



## NEWSLETTER – NOVEMBER\* 2009

**HERMANUS YACHT CLUB**  
**SAS WESTERN CAPE POINTS REGATTA**



30 & 31  
January  
2010



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 Saturday 30 January. The first race will not start before 13h30.
Venue:	Hermanus Yacht Club.
Entry Fee:	R80 for single handed. R120 for double handed.
Camping Fee:	R30 per person per night. (all ages)

Visit [www.sailing.org.za](http://www.sailing.org.za) for more information and entry forms or contact Roger on 082 924 4553 or email: [rbartholomew@isat.co.za](mailto:rbartholomew@isat.co.za)





## FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

*Andrew Rissik*

### THE STORM:

Gale force winds wreaked havoc at the Club on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November. Throughout the day a north-westerly wind rolled over the mountain at approximately 40-55km/h, gathering force and pounding down on the yacht club at more than double the speed. Tracy Collingridge took these pictures while anxious owners and members watched in horror as the keelboat fleet was flattened with two boats sunk and one half sunk and rescued on the day. Two Hobie Cats with concrete blocks underneath took off and landed on the property next door. Several trees were damaged too.



## MARKETING & PR

*Andrew Rissik*

We have seven new membership applications in progress.

## HOUSE & GROUNDS

*Garry Shaw*

The committee approved funds this past weekend to remove four dangerous alien trees on the lower west side of the road.

## FROM THE REAR COMMODORE & CHAIRMAN OF SAILING

*Roger Bartholomew*

### CARIOCA 9 HR REPORT:

On Saturday 31 October the Carioca "9"hr race was held. The turnout was a little disappointing with only four boats entering in spite of there being many Carioca's on the water tied to their moorings. Four boats was sufficient for the race to proceed and racing got under way a little later than expected but in some good racing conditions. The wind held nicely throughout the day allowing the race to continue into the night, finishing at approximately 9pm. There were clear skies and a full moon (yes the race was planned to occur on a full moon – thank you Peter) which allowed for the continued use of spinnakers into the dark and relatively easy location of the marks (given that the glow sticks tied to the marks were only visible to the fish!).

To all those who took part – well done. To Brian James, Craig Brown and their crew – congratulations on a well deserved victory. To those who wanted to take part and couldn't due to other commitments – better luck next year. To all the members who are not sailing keelboats and are interested, this is an ideal event to get involved in next year.

### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS:

The first weekend of the Club Points Series was sailed on 14/15 November 2009 and we had some visitors from ZVYC in the laser Class, We also had demonstrations of the new RS Class which is an ISAF recognised Class and in the process applying for SAS National status. On the Saturday we had a fairly stiff breeze, especially the first Race, and some competitors did not start. The Sunday was a lot calmer and we had another two races.

### Results of HYC Points Series after first weekend of two:

LASERS (9 ENTRIES)	
1	Alistair Keytel (ZVYC)
2	M Mohr
3	P du Preez
4	J Fursman
5	C Flederman
6	P Smith
7	G Shaw
8	P Jackson (ZVYC)
9	P Collingridge
OPTIMISTS (2 ENTRIES)	
1	O Wiggins
2	D Collingridge



Down wind during the 9-hour

### AWAY GAMES:

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of October Andrew and Matthew Rissik sailed their Hobie 16 in the Dial Rock Challenge from Langebaan to Saldhana and back. They came 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Hobie 16 class.

## MANAGER'S OFFICE

*Mike Kohl*

The sites available are as follows;

E30 – small club cabin for long term rental

E 20, E 45, E 51,

W 08, W 10, W 12, W 20, W 25, W 28, W 29, W 30, W 38, W 39, W 40.

## JUNIOR SAILING

*Winston Wiggins*

The last weekend started with a bang.

We all met in the club at 14:00 on Saturday. The first thing I saw looking out the window was keelboats being blown over every where. Some of us then got out on the water and managed to get as many keels down and did what we could for the boats to ride the storm. Coming back into the club all soaked and wind blown I realised that we had a virtually new group of young sailors and parents all looking at me with wild eyes, probably thinking O' #\$(%)\* what are we doing here with this mad person. But we then got off to a good start.

Saturday we had gale force winds blowing and no sailing was possible. So we got one of the Oppies rigged in the pub area and continued the lesson. Again focus was just on the basics of tacking, jibing and boat handling. This worked out well with the new comers and by the end of Saturday everybody was able to tack an Oppie in the pub.

Sunday we tried getting out on the water. Though the wind had died down it was still coming from all directions and a touch too strong for the new crews. So we went out and did a drag. Just getting the juniors in boats and towing them out on the lagoon so they could get some exposure to being on the water and doing some steering.

Our next junior weekend is on **28 and 29 November** this ties in with a racing weekend so we hope to see as many juniors at the club as possible. "Sea Dog" has been allocated to junior training and we are in the process of reponing her and having a major service done on the engine. Thank you very much to Chris Sharp for organising all of this and doing most of the foot work. So by next training weekend we should be all up and running.

Remember to bring a hat, protective clothing for the sun, lots of sun screen and lots of water. Any HTH bottles will be welcome.

**Please feel free to contact me on 083 700 2269 should you have any questions.  
See you at 14:00 on Saturday in the club.**

## WETPUPS

Hermanus Yacht Club has now officially become the sailing venue for the newly established Western Province Prop School sailing club. After a second successful annual camp-out the relationship is going from strength to strength.



## \* MOVEMBER – Grow a Mo help a Bro

Movember, formerly known as November is a month long moustache growing event which is held each year to help raise funds and awareness for men's health. So before you laugh our treasurer is not doing this because he likes a Mo. Movember is about bringing back the moustache for a serious cause and sees Mo Bros supporting CANSA. They start Movember 1st with a clean-shaven face and have the remainder of the month to grow and groom their moustache, whilst raising funds and awareness. Famous faces such as Bob Skinstad have all been involved too. If you laugh at these moustachioed men, you will be expected to make a donation. If you want to donate without laughing that's fine too. Please contact [treasurer@hyc.co.za](mailto:treasurer@hyc.co.za) to make a donation to CANSA see [www.movember.com](http://www.movember.com)



## RS SAILING

Two weeks ago, RS Sailing did a demonstration weekend at the club and one Wetpups family have ordered an RS Tera and joined the club. It also looks like an existing member is being coerced by his son to sell his Oppie and buy a Tera! In fact rumour has it that even one of our veterans Paddy Smith is considering the Tera with a 4.8 m rig! Thinks are certainly looking bright at the club!



## BOAT PARKING

If you have not applied for a parking, please do so, even if you have paid so we can allocate a space. It is also your responsibility to collect the ID sticker from the manager and put it on the hull for easy visibility. No ID stickers will be issued without proof of payment. Boats without ID stickers are not allowed to be stored at the club. The ID and payment system is designed to enable the manager/ committee to contact owners in case of emergency (as seen during the recent severe wind storm at the club) and facilitate easy launching for active sailors. Please also note that no boats may park in the car park behind the clubhouse during summer unless there is express permission from the manager/ sailing committee.

## GALLEY / ENTERTAINMENT

**Karin Reay-Bank**

DECEMBER SATURDAY SPECIAL : Sea Food Platter @ R 150.00  
(includes a drink)

27 DECEMBER 2009 : Christmas Lunch  
NEW YEARS EVE : R150 per person

### NEW YEARS EVE ADULT'S MENU - BUFFET TABLE

*Dress up for the weekend!*

SPITBRAAI - LAMB / PORK & ROAST CHICKEN

SALAD TABLE

MUSSEL SOUP & BREAD TABLE

Dessert Table & Coffee

Champagne & Snack Platters

**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL.**

**A REMINDER AND BOOKING FORM WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO YOU.**

NEW YEARS EVE  
CHILDREN'S MENU

Burgers / Hotdogs + Chips  
Sugar Free Chocolate Mousse

Walt Disney Movie Night