



SABRE SAILING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA
NEWSLETTER
DECEMBER 2010 (Christmas Edition)

As this is our Christmas Edition, we wish all our members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Other Opening Days

The Sabres attended many other Perth Yacht Clubs during Opening Day Season in September/October 2010, such as East Fremantle Yacht Club, Mounts Bay Yacht Club and Shelley Yacht Club. Thank you to all Sabre Sailors that supported the Class at these Opening Days. Participation in these events at other yacht clubs helps promote the class.

Unfortunately the weather for Shelley Yacht Club wasn't so kind with 20knts of wind and rain. It was a mission just launching the boats off the beach. Well Done to Ray Martin and Rob Depiazzi who managed to finish the race.



Go Sailing Day

Go Sailing Day was a success with many people attending to have a go at Sailing. The Sabres setup a static display and Dennis Thompson sailed his Sabre for interested sailors to see. Brian and Jenny Jones held the fort and managed the enquiries. Follow up is now underway to see if we can convert the interest into new members.

Check out the Sabre Website www.sabre.org.au for information on all Sabre Sailing in other states. The Western Australian page also features more club news.



2010 WA Celebrate WA Sail Classic Regatta

The Regatta was held on the 24th October 2010 and hosted by the PDSC in conjunction with WA Week. A number of other classes from other yacht clubs participated. With 6 Sabre competing ensured we were classed as a fleet and had our own starting line. Three short races were conducted over the day. Well done to all sailors.

Results

- 1st Ian James
- 2nd Ray Martin
- 3rd Robert Depiazzi

Article in West Australian

The Sabre has made the West Australian Newspaper. A great article was written by Marcus Padley a fellow Sabre Sailor from Victoria about his purchase of a Sabre to sail in Port Phillip Bay with his family and to race. He states teaching your child a skill such as cooking, sailing or chess is one of the greatest gifts you can give.

Stalwarts

Over the past few weeks we have had a number of Yacht Club Stalwarts sail a Sabre. The Stalwarts included Rod McGregor, Bill Devine and Rob Thomas. The Sabre is a bit

different to the high performance boats they normally sail, however they enjoyed the sail. Thank you to the Sabre Members who provided their boats to the Stalwarts to sail. Maybe we will see these Stalwarts sailing a Sabre regularly soon.

East Fremantle Yacht Club

Louis Suriano from East Fremantle Yacht Club is trying to expand the fleet. The PDSC Sabres attended EFYC opening day to show their support. Louis has provided his boat to a number of interested EFYC sailors to sail and interest is strong. It is expected that a number of boats will be built and ready for next season. Let's hope the fleet builds numbers as quick as the PDSC fleet did.

Xmas Tree

PDSC will be hosting a Xmas Tree event on 18th December 2010. Please feel free to bring down a meal and your family to enjoy the Christmas Festivities. Father Christmas will also be in attendance.

Boat Measuring

Only a few boats are left to measure. Under PDSC rules all boats sailing must conform to class regulations. Please contact Rob if your boat has not been measured. Any boat not officially measured is subject to protest.

All cartoons & drawings used in this newsletter courtesy of Terry Allen.

Fundraising Raffle

The Sabrettes organised a raffle to fundraise. Thank you to all Sabre Sailors who contributed items to the hampers and sold raffle tickets. A total of \$871.00 was raised which is a fantastic effort.

*The prize winners were
1st Georgia Lewis (Glenn's daughter)
2nd Ian James*

Both hampers included French champagne, selection of wine and food products. Thank you to Vicki Allen and Jenny Jones for organising the hamper and raffle tickets.

Sabre Nationals

The 33rd Sabre National Championships will be held at Brighton Beach in Adelaide SA from the 27th December to the 3rd January 2011. Ian James and Bill Gillham will be flying the flag for WA. This will be the first Sabre Nationals WA will have boats competing. So Ian and Bill, Do WA proud!! Brian and Jenny Jones will also be flying over towards the end of the championships to attend the National AGM to report on the WA Association and see how Sabre National Championships are managed, which will benefit the Association when we hold the WA's Nationals in 2014/2015. We wish all sailors the best of luck.

Port Bouvard 13th February 2011

The Signets have invited the Sabres to sail at Port Bouvard Yacht Club (Mandurah) on Sunday 13th February. It would be great if we can get a few boats along as it does help promote the class to other sailors. More information will be provided soon. However see Brian Jones for more details

Bunbury Long Weekend 5 – 7th March 2011

The Bunbury Long weekend is on again, it's a great sailing weekend with excellent socialising. You will need to book accommodation now

as it is a very popular weekend. Most people stay at the Koombana Bay Holiday Park which is across the road from the Koombana Bay Yacht Club. To book accommodation contact below for more details
Ph: 1800 003 367.

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Sabre Association Banners

The Association has designed two tear drop banners, which incorporates the Sabre logo. We hope the banners will help create awareness and promotion of the Sabres when attending other yacht clubs and also make the Sabre Area easier to find when visiting other yacht clubs.



Sabres For Sale

We have the following boats now for sale.

Goin Solo II
Mums The Word I
Lite Sabre
One bare new hull

See Brian Jones for more details

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