeting will provide an overview of our operations for the last year, present the annual Financial Report, and see the election of a new committee for the 2022-2023 year. All members are invited to attend the meeting and all relevant papers will be available on our website from mid-April. An informal Q and A session and dinner will be held after the conclusion of the AGM.

Members, both longer serving and new, are encouraged to consider standing for a committee

position. The club has relied on some long-serving committee members for many years and it is time that some new blood came on to the committee with enthusiasm, commitment and new ideas. A volunteer club such as ours cannot continue to thrive without a vibrant and active committee so please consider whether you are able to take on a committee position. For further information, please speak to an existing flag officer, send me an email, or simply give me a phone call on 0438 988 772.

If you don't want to be part of the formal committee but simply have the time and enthusiasm to contribute to the successful running of the club, please make your availability known to the Commodore or a flag officer and we will match you up with an appropriate task that you can call your own.

Congratulations to all of our sailors who represented the club at State and National Titles and other Regattas since our last edition. We have seen some mixed results from our sailors but it appears they have all enjoyed attending and participating, even if their results didn't give them a podium place. The camaraderie among the wider sailing family is fantastic to see and regatta attendance provides the opportunity to socialise and catch up with friends (and often entire families) as well as compete against a different fleet of sailors.

From my 'race management' perspective, I've had another busy summer. Key regattas for me were 3 days at Sail Melbourne hoisting flags for the kitters, wind foilers and wing foilers (yes, it's confusing), then running the Finish Boat for the 110 boat Laser Masters Regatta at Western port Yacht club, followed by the State Titles for the Pacers and 125 fleets at Yarrowonga Yacht Club. These 3 events illustrated for me some of the things I love so much about this sport: seeing the 'future' direction of sailing at Sail Melbourne with the foiling options; feeling the pressure of being involved in a National Championship at the Laser Masters but also having the opportunity to see world class Laser sailors in fierce competition; through to the families camping on the shores of Lake Mulwala where the off-water activities were equally as important as the (more relaxed) racing on the water.

Cindy Tilbrook

Club Commodore  
[commodore@albertsc.org.au](mailto:commodore@albertsc.org.au)

# ASC MEMBER SURVEY AND PLANNING

*Greg Ryan and Rod Thomas*

In late February an online survey of members designed by Greg Ryan and Rod Thomas was conducted to obtain member feedback on current club operations and improvement suggestions. Forty three completed questionnaires were submitted which was good for an online survey, with some good feedback and suggestions. The results are currently being analysed.

The intention is to convene some meetings of members who responded in the next couple of months to discuss survey results and commence development of future plans. Those who submitted a survey were put in a draw for a double Gold Class cinema pass. The winner was **Larissa Rael**. Thanks Larissa for your feedback and enjoy the movies.

## UPCOMING AT ASC IN AUTUMN 2022

*ASC Committee*

*Full details of events and activities will be provided in weekly Thursday Snippets posts and Saturday pre race Information Sessions.*

### **Upcoming at ASC in Autumn 2021**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Details</b>
School Holiday Sailing Day	Thursday 21 April	A midweek School Holiday sailing day is likely.
ASC/APYC Combined Club Race	Saturday 23 April	The next ASC/APYC combined club race at 2pm, following break for Grand Prix, Easter and Anzac Day weekend.
Club Working Bee	Saturday 30 April	Club Working Bee is from 9:30am followed pm by Trophy Race or Social Sailing.
Winter Season commences	Saturday 7 May	Winter Sailing season commences with sailing on Saturdays including club races at 2pm. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• VIODA Optimist Winter training program on Sunday afternoons from 15 May. Details on VIODA website mid April.</li><li>• Laser Class Association winter sessions at Lake to be determined.</li><li>• Programming of club Winter regatta on 25/26 June is to be finalised and is dependant on improvement in Lake conditions - water levels and extent of aquatic weed.</li></ul>
ASC Annual GM	Saturday 14 May	ASC Annual GM at 5pm/ followed by an informal meal. Everyone invited and encouraged to come and participate and enjoy.



# 2022 STONEHAVEN CUP WIN BY ALBERT SAILING CLUB JUNIOR TEAM

*Rod Thomas*

The 92nd Stonehaven Cup regatta for junior sailors was sailed from Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron in January and won by the ASC Quest team from Albert Sailing Club. The Albert Sailing Club boat was skippered by Hamish Gilsean-Rawlings with crew of Mietta Rahl, Maddy Crawshaw and Scarlett Zerbe. They were the clear winners for the week long event with wins in the two invitation races, and seven of the nine short course format heat races in wind conditions which covered the full range from 5 to 20 knots.

The Stonehaven Cup is an annual national event for club crews of 3 junior sailors under 19 years of age. It is the longest continuously contested junior/youth one-design dinghy trophy in Australian sailing with the large impressive perpetual Cup first presented in 1927 by Lord Stonehaven, the then Governor-General. Up until 2018 the event was sailed in the wooden, then fibreglass, 12 foot cadet dinghy class. Since 2019 the event has been sailed in the fast growing rota moulded RS Quest dinghy class.

The 2022 Stonehaven Cup was contested by 11 crews from 5 different clubs, with between 1 and 4 boats per club. The 2022 event was only confirmed in November, after Victorian government COVID restrictions were relaxed to allow free travel within Victoria and from a number of Australian States. Albert Sailing Club was approached to field its first entry in the event using the club's RS Quest boat. An ASC Quest team was hastily formed in early December Hamish is a top junior Laser class sailor who had raced and trained in his Laser as much as possible over the previous two years. Mietta joined ASC in 2021 and has since been sailing a club Laser. She was also a crew in the 2020 Stonehaven Cup for Royal Brighton. Maddy and Scarlett had both sailed in a number of winter seasons at ASC, and were sailing a 29er on Port Philip, which used an asymmetric bowsprit launched spinnaker as used on the Quests. The four of them had just a couple of sailing sessions together on the Lake before the Stonehaven Cup regatta and quickly gelled together well to wins in the first five races.

Second overall in the Stonehaven Cup was the Maertens sisters-brother combination from Sandringham Yacht Club, with a crew from Royal Melbourne skippered by Alex Ward third overall. The Otto A Meik Perpetual Teams Trophy was won by the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron. At the presentation dinner at RMYS special mention was made of the crew from King Island (Tasmania) who had two top 3 heat finishes and finished sixth overall in a borrowed boat. Interstate entries were limited to the one entry from Tasmania, as a consequence of border restrictions in late 2021 and uncertainties created by the ongoing national COVID pandemic. At the Presentation Dinner the ASC Quest team members had many visits to the trophy presenters with medals presented for the top three placings for each of the 11 races and the trophies for overall placegetters,

The Stonehaven Cup committee, the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron staff and volunteers, and the parents who supported the crews did a great job to run a successful regatta. The ASC entry was convened and coordinated by Rod Thomas, with pre-regatta boat preparations support from Don McKenzie. Well done to Hamish's dad Jon who as team manager managed the boat and the junior team during the regatta in what was the first entry for our RS Quest in an event away from Albert Park Lake.

The 2023 Stonehaven Cup is planned for early January 2023 most likely at Royal Brighton, with entry open to junior crews sailing RS Quests from any Club in Australia. In the latter half of 2022 we will need to look at whether Albert Sailing Club can form an ASC Quest entry for the 2023 Stonehaven Cup event.



# STONEHAVEN CUP WINNERS WITH PERPETUAL TROPHIES



ASC Quest winners with Stonehaven Cup and Andrew Linnaker Invitation Race perpetuals – Maddy Crawshaw, Hamish Gilsonan, Scarlett Zerbe, Mietta Rael

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

*Albert Sailing Club*

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Rules and By-Laws, of the Annual General Meeting of Albert Sailing Club Inc. The meeting will be held at 1 Aquatic Drive at 5 p.m. on Saturday 14th May 2022.

All papers and meeting Information will be available on the club website by Wed 20th April 2022 at [ASC Annual General Meeting](#)

If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you may appoint a proxy to attend and vote on your behalf. See the instructions on the Proxy Form at the Meeting Information page on our website.

Although it is not a requirement, in order to assist in organizing the meeting it is requested that, if you plan to attend the meeting, please notify the Secretary via email to [secretary@albertsc.org.au](mailto:secretary@albertsc.org.au).

A general Question and Answer/Discussion session will follow once the AGM has concluded, followed by an informal dinner. Please let the Secretary know if you will be attending the dinner following the meeting.

## AGENDA

1. Welcome from the Commodore
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting held on 8 May 2021.
4. Annual Report of the Committee: available on the website after 7 May 2022
5. Financial Accounts and Report of the Treasurer. available on the website after 7 May 2022.
6. Election of members to the following positions: Nomination forms for Committee Positions will be found on the meeting information page on the club website no later than 20 April 2022.
  - i. Commodore
  - ii. Vice Commodore
  - iii. Rear Commodore
  - iv. Club Captain
  - v. Secretary/Public Officer
  - vi. Treasurer
  - vii. Eight Members of the General Committee
7. Meeting Closure

Tim Falkiner, Secretary  
(Email: [secretary@albertsc.org.au](mailto:secretary@albertsc.org.au))

Date: 5 April 2022

# COMMITTEE MEMBER CALL OUT

*Cindy Tilbrook*

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN THE FUTURE OF OUR CLUB?**

**DO YOU HAVE THE TIME TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE RUNNING OF YOUR CLUB BY BECOMING A COMMITTEE MEMBER?**



Committee members are now being sought for election at our forthcoming Annual General Meeting to be held on 14 May 2022.

**No specific skills required:** just your love of sailing, your willingness to attend monthly committee meetings (some in person, some via zoom), respond to committee email exchanges when required and contribute to the running of the club. New members are encouraged to nominate as well as our more experienced members.

If interested or you would like to find out more, speak to any flag officer or email [commodore@albertsc.org.au](mailto:commodore@albertsc.org.au).

# VOLUNTEERS AT ALBERT SAILING CLUB

Volunteers at ASC are critical for the day to day operations of our club activities on both land and water.

Your 2021 / 2022 General Committee wants to acknowledge and thank all Volunteers for their support and commitment during some very challenging times which has stretched our resources and our ability to continue activities in 2021/22.

Without naming names it has been pleasing to see new members jumping in and getting their hands dirty and involved in activities.

Thank You to all our Volunteers.

As an existing or new member if you have skills and some time that can support our Club operations please put your hand up.

We have needs, both on a regular and ad hoc basis, in areas including :

- \* On water duty crew - driving a power boats (with Victorian Powerboat licence) or as a support person on a powerboat RHIB or Start/ Finish boat.
- \* Tower crew on Saturdays - keeping track of progress and finishing of race entrants, entering information into our club Entry and Results database.
- \* Maintenance of clubhouse, yards, club boats and equipment.

*Graeme Blunt, Rod Thomas and Cindy Tilbrook*

- \* Sail training Instructors and Assistant Instructors trained and accredited with Australian Sailing
- \* Organising or assisting with a club social activity. People with Responsible Serving Alcohol accreditation for serving from Doug's Bar.
- \* Updating and maintaining online databases, our club website and administrative tasks.

We also do need a few people currently not on a club committee for our general committee and sub-committee specific roles for 2022/23.

Speak with or contact a club flag officer (Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Club Captain) or a committee member to discuss options and opportunities.

*Note. For short video and details on obtaining power boat licence go to*

*<https://transportsafety.vic.gov.au/maritime-safety/recreational-boating/licensing>*

*If you want to do short theory course plus required test there are accredited providers for face to face and Zoom style online courses. ASC will reimburse members for costs of theory course, test and 2 years of 5 years licence - [treasurer@albertsc.org.au](mailto:treasurer@albertsc.org.au).*

## CHILD SAFETY STANDARDS

*Jack Woods*

Victoria introduced new compulsory Child Safe Standards in 2017 which were to be implemented by all clubs and organisations. Albert Sailing Club subsequently introduced policies and procedures to comply with these standards as well as specific training for those members and visitors involved with child safety. The policy and Code of Conduct for members and visitors is on the Child Safety sub tab under the Club tab on [www.albertsc.org.au](http://www.albertsc.org.au).

The Victorian Government has reviewed these requirements to further improve the safety of children, with the introduction of eleven new Standards to replace the previous seven, with an introduction date of 1 July 2022. The ASC

committee is currently reviewing these new standards to determine what changes are needed and further details will be provided to members in coming months.

As part of this review, we ask that all those members, with Working With Children cards, ensure that they are current, and that they include Albert Sailing Club as a related organisation. This is a government requirement, and is a simple on-line process via the WWC website with no cost for Volunteers. Only members with a current WWCC can assist the club with training and other activities involving children - <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

# ALBERT MEMBERS AT CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS AND REGATTAS

*Rod Thomas*

Albert Sailing Club members have been active at Class Championships and Regattas over the first quarter of 2022.

In January there was the annual Sail Melbourne regatta hosted jointly by Royal Brighton and Royal Yacht Club Victoria, Williamstown. Over 150 International dinghy and foiler class boats, including Australian Sailing Team representatives. Hamish Gilsenan finished 11th in a fleet of 29 Laser Radials which included Australia's 2022 Olympic Radial sailor Mara Stransky.

In February there Championships for a range of classes. Faye McKenzie sailed in a fleet of 90 boats at the Sabre Vic titles at Blairgowrie Rod Thomas and Philip Gardynne sailed in the fleet of 110 boats at the Australian Laser Masters at Westernport Yacht Club. Michael Horvath sailed the Victorian OK dinghy class champs at Warrnambool. Hamish Gilsenan and Nigel Leishman sailed well in the Radial and 4.7 Laser fleets at the big Sail Sandy Regatta at Sandringham.

The Interclub Top of the Bay Regatta for clubs at the top of Port Philip was sailed from Altona Yacht Club in early February. 60 entries and 10 to 15 knot southerlies made for an enjoyable half day regatta. The 10 boat combined Albert Park Lake clubs team (6 from ASC, and 4 from APYC) had a rare overall win from Altona, Port Melbourne and Williamstown clubs.

Johnathon Pulham, Paul Farrell in Impulses and Ron Fergusson in Aero 7 lead the way for the Lake team with top ten class yardstick corrected results. In the Top of the Bay. Well done Albert Park Lake team.

In March Paul Farrell and Steve Dunn sailed the 35 boat Victorian Impulse Championships at Somers Yacht Club over the Labour Day weekend. Paul finished 5th overall and first in the Masters 45 - 54 yo age group. Johnathon Pulham from APYC revelled in the light conditions to win the Victorian title. In the Optimist championship on the long weekend the Cantwell girls who are ASC members who sail with us in the winter season sailed well in the Open division.



*Jonathon (left) & Paul with Impulse President*

Special mention to our members and parents involved in race management roles at a number of these Regattas including Cindy Tibrook at the Laser Masters, Charles and Rita Bagossy at Sail Melbourne and Sail Sandy, and Larissa Rael recording finishes on the Committee Boat at Stonehaven Cup.



# APYC 150TH CELEBRATIONS

*John Whelan*

On Saturday 26 February 2022, Albert Park Yacht Club celebrated 150 years of sailing on the lake. After all the delays caused by the pandemic, everyone seemed happy to have a reason to celebrate. The effort made by the APYC members gave plenty of reason for celebration. I can't remember ever seeing so many people and boats outside the club.

As I walked up to the APYC building, a brass band and bagpipes was playing. People were milling about on the foreshore, talking and looking at the displays which included a replica Formula 1 race car. Don McKenzie, Tim Falkiner and I obtained our name tags for the sit down proceedings in the upstairs portion of the club rooms. We were there to represent Albert Sailing Club and to present a gift which Tim had arranged.

Peter Naismith, the APYC commodore, looked resplendent in his club blazer and made us and others feel welcome prior to the arrival of the Governor of Victoria, Linda Dessau.

Highlights for me were the singing of the national anthem by Jordie Howell, daughter of APYC member Mike Howell. Her voice was a clear and pure soprano and I don't think I have heard Advance Australia Fair sung better. The speech by the Governor was well researched and received. It was interesting to put into context that sailing on Albert Park Lake had been going from before the construction of Government House, and much of Melbourne as we now know it. She also spoke of the history of the development of the lake over the decades, and of its importance to the original inhabitants, the Bunurong People

**The planning for this event was evidently meticulous and it paid off. A bonus was the perfect weather conditions, although the wind at the time of the sail past was quite light. Congratulations to APYC on an important milestone, and justifiably well celebrated.**

The Sailpast of old and current boats was led by APYC's wooden gaff rigged sloop Acrospire II, built in 1911.



When we went upstairs to the Port Lounge, seating was allocated. Ray Wines was the master of ceremonies and he kept things moving at a steady pace. Those still outside on the lawn had television screens, which unfortunately were difficult to see in the sunlight, but audio was apparently fine.

A number of dignitaries were present. Other than the Governor, her partner Tony Howard, a former County Court judge, local members of parliament Martin Foley and Georgie Crozier, mayor of City of Port Phillip Marcus Pearl, John Thwaites the chairman of Melbourne Water, Andrew Westacott CEO of Australian Grand Prix Corporation and others.



**A 'Bracelet' Trophy Race was sailed after the Sailpast, repeating "Ladies Bracelet" race sailed on Opening Day in years gone by.**

- 1st overall : Paul Farrell yardstick corrected time
- 1st Laser : Greg Ryan
- 1st Moth : Jonathon Pulham
- 1st Sabre : Geoff Saliba
- 1st Solo : Ian Kirkham
- 1st Pacer : Paul Taig and Stephen Chui



Gift from ASC for 150th Celebrations

### Gift from ASC for 150th Celebrations

A unique gift was presented to the Commodore of APYC by ASC's John Whelan on behalf of Albert Sailing Club members at the 150th Opening Day Celebrations. The gift was an original painting in the shape of the Lake with an inscribed brass port hole. The painting was by Joyce Nickson a good friend of the family of our ASC Secretary, Tim Falkiner, with the inscribed port hole, the plate and the timber backing organised by Tim.

The gift was delivered with a message

*“Our gift is unique and a little different as we wanted it to:*

- \* *Be personally made by a friend of the Albert Sailing Club as a token of congratulations and respect from our members to yours.*
- \* *Be instantly recognisable by your club members as a gift from our club members.*
- \* *Be very relevant to the Lake and Sailing and the common linkages between our clubs.*
- \* *Reflect the past, current and future for Sailing on Albert Park Lake.”*

**The gift from ASC is now hanging on the wall in the APYC upstairs lounge.**

### In the Beginning - Sailing on Albert Park Lake and Albert Park Yacht Club

(extracted from "The History of The Albert Park Yacht Club 1871 - 1996 by Ralph P. Neale).

William Buckhurst is attributed as being first to launch a sailboat on Albert Park Lagoon with a light draft yacht christened “Pioneer” launched on the lagoon in January 1871. Later that year two Chinese sampans were imported from China and sailed on the lagoon.

On 15 September 1872, at Clarendon's Hotel, Emerald Hill, a meeting was held to form the Albert Park Yacht Club, with 50 members enrolled and plans for improvements to the shallow lagoon. APYC was the first permanent inland waters yacht club to be founded in Australia, and the second permanent club in Victoria, with the Victoria Yacht Club (now RYCV) formed in April 1872.

‘APYC 150 Years on The Lake’, a 220 page full colour coffee table book has been released and is available on [www.apyc.org.au](http://www.apyc.org.au)



# AT THE LAKE IN PHOTOS



*Club Race pre Start*



*Division 3 boats downwind*



*ASC Junior School Holiday Training session*



*Midfleet boats in the 150th Sailpast*



*VJ and Moths, part of classic classes display at  
ASC 150th Opening Day*

# LAUNCHING AND RETRIEVING OF BOATS

*Graeme Blunt and Tony Schalken*

The ASC Club Committee has had robust discussions in recent weeks to search out and enhance the way we Launch and Retrieve [L&R] Sail Boats and RHIB's from our Deck and Ramp areas.

The safety of our members and the general public is of paramount importance.

As a further consideration in the late Summer/Autumn months Lake water levels are lower which makes launching and retrieval of all boats more difficult. Use of the jetty and the ramp can be better options.

We have explored both a mechanical [e.g. electric winch operation] and non mechanical Launch and Retrieval options. Both options have plusses and minuses. A mechanical approach can have both safety management concerns for members and the public, and user accreditation requirements.

## **Our preferred option is a Non Mechanical approach.**

Key points include :

- \* Members, Sailors and Duty Crew continue to support each other during the Launch and Retrieval periods on Club Sailing Days.
- \* We all need to be conscious of the General Public walking along the pathway. [Public Safety]

- \* Duty Crews encouraged to wear provided coloured vests to reinforce control and safety in operational activities.
- \* When L & R of RHIB's from ramp a minimum of 2, ideally 3 people, to be involved, In case of heavier boats such as Quest 4 people. Do not be afraid to ask nearby members to "HELP". Control the operation by use of a spotter to alert pedestrians
- \* Attaching a separate rope to RHIB's trolleys and lengthening the boat ropes. [Now completed].
- \* Cleaning of ramp area each Race Day with removal of all debris. Continue to explore ways to minimize slipping on ramp area.
- \* Implement short demonstrations for members on the best and safest way to Launch & Retrieve all boats.

This is not a Rocket Science exercise but a practical down to earth approach that we all need to play a role in to minimize Risk and Improve the Safety for ALL. Please support and play your role.



# CLUBROOMS AND FACILITIES

## AFTER HOURS ACCESS

*Tony Schalken*

The Committee has been working on making the club-rooms and facilities more accessible to all members, whilst still safeguarding the premises and boats.

To this end, the lock on the door leading from the foyer to the breezeway and toilets will be removed, as will the lock on the door to the galley.

Also, one of the doors leading to the balcony will be able to be opened from the inside without the need of a key. A key will still be needed to enter the club room from the balcony. This balcony door will need to be locked at the end of the day, but without the need of a key.

So, in summary, once the locks have been changed all members, including social members, without a boat in the boatyard, will be able to enjoy the use of the club-rooms, toilets, decking and kitchen, after hours. These facilities will be open to any member with a security swipe card.

We encourage members to enjoy club facilities but bear in mind that other people may be using the Club (SEDA, other members). Please respect others and look after the club.

General member keys will still be required to access the boatyard after hours. Master key will be needed to gain entry to the race control tower, bar and downstairs committee room and back store room. The boatyard will remain locked after hours to non-boat owners.

Member keys and security swipe cards must still be applied for in the usual manner through application to the club committee via [secretary@albertsc.org.au](mailto:secretary@albertsc.org.au).

Members will be notified when the changes have been completed, expected to be by mid May.



# ASC WEBCAM AND WEATHER INFORMATION

*Graeme Blunt*

In recent months a number of members of your Committee has been working hard behind the scenes to develop, supply and test install a security camera webcam for streaming of video footage of the northern end of Albert Park Lake via our Club Web Site.

In January we trial installed a Dahua IPC security camera on a horizontal beam above the decking in front of Albert Sailing Club.

As part of our Due Diligence process your Committee Team has completed a review of the trial installation and concluded the installation of the Security Camera Web Cam and streaming would be of significant benefit to the Club, Club Members, and Lake Users and would have no foreseeable or detrimental impact on users or the general public.

We presented a very strong case to Parks VIC for consent which has now given approval to proceed with the installation and operation of a security camera webcam with video streaming from Albert sailing Club Web Site.

In conjunction with this exercise we have also created a link with Willy Weather Station weather station information.

ASC members and other Mudpuddler readers take a few moments to visit our Albert Sailing Club Home

Page, and click on the Webcam picture at top of page and away you go. This will provide you with viewing of Northern end of Lake and Weather information.

A special thanks to Steve Dunn for his technical expertise plus others in the Committee Team for making this all happen.

Happy Viewing Tell your family and friends they can now watch sailing and other activity on Albert Park Lake from afar.



## ASC BOATS FOR SALE

*Graeme Blunt*



We have been having good success with our ASC Boats for Sale project which was initiated in late 2021. We have had six older boats donated or left to the club over recent years and SOLD 2 Sabots and 1 Mirror, with the Mirror sold to an ASC member for use by his grandchildren.

We have a wooden Impulse 183 currently on Gumtree which is generating visits by buyers. As a special Mudpuddler deal we have \$1300 Sale price on Impulse 183.

There is also a wooden Minnow and an old standard rig Laser (suitable as a holiday house or social sailing boat).

Speak to Graeme Blunt (Ph: 0417311295) to discuss and arrange an inspection.

# Autumn Duty Roster 2022



Albert Sailing Club

**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**

<p><b>Saturday, April 2</b> APYC Start  <b>SUMMER HANDICAP Heat 6</b>                      RO Tony Schalken (pbl) 0468 428 230                      Crew Mark Snell (pbl) 0407 569 083                      Damien Blumenkranc (pbl) 0433 804 775                      Byron Ko 0410 546 088                      Ingo Mueller 0475 182 811</p>	<p><b>Saturday, May 14</b> APYC Start  <b>WINTER HANDICAP Heat 1</b>                      RO Ian Skinner (pbl) 0499 605 108                      Crew Jim Glover (pbl) 0468 354 997                      Graeme Blunt (pbl) 0417 311 295                      Lindsay Berge 0412 287 333                      David Reid 0479 157 500</p>
<p><b>GRAND PRIX WEEK</b>                      Includes Saturday, April 9                       Club closed during                      Grand Prix event</p>	<p><b>Saturday, May 21</b> ASC Start  <b>WINTER CHAMPIONSHIP Heat 2</b>                      RO Cindy Tilbrook (pbl) 0438 988 772                      Crew Ron Lackington (pbl) (flg) 0421 788 145                      Walter Green (pbl) 0433 082 505                      Simon MacDonald 0430 069 795                      Helen Faulkner 0400 248 064</p>
<p><b>EASTER SATURDAY</b>                      Saturday, April 16                       No Organised Sailing at ASC                      Members with yard entry welcome to access                      their boats for sailing and maintenance</p>	<p><b>Saturday, May 28</b> APYC Start  <b>WINTER HANDICAP Heat 2</b>                      RO Lesley Scott 0407 335 188                      Crew Anthony Berger (pbl) 0413 651 345                      Pam Webster (pbl) 0400 241 815                      Chris Bennell 0402 029 657                      Stephen Tillman 0418 536 575</p>
<p><b>Saturday, April 23</b> ASC Start  <b>SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP Heat 6</b>                      RO Don McKenzie (pbl) 0421 333 743                      Crew Ron Lackington (pbl) (flg) 0421 788 145                      Jack Woods (pbl) 0438 541 802                      Ian Coleman 0417 744 456</p>	<p><b>Saturday, June 4</b> ASC Start  <b>WINTER CHAMPIONSHIP Heat 3</b>                      RO Paul Farrell (pbl) 0419 133 641                      Crew David Scammell (pbl) (flg) 0408 003 166                      Jaemie Wilson (pbl) 0420 362 575                      Rowley Burke 0408 140 698</p>
<p><b>Saturday, April 30</b> APYC Start  <b>RESAIL SUMMER HCP/C'SHIP? Heat ?</b>                      RO Charles Bagossy (pbl) 9555 5967                      Crew Chris Shields (pbl) 0411 246 353                      Steve Milton (pbl) 0425 719 124                      Michael Black 0405 794 516                      Bill Rehill 9443 0089                      Diane Moloney 0458 354 974</p>	<p><b>QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY</b>  <b>LONG WEEKEND</b>                      Saturday, June 12                       No organised racing at ASC                      Members with yard entry welcome to access                      their boats for sailing and maintenance</p>
<p><b>Saturday, May 7</b> ASC Start  <b>WINTER CHAMPIONSHIP Heat 1</b>                      RO Steve Dunn (pbl) 0408 594 636                      Crew Ron Lackington (pbl) (flg) 0421 788 145                      Philip Gardyne 0433 672 875                      Keith Staite (pbl) 0354 241 815                      Kevin Orpin 0426 758 379</p>	<p><b>Saturday, June 18</b> APYC Start  <b>WINTER HANDICAP Heat 3</b>                      RO Tim Falkiner (pbl) 0417 107 440                      Crew Richard Rawlins (pbl) 0421 472 684                      Arthur Misson (pbl) 0490 183 073                      Margaret Lee 9877 7973                      Max Beaton 9857 7454</p>

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