



**YACHTING**  
**SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

*Annual Report*  
*Season 2010 - 2011*



**AGENDA FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 24 MAY 2011**

1. ATTENDENCE & APOLOGIES
2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF AGM HELD 25<sup>th</sup> MAY 2010
3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM 25<sup>th</sup> MAY MEETING
4. REPORTS
5. AFFILIATION FEES FOR 2011/2012 SEASON
6. ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS
7. CONFIRMATION OF SUB COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS  
FOR 2011/2012
8. CONFIRMATION OF YA DELEGATES
9. CONFIRMATION OF AUDITOR
10. CLOSE OF MEETING

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### **ITEM 1 Attendance & Apologies**

#### Attendance Register and Voting Rights

All attendees are required to sign the attendance register before the meeting commences or upon arrival.

The chairperson will request 2 non-voting attendees to act as scrutineers for the meeting.

The chairperson will call the names of the voting delegates who will identify themselves and will be handed voting cards (Blue = For a motion, Red = Against). Un-financial members are not entitled to a vote.

Only those persons identified by their clubs or associations prior to the meeting as voting delegates will be issued voting cards. If clubs or associations have nominated an Alternate Delegate and the Voting Delegate is not present, the Alternate Delegate will be issued the voting cards.

#### Quorum at Meetings of the Association

One tenth of the appointed delegates is required to form a quorum. *A quorum is required for the meeting to commence and at any time to continue.*

#### Protocol for Motions

Motions require a mover and a seconder. The seconder does not have to agree with the motion but may second a motion so that discussion can continue.

The mover of the motion will be asked to speak on behalf of the motion after which others may speak ONLY ONCE on the motion. The mover will have the final "right of reply" to the discussion.

At the end of the discussion, the chairperson will call for a vote. If required the scrutineers will count the votes. If a secret ballot is required, the scrutineers will distribute a voting slip to each delegate.

The Chairperson of any Meeting of the Association is entitled to exercise a casting vote in relation to any matter to be determined at that meeting.

The chairperson will declare the vote.

Note: Matters of Constitution require a two thirds majority.

*Other Matters require a simple majority*

	<b>Minutes of Annual General Meeting</b> held on 25 May 2010 Meeting commenced at 8:26 pm (following YSA Council meeting)	
1.	<b>Attendance &amp; Apologies:</b>	
1.1	Members Present : 21 voting persons with 28 voting rights Refer to Attendance Sheet	
1.2	<b>New Members &amp; Visitors:</b> YA Board Member                      Wally Rantanen	
1.3	<b>Apologies:</b> Board Member :                      John Johnston ISAF Representative                  David Tillett CYCSA                                      Simon Irving Garden Island YC                      Tracy Heritage Garden Island YC                      Brian Andrews Goolwa Regatta YC                      Brendan Murray Henley SC                                  Adrian Cooper Kangaroo Island YC                      Maggie Patterson Port Augusta YC                          Ian Klingberg Port Augusta YC                          David Powell Int. Laser Assoc.                          Steve Sampson	
2.	<b>Confirmation of Minutes of previous meeting on 26 May 2009</b>	
	Moved: Ray Ellard    Seconded: Bob Schahinger that: "The Minutes of the previous AGM 26 May 2009 are true and correct" Carried	
3.	<b>Business arising from previous minutes</b>	
	No business arising from previous AGM	
4.	<b>Reports</b>	
4.1	President:..... Bob Heywood	
	As circulated  Bob Heywood noted that this was his last report as President. He made special note that the win in the Sydney – Hobart by Andrew Saies was the 4 <sup>th</sup> in history by a South Australian.	
4.2	Finance ..... Allen Walters	
	As circulated	
4.3	Executive Officer ..... Terry Reilly	
	As circulated	
4.4	SA Sports Institute (Sailing) Program ..... Brendan Todd, Coach	
	As circulated	
4.5	YSA Off the Beach Catamaran Committee ..... Marcus Towell	
	As circulated	
4.6	YSA Racing Officials Committee ..... Wayne Thompson	
	As circulated	
4.7	Sailability SA Committee ..... John Johnston	
	As circulated	

4.8	SA School Team Racing .....Ian Porteous As circulated
4.9	SA Youth Sailing Inc (Shoot the Breeze) ..... Paul Stockley As circulated
4.10	YA National Match Racing Committee .. No report
4.11	YA National Training Committee As circulated
4.12	YA National Youth Committee .....Malcolm Hughes As circulated
4.20	Acceptance of Reports (4.1 – 4.12 above) B Heywood thanked committee chairmen and the sought a delegate to move and second the reports as presented: Moved: Dave Godden                      Seconded: Mike Badenoch The reports were unanimously accepted by all members present.
5.	Affiliation Fees for 2009/2010 Season
	Agenda Motion: Yachting SA Board proposes that the Member Club Fee for the 2010/2011 season will be charged in accordance with fees attached under the Yachting SA Club Banding System and that Class/Association fees be \$180.00.  Moved: Dave Godden                      Seconded: David Snoad  <b>The President called for a vote of nominated club and class delegates. The motion was carried</b>  <b>Following discussion on the payment schedule for the fees, it was agreed that the fees would be invoiced in 3 separate invoices on 1<sup>st</sup> Oct, 1<sup>st</sup> Nov and 1<sup>st</sup> Dec with payment due by the end of each month.</b>
6.	Election of Board Members for 2010/2011 Season
	Under the Constitution 3 positions (of the 6 Board) fell vacant each year.  Valid nominations were received for: Simon Irving ..... CYCSA John Johnston ..... Port Adelaide SC Liza Reynolds..... RSAYS Wayne Thompson.....Largs Bay SC  After a vote, the successful candidates were:  Simon Irving ..... CYCSA Liza Reynolds..... RSAYS Wayne Thompson.....Largs Bay SC  The Board is required to meet within 1 month to elect a President, Senior VP and a Vice ...President, plus a Treasurer.  The President, Bob Heywood, thanked John Johnston for his valuable contributions to the YSA Board.
7	Nomination for Special Awards
	The President read a statement concerning the achievements and contributions to YSA



## Attendance List

### **Yachting SA - Council & AGM Meetings 25 May 2010**

<b>Board Members</b>	
President	Bob Heywood
Senior Vice President	Wayne Thompson
Treasurer	Liza Reynolds
Board Member	Allen Walters
Board Member	Dave Godden
<b>Staff</b>	
Executive Officer	Terry Reilly
Administration Officer	Vicki Hughes
<b>YA Representatives</b>	
SASI Program Coach	Brendan Todd
YA Board Representative	Wally Rantanen
<b>Sub- Committees</b>	
YSA Off the Beach Catamaran	Marcus Towell
YSA Race Officials Committee.	Wayne Thompson
Sailability - SA	John Johnston
Schools Team Sailing Committee	William Morgan
SA Youth Sailing/ STB	Paul Stockley
Safety Committee Advisor	David Woods
<b>YA Delegates</b>	
YA National Officials Committee	Wayne Thompson
YA National Racing Rules Comm.	Wayne Thompson
YA National Youth Committee	Malcolm Hughes

<b>Club</b>	<b>Delegate</b>
Adelaide S.C.	Mike Badenoch
Adelaide S.C.	David Singh
Christies S.C.	Chris Dean
Cruising Y.C. of SA	Traci Ayris
Goolwa Regatta Y.C. Inc.	Don Richardson
Grange S.C. Inc.	Ian Glasson
Grange S.C. Inc.	Don Morris
Henley S.C. Inc.	Warren Carey
Port Adelaide S.C.	Allen Walters
Royal SA Yacht Squadron Inc.	Jerry Brown
Royal SA Yacht Squadron Inc.	Lisa Bettcher
Somerton Y.C. Inc.	Graeme Bruce
<b>Class Associations</b>	<b>Delgate</b>
Arrow & Arafura Cat Assoc.	Warwick Graham
Australian Sharpie Assoc.	David Snoad
International E22 Association	Liza Reynolds
International Fireball Assoc.	Dave Godden/PRSC
International Flying 15 Assoc.	Ray Ellard
SA Hobie Catamaran Assoc.	Bob Schahinger
Tasar Assoc. of South Aust.	Adrian Nicholson
Trailer Sailer Assoc. of SA	Warren Carey

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### ITEM 3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM AGM MINUTES 2010

### ITEM 4. REPORTS

President..... Wayne Thompson  
Treasurer..... Liza Reynolds  
Executive Officer ..... Terry Reilly

South Australian Sports Institute (SASI) ..... Brendan Todd  
YSA - Off the Beach Catamaran Committee..... Marcus Towell  
YSA - Race Officials Committee ..... Malcolm Hughes  
YSA - Sailability SA ..... John Johnston  
YSA - Schools Team Sailing Committee (STS) ..... Simon Irving  
YSA - South Australian Youth Sailing (STB) ..... Paul Stockley

YA National Race Officials Committee delegate ..... Malcolm Hughes  
YA National Racing Rules Committee delegate..... Malcolm Hughes  
YA National Sailability delegate ..... John Johnston  
YA National Teams Racing Committee delegate ..... Ian Porteous  
YA National Youth Committee delegate ..... Malcolm Hughes  
YA National Keelboat Committee delegate ..... Caillin Howard



## 2010/11 Yachting SA Roll of Honour

The Board of Yachting SA congratulates the following South Australian sailors on their outstanding achievements.

### YSA Awards

for Season 2009/2010

Sailor of the Year ~ Andrew Saies

Youth Sailor of the Year ~ Lauren Thredgold

Volunteer of the Year ~ Bob Schahinger

President's Award ~ jointly awarded to  
Ron Yeates & John Johnston

## 2010/2011 National Champions

<b>Australian Sharpie Jnr</b> National Champion	Brad Windram <i>Adelaide SC</i>	Cameron Larkin <i>Adelaide SC</i>	Angus Hughes <i>Adelaide SC</i>
<b>Hartley TS16</b> National Champion	Jarrod Chaplin <i>Largs Bay SC</i>	Andrew Dolye <i>Largs Bay SC</i>	
<b>International 505</b> National Champion	Sandy Higgins <i>Brighton &amp; Seacliff YC</i>	Paul Marsh <i>Brighton &amp; Seacliff YC</i>	
<b>International Cadet</b> National Champion	Sean Keen <i>Adelaide SC</i>	Oscar Mitton <i>Adelaide SC</i>	
<b>International Fireball</b> National Champion	Michael Thomson <i>Adelaide SC</i>	Ed Alder <i>Adelaide SC</i>	
<b>Mosquito MKII</b> National Champion	Warwick Kemp <i>Adelaide SC</i>	Tomas Norman <i>Adelaide SC</i>	

## 2010 Major Events

<b>Sydney Hobart Race</b>	Geoff Boettcher & Crew in "Secret Men's Business 3.5" <i>Cruising YCSA</i>
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## YACHTING SOUTH AUSTRALIA 2010 – 2011 SEASON

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2010/11

Welcome everyone to the AGM of YSA. It is with great privilege that I present this report for the year 2010/11.

This year has been quite busy with us producing a new constitution for YSA. As most of you can see there is not a great difference from the old one but it does tidy up quite a few anomalies. We have also tried to put it into a format and system that has made it easier to read and follow. This has not been an easy task to do and I would like to thank all those people that have been involved and had some input to its writing.

I attended my first AGM of Yachting Australia back in October let me say that this was quite an eye opener for me. The new board of Yachting Australia was elected with the President Andrew Plympton stating that he would only stay in the position of President till February then he would be resigning from the board to pursue other interests.

It was then on to the fees that had to be paid to Yachting Australia. The fees were tabled and discussed. As Yachting Australia had distributed the fees incorrectly for the last couple of years there had to be some adjustments made both to the fee and insurance premium. The insurance part could not be set at this point in time and would be distributed later. When we were notified of the premium it had risen by approx 44% from the previous year. This was as a result of the amount of claims made on the policy. When the board sat down to review the numbers it was worked out that we had 7% of the membership Australia wide and that we were paying 7% of the total fees.

In April the Presidents got together and had a meeting with the new Yachting Australia President and voiced their concern about the problems that MYAs were experiencing with Yachting Australia. These problems were many and various but a few major ones where:

- Lack of communication
- No support to implement schemes
- The fees and the insurance premium
- How the IT software was not user friendly

There was also some indication that YA had been a little lax in paying monies to some MYAs after they had run events. It was also pointed out to the Presidents that after YA had taken on the training programs in lieu of each state running their own, YA had lost a considerable amount of money and were considering giving the training back to the MYAs.

We have spent a lot of time over the last 7 months looking at a program running in Victoria called Tackers. This is a learn to sail program which is directed at children in the 6 to 8 year old range. This is a program to help kids gain an interest in sailing and achieve a limited knowledge before the kids go on to clubs to learn the finer points of sailing and racing.

We also obtained a grant from the government for the next two years to enhance the knowledge of our race officials throughout the state. This money is being spent in sending members of our Race Officials Committee to various clubs throughout the state for courses and lectures. We have this committee to help and support our clubs so please, if you feel that your club may need some advice on the rules, or would like a course run, please don't hesitate to contact a member of the Race Officials Committee.

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This year also saw the introduction of a Tri Series Regatta set up for our junior and youth classes. It was held at B&SYC, LBSC and ASC. The format was set up and run as a national championship to teach the kids about what to expect. Brendan Todd and family kindly donated a trophy for the highest scoring club over the three weekends. The inaugural winner of this trophy was ASC.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the board members for their support and contribution over the last year. A special note of thanks must go to Alan Walters who has decided not to continue on after many years of service to the board of Yachting South Australia in various positions.

Wayne Thompson  
President YSA

### **TREASURERS REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH**

Again this year in presenting the audited Financial Reports for the year 2010/11, we retain the strong notion of fiscal prudence.

For the benefit of members we have printed a detailed version of these reports so that the members can see where the money has come from, and where it has been spent. For the year 2010/11 the Profit & Loss Statement shows that Yachting South Australia (YSA) achieved a surplus of \$20,657 while the Balance Sheet shows that cash at bank and fixed deposits amounts to \$30,041. Our financial position appears strong. However, the following report details the major reasons for the unbudgeted surplus:

#### **Profit and Loss Statement**

In July 2010 YSA received StEP2 grant of \$7,000 (ex tax) to be spent before 30th June 2011 and have spent \$1,919. Remaining \$5,000 targeted to spend in June 2011 (requirement of grant to expend in Rec & Sport financial year).

In the financial year 2010/11 YSA budgeted \$10,000 in rental (300 Morphett St) but expended only \$3,986 under an agreement with BIASA. Due to the current changes within BIASA, it is not confirmed if the reduced rental fee will continue.

In the 2010/11 Budget we allowed for doubtful debts of \$10,000 the credited amount of \$2,265.50 was attributed to this line. However, the expectation is to write off a further \$2,427 in bad debts in 2011-12.

The prudent financial approach YSA is committed too, has made certain savings in areas such as postage & freight, to the value of \$3928.00. Savings also made in relation to the budgeted \$8,800 for meeting expenses (travel and accommodation) with expenses totalling \$4742.

On perhaps a slightly different note, however still in the spirit of fiscal prudence. The YSA board elected to change the format of the 'Sailor of the Year' awards from its previous incarnation as an awards dinner. YSA elected to recognise the winners at relevant club opening days. This has seen the expenditure towards Sailor of the Year reduce significantly to just \$573.00. However, this has not assisted the perception of YSA and its role as the states sporting body.

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The expenditure of \$3,176.64 was required update the computers within the YSA office. This purchase was long overdue and necessary for YSA office to maintain service to all members.

2010/11 saw the commencement of the Youth Tri-Series presented by Yachting South Australia and SA Youth Sailing "Shoot the Breeze". This multi race regatta held across 3 clubs; Brighton and Seacliff Yacht club, Largs Bay Sailing clubs and Adelaide Sailing club was successful in its first year generating \$6,994 in income from entry fees transmitted to clubs and SA Youth Sailing. The success of this regatta has cemented its place on this year's sailing calendar with further considerations to the timing of the event and venues.

The YSA office has now implemented the use of internet banking; this long overdue change has allowed greater transparency and flexibility in relation to the payment of expenses and collection of income. It also ensures that we have a more efficient banking practise using fewer cheques for payments and therefore generating less associated fees.

The YSA Board has also elected to amalgamate the individual short term investment accounts including the Credit Union account (ACCU), T G Flint Foundation account and the ACCU Lexcen accounts with the Bank SA. This decision has been made with the view of accruing additional interest and reduced fees associated.

Again the 2010/11 year has been challenging financially for YSA. The implementation of much efficiency has generated savings beyond the budget forecast. For the next financial year, it is again my intent as Treasurer and that of the YSA Board to maintain fiscal prudence and continually act in the best interest of our members within the sport of sailing in South Australia.

Liza Reynolds  
Treasurer

### **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT 2010/2011**

The past year has had some highs and lows. We gained a grant to cover 2 years of training for Race Officers but we have lost the benefits of a SASI program. Both these events are significant and have a long term effect on our sport. Perhaps the hardest issue to come to grips with is the struggle that many have clubs have to retain or grow membership. Country clubs are severely effected by the financial climate to the extent that some cannot find the funds to pay fees and we now face the unpleasant task of their disaffiliation.

There are only two possible scenarios for us; either we contract and reduce services or we look to see what are the constraints against expansion. We need to encourage new people into the sport and not rely on a traditional model that is heavily dependant on family members as a major growth factor.

There is a project that I strongly support ; Tackers. This introduction scheme is aimed at 6 – 12 year old children in an environment where they have fun and learn skills as a "by product". It was created by Yachting Victoria and is now in its third year. The program is now the cornerstone of YA's submission for funding and they have been successful in obtaining a grant to commence the project. It is now up to YSA clubs to decide if they want to be part of this process.

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Australia escaped the major immediate effects of the global financial crisis but we have felt some effects. Costs of living are escalating rapidly and there is a definite lack of the businesses prepared to sponsor amateur sport. YSA has very little to sell to a sponsor. Events are generally owned by classes or clubs and a coordinated sponsorship deal is difficult to manufacture. There would be some hope with a national program such as Tackers.

Allen Walters has decided to pull up his anchor and sail into retirement with a long history of dedicated service to YSA. We need to thank him for his service and wish him well for the future.

I am disappointed with the lack of interest in YSA matters, apart of course for the club fee structure. There were 3 Board positions available for contention yet we have received only 2 nominations; and these from current Board Members. If you are so concerned about the operations of YSA, why not get involved?

### Administration

YSA supported a study into the redevelopment to the Port River Sailing Club with an interest in sharing the facility with part of the project as the future YSA office. The design stage of this project is in progress and I expect that it will be several months before any proposal is ready for discussion. The project is fully dependant on government funding.

Our current low rental fee with BIASA may be under review depending on the success (or otherwise ) of the coming SA Boat Show. The show has been shifted back to Wayville with an expectation by the BIA members that attendance figure will improve because of the location. YSA has still registered continued interest in shared offices at Sport SA (Adelaide Shores).

The "single entity "model is a continuing project for YA. It is obvious that most MYAs do not see any major advantages in shifting to this model.

YSA submitted its policies and procedures to comply with the Child Protection legislation. Clubs that have not submitted their own policies and procedures directly to Families SA are covered under the YSA submission provided they note that they comply with YSA policies.

We continue to represent the sport at various peak body meetings particularly those with Office of Recreation and Sport to promote your funding requests. Seminars at ORS and SportSA continue to keep us update on business changes.

Clubs should note that anyone can check if a person is financial from the YSA web page (front page) provided they know the surname, initial and postcode of the person.

### Communication

Information is sent by email to clubs and classes on a regular basis. There is some evidence that the information does not reach club members. Information could be directed to individual members (eg Notice of Seminars, event info etc) however members would need to "buy in "to this form of communication. The email contact address for this function will be through the YA database which each individual sailor can change through "mySailor" with their YA number and password.

News from clubs is very spasmodic and does not form enough to generate a worthy newsletter.

### Membership

Our membership is static (ie within 1% as shown on the YA database records). The growth in some clubs is offset by the decline in others. Perhaps a forum where successful clubs can share their experiences with other clubs would assist our overall growth.

### High Performance

The SASI Sailing Program will cease this year. We have not produced enough emerging quality sailors to justify a position on the program. Our situation was not helped by YA withdrawing half the funding for the program. Outstanding sailors could still qualify for individual scholarships and we will pursue that when Brendan Todd returns from overseas mid June.

### Accounting and Finance

The account structure was recreated to conform with the emerging standards for "Not for profit" organizations. This standard is expected to be a requirement from government within the next year. By standardizing account numbers, regulatory bodies can more easily draw statistics on this business sector.

Rod Shearing was appointed as auditor and has audited our accounts. The Auditor's report for 2010-11 year is now available to Member Clubs and Associations. I need to note that the accounts are presented on an accrual basis rather than a cash basis which most NFP organizations are used to. This mode of presentation needs some explanation; eg when a debtors invoice is created (eg fees), the amount is shown as income even though it has not been collected. The opposing entry is in "Accounts Receivable" which is a Balance sheet item (\$8,176) as an outstanding amount, some of which will not be recovered. Additionally, liabilities for GST and PAYG Tax (\$3,930) due at 31<sup>st</sup> March need to be paid.

Under our constitution, all fees "*become due and payable on the first day of November each year*". As for last year, three separate invoices will be issued (1<sup>st</sup> June, 1<sup>st</sup> August, 1<sup>st</sup> October) each with a 30 day "due by" date.

YSA members need to make some tough decisions on their fellow members. Clubs and Associations that are un-financial after 3 months automatically (according to the Constitution) are no longer affiliated. This has been taken to be 28<sup>th</sup> Feb. Clubs and Associations that are no longer affiliated need to re-apply to YSA with payment of outstanding fees.

Our core costs are not dependant on the number of clubs so this places an additional burden on clubs which conform. We have now reached a point where clubs are protesting at the fee increases. We do need to find solutions to this situation.

### Race Officer Training Project

We were successful in obtaining a grant of \$12,000 over 2 years from ORS to increase our training of Race Officers. Without people giving their time to this part of the sport, we have no racing. Some courses have been successfully held and more are planned. We are endeavoring to cover the state over the 2 years with some courses in country locations. Some of the grant money will be spent in purchasing training and presentation aids to make the courses more effective.

As this type of funding is our most likely source of external income, success in this project is important. The measure of success will be the increase in the number of Club, State and National ROs.

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### Events

The Youth TRI-SERIES was created to combine 3 existing events and create a continuing interest in those events. Most agree that that objective was met and the series will be continued this coming season. The ad-hoc committee recommended that the venues remain the same for this year but we explore opening the event to bids from clubs next season.

National Championships offer us an opportunity to showcase our state and we held some successful events this year. As events become larger, more planning is required. At some stage, YSA needs to create an Event Committee to maximize benefits from each event. This will require cooperation by classes and clubs but there can be significant benefits in consistent organizational procedures (eg. accommodation management).

### Conclusion

This year has been difficult but I endeavour to keep a balanced view of the needs of the individual, club and association. A new constitution (if passed) will give the Board the opportunity to attract people with needed skills and contacts to the Board and assist in the re-growth of the association.

I wish to thank the YSA Board for their direction throughout the year. They do consider all aspects of any situation and always have the interest of sailing as the driving force in the issues we face.

Many thanks to Vicki Hughes who continues to work in the office 2 days a week. She brings considerable experience and expertise to YSA operations

Terry Reilly  
Executive Officer

### **SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE SPORT (SASI) SAILING PROGRAM REPORT**

Over the past year the program has supported sailors in the 470, Finn, Laser and Laser Radial classes.

James Paterson competed in the World Championships in the Finn Class in San Francisco in the winter period where he placed 41st position. James backed this up with a win in Sail Sydney and 14th in Sail Melbourne where he was able to sail against the top sailors in the world in the Finn Class for the second time this year. After taking some time off for the Sydney to Hobart race James raced in the Nationals Championship where he placed 8th which was not a good result for him. James will sail in the ISAF Combined World Championships in December 2011 in Perth. Todd Hughes after a good result at the National Championships in the 2009/10 season did qualify for a World Championship place but chose not to compete in the worlds this year. Todd raced in Sail Sydney and Sail Melbourne as warm up events for the National Championships and placed 13th. Due to Todd not taking up his place at the last World Championships he has not qualified for the upcoming Combined World Championships in Perth.

Luke Hookings continued his strength building and finished of his time in the Laser Radial class with a 3rd place. Luke then sustained an injury just before Christmas and was not able to compete at the National Championships and has continued his rehabilitation at the SASI facilities until fully recovered recently. Luke will now move into the Laser full rig along with some more of our up and coming sailors in his age group in the state.

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The 470 class depleted quite rapidly this year with Lauren Thredgold and Bethany Fawcett, after reaching the National Development Squad due to their promising results moved out of the 470 class and the program to the Fireball class with good results.

Tom Gordon and Jack Fletcher stuck it out through the winter and competed in the Sail Melbourne World Cup event and placed 14th. With no other 470's racing in the state they have now also moved out of the program into the Fireball class with good results.

The program was cut in half this past 12 months with YA cutting half of its funding and SASI cutting half of their funding and servicing commitment. This meant the program was not able to run its preseason camp with other training partners which have proven to be a good lead into the summer season. We have seen this year that the results have dropped and our athletes are being passed by those who have a higher commitment to overseas events. This is not sustainable. Other State Programs can help fund and support overseas events for their sailors who choose to follow the Olympic dream.

Yachting Australia has a National Athlete Selection and Assessment Guidelines for the State Programs and applying that to our Program we should have more of a development focus with our athletes, support athletes in the 420, Laser Radial and 4.7 classes. With this in mind, the parties to the Program are yet to confirm the shape of the program going forward and we can expect some changes for the forthcoming year.

Brendan Todd  
SASI Sailing Coach

### **OFF THE BEACH CATAMARAN COMMITTEE REPORT**

The objective for 2010/2011 season was the organising of a "Traveller Series" for catamaran sailors at various locations during the sailing season.

The traveller series was only intended to "piggy back" existing events to form a separate series. The scheduled events included were :-

Race 1 - Normanville Sailing Club - Sunday 14th November  
Race 2 - Adelaide Sailing Club - Saturday 11th December  
Race 3 - Victor Harbor Sailing Club - Saturday 8th Jan 2011  
Race 4 - Milang Regatta Club - Sunday 13th February 2011  
Race 5 - Christies Sailing Club - Sunday 6th March 2011  
Race 6 - Kingston (Earthmovers classic) - Friday & Saturday 16th April 2011  
Race 7 - VHYC (Rum Race) - Sunday 1st May 2011

Five of the races were completed due to weather restrictions.

Interest levels from sailors was a little disappointing, but with continued effort in advertising the schedule & locations will create awareness.

The introduction of the "SCHRS" handicap system also received mixed feedback, mainly from sailors who believed their yardstick advantage was threatened.



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Overall winners of the series were : -

- 1st - Emile Barrett – Formula 16 – Adelaide Sailing Club
- 2nd – Tony Barrett – Formula 16 – Adelaide Sailing Club
- 3rd – Marcus Towell – Yvonne – Victor Harbor Yacht Club
- 4th – Steve Kroon – Formula 18 – Adelaide Sailing Club
- 5th – Darren Kopp – Mosquito – Christies Sailing Club

The OTBCC have been utilizing [www.sacatamarans.blogspot.com](http://www.sacatamarans.blogspot.com) to communicate with sailors.

The OTBCC plan for season 2011/2012 are : -

1. Continue promoting the traveller series in similar format.
2. Introduction of a yardstick championship over 2 separate days & locations.
3. Utilize other forms of web based media (ie Face book) to promote OTB cat sailing.

Marcus Towell  
Chairman, OTBC Committee

### **YSA RACE OFFICIALS COMMITTEE REPORT.**

You will notice a different name of this committee – being renamed from Racing Rules to give recognition for the wider variety of Race Officials working to facilitate our sport.

It has been a quieter year with fewer National Championships in Adelaide, and none of them requiring a National Jury. Members though have been involved with a number of protest hearings and 2 appeal hearings through the season.

Yachting South Australia obtained a grant to support our Race Officials with training as part of the National Officiating Program. Tim Went, Stewart Ross and Malcolm Hughes have administered this scheme with help from the Office. A number of Race Officer courses have been held in both Metropolitan and Country locations as well as a National Judges course. Mick Bowley and Lisa Bettcher also assisted with delivery of these courses.

As part of the NOP program, members also participated in local and country Regattas as support for local Race Management teams in an on water mentoring role. I would like to extend an invitation to all clubs for similar support next season.

Stewart Ross gained status as an International Race Officer, Mike Rogers re-accredited as a National Race Officer, Simon Irving gained accreditation as a National Judge and a number of course attendees gained Club and / or State recognition.

The NOP funding extends through next season. A series of seminars will be proposed at a range of levels. Clubs interested in having a Race Officer or Protest Panel or Umpire course are invited to contact the office.

Our committee has also supported the schools teams racing events with on water umpiring and race management. The demand for officials at all events is increasing. Members interested in becoming involved please contact the office and our development strategies will see you supported in pursuing these important volunteer streams.

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This Christmas sees South Australia having another relatively quiet year with fewer National Titles. We currently have 5 events on the books. If any class is holding a National and they haven't let us know yet, please inform us so we can assist with the preparation of the proper documentation.

Malcolm Hughes  
Chairman, Race Officials Committee

### **SAILABILITY SA REPORT**

The summer season for Sailability in SA has now finished with a very successful season by the three metropolitan and three country clubs all enjoying great sailing. In particular the Goolwa club has enjoyed water in the lake (thanks to the good flows in the Murray River system) and again are running their Sailability program on Fridays and Sundays, as well as being able to host the SA State Sailability Championship.

The State Championship was a very busy weekend with 24 sailors, 50 volunteers, and many more supporters making the trip to the Goolwa Club after an absence of four years.

The results were:-

Liberty	Chris Riordan	(Lake Hawthorn, Vic.)
303	Malcolm Roediger	(Adelaide Sailing Club)
2.3	Martin Waller	(Sugarload Sailing Club, Vic.)
Teams Trophy		(Port Adelaide Sailing Club)

Sailing at Goolwa has now reached new levels due to the return of water that Sailability SA has assisted the Goolwa Regatta Club in applying for a grant for at least two (possibly four) new 303's to enable them to meet the growing numbers of new people with disabilities who wish to take up sailing.

Sailability in SA is now sailing a Weta Trimaran at Lacepede Bay (Sailability SE), Liberty's, 303's, and 2.3's at Goolwa, Port Lincoln and Adelaide Sailing Club.

Liberty's, 303's, 2,3's and Westwind 20 keel boats at Port Adelaide Sailing Club, and a Payne 24 keel boat at RSAYS (Disability Sailing SA).

Sailability SA thanks all its sailors and volunteers for their continued support

John Johnston  
President , Sailability SA

**SA SCHOOLS TEAM SAILING REPORT**

**Committee for 2010-11**

William Morgan – Chair

Neville Phillips – Secretary

Ian Porteus – South East Delegate & National Representative

Maggie Patterson – South East Delegate

Andy Dyer – Western Delegate

P Kelly – Western Delegate

I would like to thank William Morgan & Neville Phillips for their work as chair and secretary and in particular in surveying the schools about the format for future State Championships. The consensus was to run an open pool Swiss system with any team able to enter followed by a final series. This operated successfully at the State Championships using two courses. It did mean that infrastructure and resources were shared equally amongst all the teams. The Swiss system produces very close and competitive racing after a relatively short time as each new round reflects the ceding of the teams.

Historically the teams were split into A and B divisions. If this is contemplated in future events it would seem only fair the A division teams are charged a higher entry fee to reflect the use of having the best in power boats, race officer, sailing boats, umpires, races completed and course location.

William Morgan and Neville Phillips have both stood down after involvement with the sport since 2002. Neville is to be commended for his work in drafting rules for the conduct and operation of the State Committee which were subsequently ratified by YSA.

**State Championship 2011**

Held at the Port River Sailing Club from the 28th April to the 30th April 2011. Without the organising authority and volunteers the event would not have been possible. More particularly the umpires gave up annual leave and other commitments to support the event and our thanks go to them all. Encouragingly there were many new umpires from the South Eastern Region. Race Officers, Stuart Ross and Mike Rogers, did a magnificent job considering the weather (limited wind) and with shipping interrupting racing. Sponsorship was generously given by Blue Sky Marine (\$500) and Marina Adelaide (Fuel Card \$500). YSA also provides funding which helps to reduce team entry fees.

Schools participating include, St Josephs (3), Ceduna (1), St Michaels (2), Walford(2), Immanuel (3), St Peters (2), Oceanview(3), Victor Harbor(2), Investigator College(2) and Kangaroo Island(2).

From the survey conducted by the State Committee in 2010, there was a decision to use an Open Swiss Pool where every team had the opportunity to win the event. There were two courses which worked well however the weather did limit the number of races to 110. This in my opinion was only just enough to provide a fair result with 22 teams in the pool. The final series (top four teams and fixed rotor) was won by St Josephs with St Michaels in second place. Congratulations to these two teams as now they now go on to the Nationals to be held in Perth. Third place was awarded to St Josephs 2nd team which reflects the strength of sailing in the Western Region.

Over three hundred people attended the presentation dinner held at the Port Adelaide Sailing Club. Overall a most successful regatta and we look forward to next year's event planned to be held at Kingscote on Kangaroo Island.

James Morgan

Chair – Organising Committee (PRSC & MSTs)

### **Western Region**

Over the past 12 months we have seen the team sailing program continue to be successful in Port Lincoln. Saint Josephs School has maintained participation levels and was able to field 3 teams of a good quality at States. We are still unable to get anyone at Port Lincoln High to drive the program and as such they have not participated. With junior numbers at PLYC improving I am confident that Saint Jo's will continue to have good participation and hopefully Port Lincoln High will get a team together.

Elsewhere on the Eyre Peninsula we congratulate Ceduna Area School for getting a team to the states. With Sarah driving the program up there we hope to see their program expand and join Port Lincoln for some events.

Another positive is that Whyalla are also keen to find out more about School sailing and may field a team next year at states.

Our regional goals for this year are to get Whyalla sailing and then to have all interested schools participate in a lead up regatta in Port Lincoln prior to the states.

We thank YSA for their ongoing support and believe that the schools team sailing program is another entry point to sailing in this state. One of YSA's challenges is to get more of the students that compete at school sailing to join sailing clubs and compete on a regular basis. We need to remove our reliance on people entering sailing at an early age and design programs that will encourage older kids to take up the sport as well.

Western region and the Port Lincoln Yacht Club is in negotiations with YSA regarding holding the Interdominion event later in the year.

Andy Dyer  
Delegate Western Region

### **Metro Division**

The region held two trials at the Port River Sailing Club on the 17 October and the 31 October with the third held at Brighton on the 13 February. The Metro Regatta was held at PRSC on the 6 March followed by the Metro Titles on April 3. Fourteen teams entered the titles with first place going to St Michaels Gold and second to Walford Gold.

Six schools participated in the region, St Michaels, Walford, St Peters, Immanuel, Oceanview, St Johns. Westminster trained but did not enter the competition.

Special thanks to all the volunteers at the Port River Sailing Club and Brighton Seacliff Yacht Club who gave up valuable time to assist with these events.

MSTS Committee

### **South Eastern Region**

The Regional event saw 7 teams with 2 from KI, 2 from VH, 2 from Investigator and 1 from Meningie. Two days of great competition with VHHS coming out on top.

Investigator has been added progressing from 0 in 2010 to two teams at Regional and State Comps. Investigator fostered by VHYC and VHHS. We see this as a growth in this part of the region. We will be targeting Encounter Lutheran in the next few years as they extend into Secondary School years.

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One of the VHHS skippers will return to Meningie in 2012. We are mentoring him to be a YA Instructor with a view to him taking over the coaching role at MAS.

Ian Porteous  
Delegate South East Region

### **Committee for 2011-12**

Simon Irving– Chair  
Ian Porteous – Secretary  
Matt Young – Metro Delegate  
James Morgan – Metro Delegate  
Ian Porteous – South East Delegate & National Representative  
Maggie Patterson – South East Delegate  
Andy Dyer – Western Delegate  
P Kelly – Western Delegate

Simon Irving  
Chairman , SA Schools Team Sailing Committee

### **SA YOUTH SAILING INCORPORATED (SHOOT THE BREEZE)**

This year Shoot the Breeze has once again conducted a youth squad training program. The squad consisted of eight sailors, four in Lasers and four in 420's and was coached by Brendan Todd. The reports from the sailors was that the program was well received and of great benefit.

We attempted to conduct another International Cadet program and we had several crews accept our offer and program. Unfortunately several sailors changed their minds at the eleventh hour and the program collapsed. It is our intention to investigate ways to better understand the needs of this younger group of sailors. An obvious step is to create better ties with the International Cadet committee and work jointly on creating valued programs.

The SA Youth Championships were held at Adelaide Sailing Club again this year and were a huge success. Adelaide Sailing Club must be thanked for their continued support of this event and without their friendly and helpful approach the event would be diminished. More than 50 boats raced over 10 short course races conducted again by Malcolm Hughes as PRO. Thanks again Malcolm. Also our event was give sponsorship support from OAMPS Insurance Brokers. The support we have received from OAMPS for the last few years has been fantastic and we are very grateful for their support of junior and youth sailing in this state and all over Australia.

A new event was introduced this year called the Shadeform Youth Tri Series. This event was suggested by Shoot the Breeze as a result of a general discussion held by YSA to discuss Junior and Youth Sailing generally. One very pleasing aspect of this event was that it was organised and run jointly by YSA, Adelaide Sailing Club, Brighton Sailing Club, Largs Sailing Club and Shoot the Breeze. The event consisted of three two day regattas held at each of the clubs mentioned above. The benefits of this event go beyond the enjoyment of the sailors, which was very evident. It includes the senior sailors at the three clubs who had a chance to see the junior scene up close.

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I had so many comments from these sailors who were really pleased to see so many kids in boats. For me though, the demonstration of all of the groups working together to create and deliver this new and exciting event was the most exiting thing. The opportunity is now there for other joint projects to be created to bring even greater variety, enjoyment and challenges for our sailors. Congratulations to all those involved.

For the first time Shoot the Breeze and the SA Laser Association worked together to conduct a Laser 4.7 training group which was coached by Todd Hughes. The squad was a huge success and has contributed to an increase in the number of youth sailors now sailing lasers. Thanks Todd. I consider our relationship with SA Laser Association to be of great importance and expect we can continue to work together in the future.

Paul Stockley  
Chairman, SA Youth Sailing Inc.

### **YA NATIONAL TEAM RACING COMMITTEE DELEGATE REPORT**

The two issues which have been at the forefront of discussion this year have been weight limitations and event format.

For some time now the minimum weights for Team Racing in Australia have been 110 and 120kg respectively for Schools and Open.

For the 2010 season weights were unlimited. For 2011 the weight limits were reinstated for Schools team racing. There is always apperception that weight is an issue, and the Pacer is weight sensitive, but from experience, it is noted that the lighter crews do have an advantage in the lighter winds. Also noted is that there is a tendency for RO's to abandon racing earlier, which of course disadvantages the heavier combinations.

There is concern, especially at School level, that the 110 limit would disadvantage female combinations, which are statistically lighter.

While we have the weight limits through the School system to the Inter-dominion Competition, it is my opinion that it would be unwise to race unlimited. Teams preparing and aspiring to the Inter-dominions need to have a degree of assurance on this matter.

It is probably an issue that will continue to be raised.

Event formats for team racing vary from round robins, to modified Swiss League to a combination of the two and with and without finals. The current ATRC in Sydney attracted 18 entries and was to be contested under a Swiss League format with finals. The unusually high number of entries caught the organisers off guard and there was considerable last minute discussion that the SL would not be the best for the event with 18 teams and only 2 days including finals.

The experience at the SA Schools event just completed would support this as with 22 teams a number of teams at the top end did not get to compete against each other. The event format for this event will be a matter for review. Despite this the better teams still win the event.

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There is concern that the paper work ie NOR's aren't being prepared earlier enough and delivered to potential participants effectively. In short it would appear that YA are not monitoring this and OA's aren't helping by not sticking to the deadlines.

The Inter-dominion event this year will be conducted in SA, and hopefully in Port Lincoln. As this event is on the regular State rotation it was obvious that it was SA's turn, but no action was

forthcoming from YA which is the owners of this event. The New Zealand teams have completed their National event and the YA site does not have information as to this year's venue. This is an area which needs to be tidied up.

Nationally there is still much interest in the discipline at all levels, Club, School, University and Open. SA continues to still concentrate on Schools only.

The committee continues to 'meet' twice a year, either by phone or face to face. The phone link is much more appropriate for SA. Use of the internet has enabled discussion to flow freely throughout the year as the need arises.

Ian Porteous  
YA National Team Racing Committee Delegate

### **YA NATIONAL YOUTH COMMITTEE DELEGATE REPORT**

Debate at the National Youth scene has waned a little over the past few years with little on the agenda and meetings largely being a forum for State reports. Within the YA recognised Youth and Junior classes, Optimist and Laser numbers are increasing but other classes remain steady. Different states have different development pathways with High Performance squads, development squads, whole class camps, class and club programs.

The pinnacle youth event – the Yachting Australia Youth Championship was run at Georges River Sailing Club in Sydney. South Australia was represented in the 420, Laser Radial, Laser 4.7 and

Hobie 16 classes. Aleks Vuvic, our Hobie 16 rep from Adelaide SC, has been selected to compete in the ISAF Youth Worlds in Zadar, Croatia in July as crew for Paul Darmanin from NSW.

Yachting Australia introduced a Youth Grand Prix, a series combining the YA Youth Championships, the Class Nationals and a major youth regatta in each state. AIR Regatta at Adelaide Sailing Club was chosen as the SA leg of this series.

After representing SA on this committee for 8 years, it is my intention to retire from this position. This is an important position for us to stay in touch with National developments for the benefit of our Youth and I wish my replacement well in the position.

Malcolm Hughes  
YA National Youth Committee Delegate

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## ITEM 5. AFFILIATION FEES FOR 2011/2012 SEASON

Motion: Yachting SA Board proposes that the Member Club Fee for the 2011/2012 season will be charged in accordance with fees attached under the Yachting SA Club Banding System and that Class/Association fees be \$200.00

Clubs	10-11 Fee	YA Band	Ins Band	YSA Band	11-12 Fee
	\$				\$
Adelaide Sailing Club	13,067	Y3	PA4	S4	15,372
Arno Bay Yacht Club	494	Y9	PA9B	S9A	740
Brighton & Seacliff Yacht Club	9,869	Y4	PA4	S4	11,854
Ceduna Sailing Club	219	YX	PA9A	S9B	458
Christies Sailing Club	3,403	Y7	PA8	S6	4,069
Clayton Bay Boat Club	901	Y9	PA9	S9	1,238
Coffin Bay Yacht Club	1,961	Y8	PA8	S8	2,483
Cruising Yacht Club of SA	27,907	Y2	PA2	S2	33,063
Garden Island Yacht Club	901	Y9	PA9	S9	1,238
Goolwa Aquatic Club	825	Y9	PA9A	S9	1,124
Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club	5,524	Y8	PA5	S5	6,861
Grange Sailing Club	1,588	Y9	PA8	S8	2,073
Henley Sailing Club	2,842	Y7	PA8	S7	3,452
Kangaroo Island Yacht Club	2,968	Y7	PA7	S7	3,641
Lacepede Bay Sailing Club	901	Y9	PA9	S9	1,238
Lake Bonney Yacht Club	901	Y9	PA9	S9	1,238
Largs Bay Sailing Club	8,803	Y5	PA4	S4	10,682
Meningie Sailing Club	901	Y9	PA9	S9	1,238
Milang Regatta Club	901	Y9	PA9	S9	1,238
Normanville Sailing Club	620	Y9	PA9	S9A	930
Port Adelaide Sailing Club	5,745	Y6	PA7	S5	6,852
Port Lincoln Yacht Club	8,298	Y5	PA5	S4	9,924
Port MacDonnell Sailing Club	1,462	Y9	PA9	S8	1,883
Port River Sailing Club	4,188	Y6	PA6	S6	5,034
Port Vincent Sailing Club	2,968	Y7	PA7	S7	3,641
Rivoli Bay Sailing Club	901	Y9	PA9	S9	1,238
Robe Yacht Club	295	YX	PA9	S9B	572
Royal Port Pirie Yacht Club	219	YX	PA9A	S9B	458
Royal SA Yacht Squadron	27,907	Y2	PA2	S2	33,063
Small Boat Club of South Aust	219	YX	PA9A	S9B	458
Somerton Yacht Club	2,968	Y7	PA7	S7	3,641
Streaky Bay Sailing Club	295	YX	PA9	S9B	572
Tumby Bay Yacht Club	544	Y9	PA9A	S9A	816
Victor Harbor Yacht Club	4,188	Y6	PA6	S6	5,034
Wallaroo Sailing Club	1,462	Y9	PA9	S8	1,883
Whyalla Yacht Club	1,835	Y8	PA9	S8	2,294
<b>Totals - Clubs:</b>					<b>\$181,590</b>
<b>Totals- Class Associations</b>		<b>38</b>	<b>\$200</b>		<b>\$7,600</b>
					<b>\$189,190</b>



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### ITEM 6. ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Three positions will become vacant on 31st May 2011 for the 2011/2013 seasons.

Nominations closed on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2011.

The nominations received are (in alphabetical order).

DAVE GODDEN  
BOB HEYWOOD

### ITEM 7. CONFIRMATION OF SUB COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS FOR 2010/2011

YSA Race Officials Committee	Malcolm Hughes
Sailability SA Committee	John Johnston
YSA SA Schools Team Sailing Committee	Simon Irving
SA Youth Sailing Inc	Paul Stockley

### ITEM 8. CONFIRMATION OF YA DELEGATES

YA National Officials Committees  
YA National Offshore Keelboat Committee  
YA National Racing Rules Committee  
YA National Sailability Committee  
YA National Teams Racing Committee  
YA National Youth Committee

### ITEM 9. CONFIRMATION OF AUDITOR

Rod Shearing (current auditor) is proposed as the auditor for the 2011/2012 Financial year.

### ITEM 10. CLOSE OF MEETING

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