

THE HAVEN

NEWSLETTER OF THE ST KILDA BOAT CLUB

October 2023



The crew aboard *Shilo* on Opening Day 2022

Remember, Opening Day 2023 is 22 October (see page 6)





From the Poop Deck

Art Hohmann, Secretary and Editor (standing in for Steve Vines)

October, Daylight Savings and a general improvement in the weather all thankfully conspire to get us out on the water. St Kilda Boat Club welcomes in the new sailing season with our annual Opening Day on Sunday, 22 October, with the traditional Sailpast at 1500 hours followed by a banquet at 1700 hrs. The Sailpast, or inspection of the fleet, has a long history, and while it sometimes might seem a bit too traditional and structured, the intent is to get everyone out of their winter doldrums, into their log-neglected boats, safely past the committee boats in an ordered fashion (avoiding collisions), saluting the Commodore and assembled dignitaries from other clubs and local governments officials. Although called a sailpast, all manner of watercraft are invited and encouraged to take part; kayaks often make an appearance. The attempt to festoon your boat is always appreciated and your efforts can rewarded with prizes. And of course back to the Clubhouse in time to eat, drink and be merry. The banquet is provided by your club free of charge so please come and join in if you can. Remember, booking is essential.

Remember The Commodore's Cup Sailing Race series starts on Friday 13 October and is an opportunity for a bunch of boats to undertake a short sail up the Barker Inlet somewhat in unison—you can be as competitive as you like but in general this is just fun, and of course we are back in time for dinner at the club.

Happy and safe boating to all.



Daylight Savings starts Sunday 1 October – clocks move forward 1 hour. Adjust your not-so-smart devices to avoid arriving late!

Sunday 1 October	Bar Open 1500 hrs	
Friday 6 October	Bar and Galley Open 1800 hrs	
Sunday 8 October	Working Bee 1000 hrs Bar Open 1500 hrs	
Monday 9 October	Committee Meeting 1900 hrs	
Friday 13 October	Commodore's Cup Race 1; 1700 hrs Bar and Galley Open 1800 hrs	
Sunday 15 October	Bar Open 1500 hrs	
Friday 20 October	Bar and Galley Open 1800 hrs	
Sunday 22 October	Opening Day Sailpast at 1500 hrs Banquet at 1700 hrs	
Friday 27 October	Commodore's Cup Race 2; 1700 Bar and Galley Open 1800 hrs	
Sunday 29 October	Bar Open 1500 hrs	



20th October

Red Fish Curry with Alana

27th October

Post Race BBQ

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Always looking for cooks to help. Either with the main or a desert If you can help please contact Alana 0412617996



Working Bee 8 October

St Kilda Boat Club



Working Bee 8th October 2023

Task List

Weed and tidy garden beds at front entrance gate, mulching

Bottles and Cans to recycling (if you can bring your trailer)

Summer service for club room evaporative coolers.

Cleared garden waste, washed up rubbish from marina sides to skips for collection

Please bring gloves, hearing protection (PPE for mower and whipper snipper) and general gardening tools

Start time is 10:00 am, please arrive by 9:50 am.

Your continued support will help in preventing an increase in membership fees.

BBQ lunch will be provided by the club

If you cannot attend on the day on the white board in the club is a list of jobs to help keep the club tidy, these can be done anytime if you have time to spare anytime

Opening Day and Sailpast 2023 Sunday, 22 October

Members and their guests are invited to celebrate the official opening of the 2023-2024 Boating Season

All type of watercraft welcome to participate. Prizes are awarded for various categories of display and decoration so get decorative (last year's winner Captain Paul and Tenielles)

Sail past commences @ 1500 in Barker Inlet, Banquet commences @ 1700 in the Clubrooms

Banquet is free to members and guests but **booking is essential**. Please members only 5 guests per members

Book early to avoid disappointment. Bookings to Alana Francis 0412617996 by 15/10/22 to finalise catering numbers.









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A pod of 5 dolphins (number 5 was camera-shy) spotted just outside the channel entrance 15 September 2023.

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