

RMYS News - 2004

9 July 2004

RMYS Launches New Website - 9267

Karen Hannan, Latest News, Friday, 9 July 2004

After much time and effort, the new RMYS website has been launched. You will see most of the same features that were in the old website however, the new website is much more user friendly and there are a few new features:

- Members can now add their own crew wanted/available
- There is a classifieds section which can be used to advertise boats for sale, wanted etc
- Race results can be accessed by finding the race in the calendar and clicking on the link
- All current and future events are listed on the home page
- There is a filter function available when viewing the calendar. Use the advanced function to see regattas, races that are being run by other clubs.
- Results can be accessed by via the calendar as well as the results page. Just go to the date you wish to see and click on the relevant race. A page will appear with a link to results.

Now that the new site is up and running we welcome any suggestions people may have as to what we should have on the site. If you have any suggestions please email them to Fiona in the office at fiona@rmys.com.au and we will endeavour to take them on board.

I would also like to thank Wendell for the time he has put into getting the new website up and running. It was quite a large feat putting the entire calendar onto the site as well as setting up the online payment options, classifieds and putting all the current year results on. In addition to all this he had to keep the old site up to date as well so great job Wendell.

Cruising Division - SYC Lunch and Cruise - 9258

Karen Hannan, Latest News, Friday, 9 July 2004

Occasionally, an ill-wind blows good... As the Sandringham Yacht Club has a large group booking for Sunday July 25th, we have re-scheduled (hopefully with warmer weather) the Sandringham Yacht Club lunch, to Sunday August 15th.

DESTINATION: Sandringham Yacht Club

DATE: Sunday August 15th

TIME: Depart RMYS at 10.00am for lunch at 12.30pm

IF you'd like to join with all your friends for the annual RMYS luncheon and sail to Sandringham, you can e-mail Lindy Scott at barrylindyscott@c031.aone.net.au or telephone on 9531 7007.

12 July 2004

RMYS Ski Trip - 9289

Karen Hannan, Latest News, Monday, 12 July 2004

RMYS Ski Trip

The snow has arrived and once again, Sabina is organising the RMYS ski trip to Falls creek. All those skiing, snowboarding, tobogganing or snowman-making enthusiasts, please keep reading!!

Where: Schuss Ski Club, Falls Creek www.schuss.asn.au/falls.htm

When: Thu 9th - Sun 12th September (3 nights)

Accommodation Cost: \$219.00

People are welcome to stay for the Friday and Saturday nights only at a cost of \$152.00 per person (food not included).

To book your place, ring Andrew at Schuss Ski Club on 5758 3372 (evenings are best) or email him at Falls @shcuss.asn.au. Once you have done this, please ring Sabina Rosser to confirm you have made your booking. Please book by July 30.

29 July 2004

Cruising Division Lunch at SYC 15th August - 11770

Lindy Scott, Thursday, 29 July 2004

With hopefully warmer weather in store, the RMYS Cruising Division cordially invites you and your friends, to a 'lively' time with our "Sunday Sojourn at Sandringham"

SAIL SOUTH FOR THE WINTER!

DESTINATION: Sandringham Yacht Club

DATE: Sunday August 15th

TIME: Depart RMYS at 10.00am for lunch at 12.30pm

Alas, SYC have requested all lunching and berthing details by Friday August 6th, thus could you please, please, oh please let me know your bistro numbers, as well as the length and name of the boat making the voyage.

As a hint, should you wish to fuel your vessel, the SYC has a fuel bowser available at the dock, best paid by direct debit with your credit card.

It's also fine, should you wish to drive, swim or parachute to Sandringham, as all I shall need will be your dining numbers, by the 6th.

To join us on for the annual RMYS luncheon and sail to Sandringham, please either e-mail Lindy Scott at barrylindyscott@c031.aone.net.au or telephone on 9531 7007.

We look forward to seeing you at this most enjoyable day, on Port Phillip Bay.

Warmest winter wishes,

Lindy

10 August 2004

AMS and IRC Boat Weighing Day - 11961

Wendell Raven, Tuesday, 10 August 2004

Sunday 5th September at Sandringham Yacht Club

There is a Boat Weighing day for all AMS and IRC boats that have not been weighed or have had a significant change in their weight that has not been recorded by a measurer.

The date is Sunday 5th September at Sandringham Yacht Club. Please call Heather at Yachting Victoria on 9597 0066 to book a time slot. You will then receive a package in the mail explaining the details.

Time slots will be allocated initially between 8:30am and 12:30pm.

19 August 2004

Commodore's Challenge – 12178

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 19 August 2004

If you are looking for something to do this Sunday, you should head on down to RYCV in Williamstown to watch the Commodore's Annual Challenge Trophy.

This event is contested by the Commodores of RMYS, RYCV, RBYC, RGYC, HBYC and SYC and their two crew members using Elliott 5.9's. The event consists of 4 races and the first commences at 1100 hours.

Commodore Alan Saunders, Vice-Commodore Rohan Brownlee and member Ricky McGarvie make up the RMYS team and we are hoping they can bring the winning trophy back to our Club!!

Following the racing will be a BBQ, with all proceeds from the day going to the Sail for Cancer Fund so it is definitely a very worthwhile cause to support. We hope to see many RMYS faces there.

Olympic News – 12179

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 19 August 2004

Victoria's only sailor competing at Athens, Sarah Blanck, missed out on Bronze by one point.

Many of you would have met Sarah a couple of months ago when she gave a presentation at the club in the lead-up to the Women's Keelboat Regatta. Unfortunately she just missed out on the Bronze medal.

Catch all of the latest Olympic news at [Yachting Australia](#) or [Sail World](#)

General Members Meeting – 12180

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 19 August 2004

There will be a General Member's Meeting held next Wednesday 25 August, commencing at 1930 hours.

All members are welcome. Remember this is YOUR squadron attempting to meet YOUR needs and wishes.

Dinner will be available in the Members Bar from 6pm on this evening. Bookings are essential so please call the office on 9534 0227 or email [Fiona](#)

24 August 2004

Sailing on Channel 7 Tonight - 24 Aug - 12319

Wendell Raven, Tuesday, 24 August 2004

Channel 7 Television has been advising on their Olympic coverage this afternoon, that sailing will be shown during tonight's broadcast. The racing scheduled is the 49er class, races 13, 14 and 15.

As the Olympic Broadcaster of The Athens 2004 Olympics, this is the first time Channel Seven has announced that sailing will be televised - fingers crossed it will happen!

Information courtesy of [Yachting Australia](#)

6 September 2004

September Seabreeze available online now - 12546

Wendell Raven, Monday, 6 September 2004

The September issue of Seabreeze has just been mailed out to members and is available now online.

Download September Seabreeze (Note - file is 3.48Mb, a lengthy download with a dial-up modem).

(Note: the link has been removed as it is no longer available online)

9 September 2004

Grand Final Day Celebrations - 12614

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 9 September 2004

It's that time in September again....that's right....the AFL Grand Final is less than 3 weeks away.

And what better way to watch the big game than on the large screen TV at RMYS. And in true footy style, there will be HOT pies, HOT chips, hamburgers, etc.

The Mixed Series race on this day will be commencing at 1100 hours so it will be finished in time for you to get back to the club and watch the Grand Final.

Working Bee - This Sunday - 26th September - 12615

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 9 September 2004

The RMYS Working Bee will be taking place this Sunday 26 September from 9am.

Thanks to all those people who have volunteered, but we still need some more hands so please let Fiona know if you can make it so we can allocate jobs. Following is a list of the jobs that need doing:

- * Repairs in the men's change room
- * Decking repairs to the marina
- * Fitting davits to the pier
- * Plaster repairs in foyer
- * Painting of flagpole and pillar in Harbour Room
- * Clean-up of the spar room
- * Clearing of Westbeach
- * Repair spouting (member's bar)
- * Washing of outdoor furniture
- * Sanding and painting of cadet dinghies

Materials required:

- Chainsaw
- Contact adhesive (for sticking down floor tiles in change room)
- White paint
- Timber
- Nails

Could you please advise what job you would like to undertake, via [email](#). And if you have any of the above materials in your possession, please let us know and bring them along on Sunday!!

ORCV Rip Tour - Sunday 10th October - 12616

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 9 September 2004

With thanks to Geoff Chambers, we are delighted to announce an opportunity for you to learn and discover safe passage through the Port Philip Heads with the ORCV.

Geoff has very kindly negotiated a discount of \$10 per head, if more than 10 participate. Please click [here](#) to visit the ORCV website for more details. (*Note: the link was removed as the page is no longer available.*)

Please [email Geoff](#) at at your earliest convenience, if you would like to take advantage of this offer.

16 September 2004

Safety Lecture - 12866

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 16 September 2004

With the start of the Summer season upon us, we thought it would be timely to have a presentation about 'Safety on the Water'.

Wes Oswin from Marine Safety Victoria will be speaking in the Harbour Room on Wednesday 29 September at 7pm. He will cover topics such as vessel preparation, safety gear, the latest safety practices and a range of other safety issues. All boat owners and their crew are encouraged to attend.

Dinner will be available between 6 and 7pm. Please make your booking with the office.

23 September 2004

Member Detail Forms - 12994

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 23 September 2004

All members should have received a form in the last mailout asking them to update their personal details and to nominate a telephone number and email address for the 2004-05 club handbook/diary (the red book). If you haven't returned your form yet please do so by 5pm tomorrow (Friday), otherwise you will not be listed in the diary.

Opening Day - 12995

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 23 September 2004

Season Opening Day is upon us again and that means the commencement of a fun-filled Summer of sailing.

This year's Opening Day is on Saturday 2nd October from 11am.

There are many activities planned for the day including the Blessing of the Fleet and the Sail Past.

There will also be a Carvery Roast Lunch at a cost of \$20 per head. Bookings are essential so please contact the office to make your booking. Telephone 9534 0227 or email [Jan](#)

Summer Sail to Wilson's Prom and Beyond - January 2005 - 12996

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 23 September 2004

Under the guidance and tutelage of Geoff Chambers, we are looking for expressions of interest from members who would like to sail to Wilson's Prom in January 2005.

Please find a rough outline of the proposed itinerary:

Date	Passage	Distance (approx.)
31/12	St Kilda to Queenscliff	35 nm
1/1	Queenscliff to Refuge cove	120 nm Leave on slack water at 1730
2/1	Arrive at Refuge 2/1 afternoon and stay 1-2 days	
4/1	Refuge cove to Port Welspool	30 nm
5/1	Port Welspool to Deal Island	65 nm Stay 1 day
7/1	Deal Island to Queenscliff	130 nm
8/1	Queenscliff to St Kilda	35 nm

All of this will depend on weather and we might have to cancel section depending upon time and weather. Some prior requirements for doing a trip like this should be:

1. Boat set up to Cat 3 safety + a liferaft and VHF radio - see ORCV web site for list (I have a copy), we can have boat inspections to help people if needed.
2. One person (minimum) capable taking a boat through the heads, attending the 'ORCV RIP tour' is a good grounding for this.
3. Some experience of sailing at night, we can set up a 10-15 nm mile course that people can practice on at St Kilda at night.
4. Knowledge of navigation (day and night), charts, GPS etc.
5. Four people per boat.
6. Anything else you can think of?
7. Maybe we can have a meeting of those interested in Early October at the club.

Geoff is happy to offer assistance and help, however, to get the ball rolling, please contact [Lindy or Barry Scott](#) if you would like to find out more about this fantastic sailing experience.

28 September 2004

Friday Party Night - The Titanics!! - 13062

Wendell Raven, Tuesday, 28 September 2004

There is a Moonlight Flit this Friday night, so in the old tradition, The Titanics will be rocking the Members Bar that evening.

They will be recording the event too so it looks set to be a huge night of fun and frivolity!! Family and friends welcome as always.

The dinner menu will be emailed on Thursday. To avoid disappointment, please make your dinner reservation by calling the office or via email.

30 September 2004

Summer Entry Forms - 13090

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 30 September 2004

Block entries for the Summer Series are now available on The Triad in the Members Bar.

You can also download them from the RMYS website. (*Note: the link was removed as the page is no longer available.*)

8 October 2004

BOM Talk - 13174

Wendell Raven, Friday, 8 October 2004

Graeme Tepper from the Bureau of Meteorology will be giving a presentation in the Harbour Room on Wednesday 27th October at 7pm.

He will discuss a range of topics including:

- Wind and wave development over the Bay.
- Wave development including giant waves.
- The possibilities of encountering waves greater than forecast.
- How wind varies and why
- How to read the weather map and signs in the sky.
- What weather information is available from the Bureau and some private sources.

Dinner will be available between 6 – 7pm. Please make a booking for dinner with the office.

Road Closure - 13175

Wendell Raven, Friday, 8 October 2004

On account of the Melbourne Marathon this Sunday 10 October, the following roads will be closed from 7:30am until 1pm approx:

- Jacka Blvd from Cavell St, Elwood to Fitzroy St, St Kilda.
- Beaconsfield Pde from Fitzroy St, St Kilda to Kerferd Rd, Middle Park

- Kerferd Rd from Beaconsfield Pde, Middle Park to Canterbury Rd, Middle Park.

1 November 2004

Cruise to the Blues - 13491

Wendell Raven, Monday, 1 November 2004

Queenscliff Music Festival November 26-28th BERTHS AVAILABLE AND CREWS SEEKING BOATS AND BERTHS

If you love the blues and love sailing...then this is your weekend of the year! The Festival kicks off on Friday night, then continues all day Saturday & Sunday.

To confirm berthing arrangements now available at QCYC at Queenscliff please contact Johnathin Crockett Jacrockett@bigpond.com or call 0488700817

Some boats will be departing RMYS on Friday, with most departing, at their discretion, on Saturday.

To find out all about the Festival, click on to www.qmf.net.au.

If you'd like to join us on one of the great weekends across the Bay, please contact Lindy Scott on 9531 7007 or e-mail at racing@rmys.com.au or manager@rmys.com.au

Looking forward to seeing you there!

5 November 2004

Junior Sailing - 13551

Wendell Raven, Friday, 5 November 2004

The NAPIER CUP was once again hotly contested amongst our Junior skippers last weekend, under very trying conditions.

There were some impressive manoeuvres observed out there, undoubtedly under the direction of highly talented skippers!

Thank you to the adults who supported this event and provided our Juniors with a fantastic opportunity and an insight into their future possibilities... Congratulations to all.

1st Meridian Passage James Kellett, Angus Evans

2nd Club Comedie Joanna Robin

Equal 3rd Taranaki Katherine Peric, Tiernan Lacey, Maia Hester

and Highland Ceilidh Shea Wilding, Joseph Fitzpatrick

AND THERE IS MORE...

Thank you to those members who have been financially supporting Junior Sailing by making donations to the upcoming 76th STONEHAVEN REGATTA (January 2005). We are still a significant distance away from our goal of \$10,000. Your contribution, no matter how small, will go a long way to making this event a success. Already we have put funds to use for essential boat repairs, but your ongoing generosity will enable a great deal more to be done, so please make a donation. A mere \$10 from every member will go a long way!!! Please contact Fiona at the office NOW and make your much-needed pledge.

We also need your assistance in kind - any freebies for the Auction held on Presentation Night and for the traditional Hamper - all funds are put back into the Juniors Program. So please use your imagination as to what you may donate and contact Manuela Hester (0402 092 329) Ron Brown (0409 403 915) or Mike Eger (0411 117 530) with your offers and suggestions. Also, items such as energy/health drinks/snacks and other treats (lollies etc) are strongly appreciated by kids for consumption during the racing.

Of course, a little of your time between 2nd and 7th January to assist in running this Regatta would also be appreciated. Don't shy away at the thought of 90 exuberant teenagers descending upon our Club!! You are guaranteed of having a fantastic and rewarding experience, whether assisting in the canteen, being a safety officer on the beach, being a race official or providing yourself and your boat to be part of the spectator fleet. Again, just call one of us with your details and we will allocate you a task.

Thank you in anticipation...

11 November 2004

Squadron Cup - 13626

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 11 November 2004

The 2004 Squadron Cup will be conducted on Friday 19th November.

This is an overnight race of approximately 85 nautical miles and commences at 2000 hours. The Notice of Race and Entry form for this event can be downloaded from the RMYS website or collected from The Triad in the Member's Bar. Entries close on Monday 22nd November.

Members Meeting - 13627

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 11 November 2004

The next quarterly members meeting will be held on Thursday 25 November at 7-00pm.

Remember this is YOUR Squadron attempting to meet YOUR needs and wishes. Come along and contribute to the discussion.

Hazard - 13628

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 11 November 2004

A vessel has sunk in the Harbour creating a hazard.

The vessel, which is a timber hull, is located about 5' below the water approximately 50 metres off the middle of E row. It has been marked by a large orange float, and a smaller white float. We will endeavour to have this removed as soon as possible.

18 November 2004

Coastal Navigation Course - 13732

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 18 November 2004

Expressions of interest are requested from members interested in completing a Coastal Navigation Course in 2005.

The course will be run over 10 consecutive Thursday evenings commencing in March 2005. Please advise [Fiona](#) if you are interested in completing this course.

A Great Opportunity - 13733

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 18 November 2004

Three swimmers are undertaking a 1½ day relay swim in Port Phillip Bay just after Christmas and, in the autumn of 2005 the relay team intends to swim across Bass Strait from Tasmania to Victoria - a three day swim.

They are looking for support from a Medical Practitioner, who has some yachting experience, to keep an eye on the health of each of the three swimmers in a voluntary capacity.

Both of these swims are being exclusively sponsored by Channel 7 and will capture the interest of millions of Australians. The Bass Strait swim will be used as a fund raising exercise to assist a major charity.

Perhaps some retired Doctor might be willing to support us.

If you are interested, please call Noel Truscott on 0437 848 660.

2 December 2004

Christmas Lunch - 13915

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 2 December 2004

Sunday 12th December

Come and join your fellow club members for a festive lunch. A hot and cold buffet with plenty of seafood and all your Christmas favourites will be available for a feast with friends and family.

Adults \$46 per head

Children under 12 \$1 per year of age

Bookings are essential with the office before Monday 6th December

Beach Road Closed - 13916

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 2 December 2004

Sunday 5th December

Due to Sussan Fun Run, Beach Rd will be closed from approx 0730 to 1000.

Maintenance Dredging - 13917

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 2 December 2004

Park's Victoria are carrying out dredging in the vicinity of St Kilda Pier low landing.

It will begin on 6th December and will continue till mid December. Caution should be taken when navigating in the vicinity of the dredge and floating plant.

Shipmate Pocket Directory - 13918

Wendell Raven, Thursday, 2 December 2004

A handy guide including tide details and boating contacts is available in the office for interested boat owners to pick up.