

Presidents Report:

October/November, 2010

Dear members of MBYC Sailing Section,

Our new sailing season is now well under way, but we are experiencing some unusual weather that is playing havoc with our sailing calendar.

However one event where the weather was kind to us was for the running of our yearly SCARBOROUGH CLASSIC YACHT RACE.

I have included some action photos of this event.

The MBYC conducted the event thanks mainly to Daryl Wright who carried out most of the work on our behalf.

The event was sponsored by Scarborough Marina courtesy of John Paul Mira with prizes also supplied by Australia wide yacht brokers MBYC and MBBC.

The race was held over the weekend of 18th & 19th September and on the Saturday the classic boats sailed with our SAGS fleet. With the classic boats carrying spinnakers, Deception Bay was a sea of colour.

While admiring some of the fleet at Scarborough Harbour I got talking to other skippers who all shared an appreciation of timber boats and the work and time involved in their presentation.

The owner of 'BALAMARA' a Sparkman and Stephens design which won the best presented boat over 40 feet had belonged to his father and was passed down to him. He hopes it will always remain in his family.

Fifteen classic boats sailed the event with the prizes going to first on handicap to 'CHERANA' a Tasman Seabird design skippered by Evan McDonald.

2nd place to 'FOUR WINDS' a Boden design and 3rd 'TAHARA' designed by Lyle Hest.

Race one line honours, 1st CHERANA. 2nd MALAGUENA 3rd VANITY

Pursuit race first over line went to :

1st VANITY 2nd ARCHENAR 11 3rd CHERANA.

Line honours to gaffers & Lugers went to VANITY a Derwent class.

Best presented boat over 40 feet BALAMARA

Best presented boat under 40 feet CHERANA.

Our Sags & Wags fleet is going strong proving to be our most popular events with place positions changing from week to week this type of sailing gives everyone the chance to get out and use their boats on a weekly basis.

We are now leading up to Christmas with the shops full of Christmas merchandise but maybe this would be a good opportunity to try and support our sponsors.

Also this year the BEXBROOK novelty race rally followed by a barbecue in the club grounds on the 11th December will be organised by Dave Meaton.

Happy sailing from your President

John Hynes.



