



# GLYC

## Shooting the Breeze

**Newsletter - July 2012**

### **2012 – 2013 Committee**

At the Annual General meeting in June the following committee was elected:

<b>President:</b>	David Laing
<b>Commodore:</b>	Malcolm Osborne
<b>Vice Commodore:</b>	Frank Witteveen
<b>Rear Commodore:</b>	Henry Paine
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Anthony Parker
<b>Secretary:</b>	Mandy Lombard
<b>Bosun:</b>	Maurits Lammers
<b>Steward:</b>	Sandy Joseph
<b>Development Officer:</b>	Cathy Avierinos
<b>PRO:</b>	Sally Kennedy
<b>Youth Rep:</b>	Jayan Smart
<b>Member:</b>	Demitri Divaris
<b>Member:</b>	Fay Jones

We trust that this team will be able to run and improve the club adequately over the next season.

Henry Paine and Sally Kennedy were not at the AGM – they are sailing in the Greek Isles! But thanks to modern communications, they are in periodic contact via email and were able to accept their nominations via that medium.

Fay Jones as committee member will be assisting the Treasurer with the club bookkeeping. You should already have received your subscription invoice – these were sent out by Fay. Please note that subscriptions are due by 31st August. Unless otherwise arranged, according to the constitution, anybody not paying subscriptions by the 30th October shall be deemed defaulters. If you are intending to sail in the regional championships at Mossel Bay (see below), you will have to pay before middle September in order to be eligible in terms of S.A. Sailing membership.

### **2012 / 2013 Sailing Season**

It's getting close already – the new season commences at the end of August, 2012.

The first races will be for the Frostbite Series on 26 August. The **Opening Cruise** will be on the following Sunday – **2 September**. The concluding races for the Frostbite Series will also be on this day.

The first major regatta of the season is the **S.A. Sailing South Eastern Regional Championships**, to be held at Mossel Bay. (SAS S.E. Region is the new name for S.A.S. Eastern Cape). The dates for

this event are 30 & 31 September and 1 October, 2012 (Saturday to Monday). This is not a long weekend – these dates have been chosen to fall within school holidays. The GLYC Interclub Regatta is on 27 / 28 October.

### **Tera and Optimist World Championships**

The RSA team going to the RS Tera World Championships on Lake Iseo, Italy is now departing – George Lakes Yacht Club wishes them all success in this regatta, especially those representing GLYC – Danielle de Wet, Ashleigh, Robyn and James Hellstrom and Georgou Divaris.

Georgou is on his way to Italy from the Dominican Republic, where he was part of the RSA team competing in the Optimist World Championships. At this event, he was third amongst the RSA team. At this tough event, only the more experienced David Wilson could finish in the top 100. Georgou and Dylan Long ended up in the 2<sup>nd</sup> hundred, while Arin Long and Henry Daniels had to be content with the 3<sup>rd</sup> hundred (200's).

### **Lipton Cup**

John and Tracey Young have entered their L26 under the auspices of George Lakes Yacht Club in the prestigious **Lipton Cup Regatta** being held on False Bay (from Simonstown) at the end of August. We wish them all success with this event.

### **Powerboat Certificate of Competency**

Knysna Yacht Club is arranging a course at reduced rates for some of its members and has offered places on this course to members of our club. This course, which includes the SAMSA examination, takes place on 25 / 26 August, 2012 in Knysna. It is for Category E (1nm offshore).

Please contact Andrew Finn [andrew@123.co.za](mailto:andrew@123.co.za) for all the details.

Following this, a S.A. Sailing Safety Boat Course is planned to be held on 6 / 7 October or 27 / 28 October at Knysna. Details to follow.

### **Recycle**

One of the refuse bins near the braai area has been equipped with a blue bag and a Recycle sign. Please use this bin for the disposal of your beer and wine bottles, cans and paper.

### **Youth Nationals**

We are looking for help over this period, 8-14 December. Please contact Malcolm or Evelyn if you are able to help in any way - in the regatta office, on the shore, driving boats, loaning boats, helping on the race committee. If we have already contacted you, your name is on the list. Thank you.

In preparation for this, there will be a club level Race Officer course at **GLYC** on **19<sup>th</sup> August** a Sunday morning at 11am. Topics include - aspects of scoring, race committee functions, course laying, helping as rescue to anticipate what the Race Officer needs you to do, flag procedure and recording. All newcomers to sailing are welcome, including moms and dads of new sailors. There will be a manual, and for this a small fee of R10 is needed. There will be a bring and braai afterwards. All welcome.

## Sailing School

GLYC is lucky to have helpful Elves over the off season. Fences get repaired, the jetty is under construction, the clubhouse gets cleaned, and best of all, the motor boats are being refurbished. I also notice many boats getting revamps. Thank you, elves.

Between all these activities, the young sailors going to the worlds are practising daily, improving their skills. Sail well, and have great world championships. Georgou Divaris in Optimist and Tera Worlds, Danielle de Wet, Ashleigh, James and Robyn Hellstrom in Tera worlds.

Back home, the Youth and Juniors also need to get prepared for the new season, as there are important regattas coming up.

John-Marc has now joined the ranks of assistant coach, as he has passed the course. Well done John-Marc.

To prepare for the season, I will be running a **Laser course**, Every Saturday afternoon from 13:00 – 17:00 hr Dates. 11, 18, 25 August, 1,8,15 September. We will cover all aspects of sailing, rules, practical, techniques. This will be a good follow up after our rigging course. (I hope you have all redone your settings ) There will be a manual to jog your memory, and filming on the water. There will be a cost of R200 for the whole course. Please book with Evelyn. (This course is for ALL Laser sailors, and anyone else who would like to borrow the club Lasers. There are 3 for hire.)

For all the youth, and all Mirror sailors, including the Optimist sailors who have received their second certificates there will be a **Mirror and double handed course** on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August Time 12 noon**, through to the afternoon.

We need skippers, so **ALL** sailors you are also invited, as we will be doing Spinnaker work, and especially crewing. If there are large numbers we will use GP14's as well.

Please book with Evelyn, to ensure enough spinnaker boats. **No charge for this course.**

The **Novice courses** will commence from 1<sup>st</sup> September Saturday mornings, children from 7years or nearly 7. Time 10 am-12am Maximum 6 per course. 6 weeks, R150 per lesson Booking essential.

Further courses will be done as the season gets into full swing. For bookings, [evelyno@telkomsa.net](mailto:evelyno@telkomsa.net)

Have a great season, and may you all enjoy the courses and club sailing as well as the away events.

Evelyn