



# THE PENNANT



Bill and crew on *Transaction*, Seasons Point Score Race 5 Line Honours winner L. Malone, 20.12.14

## December 2014



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### From the Commodore

December was a busy month -

**The Rhumb Race**, on the first Saturday, was as usual a challenging but fun sail, with conditions varying from just enough wind to stay stationary against the tide early on, to a good strong breeze along the Wobby shore later in the race. All the starters managed to complete the course, except for *Star of the Sea* (the ladies apparently deciding the time could be better spent dressing for the party than doing a second turn around the Island!). Congratulations to *Mari Anne*, last to finish but a deserved win on handicap.

The **After Race celebrations** at the Island Cafe went off well, with a good turnout, in large part thanks to John Neef's numerous trips to and fro in *LOL 2*. After our redoubtable Rear Commodore had crunched the numbers and the results announced, the 'Rum Cup' was passed around amid general merriment (there must be some pictures somewhere).

With rain threatening, the stayers then repaired to the shelter of the nearby Bowling Club for our **Christmas Dinner**. It just so happened that the Dangar Island Film Society had planned an outdoor screening in the park, so from our seats on the club verandah we enjoyed (?...) a stirring version of "Mutiny on the Bounty", starring Clark Gable and Charles Laughton to accompany our meal.

The next Saturday was the **BBIC Three Island Race**, and I am pleased to relate that, in a larger fleet, our 'team' put on an even better show than last race. Cliff Sutton in *Eikon* was 1st on handicap, *All Our Girls* 3rd, and *Cecelia* 4th. *Transaction* had some engine trouble and was late for the start, and did not finish. *Crossbow* got into trouble around Dangar Island, with the skipper almost knocked out in an accidental jibe, and then a terribly tangled spinnaker put us near the back of the fleet (again). But as the first three places count for the team result, HRYC is now in the lead for the trophy. Two more races to go!

The third Saturday was **Point Score Race 5** which, after a delayed start, turned out to be a good sail for those who managed to start, (see Mark Cole's report below).

What else has happened? We have a **dinghy for LOL 2**, thanks to the efforts of David Wright, and it is now attached to the rock wall at Parsley Bay.

**Our new look Web Site**, set up by Mark Cole in his other guise as 'Web Designer extraordinaire', is looking good, and is now pretty well up to date, with thanks to Libby Braybrooks. Note that you now go to <http://hryc.asn.au/>

**January** will be a relatively quiet month, with a Social Sail on Saturday 4th, and the second "Sprint Series" race on Saturday 17th. Don't miss that one!

Would any skippers who haven't had their **Cat 7** inspections done, PLEASE contact Cliff Sutton, Libby Braybrooks or Ed Levy, so we can get all our audits up to date.

Terry Dorrough  
Commodore

## Rhumb Race

December 6 2014

The Rhumb err... Rum Race

There was a solid line up of yachts vying for the famous Rhumb...err, Rum Race Cup, which saw - *Amoeba* (with James going solo), *Cecilia*, *Crossbow*, *Eikon*, *Mari Anne* and *Star of the Sea* (*SotS*) lining up for the 1330 start at Gunyah Beach. Now this race is unique; it starts with sculling a tote of rum on the beach, a dinghy row to the anchored yachts, and then upping anchor and setting sails - only after the dinghy crew member's foot meets the yacht's stern.

Thunder storms were on the cards to pass through mid-morning, but fortuitously these didn't eventuate until later, so it was a relatively dry start for those lining up at the beach – although Sydney's sticky heat prevailed. Russell arrived at the beach in style, swimming ahead of his dinghy to the shore. He'd apparently missed the dinghy when disembarking from *Cecilia*, so decided to take advantage of the situation and cool off.



*Amoeba, Mari Anne, Crossbow (bluesail) and Eikon looking for some breeze as they crawl towards Dangar Island*

*L. Braybrooks, 6.12.14*

At the start time, audiences noted the dinghy crews standing in a circle and raising their glasses (aka plastic cups), then sculling their totes of rum. There seemed to be a few double shots being dished out to the dinghy punters, some of whom were observed to sip and chuck whilst others sculled the whole lot before slowly sauntering to their dinghies and rowing back to the anchored yachts. The rules (clarified by yelling across the boats whilst anchored before the race start), were to only pull up the anchor and sails once the dinghy crew member's foot was back on board.

Now navigating out of the beach area was a challenge in itself, as there were many objects to avoid, and factors to consider including: motor cruisers, sandbanks, rocks, tides and fickle winds... whichever were nearby. Some cries of alarm were heard from the beach where it appeared that yachts were drifting ominously close to their moored motor cruiser whilst attempting to gain forward momentum. Of course, the skippers had it sorted, with *Crossbow* away first, followed by *Eikon* and then who knows...

After moving well to start with, the light breeze died away, with much of the fleet coming

to a standstill, whilst others drifted backwards down the river. This gave an opportunity for further chatting amongst the boats and admiring of the PCYC dinghy racing fleet which had set their spinnakers to gain their own advantage.

By this stage *Crossbow* had established a lead over the rest of the fleet, as they managed to avoid the clutches of the notorious dead-wind zone - although they were having their own 'wind challenges' closer to Dangar. Eventually the wind returned, which saw the raising of spinnakers on some of the fleet, and helped push them around Dangar.

Times were taken at the rounding of the first lap, and then a return around Dangar set the boats up for the final sprint to the finish. However, on this return lap the excitement built, with *Eikon* narrowly missing running aground by tacking just in time. *Cecilia* wasn't so lucky and got well and truly stuck in the mud, however their crewman-ship came to the fore and they were soon off and racing again. We understand that *Mari Anne* also had a similar 'glitch' on the first leg of the race. Her plan to make up time by going close to Dangar had her stuck for some minutes on the western side of the island.



*Cecilia, Amoeba, Crossbow, Mari Anne and Eikon parked off Croppy Point* L. Braybrooks, 6.12.14

*SotS* pulled out of the second rounding of Dangar, the skipper blaming her broken arm and threatening storm (i.e. hard to hold on and steer concurrently with one arm if/when the storm hits). We think they just didn't want to be late for the Christmas party.

Line honours went to *Crossbow*, followed by *Eikon*, then *Amoeba*, *Cecilia* and *Mari Anne*, with *SotS* a DNF.

In the race results wrap up held on Dangar Island, it was noted that there were four protests resulting from the race:

1. Not all dinghy crews wore life jackets except *SotS* and *Eikon*
2. One boat sailed on the wrong side of the Cardinal Mark
3. One boat sailed in amongst the moored yachts



#### 4. Some other protest we that can't remember...

All protests were dismissed in light of the festive spirit. In an interesting twist, on handicap, the first boat over the line, *Crossbow*, came last and the last boat over the line, *Mari Anne*, came first - well done Mark and Ken.

Thanks to the organisers, boats, skippers and crews involved – it was another great day out on the water.

Louise and Rob (Zeehaen), crewing on Eikon

This year's Rhumb Cup proved to be a race for the back markers. The race was sailed in a light south-easterly and involved the traditional start at Gunyah Beach, two laps of Dangar Island with a finish off the Southern Cardinal. With much off the wind sailing in often fluky conditions, the faster boats were unable to gallop away to windward or get much advantage from their large spinnakers.

*Cecilia* may have won had she not been stuck on the mud at Dangar for over five minutes, on the other hand, she was also noticed sailing the wrong side of the Cardinal Mark and so



***Mari Anne's* crew sampling the mud off Dangar Island**

*L. Braybrooks 6.12.14*

had she won, may not have survived a protest. A number of protests were withdrawn to allow sailors and friends to get on with festivities. Cliff protested all boats, except *Star of the Sea*, on the grounds that all other skippers failed to wear life jackets in their rowing boats at Gunyah, and as such contravened prevailing maritime regulations. Please note this for next year everyone.

All enjoyed a pleasant soiree at the Dangar Island Café afterwards, where the usual rites and rituals were performed and the Rhumb Cup awarded to Mark Raymond and *Mari Anne*. Afterwards about 18 members retired to the Dangar Island Bowling Club for Christmas Dinner. Thanks to John Neef for smuggling Australians to and from the 'Dangar Republic', on board the good ship *LOL II*.

Mark Cole  
Rear Commodore

#### Final Placing's

Line Honours  
PHF

**First** *Crossbow*  
**First** *Mari Anne*

**Second** *Eikon*  
**Second** *Amoeba*

**Third** *Amoeba*  
**Third** *Cecilia*

## Christmas Party

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This year the club's Christmas party was held on Dangar Island, but instead of imposing once again on the Dorrough's hospitality, we booked into the island's Bowling Club for dinner – a must for all in the aspirational classes!

John Neef was generous enough to act as ferry captain, undertaking several trips in *LOL II* after the Rhumb Race.

The only sour note was that Russell and his crew were missed in all the excitement - apologies Russell, hopefully we'll be more organised next time.



All and sundry at the Dangar Island Cafe L. Braybrooks 6.12.14



Mark and Hong Raymond Rhumb Cup winners  
L. Braybrooks 6.12.14

The evening started at the Island Café with nibbles, and the awarding of the Rhumb Cup to Mark Raymond from *Mari Anne*. For those who may have missed an event such as this, once the winning skipper and crew take a sip of rum from the cup, it then gets passed around to all and sundry for their share (there's a small touch of a religious zeal to the process).

Once we'd overstayed our welcome at the Café, we wandered up to the Bowling Club, who were

kind enough to offer a two course dinner that was (almost) fit for our beloved sovereign.

The weather which had been threatening to create havoc all day, waited until John was doing his last run back before finally raining on everyone's parade. Our sincere thanks to John for his outstanding dedication as ferry captain, to Terry for organising the pre-dinner nibbles at the Café, and finally, to Mark for liaising with the Bowling Club to organise a memorable evening.



HRYC diners take over the island 'bowlo'

L. Braybrooks 6.12.14

### BBIC – Three Islands Race

December 13 2014

HRYC performed very well in the BBIC Three Islands Race, with three boats finishing in the top four places - *Eikon* 1st, *All Our Girls* 3<sup>rd</sup>, and *Cecilia* 4<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to Cliff, Lou and Rob in *Eikon*, who won the race convincingly; this result followed on from their third placing in the BBIC Gosford Gallop last month.

The Three Islands Race is the premier Cat 7 event for the Pittwater, Broken Bay, Hawkesbury, and Brisbane Waters waterways. This year 25 boats from the Royal Motor Yacht Club, Avalon Sailing Club, Gosford Sailing Club and Hawkesbury River Yacht Club contested the race which started at Palm Beach in a 15-20 knot south-easterly breeze. These breezes persisted for most of the race – the exception being on the eastern side of Dangar Island where winds came from all quarters, including near vertical, varying in strength between 0 and 20 knots.



*Eikon, Shining, All Sail the Frog (I think...) M. Cole 13.12.14*

The fleet had an exciting ride from Palm Beach around Lion Island. Four boats – including *All Our Girls* - carried shy kites out beyond Barrenjoey, but had to drop these quickly when the breeze swung to ENE and intensified in Broken Bay. Some good surfing was to be enjoyed in places, with the leftover seas from the wild south-easterlies earlier in the week. From *All Our Girls*, a couple of the race leaders were seen sliding down the faces of large waves north of Lion Island as they lost control of gybes on wave crests.



*All Our Girls*

13.12.14

*Girls* pulled away from *Crossbow* and was well positioned in eighth place. *Eikon* sailed a great leg close to the shore, getting under *Crossbow's* guard, and staying in contact with the race leaders.



Up the Hawkesbury, *All Our Girls* flew her heavy weather kite, as the winds funnelled down towards Dangar in excess of twenty knots; this proved the correct call, and the 32-footer closed the gap between her and the race leaders. Determined to make up lost ground, Terry launched his masthead spinnaker. In hindsight, this may not have been the right decision as Terry was unfortunately struck on the head by the boom in a gybe; this resulted in a fall which badly bruised his back and ribs. Further ground was lost when the spinnaker wrapped itself around the forestay on the western side of Dangar, and it took *Crossbow's* crew some time to clear the tangle and set the genoa. Meanwhile *Eikon* consolidated her winning position, racing in close contact with much faster rated yachts from Gosford and RMYC around the northern side of Dangar.

*All Our Girls* managed to sail through three boats around Dangar, to hold down fifth position on the beat back down the river and into the Sound. The gusty winds called for constant rig changes to maintain target speed. Down the river, across the sound and into Broken Bay, *All Our Girls* fought off challenges from the larger Bavaria41S, *Dancing Star*, and the Jeanneau 39i, *Savarna*. However, in Pittwater with the winds easing and freeing a little, the larger rigs had a distinct



*AOG* chasing down *All Sail Dancing Star* (I think...) 13.12.14 advantage, and both these yachts got through *AOG* between Scotland Island and Lovett Bay. A close tacking duel ensued between *Savarna* and *All Our Girls* near Church Point. *Savarna* encountered major problems with a winch and this enabled *AOG* to slip through her guard and finish in sixth position, just four minutes behind the Elan 37, *Aeolian*, one of the few boats to round Dangar to Port.

*Eikon* finished 17 minutes behind *All Our Girls* and almost six minutes in front of *Crossbow*. *Eikon* sailed a great race beating *Crossbow* home for the first time and claiming the race by four minutes on corrected time from the Gosford based Beneteau 30.5, *Elusive Spirit*, with *All Our Girls* another twenty five seconds behind.

After two races, Gosford Sailing Club leads the team event on 21 points, with HRYC just two points behind on 23. RMYC is well back in third place on 55 points. The GSC team has real depth with 8 entries, so the odds are stacked against us. Can anyone entice Rob and Lou to delay their sail across the ditch, and once more lend their hands and sailing brains to *Eikon*? Can Richard Martin and crew be enticed to enter *Jeanie* in the Brooklyn Bash or Pittwater Pursuit? Can Terry recover in time to take advantage of *Crossbow's* new handicap of .687 and claim another win for the HRYC? Stay tuned.

## HRYC BBIC Results

| Elapsed times          |                      |         | Corrected Times        |                      |         |
|------------------------|----------------------|---------|------------------------|----------------------|---------|
| 6.                     | <i>All Our Girls</i> | 3:56:10 | 1.                     | <i>Eikon</i>         | 2:39:56 |
| 15.                    | <i>Eikon</i>         | 4:13:28 | 3.                     | <i>All Our Girls</i> | 2:44:22 |
| 16.                    | <i>Crossbow</i>      | 4:19:18 | 4.                     | <i>Cecilia</i>       | 2:45:58 |
| 22.                    | <i>Cecilia</i>       | 5:03:59 | 21.                    | <i>Crossbow</i>      | 3:01:46 |
| DNF <i>Transaction</i> |                      |         | DNF <i>Transaction</i> |                      |         |

## Seasons Point Score Race 5

December 20 2014

Gentle ESE breezes were forecast with stronger easterlies in the late afternoon. The race officer had anticipated setting a south-east course, starting upstream of Channel Marker 408 with the windward (southern) mark laid north of Hungry Head. As *LOL II* headed downriver to lay the southern mark though, the easterly change blew in some hours earlier than forecast. The welcome change filled in at around 15 knots, gusting higher at times.

The stronger easterly provided the opportunity to move the race out into the Sound, where breezes were fresher and tidal influences of lesser significance. The decision to postpone the start to 2.15 pm was a no-brainer as it allowed time to set markers for a standard three-lap easterly course in the Sound.



With the faster boats off the course, the windward mark was laid slightly closer in than usual, 1.3 NM from the start line, about 0.4 NM beyond Flint and Steel, and about 0.3NM off Commodore

Pre start work-up off Walker Point

L. Malone 20.12.14

Heights. The start line was laid far enough to the east, and away from the bricks, so as to enable any starboard tackers off the pin end to clear Walker Point, making both the northern (left), and southern (right) sides of the course viable options. Selecting the right side of the track would prove critical to the eventual outcome of the race. The course was magnificent – consistent breeze, blue sky, an uncluttered beat to windward with plenty of space either side of the track, and the windward mark well away from the coast in Broken Bay.

The standard of starting has steadily improved this season – one of the benefits of a proper start boat and greater flexibility in laying the line and course. This race saw a hotly contested start, with all boats reaching up and down the line. From the raising of the Blue Peter, no boat was ever further than five boat lengths from the line. *Jeanie*, *Mari Anne*, and *Cecilia* picked the slight pin end bias. The latter two were hard on the wind on starboard at the gun, with *Mari Anne* closer to the line, and the pin on *Cecilia's* lee bow. *Transaction* and *Amoeba* started closer to the start boat on starboard. *Jeanie* started out of the blocks, on port and closest to the pin, but was forced to fall away behind *Mari Anne*, *Cecilia* and then *Amoeba*, before settling down on a clear track to Flint and Steel and the right side of the course. *Transaction* peeled off to the southern shore soon after, while *Cecilia* held on starboard for another hundred metres before also opting for the right hand side. *Jeanie* showed the advantage of having a correct and clear race plan and gained considerably by getting over to the favoured southern shore as soon as possible. She lifted high above *Cecilia*, crossing her at Flint and Steel. Meanwhile, *Amoeba* and *Mari Anne* elected to go for the eastern shore. After a few hundred metres, *Mari Anne* tacked back to the centre of the track cautiously electing to sail over the central bank rather than favour either side of the course.



**Cecilia with her ballooning spinnaker**

L. Malone 20.12.14

*Transaction* finally sailed over the top of *Jeanie* at Flint and Steel. But the little blue boat wouldn't surrender. She picked up some favourable bends east of Flint and Steel and successfully called starboard on *Transaction* on approach to the Windward mark. The David and Goliath act would continue until half way up the second beat, when *Transaction* finally worked herself clear of the club champion. Although *Amoeba*

had lost considerable ground on the less favoured northern shore, she still managed to round the top mark in third place followed by *Mari Anne* and *Cecilia* at the back of the fleet.

The second leg belonged to *Cecilia*. At the top mark, *Cecilia* was in last place – until she elected to hoist her blue masthead spinnaker. The broad shouldered kite powered her to a lead of more than a minute at the leeward mark. However, *Cecilia* neglected to hoist her genoa before lowering the kite, and half way down the halyard caught with the spinnaker ballooning out in front. She rounded the mark with her genoa still on the foredeck and spinnaker apparently stuck, and it took her some minutes to get her genny hoisted and spinnaker packed away, by which time both *Transaction* and *Jeanie* had run over the top of her.



*Transaction* and *Jeanie* duelled the whole way down the first run, with *Jeanie* gybing many times to clear herself of *Transactions* cover. At the turn, *Transaction* was just ten seconds in front of *Jeanie*. *Amoeba* rounded a further fifty seconds behind, with *Mari Anne* bringing up the rear over a minute further back. This time, *Amoeba* headed for the southern shore, having paid the penalty for going north in the first run. Inexplicably, *Cecilia* failed to learn from *Amoeba's* mistake and split off from the rest of the fleet on starboard, heading to the northern shore. Was Russel throwing the dice? Or perhaps he thought that the now flooding tide would catch others unawares around Flint and Steel?



***Transaction* and *Jeanie* continuing the duel, with *Amoeba* chasing them all the way**

L. Malone 20.12.14

The second lap was tightly contested by *Jeanie*, *Transaction*, *Mari Anne* and *Amoeba*. Less than a minute separated all four on the lap times. It was a great lap for *Mari Anne*. She sailed through *Cecilia* and bettered *Jeanie's* lap time by a few seconds. *Cecilia* bravely flew her spinnaker again downhill, but this time there was no chance of recovery. Sailing the wrong side of the course had cost her too much. At the second rounding, *Transaction* led *Jeanie* by forty odd seconds, with *Amoeba* closing about thirty seconds or a few boat lengths behind her. The East Coast 31 had done well to recover from the first beat and was now closing on *Jeanie*. *Mari Anne* was another minute behind *Amoeba* with *Cecilia* a minute and a half further back.

The final lap belonged to *Amoeba*. She sailed through *Jeanie* to windward near Flint and Steel and recorded exactly the same lap time as the longer and faster Marchi 39, *Transaction*. At the finish, *Transaction* crossed the finish line, about a minute and twenty seconds ahead of *Amoeba*. *Jeanie* finished about a minute further back. *Mari Anne* and *Cecilia* lost more time on this lap to the top three - places remaining unchanged.

Three different boats recorded race honours. *Transaction* won line honours solidly in the end, slowly but surely grinding down the opposition in some tight contests. *Jeanie* sailed superbly all day to take out CBH honours, making all the right tactical calls, holding off



**The pack heading for the southern shore on the final lap**

L. Malone 20.12.14



*Transaction* downwind at times and always looking the boat with the slickest crew work and best set sails. *Mari Anne* followed up her win in the Rhumb Cup with another Performance Handicap win by less than a minute over *Amoeba*, who continues to improve in every outing.

We are now half way through the season and the top of the PHF table is starting to look very interesting. With one drop, only five points separate *All Our Girls*, *Crossbow*, *Jeanie* and *Mari Anne*. The rapidly improving *Amoeba* remains the dark horse. If she scores consistently well in the second half she can still win with two drops. So five races to go and five boats still in contention!

Thanks to Gail, who once again performed a first class job as Starter, and to Lee Malone, rostered crew. Mark Cole took John Neef's place as driver, earning *All Our Girl's* duty points. Denis and Chris Bebb joined us for two laps in *Mij'a* (although not entered in the series), leaving the course at the end of the second lap. We hope to see more of Denis in the latter half of the season.

### Final Placing's

|              |                                 |                                |                             |
|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Line Honours | <b>First</b> <i>Transaction</i> | <b>Second</b> <i>Amoeba</i>    | <b>Third</b> <i>Jeanie</i>  |
| CBH          | <b>First</b> <i>Jeanie</i>      | <b>Second</b> <i>Mari Anne</i> | <b>Third</b> <i>Cecilia</i> |
| PHF          | <b>First</b> <i>Mari Anne</i>   | <b>Second</b> <i>Amoeba</i>    | <b>Third</b> <i>Jeanie</i>  |



*Jeanie's* crew - this time 'masked' for the occasion L. Malone 20.12.14

Post script: The crew of *Jeanie* upstaged and surprised the entire fleet by throwing away the elf hats and sailing the race in Anonymous Masks! What will next December bring?

A happy holiday season to all.

Mark Cole  
Rear Commodore

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## Seasons Point Score Race 5 - as seen from *Mari Anne*

The weather and wind seemed to be playing the game on the last race of the year, with sunny skies and a good breeze. We started early to set the sails for the conditions, and tuned the headsail car positions (as best we could work out). It seemed that the race would



*Mari Anne at the finish line*

*L. Malone 20.12.14*

company with *Amoeba*, only to see *Jeanie*, *Cecilia*, *Transaction* and *Mij'a* heading for the southern shore. We were making good speed but on tacking it became clear that the southern end was favoured with a lift from the headland and a slightly shorter course.

*Jeanie* appeared to have the after-burners on with Richard, Tom and the kids showing how it's done. The next 3 laps saw *Cecilia*, *Transaction*, *Amoeba* and *Jeanie* fighting for the lead at different times in what was a great day on the water. Although the wind and tide were not a great influence on the result in general, being in the wrong place at the wrong time could prove costly. Although the southern shore was favoured, the wind could be fickle close to shore.

*Jeanie* performed well on the day, as noted by her taking out the class handicap (without flying the kite). *Mari Ann* had a steady day (Kenny our hull cleaner was in NZ), and we were rewarded with the performance handicap. *Transaction* lead the way with line honours. *Amoeba* continued her improved performance but *Cecilia* and *Mij'a* seemed to drop off the pace in the last part of the race.

It was a different race without the usual front runners of *Eikon*, *All Our Girls* (got the high heels caught in the petticoat I understand), *Star of the Sea*, *Crossbow* and of course we have been missing Tony on *Blyth Spirit* for some time. The back of the fleet is now looking like the middle. A thoroughly enjoyable day was had on the water (as well as the win on the day).

Ed Levy (*Mari Anne*)

be up and down the river but with the wind being more easterly, a delay was called to have the start south and seaward of Juno.

The windward mark was out in the sound north-east of Flint and Steel. This is a great area for sailing, with few boats and an open area. The question was which end of the start line to go for on the last of the run out tide? After some consideration we chose the northern end (in hindsight not the best), on starboard tack but the line was a bit too long for us to cause any problems for the other boats. We had a flying start in

## Seasons Point Score Race 5 Results

Wind 10 - 15 Knot E  
Starter: G. Martin

Windward-Leeward Course: 3 Laps  
Driver: M. Cole (*All Our Girls*) Roster: L. Malone (*Corrado*)

### Times and Placing's

| Yacht                  | Rating |       | Times   |           |        | Places       |             |             |
|------------------------|--------|-------|---------|-----------|--------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
|                        | PHF    | CBH   | Elapsed | Corrected |        | Line Honours | CBH         | PHF         |
|                        |        |       | CBH     | PHF       |        |              |             |             |
| <b>Mari Anne</b>       | 0.888  | 0.615 | 123.72  | 76.09     | 109.87 | <b>4</b>     | <b>2</b>    | <b>1</b>    |
| <b>Amoeba</b>          | 0.945  | 0.770 | 116.92  | 90.03     | 110.49 | <b>2</b>     | <b>4</b>    | <b>2</b>    |
| <b>Jeanie</b>          | 0.962  | 0.615 | 118.14  | 72.66     | 113.65 | <b>3</b>     | <b>1</b>    | <b>3</b>    |
| <b>Transaction</b>     | 1.049  | 0.840 | 115.95  | 100.87    | 121.63 | <b>1</b>     | <b>5</b>    | <b>4</b>    |
| <b>Cecilia</b>         | 0.958  | 0.695 | 127.03  | 88.28     | 121.69 | <b>5</b>     | <b>3</b>    | <b>5</b>    |
| <b>All Our Girls</b>   | 1.362  | 0.810 |         |           |        | <b>Duty</b>  | <b>Duty</b> | <b>Duty</b> |
| <b>Corrado</b>         |        | 0.760 |         |           |        | <b>Duty</b>  | <b>Duty</b> | <b>Duty</b> |
| <b>Crossbow</b>        | 1.329  | 0.840 |         |           |        | <b>DNC</b>   | <b>DNC</b>  | <b>DNC</b>  |
| <b>Eikon</b>           | 1.067  | 0.795 |         |           |        | <b>DNC</b>   | <b>DNC</b>  | <b>DNC</b>  |
| <b>Tangaloa</b>        | 0.950  | 0.680 |         |           |        | <b>DNC</b>   | <b>DNC</b>  | <b>DNC</b>  |
| <b>Star of the Sea</b> | 1.047  | 0.785 |         |           |        | <b>DNC</b>   | <b>DNC</b>  | <b>DNC</b>  |
| <b>Hang Ten</b>        | 1.350  | 0.870 |         |           |        | <b>DNC</b>   | <b>DNC</b>  | <b>DNC</b>  |
| <b>Mapuche</b>         | 1.000  | 0.770 |         |           |        | <b>DNC</b>   | <b>DNC</b>  | <b>DNC</b>  |

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| <b>What</b>       | <b>Brooklyn Bash/BBIC - end of race BBQ</b>  |
| <b>When</b>       | Saturday February 14 <sup>th</sup>   |
| <b>Where</b>      | McKell Park  |
| <b>Volunteers</b> | Required to drive <i>LOL</i> , man/woman the BBQ, act as general roustabouts, etc. |

| <b>Calendar of Events 2015</b> |     |      |   |                      |                              |
|--------------------------------|-----|------|---|----------------------|------------------------------|
| Month                          | Day | Date | Events for 2014/15                                  | Time                 | Comment                      |
| January 2015                   | Sat | 4    | Social Sail/Cruise/Rally                            | TBA                  |                              |
|                                | Sat | 17   | Seasons Point Score Race 6/<br>Summer Sprint Series | 1300<br>1415<br>1530 | Race 1<br>Race 2<br>Race 3   |
| February 2015                  | Sat | 7    | Three Island Race                                   | TBA                  |                              |
|                                | Sat | 14   | BBIC Race 3 / Brooklyn Bash                         |                      |                              |
|                                | Sat | 21   | Seasons Point Score Race 7                          | 1330                 |                              |
| March 2015                     | Sat | 7    | BBIC Race 4   |                      |                              |
|                                | Sat | 14   | Social Sail/Cruise/Rally                            |                      |                              |
|                                | Sat | 21   | Seasons Point Score Race 8                          | 1330                 |                              |
| April 2015                     | Sat | 4    | Crews Race  | TBA                  |                              |
|                                | Sat | 18   | Seasons Point Score Race 9                          | 1230                 | Daylight saving ends April 5 |
| May 2015                       | Sat | 2    | Social Sail/Cruise/Rally                            | TBA                  |                              |
|                                | Sat | 16   | Seasons Point Score Race 10                         | 1230                 |                              |
| June 2015                      | Sat | 6    | Social Sail/Cruise/Rally                            | TBA                  |                              |
|                                | Sat | 20   | Winter Series Race 1                                | 1230                 |                              |
| July 2015                      | Sat | 4    |   |                      |                              |
|                                | Sat | 18   |   |                      |                              |
| August 2015                    | Sat | 1st  |   |                      |                              |
|                                | Sat | 15th |   |                      |                              |
|                                | Sat | 29th |   |                      |                              |
| September 2015                 | Sat | 12th |   |                      |                              |
|                                | Sat | 26th |   |                      |                              |
| October 2015                   | Sat | 10th |   |                      |                              |
|                                | Sat | 24th |   |                      |                              |
| November 2015                  | Sat | 7th  |   |                      |                              |
|                                | Sat | 21st |   |                      |                              |
| December 2015                  | Sat | 5th  |   |                      |                              |
|                                | Sat | 19th |   |                      |                              |