

# SEAHORSE

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## Editorial

### THANK YOU!!

To the outgoing Committee, a huge vote of thanks. These are the people behind the smooth running of our club who have done a great job this year. Some of the highlights for me have been the increase in numbers of the Junior Sailing Squad, the improved storage facilities and Presentation Night. These are only a few of the accomplishments this year. Also our membership people have been doing a great job with both ongoing and new members. I am looking forward to the next stage of Clubhouse development when the Port Phillip Council approves the re-modelling of the rear of the Clubhouse.

### THE NEWSLETTER

Apologies if this is the first newsletter you have seen for a while. The newsletter is posted on the club website <http://www.elwoodsc.com/> and past editions are also available. Printed copies are available at the bar on race days during the sailing season.

Please make sure that your contact details are correct when you pay your fees this year. From the next edition, all members without an email address will be sent a printed copy of the newsletter.

## CONGRATULATIONS

To all the winners from last season, well sailed! A summary of results is included later in this newsletter. How about you winners taking on a challenge over the winter and contacting sailing friends to make sure they turn up at ESC for the great sailing in season 2005-2006?

Any other 49ers out there?

### **AGM Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2005 at 7.30pm ESC Clubrooms**

The Annual General Meeting of the Elwood Sailing Club and the election of office bearers and committee will be conducted on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2005, beginning at 7.30pm. All positions of office bearers and committee are vacant and up for nomination, and anyone interested in a position should fill out a nomination form. Drinks and Pizza will be served after the meeting.

The notice for the AGM, agenda and nomination form will also be posted on the website. All nomination forms should be returned by mail to The Secretary, Elwood Sailing Club, PO Box 14, Elwood, 3184 no later than 5pm Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August, or alternatively a copy can be obtained from the website and emailed to [secretary@elwoodsc.com](mailto:secretary@elwoodsc.com). Nominations will also be accepted on AGM night.

## Working Bee Sat 27<sup>th</sup> – Sun 28<sup>th</sup> August 2005

A working bee is being organised for the weekend of 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> August 2005. If you are able to come and help over this weekend it would be very much appreciated. Further details will be provided at the AGM.

### DOLPHIN DROPPINGS

Newsletter scribes, such as myself, usually fill up the Winter issue of 'Seahorse' with waffle, such as where they, or Class sailing mates, have been or are about to hibernate.

Enough of this padding I say, who reads it and for those of us left behind working through the colder months it is not really a feel – good!

Also, as I've had my head down studying, I haven't been tracking anyone, so the sum – total is that I have nothing to say.

So I reflected on our Club, its place in the Community and where it looks like it's heading. Here are some thoughts:

1. Location and sailing amenity:  
Elwood would have to be the premier location for off – the – beach sailing. An extensive trailer park, usually a wide beach, good recovery for boats.
2. Building and facilities:  
Attractive and well set up for the business of sailing, and also, for social functions. Debt free, and with further improvements to complete the easy access of stored boats to the beach, now with patrol craft having increasing security without

impeding boats and boards egress / ingress from storage.

3. Relationships:  
The good standing that really matters is the excellent one with Council. Without detailing instances, ESC is benefiting currently in several areas in dialog with the City of Port Phillip. End result is that things are happening for the Club. Needless to say, relationships with our neighboring foreshore clubs are, as always good, and of mutual benefit.
4. Events:  
The December Formula Board Worlds will do much for our Club and members are urged to support these Titles by helping to run them, assuring their success.  
In terms of mono and cat class titles we have not been securing as many events as we would like, and we need to work harder at this. The Easter 2006 Paper Tiger Trans – Tasman Challenge (?) however, is one we are very pleased to be able to host.
5. Training:  
Full training lists in the last couple of years, with Elwood to become an accredited training establishment. Full thanks to Andrew and his co – trainers.
6. The Club Future:  
Looks to be assured of every success, with the marvelous assets we enjoy, outlined above.

### National E news

Well, the season is over and no doubt everyone is hard at their maintenance programs, Mark, Joe and I no longer have any interest in the football, Dan's season will be over any day now, Tim's team is flying, hence the lack of practice on the new 49er. Finger's team is about to get unstuck, so the maintenance might start in early September in stead of opening day for the "Herbie".

At the time of writing this, there are only 8 weeks until opening day, that's a scary thought for some. The E's will once again be the lifeblood of the club, with a few new pairings this season and a few new people getting involved in the class. The club E has had a major refit, and will be available for the training squad to entice more people to join the class, Joe has sold his boat to a new member of the club and class, As yet I have not met him, but I am sure the class will embrace him with open arms, Peter Seal has a new found enthusiasm and new crew, so watch out for him. John might have a problem this year, Once Daisy gets her license, she might leave him home and get a new skipper, probably not. Will's boat is in one piece again, but now he's purchased a 30 footer, he might go EWOL occasionally, I wonder if he will lend out his boat again? Towards the end of last season the E's held a training day, which went down extremely well, so much so, that another one is planned for the 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of September. The E's have also organized a maintenance day for the club boat on the 14<sup>th</sup> of August and a measurement/ check you rigging day for the 21<sup>st</sup> of August  
Feel free to help out  
Miss Match E561

### **Third Party Liability Insurance**

The following is a summary of a recent announcement posted on the Yachting Australia web-site, which should be of interest to all members who do not already have a comparable 3rd party cover included with their boat insurance policy. The premium is \$141.90.

Yachting Australia "Silver" and "Youth" members can now have the benefit of Third Party Liability cover for unexpected or unintentional Bodily Injury and/ or Property Damage in connection with the use or navigation of your boat and/or its equipment/accessories during the period of insurance.

This cover insures you for the amounts you must legally pay for Bodily Injury or Death of another person or Loss or Damage to their property if Loss, Damage, Death, or Bodily Injury is caused by your boat.

The policy is arranged by Willis Australia Limited and Suncorp-Metway Limited and provided exclusively to Yachting Australia members.

The key feature of this cover is 24 hour Legal Liability protection for Third Party Bodily Injury and/or Property Damage. Cover is also extended to members whilst racing.

The limit of Liability \$10,000,000 each and every loss.

The policy is underwritten by the Suncorp Group, one of Australia's leaders in banking, insurance, investment and superannuation. The Willis Group is a world leader in providing risk management solutions, risk transfer expertise and specialist consultancy services.

Willis are one of only three major risk management and insurance intermediaries who operate on worldwide basis.

Should you be interested in arranging cover, this may be organised by downloading the Application Form at [www.yachting.org.au](http://www.yachting.org.au) or by contacting:-

Justin Gow  
Willis Australia Limited  
GPO Box 956G  
Melbourne, Vic, 3001  
Ph 03 9520 9905  
Fax 03 9521 1634  
Email [gowj@willis.com](mailto:gowj@willis.com)

### **Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for Season 2005-6**

In preparing the club Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for the coming season, there have been a number of changes made. These have mainly been as a result of the new Racing Rules of Sailing 2005 - 2008, which all members are urged to purchase and study before the season commences, so we will not detail these.

Changes to courses which were introduced during the last season are also incorporated.

Other changes are the removal of the word "Division" in referring to the grouping of classes for starts and other flag signals. However, there are no changes from past seasons in the actual groups or flag signals for any class.

Courses to be sailed are also unchanged, but the wording has been made clearer.

In particular, however we draw your attention to the new race rule 40.2 which takes effect on 1st January 2006 and reads: "A trapeze or hiking harness shall have a device that can quickly release the competitor from the boat at any time while in use".

This rule, as well as being a requirement to assist personal safety, will render failure to comply subject to protest from competitors and race committees.

<b>Results – The Winners</b>		
<b>Champion of Champions:</b>		
Dennis Monahan Stephen Monahan		
<b>Class Champions</b>		
A	Ken Robinson	
Dolphin	John McDonald	
PT	Andrew Helmore	
E	Tim Dorning Joe Picone	
125	Dennis Monahan Stephen Monahan	
Sabre	Brian Proven	
<b>Special Awards</b>		
Veteran	Brian Proven	
Female Sailor	Daisy Frey	
Bill Mac	Jim Scott James Caust	
<b>Club Person of the Year</b>		
	Robert McQuade Alison Penington	
<b>Vice Commodore's Trophy:</b>		
A	John Pruden	
Dolphin	John McDonald	
PT	Michael Wold	
Misc A	Jim Scott Samuel Barnett	
E	John Frey Daisy Frey	
125	Robert McQuade Alison Penington	
Sabre	Brian Adeney	
<b>Commodore's Trophy:</b>		
A	Ken Robinson	
Dolphin	John McDonald	
PT	Michael Wold	
Misc A	Jim Scott Samual Barnett	
E	Rick De Jong Darren Upton	
125	Dennis Monahan Stephen Monahan	
Sabre	Brian Proven	
<b>Rear Commodore's Trophy:</b>		
A	John Pyers	
Dolphin	John Hanby	
PT	Randal Garnham	
Misc A	Justin Zattelman James Rudolph	
E	Will Jones Graeme Martin	
125	Barry Pike Louise Officer	
Sabre	Chris Sargood	