

GEELONG TRAILABLE YACHT CLUB INC

EVEN KEEL

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CURLEWIS BANK

Coming Event

RACE

SATURDAY 02/02/19

art of the Geelong Trailable Yacht Club's Passage Race Series, the Curlewis Bank Race is named for the shallow shore between the Curlewis Bank Pile east of Point Henry and the North Cardinal Pile off Clifton

Springs. There will be after race catering at the GTYC Clubhouse for \$10 per person. For Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and Registration details, see:

http://www.gtyc.com.au/curlewis-bank-race/

[Month	Date	Time	Event	Location	OOD
	Jan	Sat 26th		Fireworks Cruise	St Helens	
	2019	26th - 28th		Festival of Sails	Geelong	Royal Geelong YC
		Sun - 27th		Social sailing	St Helens	
	Feb	Sat 2nd	10.30	Curlewis Bank Race	St Helens	John Grace
2	2019	Sun 3rd	10.00	Short Series - Race 6		Andrew Croxon
4			13.30	Summer Series - Race 6		
		16th - 17th		YV Trailable State Championships	Geelong	Royal Geelong YC
		23rd -24th		Sonata / Ultimate Regatta	St Helens	
		Sun 24th		Sternchaser Cruise	St Helens	
Ζ	March	9th - 10th		Marley Point Overnight Race		Lake Wellington YC
	2019	Sat 16th		Club Dinner		
		Sat 23rd	10.30	Steamboat Cup	St Helens	Doug Gadd
-		Sun 31st	10.00	Short Series - Race 7	St Helens	Rob Hulme
4			13.30	Summer Series - Race 7	St Helens	
U	April	Sun 14th	10.00	Short Series - Race 8	St Helens	Shaun Buckner
	2019		13.30	Summer Series - Race 8	St Helens	
		Wed 25th		Anzac Day	St Helens	
			11.30	Bbq		
		Sat 27th		Loch Sport Lakes Classic Race		Loch Sport Boat Club
		Sun 28th	11.00	Winter Series - Race 1	St Helens	John Mole

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Race Results

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For all GTYC Sailing Results www.sailres.com

2018-19 Short Series

Leading this series, after 4 races is *Hidden Agenda* skippered by Glenn Kewish, closely followed by *Five O'Clock Somewhere*, skippered by Shaun Buckner.

Coming third is *Vintage Red* skippered by John Mole.

2018-19 Summer Series

In first place so far is *Hidden Agenda*, skippered by Glenn Kewish.

About 2 minutes later, in second place is *Five O'Clock Somewhere* skippered by Shaun Buckner followed by *Vintage Red* skippered by John Mole in third place.

Sonata / Ultimate / Sunbird / Sunmaid Regatta, 23-24 Feb

Pictured: Sonata / Ultimate / Sunbird / Sunmaid fleet at St Helens



Sonata / Ultimate /Sunbird /Sunmaid Associations Regatta is held again on February 23rd and 24th, 2019. Format for the Regatta is currently being finalised but expected to be similar to previous Regattas, with participants arriving Friday and Saturday, a racing pro-

afternoon, dinner and prize presentations on Saturday night and an extended stern-chaser on Sunday, open to GTYC members as well. Details will be released soon so get yourselves ready for a great social weekend! Any questions to **John Mole**.

From the Commodore

Happy New Year everybody! I hope you all had an enjoyable festive season.

We have a fairly busy program over the next few months.

There will be a fireworks cruise on Saturday 26th January. The fireworks are part of the Festival of Sails program. If you would like an afternoon cruise and over to the fireworks at dusk, be at St Helens by 2pm. Numbers will be determined by the number of boats available.

We have a social sailing afternoon on Sunday 27th. For those who would like an afternoon on the water, be at St Helens by 1.30pm.

The Curlewis Bank race is an all-day passage and is being held on Saturday 2nd February. It was previously held in July but we moved it to avoid the middle of winter. Last year the weather was very light until the final stages. We will be hoping for a little more breeze and a good turn out this year. Outside entries are welcome. A reminder that we are hosting the Sonata Ultimate Regatta on the 23rd and 24th of February. We are hoping to have our new clubroom prior to this event.



The next club dinner is on Sat 16th March. Keep this date free for an enjoyable social evening. Details will be sent out closer to the date.

Looking ahead, the Steamboat Cup, an all-day passage race, is on the 23rd March. Details will be posted on the website closer to the date. Outside entries are most welcome.

For those of you who are not regular sailors, be aware that all events are subject to the vagaries of the weather.

Happy Sailing

Doug Gadd, G.T.Y.C. Commodore

Pelican Race 2018 Results

Congratulations to winners and crews! We welcome you back for the next traveller race series and thank all involved, including people behind the scenes. A report and photos are on the next page.

"When defeat comes, accept it as a signal that your plans are not sound, rebuild those plans, and set sail once more toward your coveted goal."

Napoleon Hill (American self-help author)

Division 1								
Place	Boat Name	Boat Class	Skipper					
First	Broken Blade	Elliot 5.9	Jake Newman					
Second	Bartley	Elliot 5.9	Bart Newman					
Third	Aquadisiac	Ross 780 MK3	Peter Bulka					

Division 2									
Place	Boat Name	Boat Class	Skipper						
First	Pipalini	Castle 650	Mitchell Bayliss						
Second Rook		Castle 650	Glenn Scheen						
Third Five O'Clock Somewhere		Sonata 6.7 MkII	Shaun Buckner						

Division 3								
Place	Boat Name	Boat Class	Skipper					
First	Jaffa	Boomerang 20DK	Brendan Brown					
Second	Magic Pudding	Zeeman 6.5	Phil Mannes					
Third	Bea Jay	Timpenny 670	David Marshall					

Pelican Race 2018



Jake Newman's Elliot 5.9 "Broken Blade" closely followed by Bernard Spooner's Elliot 7.8 "Out of Exile"

R ace day was overcast with light winds of 5 knots which eased during the race but finished with 8 to 10 knots, no rain was predicted and the sky was mostly sunny. The stage was set for a great day with 27 competitors all fired up to get the fastest time around the pelican silhouette shaped course. The start was orderly for the three divisions (division 4 was not represented due to insufficient competitors).

The starting officers did set a barging buoy, this was because a particular vintage Noelex has harassed and frightened the occupants of Even Keel at past events. The pace started off slowly toward the north channel with colourful spinnakers flying on most boats. The fast guys in division 1 had the foot to the floor and were catching the earlier starting boats. However the wind did its normal fickle changes and caused the racing fleet to start spreading out all the way around the complex course layout. The Noelex fleet appeared to stay tightly together in the same formation but in reality they changed position in a random display of passing each other and swapping positions too many times to be recorded.

The other competitors also went on with the business of racing with a family duel going on with the Newman

> At the end of the race in first and second place of Division 1, brothers Jake & Bart Newman in their Elliot 5.9's "Broken Blade" & "Bartley"

brothers in their Elliot 5.9s finishing about 4 minutes apart. Two other competitors (who shall remain nameless) may have to compete in the non spinnaker division next year because their spinnakers got tangled and ripped up on the sailing course marks.

The race finish was a lovely spectacle with spinnakers full for most of the last leg but mother nature threw in a wind shift to cause some vessels to jibe and other competitors to sneak through to the finish on the original tack. The race produced some large appetites which the race committee has noted, so more food will be available for next years event.

The Pelican Race was proclaimed a successful event and many competitors stated that they will be back next year.

Bob Balding



Pelican Race 2018 Cont'd



Group of boats led by Colson 750 "Fat Bottom Girl" skippered by Brian Murphy

Member News

From the Minutes Secretary

elcome to new member, **Robyn Cameron**. Robyn came to us via a Meetup group initiated by Jason. Robyn is a student, part way through a social work degree – could be useful with four adult children and 5 grand-children. Though born in Melbourne, Robyn spent 30 years in Tasmania and has been in Geelong for 2 ½ years. She says that GTYC has opened doors to sailing activities she has been looking for. She is very keen to learn and crew as much as she can, so, if you are looking for crew, Robyn could be the answer.

Terry Fraser reports that his long term love, Peccadillo, has been sold. Time will tell whether this is in fact a peccadillo but, in the mean time, Terry could be sailing on someone else's pride and joy. Unfortunately, Peccadillo has gone to a Melbourne-based owner so we are not likely to have her sailing with us.



Robyn "Queen of the World" Cameron enjoying a Gippsland Lakes cruise

Member News Cont'd

C hris Conroy has been off the water since the eyebolt in Sea Wind's keel broke, leaving the keel no longer retractable. It was virtually impossible to remove the broken piece buried deep in the lead keel so a new part in a new hole was required. How do you get Sea Wind far enough off the ground to do the job? Sonata Association to the rescue with a "boat lift" available to Association members. Sea Wind is to get a clean-up and re-paint of the bottom while in the air.

"Sea Wind" ready for take off

Keel bolt-ectomy begins



Gilt Edge now with Paul and Jen





aul and Jen are now the proud owners of Gilt Edge, previously owned by prior member, Murray Mitchellhill. Paul and Jen have added more cruising gear e.g. 120 watt solar panel, carpet, new ladder, in preparation for some serious cruising. First up is a trip to Goolwa Classic and a trip up the Coorong. No, Paul has not sold the Ross ARTOO - that's for racing; Gilt Edge is for cruising.

John Mole