



Is this a Sailing Club or a BAKERY???????



How to get a PJ Vertical – The Girls show us how

This week was a great lesson in life....the weather was lousy, there was no wind and most of us wished we had stayed hidden under the doona until the weather got to 30°C. Then the Newland family arrived to cheer up all our miserable lives after their hectic morning in the kitchen, and it was all worthwhile. Those cookies set the scene for the whole morning, with constant attacks on the Salubrious Viewing Platform (yes, the SVP was fixed again but that is a story for another day) and even threats of boarding parties from ravenous kids, coaches AND Parents!!

Yes, even our mild mannered Chief Coach showed a new side to his character. He approached quietly and muttered in a quiet voice, “Can I please have a cookie” and when he was told “No”, there was a yell from one of his helpers “Just give them to us”. It was a great joy to see a grown man cry into his greying beard and all over a cookie.

The Sailing

This week saw the return of some of our older faces from last year and even a threat from Jessica Manning to come back after a long holiday and brush all the cobwebs off her Flying 11. This could mean some serious sailing for our group now, so you have been warned.



Prepare to repeal Boarders



The "Boys" just hangin' out in the Pacer

The Taylor boys and their friend took over a Pacer and proved just how fast these things will go. Great work guys and we have a very large red spinnaker that needs some airing and it fits these boats very nicely. (Next time you'll all need to hike out!)

The light weather also gave a lot of you a chance to try out the Spirals without too much damage. These are great boats if you want to do your own thing for a while and are much more lively than the PJ as you get a little older. Well

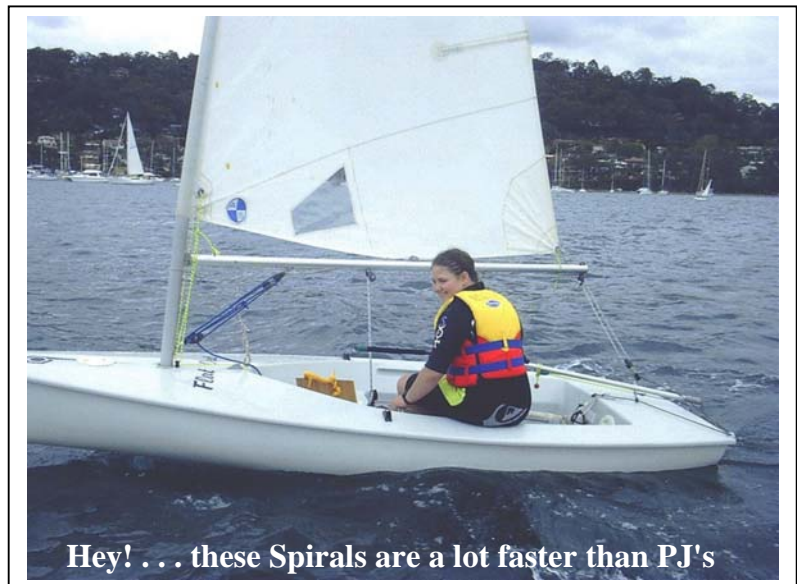
done to everyone who gave it a try. We have ordered a new smaller sail to make it a bit easier to handle so everyone is encouraged to have a go.

Despite the cooler weather everyone had a great time until dragged off the water late in the morning, and hopefully the weather will be a bit kinder to us next week.

Race Afternoon

Some of our Newport school friends joined us for race training practice after lunch. There were some brave souls suffering the cold whilst their parents were huddling inside a launch.

We managed to get in three races with really good progress being made and what a fantastic effort from our upcoming champions. There was some really good works to windward and some close tacking duels. Luckily, it was not too serious with much barging, pushing of other boats and even a LOT of paddling that was barely hidden.



Hey! . . . these Spirals are a lot faster than PJ's

The racing was close and the results were shared evenly around everyone so great work guys.

To make it a bit fairer the "Coach" has some rules for next week;

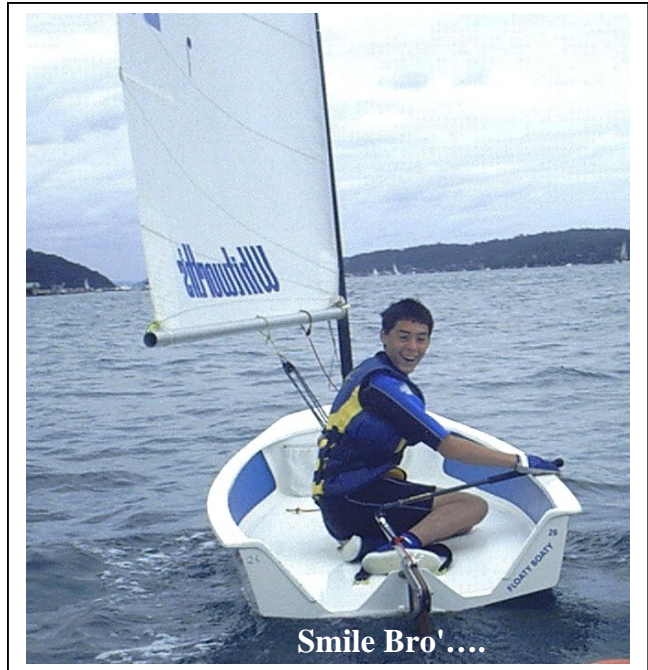
- Paddling is only permitted on the side away from parents;
- It is OK to barge across the line before the start ONLY if you blame someone else for pushing you over;

- Anyone who tries to protest another boat must sail the course twice before finishing;
- Pushing other boats into a mark is OK provided you make sure there is another boat hiding you from the view of the Coach's boat.

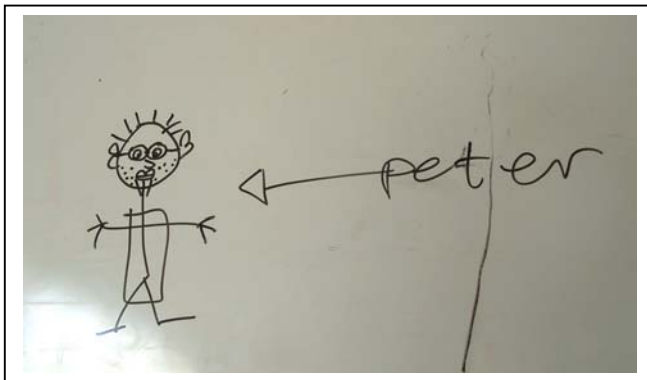
This was a good start to this part of the program so let's keep it up and most importantly keep the laughs coming, as Peter gets too stressed if everyone takes it too seriously.

Quote the Week

"Trying to keep this fleet in the same area is like trying to herd cats!!!" an overheard comment by a parent.



Smile Bro'....



Learn to Sail Class

Our latest program started last Saturday, with 15 new and budding champions being taught the basic stuff by Peter (he who does not sleep) and daughter Jeni. Some of our club juniors are helping out as well with Karen, Michelle and Bryce acting as "Coach's helpers". That means our Sunday program will have even more competition when these kids move into our program in about four weeks time, so that will

really make our group a great size and have lots more boats to chase around the bay.

A special thanks to Bryce and a well done award for NOT telling these new kids the stories about the man eating Pittwater sharks, just before he tips the boat over. Such a kind considerate soul, it makes you wonder where we find them.

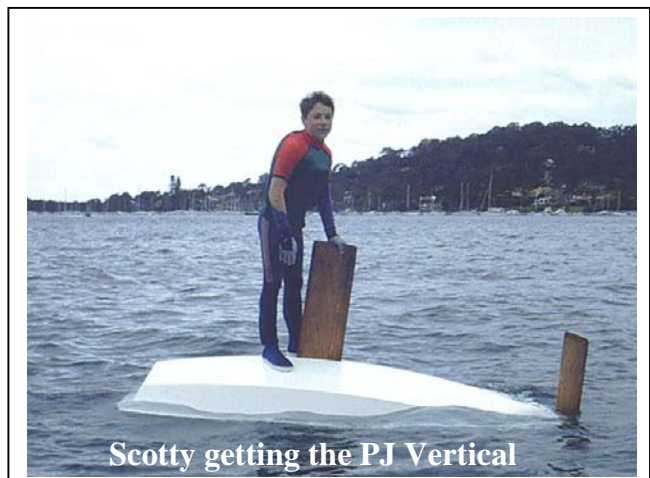
Coach's Tip



Some of you say to me on days like Sunday "there's no wind". What you really meant is "my boat's not moving". When this happens, have a look at

the water around you and I bet you'll see wind. Then look at the other boats - if they are moving there's wind and you just haven't trimmed your sails correctly. If you're not sure what to do, remember *"if in doubt, let it out"*.

This means let your sail out rather than pull it on more. Sometimes you need to push the boom out with your hand. Try it and then sail to



Scotty getting the PJ Vertical

Greg's boat and get me another cookie.

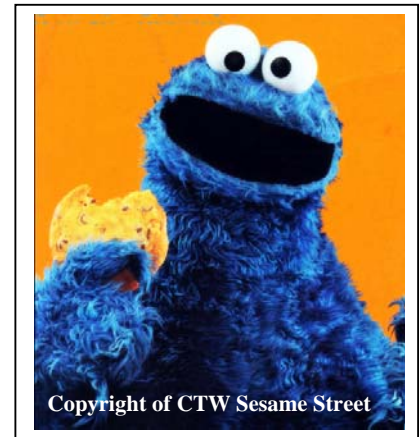
Tip for the Coach

Another message for the Coach has arrived at BB HQ.

Peter,

"The Cookie Monster is a Sesame Street character who has a very round face and LOVES eating cookies any time of the day and grumps at anyone who gets in his way, and loves the kids...Oh well, we were close."

from "Perfect Angel"



Lost, Found & Miss-placed

LOST – COOKIES. Large basket of scrumptious cornflake cookies. Last seen on SVP. Only crumbs left. Please contact C Monster or P Whalan at BYRA.

LOST – Divas. Not seen since last season, Braveheart is pining, everyone is missing their melodious crescendos. BIG Reward.

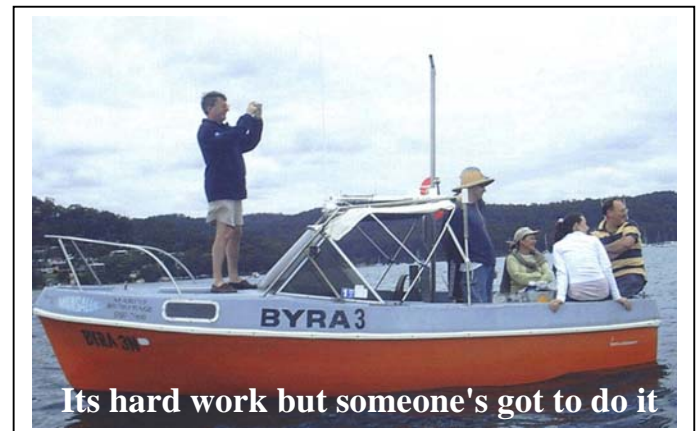
FOUND – Cookie Monsters. Full set of cookie monsters, all shapes, all sizes, ravenous by nature. Would the owner please them pick up from BYRA.

MISPLACED – Meteorological herd of cows, last seen somewhere around Pittwater. Please return to BYRA



Junior Committee needs you

Don't forget our Junior committee. If you have some ideas and suggestions for the Junior Committee just let them know.



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