

Newhaven Yacht Squadron

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NYS Vice Commodores Newsletter August 2023

Greetings all,

Fantastic to see some familiar faces returning from their winter escape north or overseas. Great to have you back. A shout out to those still away especially our Commodore Peter and his family who I'm sure are enjoying their break. However, Peter advised that things could have been a lot worse after Rhonda was bitten by a snake and thankfully medical assistance was nearby and she has made a full recovery but has a very large bruise to show for the ordeal.

Happy Hour

Very good gathering for Happy Hour recently and if the volume of noise in the room was anything to go by then our members and friends were clearly enjoying the atmosphere. Having done a little research by visiting other establishments, we remain of excellent value in the drinks department with Crown Lager and other full strength beers still at \$5. Although our suppliers have increased their prices, our top quality red wines at \$6 a glass or \$20 bottle still represent great value. We thank our Social Committee team of volunteers for providing the free nibbles every Saturday night. Pictured Simon Kirton winner of Meat Tray.



Members' Draw

As I write this newsletter the members' draw is \$1575. Drawn at 6.30 pm every Saturday night you must be present if your number is drawn to collect the cash so be there! We again thank our supporters for their generosity including San Remo Butchers, Saltwater Restaurant and San Remo Hotel. Please return their support to us by frequenting their businesses as often as you can.

Australian Sailing

Our club is currently in dispute with Australian Sailing but we are very much still affiliated and we race under the 'Blue Book' set of international rules. In essence our racing numbers have declined considerably over a number of years, and we believe we are asked to pay fees in a

higher category than that which truly reflects our current situation. The Committee will keep you informed of any developments regarding this issue. Meanwhile, with warmer weather and finer conditions rapidly approaching, get your boat ready for the impending summer series of races around the buoys. Big thanks to our Rear Commodore Marcus Bond for his time and organisation skills.

New Club Boat update

Our new to us club boat has arrived at the Island Marine workshop in Rhyll and is currently undergoing full engine service and preparation for delivery. Sign writing will be completed shortly after that and you will be advised of the official handover event. Again, we fervently thank the staff of the Bendigo Bank San Remo for their amazing support for the boat upgrade. More to come.



Annual General Meeting

Our AGM will be held on Saturday 14 October 2023 at 2.30pm. At this stage there does not appear to be anything controversial on the agenda but please make the effort to attend as our rules stipulate that we need 10 percent of the membership present to form a quorum. Drinks and nibbles will be provided after the meeting concludes as usual. Please give consideration to joining the Committee and having a say on how your club is run. It is very rewarding to be involved in the club at that level. We still have no nominations for Vice Commodore or Boating Secretary among other positions, please give it some thought.

Working Bee

Our yearly working bee will be held on Saturday 28 October 2023 in readiness for the official opening of the sailing year. It is an opportunity for those who want to put something back into the club in a real and practical way. We need volunteers for various jobs from cleaning, pruning, sorting gear, gardening etc. Please let us know if you can assist and in particular any preference you may have for jobs you like. Many members bring their own equipment and machinery to assist on the day. All members signed on for the day are fully covered by our insurance policy.

Opening Day

Opening Day of the sailing year will be on Saturday 4 November 2023. This is the day we dress up ourselves and our sail and motorboats for a sail past out in the channel and return to the clubhouse for a quick opening speech and prizes with refreshments to follow. More to come so save the date.

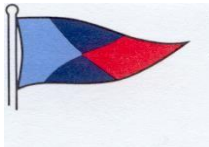
Safety Training

A BIG thank you to Bill McIntosh, Riky McIntosh and Joe Esposito. Bill McIntosh is our Safety Officer and member of CFA San Remo. We thank them for running the Safety Day

held last Saturday 26th August 23 demonstrating correct use of flairs, fire blankets and fire extinguishers and the requirements for all boat owners when out on the water.
Pictured Dorothy Koole & Mark Harper



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