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### General Meeting Notice

Notice is hereby given of a General Meeting and Annual General Meeting of the Newcastle and Hunter Trailer Yacht Association to be held on Tuesday 17 August 2010 at Club Macquarie at 7:00pm

*Deadline for next Newsletter: **1 Sept.***

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## Commodore's Report

The new season is kicking off with the Spring Racing Series from F Jetty. It will be also exciting to have the Ross 780 Cup held within our series. This will be great exposure for our club.

Thanks to Hart Peters for coming forward to offer his services as Secretary, this is appreciated and will help me a lot as I will not have to listen to a certain person complaining about doing all the work.

The last club meeting was poorly attended. If you have any ideas that may make the meetings more interesting please let the committee know. A little bit of effort from everyone makes it easier for everyone.

The aquatic license has been received back from the Waterways for the next 12 months.

## **General Meeting**

Held on 20th July, 2010 at 7:00 pm  
At Club Macquarie, Argenton.

### **MINUTES**

Attendance: as per the attendance book:

Observers: NIL

Apologies: Hazel & David, Kate, Brenda, Pam, Debbie.

### **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous GM dated 15th June, 2010 were presented and printed in the newsletter for acceptance.

Resolved - That the minutes of the May General Meeting be accepted:

Moved: Hart  
Seconded: Walko  
Carried

### **Matters arising from the minutes**

Nil

### **Correspondence In:**

- Bilgewater,
- Newcastle Perm Statement,
- Sonata Notes
- Sails Magazine
- Westpac Rescue Helicopter
- Lake Wellington re Marlay March 12 2011
- YA person of the year
- Membership renewal from the Strongs.

### **Correspondence Out:**

- Nil.

### **Treasurers Report:**

- Presentation night – nill cost to club
- 250 raised from raffle - \$236 surplus

NHTYA Treasurers Report		June-09
<b>Income Received</b>		
Membership		\$70.00
YA Subs		\$0.00
Race Fees		\$0.00
Advertising		\$0.00
Social	Presentation night	\$1,280.00
Interest Rec		\$18.20
Sundry	(Presentation Night Raffle)	\$252.00
Total Income		\$1,620.20
<b>Payments Made</b>		
Social		\$1,075.43
YA Subs		\$0.00
Trophies		\$529.00
Ins-W/Ways		\$0.00
Bank Fee		\$1.00
Sundry	(Dept of Fair Trading - Change Constitution)	\$40.00
Total Expenditure		\$1,645.43
<b>Net Cash Received (Paid)</b>		<b>(\$25.23)</b>
Bank Balance at the start of the month		\$6,817.36
Bank Balance at the end of the month		\$6,792.13

Moved: Stan  
 Seconded: Graeme V  
 Carried

### Racing Report:

New Handicaps, SI and NOR in last month's newsletter.  
 Ross 780 Series incorporated into the Spring series. Trophies donated by Martin from Angelique.

### Cruising Report:

Fantastic HVG weekend, great turn up fantastic weather.

Next cruise - onshore - details in August Newsletter.

Aug 21-22	Whale of A Time	Port Stephens	Graeme & Heidi Vivian
Sept 04-05	Newcastle Harbour Cruise	Newcastle CYC	Hart & Pam Peters
Oct 30-31	Hawkesbury Odyssey	Hawkesbury	Robin & Terry Quirk
Nov 27-28	Fine Dining Experience	Lake Macquarie	Graeme & Heidi Vivian
Dec 31- 1Jan 2011	Ney Years at the Myalls	Myall Lakes	TBA

### Social Report:

BBQ at audit day. \$50 allocated for sausages and bread as discussed with DW at HVG cruise last weekend.

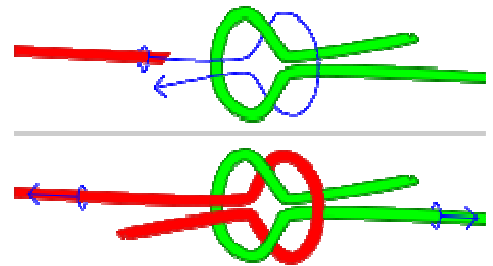
### New Members:

Steven Palmer – Capcarra  
 Proposed – Jim Gillan  
 Seconded – David  
 Accepted.

**General Business:**

**Knots:**

Phil shared an interesting story about the Thief knot. The Thief knot resembles the reef knot except that the free, or working, ends are on opposite sides. It is said that sailors would secure their belongings in a ditty bag using the thief knot, often with the ends hidden. If another sailor went through the bag, the odds were high the thief would tie the bag back using the more common reef knot, revealing the tampering, hence the name. It is difficult to tie by mistake, unlike the granny knot. The thief knot is much less secure than the already insecure reef knot. It unties itself if the lines are pulled when the same action would seize a reef knot.



**Mattara:**

Hart – Matara Notification – 10\10\2010. Looking for interested people to attend. A great way to promote the club.

**Founders Day:**

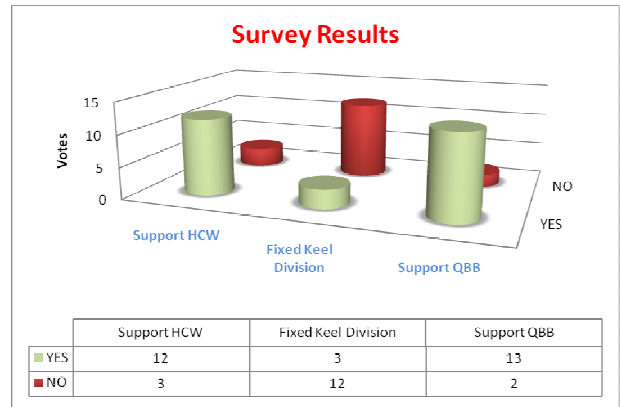
Founders Day – September 4<sup>th</sup>  
Moved cruise weekend to 4<sup>th</sup> and Race weekend to 18\19th September.

**Boat Inspections:**

10-14:00 Audit day - 31st July. Phil and Hart to audit.

**Survey:**

Result from the recent 3 issue survey were tabled via a summary graph. It was acknowledged that the questions were a little ambiguous and not straight out yes \ no questions. However the following could be extracted.



**Heaven Can Wait:**

Motion put forward: Graham Walkerden moved that the club participate in the 1 lap Dash of the HCW and run the club results as the 6 hour race from the start and finish results. Entry fee etc as per HCW.

- o Second Derek Tracey
- o Carried.
- o Philip Sparkes spoke that he would like the club to run their own event.

**Unfilled positions:**

- o Secretary
- o Social

**Dog DeBarkle**

Derek reported that Ray and Bronwyn's dog Lilly had 5 ticks at Styles Point.

**Meeting Closed: 20:10**

**Next Meeting:**

17<sup>th</sup> August – Club Macquarie

**Minutes of the Committee Meeting**

20<sup>th</sup> July 2010-07-21

Present: Greg Searles, Graeme Vivian, Phillip Sparkes, Peter Swan, Derek Tracey, Graham Walkerden, Jim Gillan

1. Calender was discussed and agreed till June 2011 (Included in Program below)
2. Aquatic License to be applied for by Greg
3. Ross 780 Cup - The Club has been approached to run a competition over the spring series for Ross 780's conditions as follows

- a. Trophy being donated by Angelique
  - b. Non Spinnaker
  - c. Add a clause into existing Sailing instructions Action GW
  - d. Need to be members of the NHTYA to compete
  - e. To be promoted on TSCom etc
  - f. Start with Div 4
  - g. Safety Audits required
  - h. Handicaps to be run as normal plus this division and back calculated after the first 4 races
4. There is a motion coming to change the name of the club to make it more appropriate to current circumstances. Please forward suggestions to the committee
  5. Treasures Budget was presented and agreed as a working document

Meeting Closed at 7:00pm



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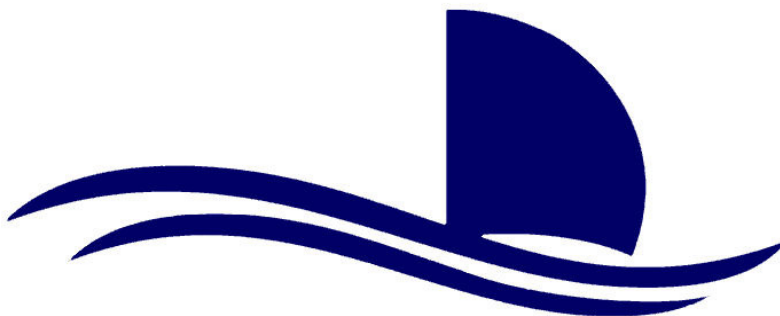
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### **Race Organiser's Column:**

Thanks to Phil and Hart for undertaking so many audits on Registration Day and thanks for the boats that turned up to make the process as efficient and easy as possible for them.

The new racing series starts soon and promises to be one of the best with many new members. See you there!

## Just Cruising

Next cruise is to Port Stephens for a bit of Whale Watching and hopefully to have a "Whale Of A Time". Those of us who attended the Australia Day cruise organised by Graham & Liz Tinkler will have fond memories of the scenic waterways and the wonderful hospitality shown by the staff of the marina. The Idea is to shove off at 10:00am and head East. If the weather is appropriate we may go out the heads and try to see some whales. If the weather isn't suitable, there is plenty to see in the bay with dolphins, jelly fish and assorted birdlife. Bring along a picnic lunch to enjoy on route.



We have arranged with Daryl from Soldiers Point Marina berths at \$60 per night which can be shared. For example you could easily get 4 (or more) trailer sailers into a double berth so it would be \$30 per boat. To take up the shared option you must bring along a signed letter stating that you do not hold the marina responsible for any damages incurred to your boat due to berth sharing. Contact Daryl grab a berth and share it with your friends. Alternately there are plenty of free anchorages around if you don't wish to stay at the marina and use their facilities.

Sunday morning after brekkie we will go for a sail around the bay before packing up and heading home early afternoon.

- **When:** August 21-22
- **Where:** Soldier's Point Ramp \ Marina
- **What To Bring:** Harpoons, Camera, Appropriate clothing and safety equipment to suit the conditions. Bring plenty of fuel as there may be a lot of motoring involved.
- **Contact:** Graeme & Heidi - 0410 329950
- **Soldiers Point Marina** - <http://www.soldiersptmarina.com.au/>  
- [db@soldiersptmarina.com.au](mailto:db@soldiersptmarina.com.au)  
- (02) 4982 7445



### *What's Coming Up Cruising Wise:*

Aug 21-22	Whale of A Time	Port Stephens	Graeme & Heidi Vivian
Sept 4-5	Newcastle Harbour Cruise	Newcastle CYC	Hart & Pam Peters
Oct 30-31	Hawkesbury Odyssey	Hawkesbury	Robin & Terry Quirk
Nov 27-28	Fine Dining Experience	Lake Macquarie	Graeme & Heidi Vivian
Dec 31- 1Jan 2011	New Years at the Myalls	Myall Lakes	TBA

## **Newcastle Harbour Cruise**

The annual Founders Day event is almost upon us again. It will be on Newcastle Harbour on Saturday and Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> September. It will also be our Newcastle Harbour cruise, which will take place on the Saturday, followed by an overnight stay in the pens of Newcastle Cruising Yacht club.

Sunday morning will start the day with the Maritime Parade and Blessing of the Fleet. There will also be prizes for the Best Dressed Crew and Best Dressed Boat. After Lunch we will have our Annual Harbour Race. Please find

attached in this Newsletter the Official Entry Form for the Parade and Race. If you are wishing to participate, please fill in the form and return to me ASAP. Sailing Instructions and Parade Itinerary will be handed out on the Saturday morning.

Hart Peters  
Secretary

## Sail on James Craig

23 July 2010

The James Craig is a proper clipper-style sailing ship built in 1874. The story of how she was restored from a sunken hulk is amazing. However the most amazing thing is that Sydney is probably the only place in the world where anyone can still sail on such a vessel. So we met up with Jim from Spindrift early on Saturday morning full of anticipation. The forecast was for 10-15 knots from the South with a slight swell, all of which sounded pretty perfect.



From the quay the James Craig looked like it had been built last week, really good. In fact they had built every frame and plate from scratch and replaced them all, so in a way it was brand new. It is crewed by 30 volunteers who were very nice and continued to look after us throughout the trip. By the time we left the quay about 50 visitors were on board and the tug pulled us into open water at Darling Harbour.



As we passed down the harbour to the Heads it was difficult not to feel special and everyone on the shore seemed to be staring at us. The masts were massive and it looked like they just missed the deck of the bridge although a crewmember said it was a 30m gap. As we approached the sea we could feel the swell but the breeze was very light. The crew started to set sail and we all helped. There are no winches and the ropes are massive so you could really see how much work was involved in setting the massive sails. Some of the yards weigh over a ton and many of the sheets are made of 8mm chain. Finally 18 sails were set and of course the slight breeze completely disappeared. As we drifted around the crew served lunch and showed us how they used a trailing log in the old days to measure "knots", literally. It registered 0.75 knots which I

reckon was about right.

All in all it was a great day and the crew looked after us very well. I would love to do it in a decent breeze as they have sailed the James Craig at 11.5 knots which must be amazing.

David & Joan  
Ezy

## Onshore Cruise - 18th July 2010

The cruising Gods provided us with clear skies and fair weather for the onshore picnic at Hunter Valley Gardens. 11 "boats" attended with the crew from "Satisfaction" joining us all the way from Canberra. Great catch up with everyone before the new season starts. Thanks to all those who attended.



## Old Flare Limit

Thank you to Hazel Cooper for pointing out this interesting article in Afloat magazine.

*I recently went through my treasure trove of flares and counted no less than eleven packets of four flares each and an assortment of rocket flares.*

*Having found out that Maritime now accept out-of-date flares, I rang Maritime Rozelle just to make sure. Six of the eleven packets of flares were really out of date and so these I dutifully put in a bucket and drove them down to Maritime.*

*At reception I was told that they can only accept eight flares at a time and I had some twenty four of them. My immediate thoughts were that I could drive down to Maritime twice more with my eight flares in hand each time. Logically though, one would realise that the number of flares delivered would be exactly the same only I would have to have made three trips to Maritime to fulfil my objective.*

*Maybe my face at the time said it all... they kindly accepted my flares but be warned, if you have lots of flares, take your family with you so each member can hand in their eight flares.*

*Frits Breuseker,  
Cabarita.*



Curtis & Leroy saw an ad in the Daily Newspaper in Geelong, Victoria. and bought a mule for \$100.

The farmer agreed to deliver the mule the next day. The next morning the farmer drove up and said, "Sorry, fellows, I have some bad news, the mule died last night.."

Curtis & Leroy replied, "Well, then just give us our money back." The farmer said, "Can't do that. I went and spent it already."

They said, "OK then, just bring us the dead mule." The farmer asked, "What in the world ya'll gonna do with a dead mule?"

Curtis said, "We gonna raffle him off." The farmer said, "You can't raffle off a dead mule!"

Leroy said, "We shore can! Heck, we don't hafta tell nobody he's dead!"

A couple of weeks later, the farmer ran into Curtis & Leroy at the local grocery store and asked.

What'd you fellers ever do with that dead mule?" They said, "We raffled him off like we said we wuz gonna do."

Leroy said, "Shucks, we sold 500 tickets fer two dollars apiece and made a profit of \$898."

The farmer said, "My Lord, didn't anyone complain?"

Curtis said, "Well, the feller who won got upset. So we gave him his two dollars back."

## **Program of Events**

### Program 2010

Date		Activity		Location	Cruise Leader	Points	
Sat-Sun	7-8	August	Race 1-2	F-Jetty	Graham Walkerden 4950 4437	2	
	14-15	August					
Tuesday	17	August		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
Sat-Sun	21-22	August	Cruise	Whale of a Time	Port Stephens	Graeme & Heidi 0410 329 950	2
	28-29	August					
Sat-Sun	4-5	September	Cruise	Newcastle Harbour Cruise	Newcastle CYC	Hart & Pam	2
	11-12	September					
Sat-Sun	18-19	September	Race 3-4	Race 3 and 4	F-Jetty	Graham Walkerden 4950 4437	2
Tuesday	21	September		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
Sat-Sun	2-4	October	Race ////	Labour Day Weekend	3 & 6 Hr Races	Graham Walkerden 4950 4437	2
Sat-Sun	16-17	October	Race 5-6		Styles Point	Graham Walkerden 4950 4437	2
Tuesday	19	October		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
Sat-Sun	30-31	October	Cruise	Hawkesbury Odyssey	Hawkesbury	Robin & Terry Quirk	2
Sat-Sun	13-14	November	Race 7-8		Styles Point	Graham Walkerden 4950 4437	2
Tuesday	16	November		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
	20-21	November	Cruise	Lake Illawara Cruise \ Regatta			
Sat-Sun	27-28	November	Cruise	Fine Dining Experience	Lake Macquarie	Graeme & Heidi 0410 329 950	2
	4-5	December					
Sat-Sun	11-12	December	Xmas get-				

			together				
	18-19	December					
	25-26	December					
Sat-Sun	31-1	Dec 2010 Jan 2011	Cruise	New Years Eve	Myall Lakes		2
<b>Program 2011</b>							
Sat-Sun	22-23 + 26	January 2011	Cruise	Australia Day		<b>Volunteer Leaders required</b>	2
Sat-Sun	12-13	February	Race 1-2		Styles Point	Graham Walkerden 4950 4437	2
Tuesday	15	February		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
Sat-Sun	26-27	February	Cruise		Wallis Lakes	Phillip Sparkes 0414 223654	2
Sat-Sun	12-13	March 2011	Race 3-4		Styles Point	Graham Walkerden 4950 4437	2
Tuesday	15	March		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
Sat-Sun	26-27	March	Cruise			<b>Volunteer Leaders required</b>	2
Sat-Sun	9-10	April 2011	Race 5-6		Styles Point	Graham Walkerden 4950 4437	2
Tuesday	19	April		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
Sat-Sun	22-26	April	Cruise		Easter Cruise	<b>Volunteer Leaders required</b>	2
Sat-Sun	14-15	May 2011	Race 7-8		Styles Point	Graham Walkerden 4950 4437	2
Tuesday	17	May		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		
Sat-Sun	28-29	May	Cruise		Hunter-Williams-Paterson Rivers	Phillip Sparkes 0414 223654	2
Sat-Sun	11-13	June	Cruise	Queen's Birthday Bash	Lake Macquarie	Graeme & Heidi 0410 329 950	2
Tuesday	14	June		General Meeting	Club Macquarie		

# NCYC Founders Day Parade Entry Form 5 September 2010

**Vessel Name** : .....Sail No(if applicable) .....Class/ Design.....

Motor Boat Design.....

Skipper/ Owner Name .....

Address .....

Phone ..... Mobile.....

Club Name .....

Changes if any made to rig, sail inventory or hull and underwater appendages.....

## **ENTRY: No fees Applicable.**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Please Tick</b>	<b>Vessel</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Prizes Awarded</b>
Parade and Blessing		Sail, Motor, Trawler, Harbour vessel.	Best Dressed Boat Best Dressed Crew	Best Dressed Boat Prize Best Dressed Crew Prize
Cock of the Harbour Trawlers		Trawler	Harbour Race Pilot Station to Queens Wharf	Winner's Trophy and Prize
NCYC Short Ocean Race YA Special Regulations Category 4	NCYC Top Yacht Online entry	Yachts Top Yacht Entry Required for racing.	PHS Division 1 PHS Division 2 IRC Division	Winner's Trophy and Prize
Newcastle Hunter Trailer Sailer Harbour Race YA Special Regulations Category 7	NCYC Top Yacht Online entry	Yachts Top Yacht Entry Required for racing.	PHS	Winner's Trophy and Prize

I agree to enter the Founders Day Parade and Blessing and take full responsibility for my decision to participate. I acknowledge and accept the risk of harm to persons associated with the perils of on water activity, the seaworthiness or otherwise of any boat participating, the participation, including negligent participation, by all persons in the parade including participation as owner, charterer, crew person, official, event organizer or otherwise.

Signed.....Date .....

I agree to be bound by the RRS 2009- 2012, the current Special Regulations of the YA and all other rules that govern the event and I acknowledge that Rule 4, Decision to race, places the sole responsibility for deciding to participate in a race or to continue racing as the boat's alone.

Signed ..... Date .....

For Marina Berths ring NCYC 0249 408 188 or Dockmaster Paul Booth 0408 299 512

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