

## 2004 Flying Fifteen Nationals

The Flying Fifteen Nationals lived up to expectation as being a major event for the club and Cooloola Shire in general. In all, 32 boats competed with 3 crews from the UK complimenting a field from all over Australia including 9 from TCBYC. The success of the regatta was largely due to the generous support from sponsors and a willing contingent of 40 plus volunteers who covered all aspects of running the competition from administration, on-water and off-water officials, ramp helpers to spectator craft. Thanks to the efforts from Julieanne Love and Mike Robinson, the event was widely represented in the media with four segments on Channel Seven, numerous reports in the local print media and a daily update on radio 4GY. Throughout the event and post event the accolades to the club have been generous and everyone involved should take a bow for the fine contribution made to the club and the sport of sailing, as well as, the not to be understated broader social benefits of increased community 'spirit' and civic pride and your involvement with this event brought to the area.

A welcome BBQ for crews, Regatta sponsors and volunteers was hugely attended with speeches from the local State member Eliza Roberts, and Councillor Peter Cantrell providing a nice touch to what was the beginning of a friendly week's competition. Bubbles Bath House sponsored a Tuesday night Pool Party which was well patronised by a partying crowd enjoying an ever-refreshing dip away from the Summer heat. After each day's sailing, drinks and nibbles were well greeted by crews and volunteers thanks to the generosity of the regattas many sponsors and the hard work from our caterers **and volunteers.**

The weather leading up to the regatta was nothing short of 'foul' with a week of strong to gale force north-westerners making organisers very nervous. On the day of the Invitation race, Huey took pity and provided a 10-15 knot north-easter which kept going all throughout the regatta with a challenging variation between 10 and 20 knots over the 6 days of competition. Most days, 2 races were conducted over the last of the flood and beginning of the ebb tide to provide adequate clearance over many of the Bay's infamous sandbanks. Much to the locals surprise many of the visitors navigated the shallows in cavalier fashion and across areas once thought only reserved for canoes and other shallowed-drafted vessels. However, as the week wore on and the maximum tide height receded, no single competitor could boast not having some form of a brush with the bottom.

The top 5 places were hotly contested by the best Flying Fifteen sailors in the world, with a result in the top 10 being an excellent achievement given the class field assembled. In keeping with the high standard of the field, protests were minimal and reserved to a couple of testosterone infused lads who will need to do some growing up before they can capitalise on their talents. There can only be one winner and this was taken out by: the West Australian crew on Escalator of Glenn Porter & Ed Repsevicius; followed by Bill Shand and Dale Collings, second on Relience Ffenty from Gippsland Lakes; and TCBYC adopted couple of Ashley Smith and Kym Thumpkin aboard Fully Active

Board. Further afield the locals fared admoreably with Ann Sussett (Larry Bardsley & Neil Martin) 10<sup>th</sup>; Phantom (Lee & Ken Bubb) 13<sup>th</sup>; Stiff Uffa Lip (John Grimmett & Mike Robinson) 15<sup>th</sup>. In the Silver fleet, Fudge Factor (John MacFarlane & Karin Smith/Leanne Folling) jagged a 4<sup>th</sup> placing, and in the Classic fleet the Flying Fossils on Relience IV (Geoff Watts & Jon Jones) were 5<sup>th</sup>, with Seamist (James Croton & Maree Prior) 6<sup>th</sup>, and the beautifully restored and oldest boat in the fleet, Ffirefly 7<sup>th</sup>.

The 120 folk attending the presentation packed into the function room at the Country Club to later dance the night away with local band Sneaky Pete. Before the band got going, Mayor Mick Vernados summed the week's festive mood in his speech thanking race organisers, volunteers, sponsors and the competitors, many of whom had gone to great lengths to bring their yachts to Tin Can Bay from 1000's of kilometers away. Club patrons, Doris and Clarrie Noble presented the trophies including the Coweslip trophy on behalf of HRH Prince Philip who'd unfortunately made a late minute apology (trouble with the corgis again). Proud sponsors Stephen & Ngaire Wallis of Wallis Realty presented 1<sup>st</sup> prize paintings by Maree Prior to winners of the open and classic division.

Next year's Flying Fifteen Nationals head off to Adelaide with a number of TCBYC crews already making arrangements. Meanwhile back a TCBYC the dust is beginning to settle with many pundits wondering how we're going to eclipse what was truly the best Australian Flying Fifteen Nationals ever held.



## 42nd Australian Nationals - Open Division - Jan 2004

### Provisional Result

Entries: 31

Races Sailed: 9

Discard : 2

| Sail No | Boat                | Bow No. | Helm              | Crew               | Club                        | Series |       |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |  |  |
|---------|---------------------|---------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------|-------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|--|
|         |                     |         |                   |                    |                             | Points | Place | R1 | R2 | R3 | R4 | R6 | R7 | R8 | R5 | R9 |  |  |
| 3670    | Escalator           | 27      | Glenn Porter      | Edmond Repsevicius | RFBYC                       | 15     | 1     | 2  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 4  | 3  | 32 | 4  | 3  |  |  |
| 3709    | Relience Ffenty     | 17      | Bill Shand        | Dale Collings      | Gippsland Lakes YC          | 20     | 2     | 6  | 2  | 2  | 4  | 32 | 1  | 5  | 5  | 1  |  |  |
| 3718    | Fully Active Board  | 20      | Ashley Smith      | Kym Thumpkin       | TCBYC                       | 21     | 3     | 1  | 8  | 15 | 5  | 3  | 6  | 3  | 1  | 2  |  |  |
| 3663    | Grin and Bare It    | 12      | Craig Rainey      | Ian Rainey         | Gippsland Lakes YC          | 25     | 4     | 7  | 6  | 4  | 7  | 1  | 5  | 1  | 3  | 5  |  |  |
| 3661    | Fizz                | 21      | Nick Carew        | Harley Kruse       | Mordiallic SC / Woolarra SC | 26     | 5     | 4  | 3  | 9  | 3  | 2  | 2  | 4  | 10 | 8  |  |  |
| 3635    | Gripple Nipper      | 15      | Ian Cleaver       | Greg Wells         | Royal Highlands YC, UK      | 33     | 6     | 3  | 4  | 6  | 10 | 7  | 9  | 2  | 7  | 4  |  |  |
| 3799    | One Under           | 19      | James Flower      | Steve Tyrell       | Royal Norfolk & Suffolk, UK | 37     | 7     | 13 | 5  | 5  | 8  | 6  | 4  | 7  | 2  | 9  |  |  |
| 3572    | Relience 17         | 05      | Tony Lee          | Ray Sebo           | Derwent Res. SC, UK / RFBYC | 53     | 8     | 9  | 7  | 8  | 2  | 10 | 15 | 8  | 9  | 11 |  |  |
| 3775    | Family Funded       | 22      | John Crosby       | Graham Lillingston | S of Perth YC               | 54     | 9     | 5  | 10 | 7  | 6  | 8  | 32 | 32 | 6  | 12 |  |  |
| 3662    | Ann Susett          | 16      | Larry Bardsley    | Neil Martin        | TCBYC                       | 62     | 10    | 19 | 11 | 20 | 9  | 9  | 8  | 6  | 12 | 7  |  |  |
| 3657    | Super Snabb         | 25      | Colin Brown       | Nigel Grime        | Canberra YC                 | 66     | 11    | 14 | 9  | 3  | 12 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 11 | 14 |  |  |
| 3761    | Supertoy Plays      | 01      | Brian Carroll     | Lyn Wallace        | RYC of Vic / Mordialloc SC  | 74     | 12    | 10 | 13 | 11 | 16 | 5  | 7  | 32 | 15 | 13 |  |  |
| 3480    | Phantom             | 13      | Ken Bubb          | Lee Bubb           | TCBYC                       | 74     | 13    | 11 | 12 | 10 | 15 | 12 | 12 | 9  | 8  | 16 |  |  |
| 3254    | Soggy Sox           | 29      | Ron Walker        | David Ward         | Sandgate YC / RQYS          | 85     | 14    | 18 | 16 | 12 | 14 | 32 | 11 | 12 | 14 | 6  |  |  |
| 3710    | Stiff Uffa Lip      | 03      | John Grimmett     | Mike Robinson      | TCBYC                       | 85     | 15    | 16 | 15 | 13 | 11 | 14 | 13 | 11 | 13 | 10 |  |  |
| 2824    | Frivolous           | 14      | Clive Arnold      | Anne Arnold        | Royal South Aust YS         | 104    | 16    | 12 | 14 | 19 | 13 | 16 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 15 |  |  |
| 3306    | Ffenominal          | 32      | Graham Giles      | Hugh Taylor        | Canberra YC                 | 108    | 17    | 15 | 17 | 16 | 19 | 32 | 14 | 13 | 16 | 17 |  |  |
| 2250    | Euffamism           | 31      | Regan Burdon-Bear | Les Kearney        | RYC Vic / Apollo Bay SC     | 113    | 18    | 8  | 18 | 14 | 23 | 17 | 21 | 14 | 23 | 21 |  |  |
| 3455    | Fifty Fifty         | 24      | Ron Godwin        | Brad Godwin        | Sandgate YC                 | 114    | 19    | 17 | 24 | 17 | 17 | 13 | 16 | 16 | 19 | 18 |  |  |
| 3101    | John Henry          | 08      | Bill Matthews     | Gary Magyar        | Sandgate YC / TCBYC         | 135    | 20    | 22 | 20 | 24 | 25 | 15 | 19 | 15 | 24 | 20 |  |  |
| 2672    | Gazelle III         | 02      | John Midolo       | Rosemary Midolo    | S of Perth YC               | 140    | 21    | 20 | 22 | 21 | 22 | 19 | 25 | 18 | 18 | 22 |  |  |
| 3062    | Good Thing          | 28      | Trevor Williams   | David Williams     | Gippsland Lakes YC          | 142    | 22    | 23 | 32 | 18 | 21 | 18 | 22 | 20 | 20 | 24 |  |  |
| 1203    | Fudge Factor        | 06      | John MacFarlane   | Karin Smith        | TCBYC                       | 149    | 23    | 24 | 21 | 25 | 20 | 20 | 23 | 21 | 21 | 23 |  |  |
| 1398    | Secret Fifteen      | 04      | Laurie Williamson | Greg Williamson    | Sandgate YC                 | 151    | 24    | 25 | 23 | 22 | 18 | 32 | 18 | 23 | 22 | 25 |  |  |
| 3261    | City Lights         | 09      | Michael Clark     | Adam TBA           | Davey's Bay YC              | 151    | 25    | 21 | 19 | 26 | 32 | 22 | 20 | 24 | 27 | 19 |  |  |
| 1362    | Lock & Load         | 10      | David Reynolds    | Keryn Reynolds     | Geraldton YC                | 167    | 26    | 29 | 25 | 23 | 24 | 21 | 26 | 19 | 32 | 32 |  |  |
| 2912    | Corang              | 26      | Grahame Baker     | Daniel Green       | TCBYC                       | 175    | 27    | 28 | 26 | 29 | 29 | 24 | 24 | 22 | 25 | 26 |  |  |
| 2906    | Just Another Victim | 11      | Kate Thorne       | Phil Lammonby      | S of Perth YC               | 180    | 28    | 26 | 28 | 27 | 26 | 23 | 27 | 25 | 26 | 32 |  |  |
| 1677    | Relience IV         | 23      | Geoff Watts       | Jon Jones          | TCBYC                       | 195    | 29    | 30 | 29 | 30 | 28 | 25 | 28 | 32 | 28 | 27 |  |  |
| 1395    | Seamist             | 18      | James Croton      | Maree Prior        | TCBYC                       | 196    | 30    | 27 | 27 | 28 | 27 | 26 | 29 | 32 | 32 | 32 |  |  |
| 536     | Ffirefly            | 30      | Max Chambers      | Rodney Chambers    | TCBYC                       | 220    | 31    | 31 | 32 | 31 | 30 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 32 |  |  |

## Silver

### Provisional Result

Entries: 6

Races Sailed: 9

Discard : 2

|         |                     |         |                 |                |                     | Series |       |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |  |  |
|---------|---------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|--------|-------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|--|
| Sail No | Boat                | Bow No. | Helm            | Crew           | Club                | Points | Place | R1 | R2 | R3 | R4 | R6 | R7 | R8 | R5 | R9 |  |  |
| 2824    | Frivolous           | 14      | Clive Arnold    | Anne Arnold    | Royal South Aust YS | 8      | 1     | 1  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 1  |  |  |
| 3101    | John Henry          | 08      | Bill Matthews   | Gary Magyar    | Sandgate YC / TCBYC | 13     | 2     | 2  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 4  | 2  |  |  |
| 3062    | Good Thing          | 28      | Trevor Williams | David Williams | Gippsland Lakes YC  | 18     | 3     | 3  | 7  | 1  | 3  | 3  | 3  | 3  | 2  | 4  |  |  |
| 1203    | Fudge Factor        | 06      | John MacFarlane | Karin Smith    | TCBYC               | 23     | 4     | 4  | 3  | 4  | 2  | 4  | 4  | 4  | 3  | 3  |  |  |
| 2912    | Corang              | 26      | Grahame Baker   | Daniel Green   | TCBYC               | 36     | 5     | 6  | 4  | 6  | 6  | 6  | 5  | 5  | 5  | 5  |  |  |
| 2906    | Just Another Victim | 11      | Kate Thorne     | Phil Lammonby  | S of Perth YC       | 37     | 6     | 5  | 5  | 5  | 5  | 5  | 6  | 6  | 6  | 7  |  |  |

**Classics**  
**Provisional Result**  
**Entries: 7**  
**Races Sailed: 9**  
**Discard : 2**

| Sail No | Boat           | Bow No. | Helm              | Crew            | Club                    | Series |       |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |  |  |
|---------|----------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------|-------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|--|
|         |                |         |                   |                 |                         | Points | Place | R1 | R2 | R3 | R4 | R6 | R7 | R8 | R5 | R9 |  |  |
| 2250    | Euffamism      | 31      | Regan Burdon-Bear | Les Kearney     | RYC Vic / Apollo Bay SC | 8      | 1     | 1  | 1  | 1  | 3  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 3  | 1  |  |  |
| 2672    | Gazelle III    | 02      | John Midolo       | Rosemary Midolo | S of Perth YC           | 13     | 2     | 2  | 2  | 2  | 2  | 2  | 3  | 2  | 1  | 2  |  |  |
| 1398    | Secret Fifteen | 04      | Laurie Williamson | Greg Williamson | Sandgate YC             | 16     | 3     | 3  | 3  | 3  | 1  | 8  | 1  | 4  | 2  | 3  |  |  |
| 1362    | Lock & Load    | 10      | David Reynolds    | Keryn Reynolds  | Geraldton YC            | 27     | 4     | 5  | 4  | 4  | 4  | 3  | 4  | 3  | 8  | 8  |  |  |
| 1677    | Relience IV    | 23      | Geoff Watts       | Jon Jones       | TCBYC                   | 35     | 5     | 6  | 6  | 6  | 6  | 4  | 5  | 8  | 4  | 4  |  |  |
| 1395    | Seamist        | 18      | James Croton      | Maree Prior     | TCBYC                   | 38     | 6     | 4  | 5  | 5  | 5  | 5  | 6  | 8  | 8  | 8  |  |  |
| 536     | Ffirefly       | 30      | Max Chambers      | Rodney Chambers | TCBYC                   | 53     | 7     | 7  | 8  | 7  | 7  | 8  | 8  | 8  | 8  | 8  |  |  |