

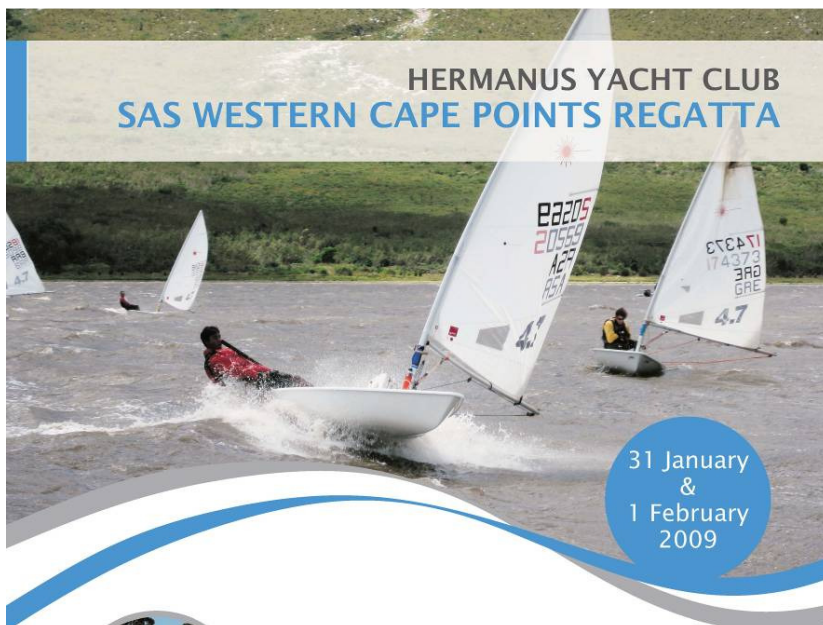


NEWSLETTER - DECEMBER 2008

On an exciting note Hermanus Yacht Club is once again hosting the **SAS Western Cape Points Regatta** on **31st January 2009**. We have decided to make a big effort to market the event and are hoping for a record turn out.

SAS has generously allocated some marketing funds which we intend using to provide a free breakfast to all competitors. Coca Cola will be sponsoring a happy hour with free Coke and Ellefsen Golf Suites, a brand new establishment in Langebaan offering ideal accommodation for sailors, will be sponsoring the rum and brandy!

Furthermore we are distributing 30 posters to all SAS clubs in the Western Cape and Garden Route. Please dust off your boats and make sure that you get on the water and prove to all the visiting sailors that we are a force to be reckoned with. We need to showcase our club and prove to SAS and all competitors that we are the best regatta facility in the Cape!



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Join us for an **extraordinary weekend** of fun at **Hermanus Yacht Club** where all SAS Western Cape recognised Dinghy Classes will battle it out for big prizes!

Time: Registration starts at 09:00 on 31 January. First race starts at 14:30.

Venue: Hermanus Yacht Club.

Entry Fee: R80 for single handed.
R120 for double handed.

Visit www.sailing.org.za for more information and entry forms or contact Roger on 082 924 4553 or email: rbartholomew@isat.co.za



FROM THE COMMODORE

Nicolette Lloyd

This will be our last newsletter this year, so on behalf of the committee, we wish you all a joy filled Christmas and a fruitful and rewarding 2009.

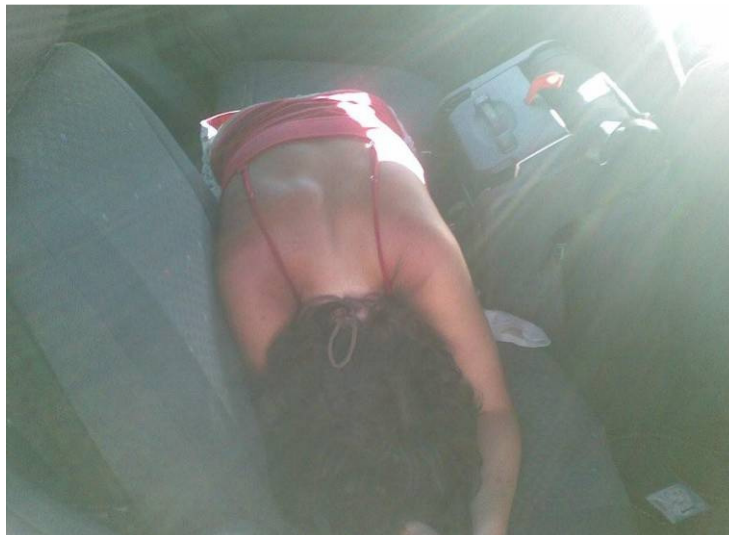
As mentioned Hermanus hosts the Points Regatta early next year 31st January 2009 and 1st February 2009. We are grateful to have Roger Bartholomew at the helm organizing the very many aspects of these very intense two days. We would ask you to make our visitors welcome (we are expecting 100 – 120 boats) by taking your boat off the hard if you are not participating in the regatta.

NB: Also we do appeal to all owners of the boats parked in the car park to please them to the terraces.

FROM THE VICE COMMODORE & JUNIORS

Paul Collingridge

Matthew Rissik & Dane Collingridge participated in the SAS Western Cape Points Regatta at Theewaterskloof this past weekend. Saturday was exciting with winds gusting up to 25 knots and Sunday was like a day in the doldrums. A day that begun with some colour..... At 06h00 on Sunday morning, a very interesting discovery was made by Kerry Collingridge. Paul's car, left overnight with open windows, had successfully lured and trapped a stray reveller from the campsite next door (see picture). She didn't know where she was or how she got there. It took the Vice Commodore and Rear Commodore 3 hours to wake her up and release her back to the bar, she has never been seen since. As you can imagine the Saturday night was a great success. Even the bass fishermen were impressed with the catch!



REAR COMMODORE AND TREASURER

Andrew Rissik

TREASURER

I would like to apologise for any frustration caused with regards to the accounts recently. I have inherited a rather interesting set of outstanding debtors and we are working hard with limited resources to try and get on top of things. The aim is to have a clean set of accounts by 31st January 2009. I urge you to please be patient and also to assist the accounts staff in their endeavours. Thanks to all of you who have made payments to clear up your accounts. If you are finding it challenging to settle your account, please contact me to discuss setting up a debit order to settle your account with an agreed payment plan.

Please note that the committee will be making decisions about suspension/termination of memberships in line with the club's constitution on presentation of a detailed report of long o/s accounts which I will be presenting this week.

REAR COMMODORE

You will have noticed that slowly the upper terraces are being cleared of abandoned boats and trailers. The auction held on 29th November was a resounding success and the club rid itself of unclaimed items and raised a much needed R 40 000.

On our new website, which will be launched in early 2009, we will have a FOR SALE page and will list member's items (for a commission of course) and also continue to dispose of abandoned and unidentifiable items.

Soon we will demarcate a dedicated area for trailer parking away from the main gate to ensure your trailers are more secure and not so much in the eye of any passers-by. Also efforts will be made to make the entrance more attractive.

SAILING

Frank van Baarsel

NOTHING TO REPORT.

GALLEY/ENTERTAINMENT/PRO

Fay Bester

We are still waiting for your booking for our New Years Eve Spit-Braai function with music from the eighties-until-now and lots of fun! Tickets are limited and running out fast, please book with Fay.

083 518 7278 or e-mail: gbes@mweb.co.za

HOUSE & GROUNDS

Chris Shearar

NOTHING TO REPORT.

GENERAL

Chris Sharpe

NOTHING TO REPORT.

MANAGERS OFFICE

Mike Kohl

I would like to thank all the members for their patience and understanding with regards to the not so pleasant aroma about the Clubhouse of late. All of you have been stepping rather gingerly around the flooding tank alongside the Clubhouse building leading to the ablution block, so sweetly I must add, that I am wondering if we shouldn't have a "Scottish dance evening" as our theme for our year end function coming up. You may all rest easy, as this is not raw sewage, but grey water from the Galley and subterranean water from the recent heavy rains, mixed. Still not good but not as bad as I'm sure a lot of you thought. The problem should be sorted out by the 8th -9th December. Maybe sooner.

New Members:

Anthony Dancig

Alan Brussow

Gerhard Claassen

Andries Cilliers

SITES AVAILABLE: E 51, W 10, W 12, W 20, W 28, W 29, W 30, W 39.