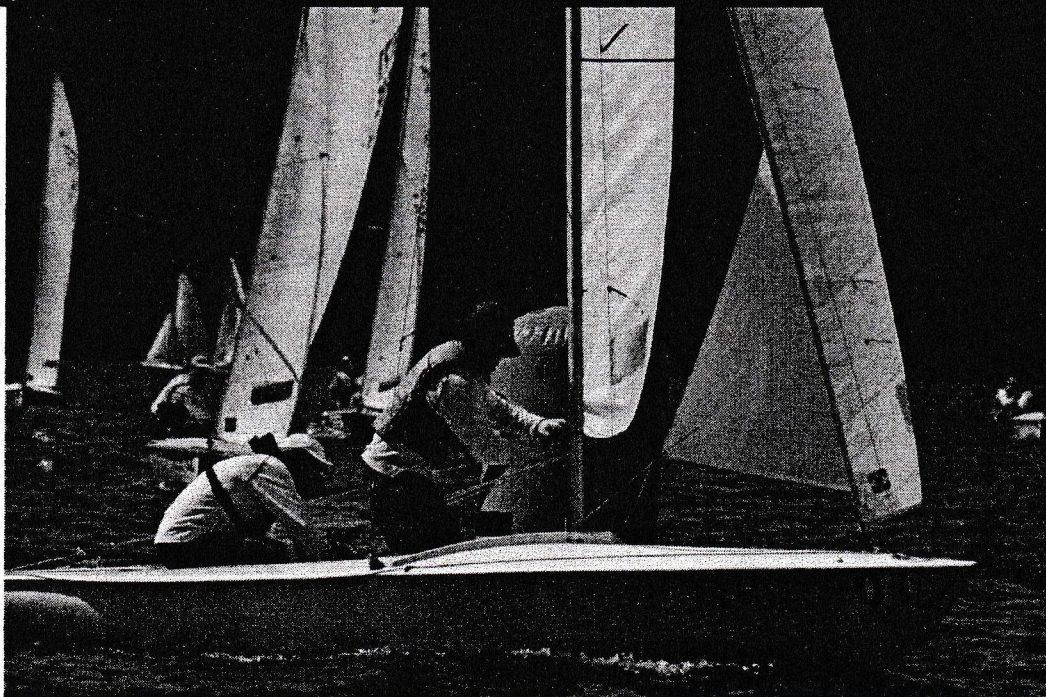


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John Tracey and Craig Murphy out in front to win the Flying Fifteen Nationals.

WINGS - "Dunnit" at last!

The Corporate Express 44th Australian Championships for the International Flying Fifteen class held in Canberra in January 2006 will proudly go on the records as won by experienced Canberrans John Tracey and Craig Murphy in 'Wings'.

John Tracey bought his boat from its Queensland owners several months before the series and took every possible opportunity available to practice in all conditions through winter and spring, and to fiddle, trim and tune the yacht. Prophetically, the well-campaigned boat was previously named 'Gun N Dunnit' and in earlier years the quick white boat was a major aggressor in the Victorian fleet, being very competitive in several earlier national championships before finally Tracey and Murphy 'Gun N Dunnit' in 2006.

Local Fifteeners have tried without luck for decades to wrest this coveted title from the Victorians and West Australians who have traditionally dominated the results since the very beginning of this class of international keelboat racing. Past CYC club champions Rod Dalglish and Jim Howell almost succeeded in Canberra 1981/1982 but were thwarted by the WA past national champion Graeme Lillingston. By a fateful twist of fortune, nine time winner Graeme was to find himself the runner up here at the Canberra Yacht Club twenty-five years later.

Thirty-seven entrants competed in the nine races of the Corporate Express sponsored series on Lake Burley Griffin. Eight of the interstate yachts travelled from Perth, Adelaide,

and North Queensland, and these numbers were swelled by a large contingent of 12 Victorian yachts, all eager to run off with the historic valuable silverware, the Coweslip Trophy, dating from the early sixties. Entrants included well-credentialed sailors and past winners such as Craig and Ian Rainey, the evergreen class patriarch Bill Shand, multi winner Graeme Lillingston, and the hot Peter 'Muddy' Mudford crewing for the very competitive sandgroper Rupert Leslie. All appreciated the strong support of Horizon Sailmakers for the series, none more so than John Wilson, the lucky WA winner of the complete suit of sails, presented by our friendly Victorian sailmaking competitor Brian Carroll on behalf of Horizon.

Our CYC Tracey/Murphy combination was expected to be hard pressed by locals John Hosking and Mat Gleeson, closely followed by the potentially competitive Colin Brown, Graham Giles, Peter Forster, and the tenacious Peter Harvey. Peter and Phil Russell were expected to feature well as was Tom Ruut. The local fleet supported the series in fine spirit by entering seventeen Canberra boats, many brandishing their new sails from Horizon, Gail and Rimmington or Pinnell and Bax.

After an easy Invitation Race on 9th January (won by Graeme Lillingston, for the 5th time), many of the interstate sailors initially struggled to come to grips with the light and shifty conditions experienced in the three races sailed on the first

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SERIES RESULTS

(Ties: S=Score R=Race B= Bettered. Penalties: B=BFD C=DNC D=DNE E=ESP F=DNF G=RDG L=Late Entrant M=DGM N=ENP O=OCS P=Protest Q=DSQ R=RAF S=DNS U=DUT X=EXC Z=ZFP Y=SCP #=No Data "(x.y)" Discarded)

Series Results [Class ET] for FlyingFifteenOpen up to Race 10 (Drops = 2)

Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Sers Score	Trophy	Race 10	Race 9	Race 8	Race 7	Race 6	Race 5	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
1	3620	Wings	John Tracey	Craig Murphy	11.0	M	3.0	2.0	[10.0]	1.0	1.0	[5.0]	2.0	1.0	1.0	ABN
2	3670	Escalator	Graeme Lillingston	Edmond Repsevicius	24.0	M	[8.0]	7.0	3.0	3.0	5.0	1.0	3.0	2.0	[7.0]	ABN
3	3800	Salthart	Rupert Leslie	Peter Mudford	28.0		1.0	5.0	[8.0]	2.0	4.0	[9.0]	6.0	4.0	6.0	ABN
4	3663	Grin & Bare It	Craig Rainey	Ian Rainey	30.5		2.0	8.0	2.0	[17.0]	7.0	4.0	4.5	3.0	[11.0]	ABN
5	3854	Relience ffenty ffoo	Bill Shand	David Parish	39.5	MT	5.0	1.0	[19.0]	4.0	[19.0]	10.0	4.5	7.0	8.0	ABN
6	3761	Supertoy Plays	Brian Carroll	Phillip Parish	41.0		[17.0]	11.0	1.0	5.0	2.0	2.0	8.0	[22.0]	12.0	ABN
7	3311	Brumby	Peter Harvey	Nigel Harvey	51.0	WM	[19.0]	6.0	5.0	7.0	[15.0]	12.0	7.0	10.0	4.0	ABN
8	3687	Final Fling	John Hosking	Matt Gleeson	52.0	MT	10.0	[13.0]	9.0	[18.0]	9.0	3.0	10.0	8.0	3.0	ABN
9	3661	fizz	Nick Carew	Harley Kruse	66.0		[37.0O]	3.0	15.0	[20.0]	8.0	6.0	9.0	6.0	19.0	ABN
10	3526	Slyghtly Ffirmer	Peter Milne	Phillip Dubbin	70.0		[18.0]	4.0	17.0	6.0	[37.0O]	7.0	11.0	11.0	14.0	ABN
11	3719	Ffast lane	John Wilson	Nick Hancock	81.0	M	[26.0]	12.0	22.0	21.0	3.0	8.0	1.0	14.0	[29.0]	ABN
12	2104	Dumb & Dumber	Matt Owen	Howard Faulks	84.0	SW	11.0	15.0	14.0	15.0	11.0	13.0	[16.5]	5.0	[15.0]	ABN
13	3480	Phantom	Ken Bubb	Lee Bubb	86.0		14.0	19.0	[23.0]	9.0	12.0	11.0	[37.0F]	16.0	5.0	ABN
14	3594	Relience Ffeighteen	Peter Forster	Peter Strauch	86.0	MT	9.0	10.0	16.0	14.0	14.0	[19.5]	14.0	9.0	[18.0]	ABN
15	3710	Stiff Uffer Lip	John Grimmett	Mike Robinson	92.0	M	6.0	22.0	13.0	16.0	6.0	17.0	12.0	[28.0]	[24.5]	ABN
16	3306	Ffenominal	Graham Giles	Steve Langlands	97.0	WMT	4.0	21.0	18.0	8.0	17.0	16.0	[21.0]	[27.0]	13.0	ABN
17	2251	Iffy	Clive Arnold	Anne Arnold	99.0	CWM	16.0	16.0	7.0	10.0	18.0	23.0	[24.0]	[25.0]	9.0	ABN
18	3103	F n F	Jim Callahan	Rod Gardiner	99.0	SWM	15.0	14.0	[21.0]	11.0	16.0	15.0	15.0	13.0	[27.0]	ABN
19	3657	Super Snabb	Colin Brown	Nigel Grime	103.0	MT	12.0	20.0	20.0	[25.0]	[22.0]	21.0	13.0	15.0	2.0	ABN
20	3579	Finnigan	Peter Wardlaw	Graeme Kilpatrick	106.0	M	[25.0]	18.0	4.0	19.0	[24.0]	14.0	19.0	12.0	20.0	ABN
21	3171	Flagship	Dale Collings	John Houlihan	107.0	SW	7.0	9.0	[24.0]	22.0	10.0	22.0	20.0	[30.5]	17.0	ABN
22	3607	Rustler	Peter Russell	Philip Russell	113.5	MT	13.0	17.0	[26.0]	[30.0]	13.0	19.5	18.0	17.0	16.0	ABN
23	2866	Vendetta	Wayne Hudson	Anne Littlewood	118.5	SW	23.0	[23.5]	6.0	12.0	20.0	18.0	16.5	[35.0]	23.0	ABN
24	1401	Mag	Paul Woodman	John Spencer	159.0	CWMT	21.0	[26.0]	[38.0F]	23.0	25.0	24.0	25.0	20.0	21.0	ABN
25	3062	Goodthing	Trevor Williams	Paul Corben	160.5	SW	37.0O	25.0	11.0	13.0	21.0	[37.0S]	[37.0F]	29.0	24.5	ABN
26	3060	Flying High	Peter Dalton	Hella Moebus	170.0	SWMT	22.0	28.0	25.0	26.0	[37.0S]	[33.0]	23.0	18.0	28.0	ABN

27	3261	City Lights	Michael Clark	Denis Buckley	178.5	MWT	32.0	23.5	27.0	[33.0]	28.0	25.0	22.0	21.0	[33.0]	ABN
28	1129	Shalom	Ari Sherr	Ryan Epstein	183.0	CWR	24.0	[35.0]	29.0	24.0	26.0	26.0	28.0	26.0	[35.0]	ABN
29	3059	Force Majeure	Richard Hart	Ian Chapman	192.0	SWM	29.0	27.0	[34.0]	28.0	32.0	28.0	26.0	[32.0]	22.0	ABN
30	3745	Splash	Tom Ruut	Debra Nowell	198.0	M	38.0C	38.0C	12.0	38.0C	38.0C	[38.0C]	[38.0C]	24.0	10.0	ABN
31	2971	Rag Dolly	Leigh Nielsen	John McDaniel	202.0	SW	33.0	[36.0]	28.0	35.0	30.0	31.0	[37.0F]	19.0	26.0	ABN
32	2387	Barnacle Bill	Bill Causbrook	Ray Sebo	203.0	SWMT	30.0	[33.0]	32.0	29.0	23.0	29.0	30.0	[33.0]	30.0	ABN
33	3492	Swinger	Neal Davis	Neil Garvey	204.0	MT	28.0	32.0	31.0	32.0	27.0	27.0	27.0	[34.0]	[32.0]	ABN
34	3616	Ffunnily Enuff	Rory Gleeson	Ben Dunlop	207.0	R	27.0	31.0	[35.0]	[34.0]	33.0	30.0	32.0	23.0	31.0	ABN
35	2759	State of the Ark	Peter Fullagar	Ross Pover	214.0	CWMT	20.0	29.0	33.0	27.0	31.0	37.0S	37.0F	[38.0S]	[38.0F]	ABN
36	2835	Stir Fry	Bernard Broughton	Warren Hudson	217.5	SWM	34.0	30.0	[36.0]	31.0	29.0	32.0	31.0	30.5	[34.0]	ABN
37	3723	Handsome & Modest	Michael Harrison	Cameron Taylor	228.0		31.0	34.0	30.0	36.0	34.0	34.0	29.0	[36.0]	[36.0]	ABN