



BYAV MONTHLY FLYER – MAR '11

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BBQ at HBYC

This Sunday evening after Race 7 (6th March)
 BYO food, plates etc
 Drinks from the bar
 Start approximately 6 pm



State Champs Update

The State Championships got off to a slow start with the first race being abandoned due to race control issues. The second race was run successfully with the course flag appropriately displayed. This was good

Drambuie: Craig Black relishing in the conditions (without Daffy)!



close racing, though Crag "Chinna" Black single-handedly cleaned everyone up crossing the finish line 5 minutes ahead of Panacea in 2nd place. The racing was pretty tight with only 2 minutes separating 2nd and 6th place. Day 2 (races 3 & 4) of the series was abandoned at the top mark of the first race as a squall went through and there was no further racing completed that day leaving Races 5 and 6 were successfully completed last weekend in mild conditions. Both Tandeka, skippered by Peter Roberts and Drambuie won a race

each. It now leaves race 7 to determine the outcome to the series with the boys in Drambuie looking pretty strong. So here we are with one race to go and the results so far..

YACHT	SAIL NO.	Race 2	5	6
DRAMBUIE	R 57	1	1	2
PANACEA	R711	2	3	3
MOODY BLUE	H 1150	3	6	7
WARRANILLA	H271	4	8	dnc 13
NUNYARRA	R471	5	4	4
HANINI II	H 113	6	dnc 13	8
GAYLENE	R147	8	5	5
TANDEKA	R479	8	2	1
BOUNTY	H 56	10	dnc 13	dnc 13
REVEL	H292	dnc 13	dnc 13	dnc 13
SHADOW	H 241	dnc 13	dnc 13	dnc 13
PARAMOUR	R660	dnc 13	7	6

The Grapevine....

News is that Ivan Knight has bought a yacht (a blue water cruising boat) and he flies to Florida next month to get it set up for his 'once in a lifetime' trip through the Panama Canal across the Pacific and home to Aus. Rumour has it that Louise is travelling with him. Ivan maybe looking for one other crew person to go on standby.

GEELONG WEEK

The Passage Race to Geelong had its moments of frustration as the wind died heading to Sandringham. I kept to the shore side of the course at the start in Nunyarra, hoping to keep away from the big boats and get clear air and a shore breeze. I was soon on my own, and after rounding the Sandringham buoy my goal was to keep up with an S80 and Mary Bryant in a light breeze. Seeing Portarlington in the distance, I tacked across to a new breeze coming in. Travelling at 5 knots, I could see a fleet of large stationary boats in front. Just as I was just about to reach the fleet, Drambuie tacked to be 50m in front of me. They were the first Bluebird I had seen in hours. I followed them into the passage with a short test of my new keel paint on a sandbar off Point Richards on the way. It was exciting to see in order of finish; Secret, Drambuie, Nunyarra, then Waranilla, Revel and Paramour making good times against much bigger boats in Division C. Nunyarra and Paramour had entered Division C and came 1st and 4th respectively in the Passage Race.

As usual, we went to the Koinoor Restaurant for a great Indian meal after the race.

The race on Sunday saw Bluebirds master the art of crossing shallow sand bars just outside Hopetoun Channel, watching some of the larger boats run aground.

Monday blew up to 30 knots or more, with Secret and Drambuie keeping close for comfort until Drambuie retired. Paramour loves a strong breeze. By the end of Monday, they were leading Division C on points with Nunyarra 4th.

Unfortunately, at the end of Tuesday's race, the wind died as Secret, Paramour and Nunyarra remained stationary just short of the finish, wrecking any hope of a place in Division C.

Congratulations to all boats who entered the series, especially the Bluebird Series winner Secret.

David Barnett

Results

Hosted By Royal Geelong Yacht Club

Place	Ties	Boat Name	Sail No	Skipper	Sers Score	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
1		SECRET	R280	Marshall Gibbs	7.0	2.0	1.0	3.0	1.0
2	1.0S	DRAMBUIE	R57	David Wallace	12.0	1.0	8.0F	1.0	2.0
3		NUNYARRA	R471	David Barnett	12.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	3.0
4		PARAMOUR	R660	I Knight B. Nordberg	15.0	3.0	2.0	4.0	6.0
5		WARRANILLA	H271	Ian McGrath	28.0	8.0C	8.0C	8.0C	4.0
6		REVEL	H292	Warwick Norman	29.0	8.0C	8.0C	8.0C	5.0
7		SHADOW	H241	Ian Lewis	32.0	8.0C	8.0C	8.0C	8.0C

WEDNESDAY TWILIGHT

It's been good to see Drambuie and Tandeka join Nunyarra in raising the profile of the Bluebird class in Wednesday twilight races. Drambuie and Tandeka have demonstrated that a Bluebird can match some of the larger and faster boats in Division C, consistently sailing well above 600 on handicap. On 1st December, Peter Roberts came 2nd across the line, less than 3 minutes behind Paji, a much faster boat. Let's hope one of them can take line honours in a race.

It would be great to see more Bluebirds out on a Wednesday evening, if you can get away from work early enough. It's a good social scene after races as well.

David Barnett

Max White cracks 90!

Back in early February some of our honorary members, past members and myself gathered in a café in Rosanna to celebrate Max White's 90th birthday. Max has owned many Bluebirds and is a senior life member of the BYAV. It was great to see every one there and hear some stories of bluebird events gone by.

Congratulations Max!



Editor's Note

Welcome to another 'not-so-monthly' flyer. Hope you can make it along to the BBQ after the last race of the State Championships this Sunday.

Cheers

Nick Findlay



Dan Kennedy, justifies a bottom scrub with his crewman Dickie in "Hanini 11". Dan went on to sail single handed in race 6. Mate you are inspirational!



'Nunyarra', skippered by BYAV President, David Barnett, and Treasurer, Ann Goodwin providing some solid advice along the way.



'Secret' joining the fray in the State Champs Race 2 but missing in action since!



Series Results for Lipton Cup Division D PHD

YV Performance Handicapping and Low-Points Scoring Results

Last Racing Held on 21/11/2010 at 10:05.

Sail	Yacht	Skipper	1	2	3	4	Total	Placing
R57	Drambuie	David Wallace	1	1	1	2	5	1
R479	Tandeka	Peter Roberts	2	2	4	1	9	2
R660	Paramour	Barry Nordberg	6	8	2	3	19	3
R471	Nunyarra	David Barnett	4	5	5	6	20	4
H292	Revel	Warwick Norman	7	4	6	5	22	5
H247	Shadow	Ian Lewis	8	6	7	4	25	6
R147	Gaylene	Tim Blunt	5	3	9	13	30	7
R711	Panacea	Nick Findlay	3	7	8	13	31	8
A20	Tamesis	Doug Hem	13	13	3	13	42	9
B435	Tales	Tom Hinton	13	13	13	13	52	10
H373	Karina	Not Known	13	13	13	13	52	10
H56	Bounty	Bruce Hocking	13	13	13	13	52	10



Bluebird For Sale

\$2,000

“Motley Crew”

Recently rejuvenated successful competed in Bluebird championships and “Class Monkeys” and sailed to Geelong for Audi week

- Yamaha 6hp outboard motor (under 100 hrs)
- Cat 5, radio, new battery
- Needs a new set of sails
- Great way to get into class racing

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