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President's Report August 2009

Hello everyone,

Once again I ask myself where did the off season go? I have been busy with various projects and holidays and the time has just flown.

The biggest and most important project affecting all KCC members was the clearing and fencing of our new boat yard. This was a major undertaking and it was impressive to see so many members giving up their time to lend a hand. Looking at it now, one can hardly imagine that we have turned a veritable sow's ear into a silk purse. I have had feed back from some residents and they are very pleased and impressed with what we have achieved. We have a 15 year lease on this land, so KCC is looking very healthy.

I have personally thanked a number of members for helping with the boat yard, but for those who I haven't yet caught up with, I take this opportunity to say THANK YOU. I don't want to single out anyone in particular, but it should be mentioned that our old friend Paul McCann provided his expertise and connections to our great advantage. Please keep Paul in mind if you have any fencing requirements.

For those visiting our website, you will notice a whole new format, courtesy of Doug Lucock and Ross Cicognani. Doug has put a lot of work into getting this up. Ross was also the designer of our new logo and sign on the front of the clubhouse.

With the new season just around the corner, my thoughts go towards ensuring all club equipment is in good working condition. We have generated a concise check list, similar to last year's and there will be a working B on Saturday August 29th to go through these items. Similarly, all members should attend to their boats and equipment to ensure all is in readiness for September 13th.

Also with the new season, as always, we have a new committee, which is a mixture of old and new. All the committee asks of members is for you to give them a fair go. This refers particularly to "Postie" Chris Wilkins. Chris has taken on the position of Duty Roster and it is incumbent upon us all to assist him by volunteering a date you wish to do duty. No whinges please if you don't offer and get a date nominated for you.

Finally, you will notice the Cat Chat looks a little different. Once again we have a new editor and new ideas. You will see changes and additions that enhance the magazine and hopefully make it more attractive to the reader.

See you soon.

Barry

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The New Boat Yard

A Potted History of KCC Boat Storage

A number of years ago KCC was approached by Sutherland Shire Sailing Club to see if we were interested in taking over the club per the Incorporation rules. The Australian Volunteer Coast Guard were also interested, so KCC struck a deal with AVCG for them to have use and be responsible for the building and KCC to maintain and have use of the yard. KCC paid for fencing and gates to be installed.

There was a great deal of consultation between KCC and the council and KCC and government planners regarding re-zoning of Bonna Point Reserve so KCC could extend the AVCG boatyard into the park. At the end of the day, this came to no avail.

Finally, we were offered the current Ward St block, but this was a contentious issue with the council's environment department which was against development. The committee decided to once again contact council as we were aware the developer, who had purchased the Prince Charles Pde yard, would require us out of there, so we had to move on.

The council planning dept arranged an on site meeting with DoP and us and an agreement was struck that allowed us to move forward. This required the normal Development Application and all the machinations that go with this.

Once again council was most helpful, assisting us in completing the DA and getting it before council.

In the meantime, negotiations with DoP regarding lease conditions were underway and we were able to gain a 15 year lease on this ground.

and then ...

Over several weekends some KCC members along with the pensioner squad attacked the allocated site with chainsaws, axes, mattocks and bare hands to start the clearing process. They also managed to actually uncover a wide expanse of scrub encountering a few hard to shift stumps, car parts and rubbish along the way. John Riley went mad with the chainsaw till he found a few cut pieces of barb wire which managed to jam things a little. Alan operated the tractor while the boys tried to find the connecting root systems. Our assistant race secretary delved into the depths extracting the rubbish, good on you Helen



Story continues over page...

Where do we start Barry?



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After a full day of feeding into the chipper, thanks to Josh Barker and his equipment, the mulch certainly came in handy to put back into the environment.

We levelled the soil and then Paul McCann spent 4-5 days erecting the surrounding fence with gates. Paul donated a lot of time and resources to this need and we are very grateful to him. Wayne McGovern (ex-member) also organised a couple of concrete pipes from the Rocla pipe production area. Thanks Wayne.

Our last working bee was spent spreading good topsoil to provide a good base for grass to grow. We also planted 30 native plants which were courtesy of council's nursery.

Today we have a tremendous boatyard that will serve the club well and encourage new members as well as give members safe and secure storage for their boats. The finished result is an amazing show of club effort by devoted club members and what I am sure you will agree is a club saving

project that was very necessary and completed just in time for the new season. I know you will be impressed when you see it.

A big thank you to Barry Willis who put so much time and effort into making all this possible by securing the site and all those who gave up their time and energy over many weeks to make it all happen.

KURNELL CATAMARAN CLUB

TOP GUN

REGATTA

7th- 8th November

All welcome to compete across the weekend
In conjunction with the F-18 State titles

- Two storey Clubhouse with shower facilities.
- Fully equipped canteen facilities
- Two Support vessels
- Large grassed/sand rigging areas with beach access
- Secure camping & storage
- Best venue with open clear water for catamaran sailing

Visit www.kcc.asn.au for notice of race and details

What's Happening



Graham Dicker and Friends on holidays sailing Croatia

Best wishes to all my fellow KCC members for a very enjoyable 2009/2010 sailing season. I will miss the start of the season as I will be enjoying my third visit to Croatia

The first two weeks of this visit will be in a villa on Hvar Island which is near Split. The Villa is owned by friends. During this time some of us hope to visit some other places including Dubrovnik and Montenegro a

little country with a population of about 600,000 people south of Dubrovnik.

Then we will charter a Bavaria 49 yacht called "Magic" from Marina Kastela (near Split Airport). The plan is for eight glorious days cruising the area to include Primosten, the Krka National Park waterfalls, islands in the Kornati Islands National Park and finishing at Sibenik on the mainland.

I expect to see you all at KCC on Sunday 11 October where I trust we will continue to enjoy good weather and plain sailing.



Peter Backhouse

Peter is also leaving end of August on his Seawind bound for Whitsundays and beyond. Keeping Peter company is Tony Wainright John Riley and a friend. We wish smooth sailing and safe journey. Look forward to chasing you round the race course once more.

Good luck Julia in the HSC

Barry Willis

Participating in Hamilton Is Race Week late August. The yacht is called Chancellor and our exploits can be followed by accessing Hamilton Island Race Week website.



Forster Wildcat Regatta 3, 4 & 5th October

The Taipan boys are going and booked into the Sundowner Tiona Caravan Park down the road. We will be leaving on Friday if anyone is interested in this event

**TRIVIA
NIGHT**
at the KCC
Clubhouse

Saturday evening 24th Oct 2009

There will be a limited number of tables, so form a table of about 8, dust off your general knowledge and stay tuned on how to book a table and the cost. This will be a fun way of assisting KCC to raise some much needed cash to offset some of the expenses of late, such as our new boatyard.

**7.00pm drinks with a 7.30pm kick-off
BYO nibbles \$10.00 entry... come and have a fun night!**

New Committee for 2009/10

Barry Willis

Commodore
Licensee

Graham Dicker

Secretary

Brian Chapman

Race Secretary

Chris Wilkins

Vice President

Julian Jenkins

Assistant Secretary

Doug Lucock

Assistant Treasurer
Webmaster

Helen Herbert

Assistant Race Secretary

Barry Argall

Social Secretary

Ross Cicognani

Cat Chat Editor
Publicity Officer

Ross Newman

Treasurer

Ted Buys

Equipment Officer

Peter Lane

Canteen Manager

Kevin Bessell

Delegate

John Riley

Delegate
Division 1 Captain

Membership Now Due

Now's the time to Renew your membership

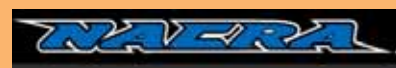
Family rate:	\$90
Pre-paid full race fees:	\$150
Boat Storage, Race Fees and Membership	\$425

Please refer to website **www.kcc.asn.au** for detail description of fees

Club Associates



Hobie & Laser



Taipan, Capricorn & Viper



Brewin Sails



Did you Know?

Jason Waterhouse & Lisa Darmanin
are ISAF Youth Multihull World
Champions

Tips for Racing Rules

T2009-12 Racing Rules of Sailing – Sec C Revision

Most members will be aware that the RRS were revised in 2008 and apply to racing under YA affiliated clubs and associations from January 1, 2009.

However, you can all rest easy most of the rule changes/additions are meant only to clarify the rules, make them simpler to understand, remove ambiguities and generally support “interpretations” of the superceded rules by protest committees. In effect there are no significant changes that affect “off the beach” dinghy or catamaran racing. There is one major exception, however, the 2 boat length rule at rounding marks has been increased to 3 boat

lengths, an area now called the “zone”. The RRS even allow sailing instructions to vary this length to either 2 or 4 boats lengths, subject to conditions.

Notwithstanding the above, Sec C has been completely rewritten and it is worth having a closer look at rule 18 in particular, which in the past has often been poorly understood or misinterpreted completely. This rule applies to boats that are approaching or at a mark that is NOT a starting mark. Many sailors at KCC often appear unsure of what rule(s) apply at marks and I have witnessed several near misses or bumps, when a better understanding of the rules and the skippers’ rights and responsibilities at marks would have avoided these problems.

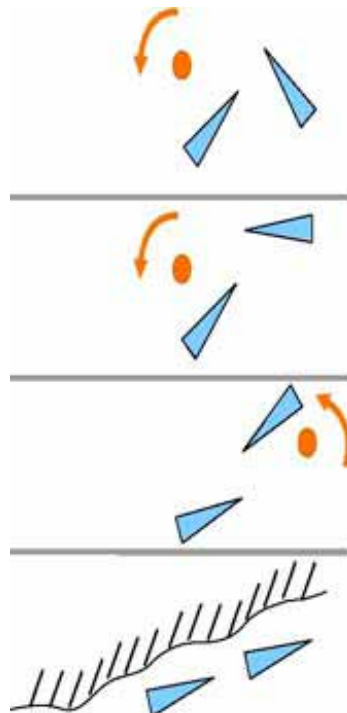
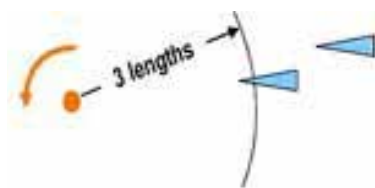
The following notes and diagrams were taken from a publication by the ISAF Racing Rules Committee and reproduced here for your benefit. I also encourage all members to visit the Yachting NSW web site racing rules section. Where the following is explained in more detail and also includes explanations of rules 19/20 (obstructions). Finally, if your not sure ask!

Brian Chapman
Race Secretary

When the Mark-Room Rule Applies (R18.1)

Between boats required to leave a mark on the same side... and at least one of them is in the zone

Zone Definition
Area around a *mark* within 3 hull lengths of the boat nearer to it



However it does not apply:

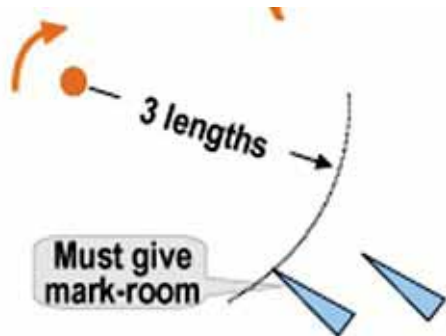
- Between boats on opposite tacks on a beat to windward
- Between boats on opposite tacks when proper course for one is to tack at the mark
- Between a boat approaching the mark and a boat leaving it
- If the mark is a continuing obstruction (R19.2 applies instead)

Tips for Racing Rules cont.

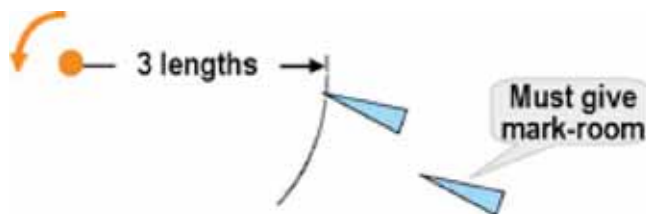
Mark-Room: Basic Application (R18.2)

When the first boat enters the zone:

- a boat overlapped outside must give boat inside mark-room (R18.2(b))

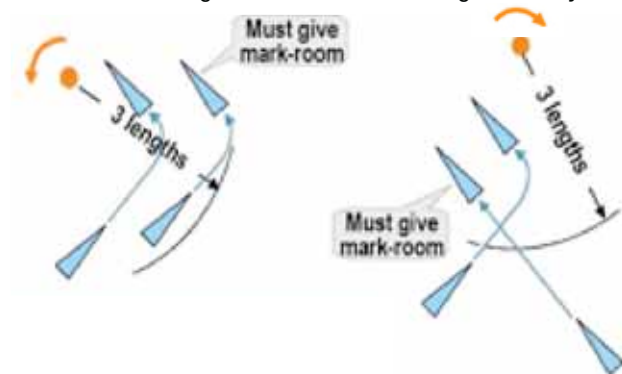


- a boat clear astern must give boat clear ahead mark-room (R18.2(b))



- if neither of above, or if thereafter either boat tacks (R18.2(c)), outside boat must give inside boat mark-room (R18.2(a))

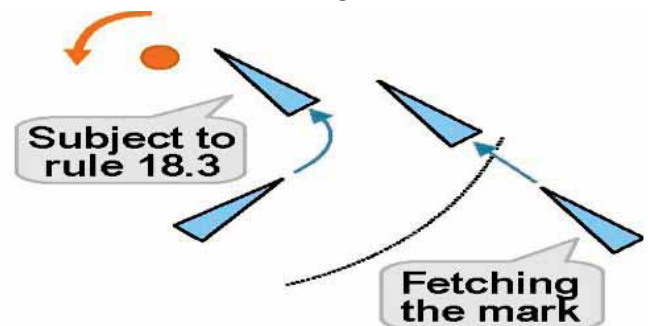
Note: note change to which boat has right-of-way



Additional Tacking in the Zone Rule (R18.3)

Purpose: to discourage late tacks inside the zone

If 2 boats were approaching a *mark* on opposite *tacks*, and one tacks in the *zone* when the other is *fetching* the *mark*:



Rule 18.2 does not apply. Instead the boat that tacked:

- shall not cause the other boat to have to sail above close-hauled to avoid her
- shall not prevent the other boat from passing the mark on the required side
- shall give mark-room if the other boat becomes overlapped inside her

Note for Experts: ** Solves current technical error. New rule explicitly states “is subject to rule 13 in the zone” in place of “tacks” “fetching” is now defined.

Tips for Racing Rules cont.

Additional Gybing at a Mark Rule (R18.4)

- “When an inside overlapped right of way boat must gybe at a mark to sail her proper course, until she gybes she shall sail no farther from the mark than needed to sail that course”.
- Rule 18.4 does not apply at a gate mark, nor at an obstruction.



When does R18 (requirement to give mark-room) stop applying?

Before the mark: when the boat entitled to mark-room leaves the zone (R18.2(c))

After the mark: when the boat entitled to mark-room no longer requires it (compare to when R10 stops applying)

RACE CALENDAR FOR START OF 2009 SEASON

Date	Time	Event	Officer of Day	Skipper	Crew
Sept 13	13.00	Olympic Series	B. Willis	B Lowder	T. Lowder
Sept 20	12.00	Summer Pursuit	C Wilkins	B Lowder	A. Quinn
	13.00	John Goodier Challenge			
Sept 27	13.00	John Goodier Challenge		B Lowder	T. Lowder
Oct 11	13.00	John Goodier Challenge	B. Argall	B Lowder	A. Quinn
Oct 18	13.00	Olympic Series	B Chapman	B Lowder	A. Quinn
Oct 24	19.30	TRIVIA NIGHT	Doug Lucock	Marion	
Oct 25	13.00	John Goodier Challenge	??????	B Lowder	A. Quinn
Nov 1	13.00	Olympic Series	Doug Lucock	B Lowder	A. Quinn
Nov 7-8		TOP GUN REGATTA	??????	B Lowder	A. Quinn

Please volunteer for Duty, refer to Chris Wilkins Ph 0418 979 921 to put your name onto the roster

Contact Us

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APPLICATION or RENEWAL of MEMBERSHIP 2009-2010



KURNELL CATAMARAN CLUB



PO Box 255, Caringbah NSW Australia 1495
 Phone: 02 9668 9295 on Sundays September to April.
 Web Site: <http://www.kcc.asn.au> E-mail: Webmaster@kcc.asn.au or Commodore@kcc.asn.au

Member or Applicant Details

Full Name			
Full Address and Postcode			
E-mail Address			
Home Phone Number		Mobile Phone Number	
Power Boat License Number		Do you wish to receive Cat Chat by post or e-mail	
Occupation		Tick <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> →	
		Post?	
		E-mail?	
Nominated by (New Members only)		Seconded by (New Members only)	

Boat Registration Details (if applicable)

Note: Boat Owners must have, as a minimum, 3rd party insurance with Racing Cover to sail at and with KCC.

Class of Boat		Sail Number(s)	
Hull Colour		Boat Name	
Usual Skipper's Name		Usual Crew(s) Name <small>(Usual and regular crews unless covered by "Family Membership" still need to pay membership and complete a separate application form)</small>	
Insurance Company / Policy Nos / Expiry Date		Boat to be stored	
		Tick <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> →	
		Privately	
		KCC Yard	
		SSSC Yard	

Fee Details (Read this before filling out fees below!)

*Tick relevant fees and write totals under Summary. Life members are exempt from all Fees except, if relevant, those marked *. "Pre-Pay" "Off the Beach" and "Cruising" entitles Members to all races excluding regattas and special events. Members who have not pre-paid will be charged \$10 per day. Only the Skippers membership application needs to record the Race Entry "Pre-Pay" fee. Usual Crews must be full members. Crews who are not members will be charged an additional \$10 per day for "pre-pay" applicable sailing. Visiting Boats will be charged \$12 per boat per day if they are current financial members of an Australian Sailing Club, otherwise the Visitor Fee is \$20 per day for "pre-pay" applicable sailing. Member's Boats stored in a boat yard having paid the boat yard fee are exempt from the Pre-Pay Race fees marked with Ⓡ and are considered to be pre-paid.*

Fee Type	Sub Fee Type	Fee	Tick <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Summary \$
Membership Fees	Family	\$ 90		
	Senior	\$ 80		
	Student / Junior / Associate	\$ 40		
Other Fees	Ⓡ Race Entry Pre-Pay Off the Beach Catamarans Ⓡ	\$ 150		
	Ⓡ Race Entry Pre-Pay Cruising Multi-hulls Ⓡ	\$ 60		
	* Boat Yard Fee + Pre-Pay – KCC Ward St Yard (12 months)	\$ 425		
	* Boat Yard Fee + Pre-Pay – SSSC Yard (12 months)	\$ 470		
	* Boat Yard Bond & Key Bond (refundable on exit)	\$ 105		
	* Yachting Australia (NSW) Fee (Optional)	\$ 58		
	Donation (Thank You!!)	\$ n/a		

Note: All boats stored in the KCC or SSSC Boat Yard, by signing this form, agree to the KCC Boat Yard Policy listed on the Membership page of the KCC Web Site.

Total \$A

Payment Method (Tick)

Cheque made out to Kurnell Catamaran Club Inc.	
Cash	
Direct deposit	

Office Use Only	
Date Paid	/ /
Year Joined (if new)	

*Note: Direct Deposits should be deposited within 7 days – include your name on the deposit comment if paying over the Internet.
 Deposit to:- Sutherland Shire Credit Union BSB: 802-330 A/C Number: 10018589 A/C Name: Kurnell Catamaran Club*

Signature of Member or Applicant

Signed		Date	/ /
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NOTICE OF RACE

KCC 2009 Top Gun Regatta

Scheduled Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th November 2009.

Kurnell Catamaran Club Incorporated
Prince Charles Parade, Kurnell, Sydney Australia.
(PO Box 255, Caringbah, NSW Australia 1495)
Phone: 02-9668 9295 on Sundays
Email race-secretary@kcc.asn.au

This Notice of Race is issued by the Kurnell Catamaran Club Incorporated (KCC). The organising authority and officials consists of the KCC elected Committee for the current season and rostered duty personnel. The KCC Race Secretary maintains the source for this Notice of Race. This Notice of Race is dated 11th August 2009 and is valid until superseded by a later dated version as issued by the Kurnell Catamaran Club Race Secretary, Assistant Race Secretary or an authorised Committee Member.

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the current rules as defined in 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing, the special regulations of the AYF, the relevant class rules and by the Sailing Instructions.

2. Alteration of Class Rules

Refer to the Sailing Instructions

3. Alteration of Racing Rules

Refer to the Sailing Instructions

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 The Regatta is open to all "off the beach" catamarans.
- 4.2 Class Associations wishing to conduct Class Events are welcome – Please contact the Race Secretary – Details below.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter on the entry form which will be available at the KCC Clubhouse at least 2 hours prior to the start of the first race.

5. Fees

Fees are payable at the KCC Clubhouse. Boats must pay their entry fee prior to competing in any race or their result will not be recorded.

Full Regatta:-

2 man boat	\$35
1 man boat	\$30

Single Day:-

2 man boat	\$25
1 man boat	\$20

6. Schedule of Events

Refer to the Sailing Instructions,

First Briefing is at 10.30am Saturday 7th November 2009

There will be racing AM & PM Saturday and Sunday.

7. Measurements

Measurement is not required, but the Race Secretary & Assistant Race Secretary at KCC reserves the right to inspect any individual boat for compliance to the relevant class rules.

8. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions (final copy) will be available before 10am on Saturday 7th November 2009 from the KCC Clubhouse.

A draft copy may be available on the KCC Web Site (www.kcc.asn.au) prior to this time.

9. Racing Area

Botany Bay, Sydney Australia with courses as shown in the Sailing Instructions.

10. Courses

Refer to the Sailing Instructions

11. Scoring

Refer to the Sailing Instructions.

12. Alternative Penalties

Refer to the Sailing Instructions

13. Prizes

Refer to the Sailing Instructions

14. Further Information

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Helen Herbert	Ph: 0408 503 608
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Barry Willis	Ph: 0421 054 985	E-mail: Commodore@kcc.asn.au
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Or

Phone the Club on Sundays from 13th September 2009 on 02-9668 9295

Or

<http://www.kcc.asn.au>