Australian Sailing Half Year Report



Discover Sailing

• 60+ Victorian clubs ran DS Days over the October to January period with 4 on the National Day. On average 5% of attendees signed up for family memberships on the day with another 5%+ signing up for DS courses.

Of interest is that a number of clubs that focused on club/member engagement and not on water activities saw above average conversion into courses and membership.

- A new initiative set up by ORCV and supported by Australian Sailing was the two DS Days held at the new Wyndham Harbour. These days saw over 200 new people exposed to sailing from the western suburbs.
- Work is continuing on incorporating Kite Boarding into member clubs. Rosebud YC have agreed to a new Kite Boarding membership category. This is in conjunction with Kite Boarding Australia membership.
- Current Victorian Membership is 26,294 (Up 1000 on last year approx.)

Discover Sailing Courses

- Online Day Pass system is currently being trailed at a number of clubs with good feedback. This reduces club administration, ensures participants have AS insurance and allows CSO team to run reports for relevant grant programs.
- DS and Tackers courses have continued to be well supported this season
- The Boatshed visited 8 regional clubs over the January period to assist them in their membership strategies with the delivery of the Tackers program. This included 3 new clubs being Apollo Bay SC, Stawell YC and Portland YC.

Performance

- PCP has been a large success with good buy in from the sailing community.
- Victoria's PCP produced some very successful results at the Nationals and Youth Nationals. This included:
 - 7 in top 3 and 22 in top 10 at Nationals
 - 4 in top 3 and 7 in top 10 of Youth Nationals
- 2017/18 VST had 55 applications with the proposed program incorporating more class specific coaching.

Governance

• Work is continuing on the Child Safe Standards in Victoria. A page has been set up on the YV website to host all the templates and offer an easy portal for clubs to access information. Most clubs are well into the process of adhering to these standards.

Officials

- Instructor and RO courses continue to be well supported with one course a month being run.
- An all-female RO course was run in March with 25 participants.
- A regional instructor's course of 21 participants (20 being female) was delivered on the 30 and 31st of January in Painesville.

Events

Woman on Water

- Westernport's Woman on Water regatta was held on the 5th and 6th of November.
- The Sarah Blanc regatta has also just concluded at SSCBC.

Sailability

 Sailability Victoria held it's 25th anniversary celebrations on board the Tenacious tall ship. This followed a day sail by the vessel that saw 33 Victorian Sailability participants take part.

National level events

- Viper Worlds (Royal Geelong)
- 125 Nationals (Altona YC)
- Minnow Nationals (Blairgowrie YS)
- A Class Nationals (McCrae YC)

State Championships

- Vic Catamaran Championships (McCrae YC)
- Vic Sports Boat Championships (MYC)
- Vic Mosquito Championships (Altona SC)
- Vic Open Bic Championships (Parkdale YC)
- Vic Minnow Championships (SBSC)
- Vic Optimist Championships (RGYC)
- Vic 9er Championships (SSCBC)
- Vic 420 Championships (SSCBC)
- Vic Taser Championships (SSCBC)
- Vic Couta Boat Championships (MYC)
- Vic Laser Championships (RBYC)
- Vic Etchells Championships (RBYC)
- Vic F16 & 18 Championships (FYC)
- Vic Hobie Championships (McCrae YC)
- Vic Impulse Championships (McCrae YC)
- Vic Sabre Championships (Sommers YC)
- Vic Taipan Championships (Portland YC)
- Vic Pacer Championships (Parkdale YC)
- Vic A Class Championships (Westernport YC)
- Vic Paper Tiger Championships (Frankston YC)
- Vic 125 Championships (Yarrawonga YC)

Off Shore

- ORCV ran a number of events over the holiday period including
 - Melbourne to Stanley (19 entrants)
 - Latitude 10-35nm (6 entrants)
 - Melbourne to Devonport 195nm (10 entrants)
 - Melbourne to Hobart Westcoaster 440nm (10 entrants)
 - Melbourne to Grassy, King Island 114nm (18 entrants)

Upcoming Events

- Victorian instructor's conference to be held at RBYC on Saturday 17th of June. One day conference incorporating on water professional development.
- Victorian Sailing Awards Held at SYC on Sunday of 18th June.
- Regional Roadshows to again commence in June/July
- Victorian Club Conference Held at SYC on Saturday the 12th of August