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ON SYDNEY
HARBOUR**

President's report

The 2004/5 Season is shaping up as a corker for the B14s in NSW. The Travellers' series will see us in some of our favourite spots like Port Stephens and Lake Macquarie – glorious! We'll also (hopefully) be showing strength in numbers at venues like Eden, where we have B14 sailors but we haven't previously visited as part of the annual pointscore.

And who can wait for the first ever Nationals to be held in the new B14 stronghold of Tasmania?? If you haven't got your ferry ticket booked, start cracking! Port Dalrymple is THE place to be in January 2005.

Of course, THE place to have been in September was Lago di Garda in Italy. Our exclusive Wingflap report on the sailing and the socialising at the 2004 B14 Worlds is still to come, but we have some great shots of some of the action. The six Aussie boats scared the pants off the Pommies, and had them scrambling for explanations for the overall improvement in the performance of the Australian fleet. I believe the quality showing by the NSW boats could be attributed in large part to the regular strong competition every Sunday at Woollahra, with Race Officer Robin Foote always obliging and giving us a third start each week.

Extra special congratulations to our podium finishers, Marty Johnson and Spikey Mike Halkes, who took out third place in convincing fashion.

The venue for the next Worlds was confirmed at Garda. So start getting psyched up for Sydney Harbour in January 2006! Woollahra Sailing Club will host the regatta, which will run from the 8th to the 14th.

To start getting in shape for this arduous event, we'll attempt a serious round of social functions. The first opportunity for Sydneysiders to begin party training will be the drinks to celebrate the start of the sailing season at Woollahra on the evening of Saturday 9th October.

There's been a lot of movement on the boat sales front, and not all the boats have gone south to Van Diemen's Land!! See "Movements in the boat park" later in this Wingflap! The last few months have been very productive in another way, which Wingflap's special Human Relations Reporter Sophie Hunt examines in detail on Page 5.

A quick administrative note, skippers and crews need to be members of the B14 Association of NSW and of a Sailing Club to take part in any B14 regattas. The fees for the Association have stayed stable for yet another year, with the Senior member fee being \$70 and Associate member fee \$15. There must be one Senior member on each boat. Sailing club membership is necessary as it provides you with affiliation to the AYF and ISAF, which is a requirement under racing rules. It also provides you with a Personal Accident Insurance policy while sailing, cruising, participating and officiating in races, race training and while on the premises of an affiliated yacht club. Many clubs these days also need proof your boat is insured to \$5,000,000 - \$10,000,000 for public liability so it's a good idea to keep a photocopy of your policy in your sailing bag at all times.

See you on the water,
Lissa



Our Pres in Garda cooling off with Jonathan Branch (aka JB). See Australian Pres Kieran Livermore doing more hankie socialising later in this issue.

The Committee 2004-5

President:	Lissa McMillan
Vice President:	Scott Kennedy
Secretary:	Kieran Livermore
Treasurer:	Sophie Hunt
Race Secretary:	Martin Johnson
Measurer:	Richie Reynolds
Publicity:	Andrew Payne
Training:	Richie Reynolds

TASSIE NATIONALS

Come and sail on the little map!

For the first time ever Tasmania will be holding the B14 National Championships this year between December 27 and 31. To be held at Port Dalrymple Yacht Club, at Beauty Point on the Tamar River, the regatta is already drawing a huge amount of interest. Beauty Point is a small town in the beautiful Tamar Valley, about 40 minutes north of Launceston.

The Tasmanian fleet of B14s has been growing like a plague of locusts, so we are expecting a big and competitive turnout, and bookings on the Spirit of Tasmania ship from Sydney on Boxing Day are going fast. The racing should be excellent, with the timing of the event planned to coincide with the best breezes and tides for competition. See the B14 website for more information and contact details. www.b14.org and more particularly <http://www.openair.freeserve.co.uk/b14/events/ausnat04.pdf>

B14 Class

Provisional NSW Sailing Calendar

2004 / 2005

Club Racing

Sunday Sailing at Woollahra SC, Bayview Yacht Racing Assoc, Cronulla SC.
 Woollahra SC events calendar and club weather station info available
 at www.woollahrasailingclub.org.au

Events

Date	Venue	Event
10th October	BYRA	Travellers Trophy
23 -24 October	Geelong - VIC	Bethwaite Skiff Series
20-21 November	Port Stephens Sailing and Aquatic Club	Travellers Trophy
5-6 December	Woollahra SC, Sydney Harbour	Charity Regatta
11-12 December	Sydney or Cronulla	Bethwaite Skiff Series
18-19 December	SIRS at WSC - no racing at WSC	Possibly BRYA or other
28-31 December	Port Dalrymple Yacht Club, Tasmania	National Championships
22-23 January	Woollahra SC, Sydney Harbour	Bethwaite Skiff Series
26th January	Woollahra SC, Sydney Harbour	Australia Day Regatta
12-13 February	Woollahra SC, Sydney Harbour	NSW State Titles
19-20 February	Eden Regatta	Travellers Trophy
5-6 March	Wangi, Lake Macquarie	Bethwaite Skiff Series, Travellers Trophy
25-27 March	Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club, Paynesville VIC	Easter Regatta
23-24 April	Batemans Bay SC.	Batemans Bay Regatta, Travellers Trophy
1st May	Bayview Yacht Racing Assoc, Pittwater	BYRA Marathon, Travellers Trophy
Early May	Jervis Bay Regatta	
2-3 July	Mid winters QLD	Bethwaite Skiff Series

New Foreheadhands

By Sophie Hunt

2004 has been a very productive year for the NSW B14 Sailors, and the future looks good if you're in need of a light crew. We led the charge back in November last year, with the arrival of Gretel Payne. But who would have thought pregnancy would have been so infectious?! Not yet on the photoboard are two more—both babies from the Goon Show team: Gemma Dodds (baby of Sonya and Greg), and Caleb James, the latest arrival, son of Jon Perry and Vanessa (aka Mrs Pecker). WSC is definitely in need of a crèche.



Gretel Payne practising her capsizing skills—how to keep your duck on your head whilst being splashed vigorously with water



Sophie Kennedy, daughter of Scott and Kate, born 28 August 2004, 7 pounds, bound to be a good Polygamist



Thomas Greaves, baby of Geoff and Kim, also born in August, a hearty 8lb 11, maybe a not-so-light skipper?

MOVEMENTS IN THE BOAT PARK

Paul Hansen and James Ellis have sold Priority Powder Coating (362) to Dinghy Solution's Richard Scarr, who operates out of Woollahra. Let's hope we'll continue to see lots of Paul, Deb, and James at social events if not on the water.

Dave and Joanna have brought a boat to OZ, which they purchased in Ireland whilst working in the UK. They are sailing at Woollahra. Looking forward to seeing lots of them after their wedding!!

The Plain boys have sold Masters' Apprentices (313) to a Tassie uni student who plans to sail at Woollahra after the Nationals, and they have bought Kelvin Boyle's red speedster Simply Red (360). Kelvin is planning to bother Marty for a new B14.

Guy and Rhys Bancroft have sold Buggar the Bone (357) to Tassie.

The Dudes (363) has been sold by Peter Bartlett also to Tassie. Richie Reynold's first boat Swingshift (103) is back from Empire Bay to Woollahra.

And keep an eye on Evil Empire (367) with Marty Johnson thinking about making himself a new boat.

Please advise us of any more boat movements, and get in touch if you're new to the fleet!



Michael and Gordo will be sailing 103 this season at Woollahra



Nat will be crewing with boyfriend Richard Scarr in 362—the boat previously known as Priority Powder Coating and yet to be christened - look out for champagne on the WSC ramp!!



Woollahra News on the web

For those of you that are going to be sailing at WSC this season, it is time to get the boat polish out as the summer series has already started, with a fabulous FOUR races last weekend.

The club website has been enhanced a lot recently. Check it out as there are lots of interesting things to find out there. The club sailing calendar for one. There is also a webcam, and weather links.

It's all there at: <http://www.woollahrasailingclub.org.au/>

2006 WORLDS IN SYDNEY

Coming soon to Sydney Harbour near you!

At the recent World Championships held on Lago di Garda, and so fiercely and successfully contested by our fearless Aussie team, the world council decided to hold the next World Championships in Australia, in January 2006. To be hosted by the Woollahra Sailing Club, the event is already being planned. Competitive racing run by the high class team at the WSC, combined with the social may-hem and entertainment that we have come to expect from the overseas competitors. What more reason do you need to get your boat out onto the water and race hard this season?!



Kieran and Karen training on Sydney Harbour ahead of the 2004 Worlds

What really happened at Lake Garda 2004



Tim Fells World Champion cross dresser.



Marty and Kieran admiring each other's new clobber



Aussies ready to take on the Ora. Poms (and Peter Ray) working on suntans



Gareth doesn't need to work on his tan



Australian foreign legion on tour in Italy ??



Kelvin I don't think napisan is going to get that out !!



Marty (3rd place overall!) rigging up the Evil Empire



Almost all of the Aussies, relaxing in the boat park

Then there was the sailing



