

# Tas Sabre News March 2010



Oops – have been a little distracted with moving, etc – hence no reports for December, January and February. Hopefully back to normal from now on.

**Looks like a big roll up of boats heading south to Dover over Easter for the States. Join in for a fun weekend.**

## States at Dover

The Sabre State Titles will be held at Dover this year in conjunction with the 149th Huon Tasmanian Salmon Port Esperance Regatta, from **Friday April 2nd – Sunday April 4th**. Don't panic – we'll have our own separate course.

For online entry and race documents: [www.eightyoptions.com.au/regatta\\_entry](http://www.eightyoptions.com.au/regatta_entry)  
Please note that you need to be a member of the Tas Sabre Association to compete (membership form at end of Newsletter).



*Matt Pearce rounding the top mark at the sharp end of the Nationals fleet after some clever strategic sailing in strong current.*

(Picture: Ian Jeanneret – go to <http://ianjeanneret.zenfolio.com/sabre2009> for 300 pictures from the Nationals)

### **More info about the States at Dover from Steve Harrison**

The Race Centre for the Eighty Options Sabre State Titles will be in a marquee on the foreshore adjacent to the camping area. Briefings and sign on / sign off sheets will be in the marquee.

Camping spots are available on the eastern end of the foreshore. Access is on a first-in basis. The Huon Valley Council has constructed a new toilet block close by. It has outdoor cold-water showers for rinsing off salt water. A hot-water shower is located inside the PESc club-house. The Dover Beachside Tourist Park also has hot showers to which you may be able to negotiate access for a fee.

The [Far South Wilderness Lodge](#) has cabin and backpacker accommodation available especially for the regatta. Other accommodation options can be found [here](#).

A free-sausage sizzle is available for sailors on Friday evening at the club for sailors as a welcome to the regatta.

Food on Saturday and Sunday nights is a cook you own bbq with salmon, steak and chicken with salads for \$15. Salad rolls will be available for lunch. It is advised to order these early at the bar.

Entertainment on Saturday night sees the return of Leanne McLean and Jim Reece while the regatta closes with a bang on Sunday night rocking out to the electric blues of Slyde. If you were there last year you'll know what I mean.

### **Tas Sabre Association AGM**

This will be held at Dover during the state championships, ideally on Friday, immediately after racing and de-rigging. If the weather is kind to us, we'll meet informally, just behind the beach.

Please forward nominations for office bearers to Chris Keil ([keil@iprimus.com.au](mailto:keil@iprimus.com.au)).

### **What's happening**

- Neil Snare has purchased a Sabre ("Bullfrog") from up north, and sailing the boat at Lindisfarne.
- Rowan Clark has sold "Hooligan" to a sailor at Kingston Beach, and is working on building a new one over the winter.
- Steven Snell has purchased "Clewed Up", and is sailing at Montrose.
- There's probably a thousand other changes that I don't know about.

## **Quick Wrap Up of the 09/10 Sabre Nationals**

It was great to see 60 Sabres sailing on the Derwent, which was a record for a Sabre Nationals held in Tassie. The weather was pretty kind to us – we had to strong wind races, two light wind races, and two sea breeze races. So there was a good variety for all sailors.

Callum Burns from Victoria outclassed the fleet, with a commanding performance, winning most of the heats.

Tassie sailors did remarkably well, with five finishing in the top ten. Matt Pierce, sailing Tenacity, was the top Tasmanian. Rowan Clark was junior champion, and Matt Westland was first in the Grand Master's division.

The regatta was really successful, with lots of positive feedback received. Competitors enjoyed a change of venue at BYC, and appreciated the competent regatta handling from officials at LSC.

Next year's nationals will be held at Brighton-Seacliffe in SA – hope to see you all there. Rumour has it that some have already booked their tickets!



*Tony Fist in 1791 showing most of the fleet his transom in a heat of the Nationals.*

## **Crown Series Regatta**

There was a good turn out of Sabres for the Crown Series at BYC, which is always really popular. Matt Pearce made the best of some tricky and tough conditions to take out the series. (more comprehensive report next newsletter – I've run out of steam...).

## **Sabres for Sale**

Sabre "Aquablade"

Good condition \$1950 ono.

Phone Andy Cunningham on 62319384 or 0439647056

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## *Fun at the Sharp End*

### *APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP AND BOAT REGISTRATION FOR THE 2009-10 SEASON.*

I.....  
of.....  
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email address.....  
Contact Number.....

Wish to apply for Renewal/Membership as set out below.

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| Family Membership.<br>(one boat)        | \$40.00 | ..... |
| Each additional boat.                   | \$15.00 | ..... |
| Senior Membership.                      | \$30.00 | ..... |
| Junior Membership.<br>Under 18 (1/7/09) | \$25.00 | ..... |
| Associate Membership.                   | \$15.00 | ..... |

Total Fee enclosed \$.....

Please list boats covered by this application:

Sail Number	Boat Name	Skipper	Club
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Signed..... Date.../.../...

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SABRE ASSOCIATION OF TASMANIA THE DEVIOT SALING CLUB ON 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2009 AT 1415 HRS**

**Present:** Chris Keil, Andrew Bradshaw, Andrew Roberts, Frank Brunacci, Paul Mathews, Sally Cooper, hadin Wohlgenmuth, Fin Prosser/Wood, James Hall, Matt Westland, John Genders, Peter Ingram-jones, Eric Szabo, Tony Fist, George Fish, Jeremy Fish, Mark Taylor, & Murray Willis.

**Apologies:** Peter Cook, Bill Gregory & Geoff Martin.

**Minutes of previous AGM:** Minutes accepted as a true record, moved George Fish second Tony Fist.

**Treasures Report:** Balance Sheet as at the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2009 shown as a true record, moved George Fish, second Tony Fist.

**Election of Officers:** There were no nominations received so nominations from the floor were accepted.

President - Matt Westland, moved Jeremy Fish, second A Bradshaw

Vice President - Jeremy Fish, moved Matt Westland, second George Fish

Sec/Treasure - Chris Keil, moved George Fish, second Jeremy Fish

State Measure – Bill gregory, assistant Rod seymour & Geoff Martin, moved Matt Westland, second George Fish

committee – Andrew Bradshaw, moved Sally Cooper, second Chris keil

Paula Szabo, moved Matt Westland, second Sally Cooper

Sally Cooper, Moved Chris Keil, second Matt Westland

Peter Jones, moved Sally Cooper, second Matt Westland

Andrew Roberts, moved Sally Cooper Second Chris Keil

**Fees:** It was resolved that the fees remain same, moved Matt Westland, second Jeremy Fish

**Venue For State Titles:** Dover Easter weekend, moved Matt Westland, second Jeremy Fish

**General Bussiness**

National Titles: Venue suggested Bellerive Yacht Club & run by the Lindisfarne Sailing Club as per the Crown Series.

Organising Committee to be set up and liase with clubs.

National Rule change to allow GPS tracker all in favor Matt Westland & Chris Keil to vote accordingly at the Special General Meeting of the Sabre Sailing Association of Australia.

Tony Fist said he would be available to assist shore personal at nationals

Meeting Closed: 1435