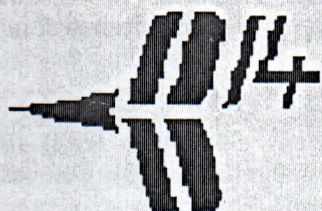


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President's Report

Well the season is starting to heat up, after a slow start due in part to the world-wide focus on Sydney for the Olympics. It was great to see twelve B14s line up at Port Stephens on November 11/12 for their annual regatta. It was also fantastic to get together with you all again. It was a far cry from the Winter in Paradise roll up there in July, when two and a half boats limped around!

The excitement of the Olympic sailing on the Harbour seems to have rubbed off on Sydneysiders, with the best roll up for years at the Squaddie. We are regularly seeing nine B14s taking off from Kirribilli, making us the strongest class currently at the SFS. Gosford, however, is another story. There have been some fairly lonely days on Brisbane Water. Gosford people - get out your boats!

During the off-season, your executive's been making efforts to publicise the class. Special thanks must go to Abby Parkes, who organised a B14 display in Sail Expo at Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club in May. More than 15,000 people attended. We might not have had the pleasure of welcoming Scott Kennedy and Tim to the class (now sailing 299) had she not given up her weekend to tell people how nice we all were. Oh, and that the boats are nice, too! We also explored the possibility of showing off the B14s at the July Boat Show in Darling Harbour, but a lack of security for all skiffs led to us not participating.

We also set about placing an advertisement in Australian Sailing. A crack team of selected executive members met in a remote location to brainstorm the most effective way of encouraging people to buy B14s. After several hours of discussion around James Ellis' dinner table (and with at least one bottle of Brickman's Reisling under our belts) Abby, Richie, James and I came up with what we felt at the time was a rip-snorter.

"Get a life ... get a B14. Fast, grown-up fun for all sexes. Affordable one design. 2001 world titles - Lake Garda - Italy".

It seemed very good at the time! The bright light of the next day gave rise to some doubts, especially about the sex stuff. However, our worries somewhat dissipated when we received a call the day the mag hit the streets from a father and son team inquiring about getting into the class.

We've also updated the NSW B14 info on the website. It's at <http://amazer.amaze.net.au/~b14aus>. If you still haven't booked your accommodation for the Nationals in McCrae, you can find some useful info and numbers there.

Finally for this epistle, thanks to Duncan and Richie for their efforts in bringing us up to date about the potential changes to the class rules and boat refinement. If you haven't seen that information (sent out in the Claytons Newsletter Number 01) please let me know, or even better ask Richie because he actually understands what it means.

See you on the water. - Lissa

Race Secretary's Report

Although the season has had a bit of a weird start with the Olympics, I have really enjoyed getting back into it again. Hope those of you who have already ventured out have also had a great time and that we'll see the rest of you soon. It's great to see the new people to the class getting out there and giving it a go, keeping the pressure on us all to keep getting better. One of the best ways of doing that is for us to have a friendly chat after the races and share our ideas on boat speed, crew work and tactics with each other.

Just a little reminder to you all that under the racing rules you have to be a member of a yacht club. This is also a good idea as it automatically makes you a silver member of the AYC, covering you for personal accident cover while involved in yacht club activities. If you want third party liability cover you can upgrade to gold membership for a few extra bucks. Check with the YA of NSW or your club for details. Also make sure both members of your crew are members of the B14 Class Association of NSW. This is necessary to participate in association events and will help you stay in touch with B14 action. See Abby for info on how to join.

Sailing Calendar

Saturday sailing at either Gosford SC or the Sydney Flying Squadron,
Sunday sailing at Bayview Yacht Racing Association,
November 11 & 12 Travellers 1 Port Stephens Regatta
December 10 Short Course racing, Woollahra SC
December 17 Short Course racing, Woollahra SC
January 2 - 6 National titles, McCrae YC Vic
February 10 & 11 Travellers 2 South Lakes Regatta, Lake Macquarie
February 17 & 18 Travellers 3 Two Fold Bay Regatta, Eden NSW
March 10 & 11 NSW State titles TBA
September 11 - 16 3rd World Titles Lake Garda, Italy

The Notice of Race and entry form for the Nationals have been mailed out if you've missed out there are links to them on the National Website at <http://amazer.amaze.net.au/~b14aus>

If you are having thoughts of travelling the world next year with your B14 (that is, going to the Worlds) let Abby (9955 5889) or me know so that we can work on a plan for making it all happen. One of our sailors is working on a very attractive sponsorship deal with a shipping company. Details will have to be worked out very early in the New Year. So see your boss and book your leave now!

The Travellers series is this year made up of 3 week end regattas each having four races. 1 races total, a minimum of 6 races sailed will constitute a series and the best 9 results of each boat will count. Come along join in the fun and spread the thrill of B14 sailing!

Looking forward to seeing you at the Short course racing at Woollahra to help get us up to speed for the Nationals. The format will be 3 or 4 windward return races. The 10th is the Christmas party. \$20 for a good feed and some drink.

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Latest Innovation. See Richie to find out how to set up wing netting in this way. Remember you saw it first in WINGFLAP!



Around the Clubs

Squaddie Report

Racing at the Squaddie is exciting this season with 8 – 12 boats turning up each Saturday. There are some old faithfuls like the Fire Stopping, Flo and White Pointer teams; some old boats disguised as other old boats; and new names appearing like Epic, Groove Monster and Basic Instinct.

Simon and Claire Medd are back with a vengeance, after a bit of a lay off last season. It's great to see them back on the water. Cindy Parker is also having some success in dragging Craig Rowe along most weekends.

The courses we are racing are being varied this season. We still have the traditional squadron harbour tour, but by popular demand (and through coercion of the starters) we are also including days with two short courses with a view to improve starting strategies, and to have closer fleet competition. Brickmans Wines found the first of these very agreeable, but were edged out by The Nude for the second. The new Fujitsu team is proving to be a force to be reckoned with, displaying improved consistency.

To join in the fun, racing starts at 2.24 each Saturday afternoon. Your friends and family cheer you from the Squaddie ferry. They might even encourage it not to get in the way of racing boats!





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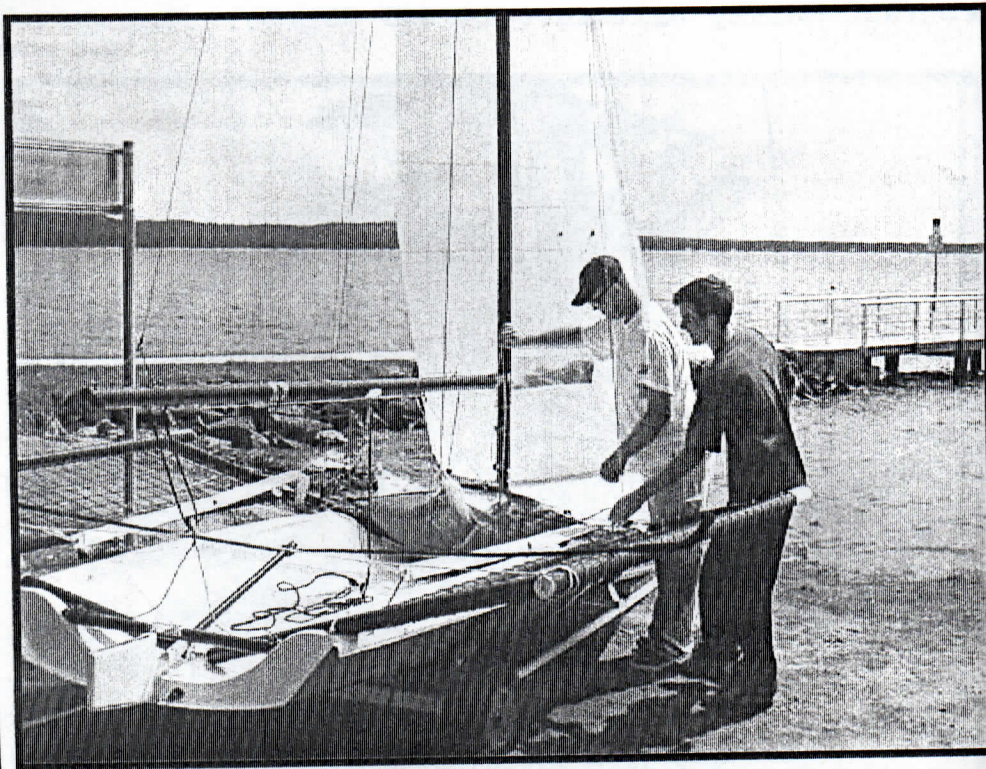
Travellers Trophy Weekend

Port Stephens

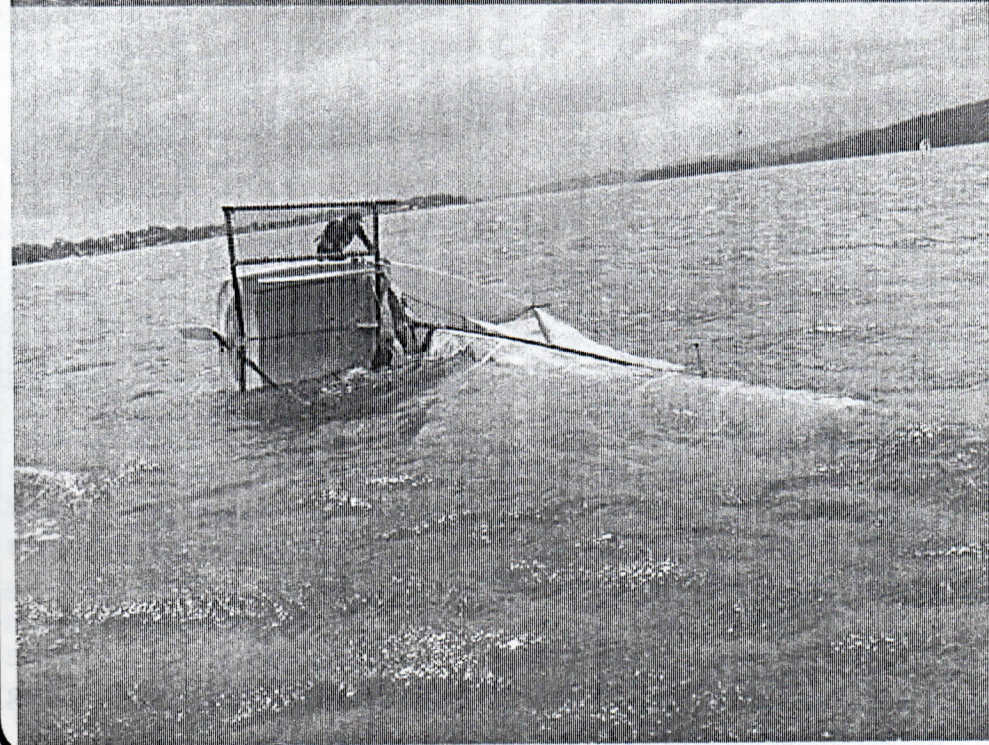
Twelve skiffs travelled to our first interclub event of the season. The series consisted of four races and was held over the weekend of November 11 and 12. Most sailors came from Sydney and it was good to see some of the new association members having their first hit out.

Weather Conditions:

The weekend turned out to be one of the great sailing experiences for all concerned. With fine, sunny conditions and a breeze that steadily built each day to 20 knots sailing was just right for B14s and smiles abounded in the rigging area.



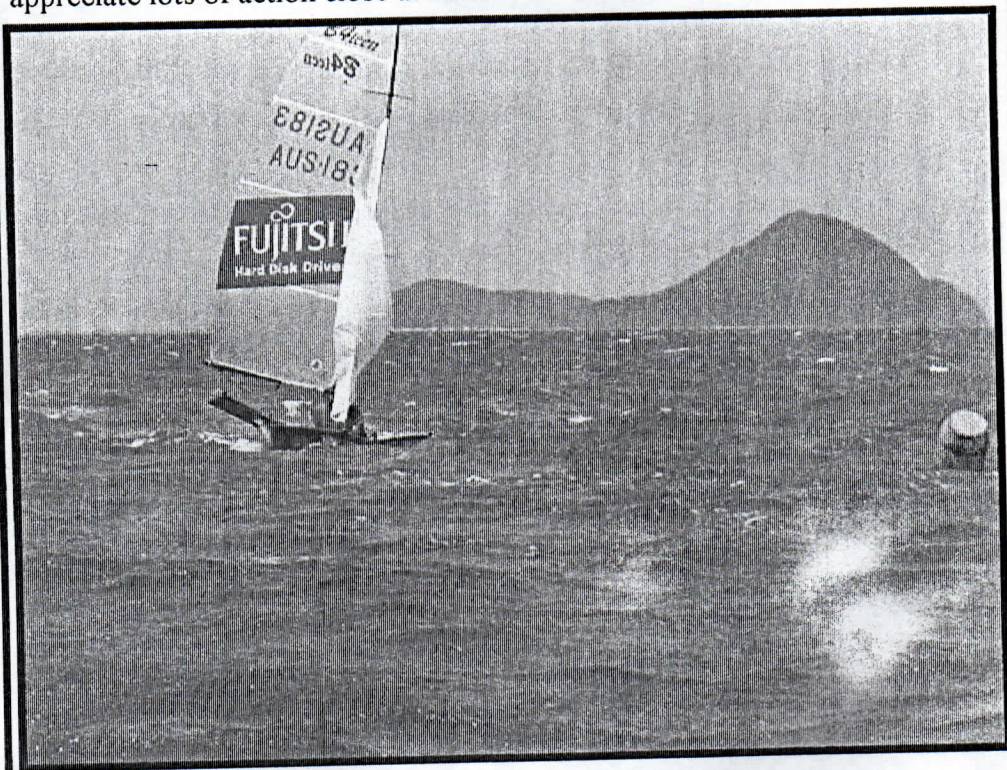
The good breeze required lots of hiking for most of the course and some had to pay the capsize penalty for not doing enough. However, the water was pleasant and so those involved really didn't mind too much except when the camera man turned up!



The Course:

A trapezoidal course was organized to try and split the different classes taking part in the regatta. Most of the course was windward / leeward for the B14s with a couple of reaches for the last lap. Most sailors seemed happy enough and by and large enjoyed the different aspects of racing.

The Race Officers seemed to think of spectators and set the leeward mark a couple of hundred metres from the club. Shore based viewers were able to appreciate lots of action close at hand.



The Racing:

B14 starts continue to be conservative. Unfortunately, we had a mixed start with the 505s and only a few sailors got in there to battle for the best positions. I also thought the timing was a little out and there may have been some confusion amongst the starters.

Once underway, most skippers headed for their preferred side of the course and a number of close contests ensued. Paul Hansen, having his first outing for the season, dominated Saturday but unfortunately broken gear problems

forced him out of Sunday racing.

New guys, Tim and Scott sailing 299, missed Saturday racing with rudder box problems but got going on Sunday.



Social:

With lots of sailing stories to tell the place to be on Saturday night was the good ole 'Ironbark' restaurant. A good time was had by all and none of the rumours are true!

James – where are you? More poetry please!

Results:

Results PSSAC Annual Regatta – B14's

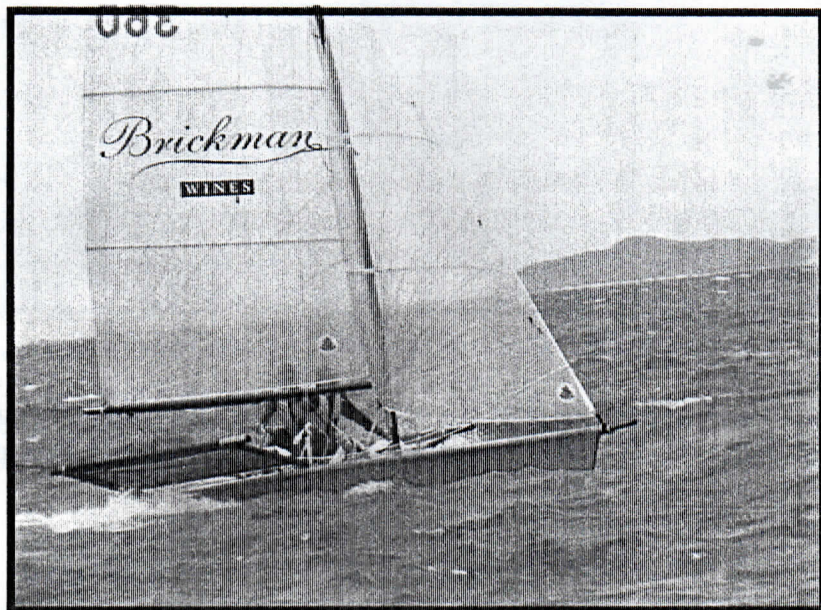
Provisional Result

Entries: 12

Races sailed: 4

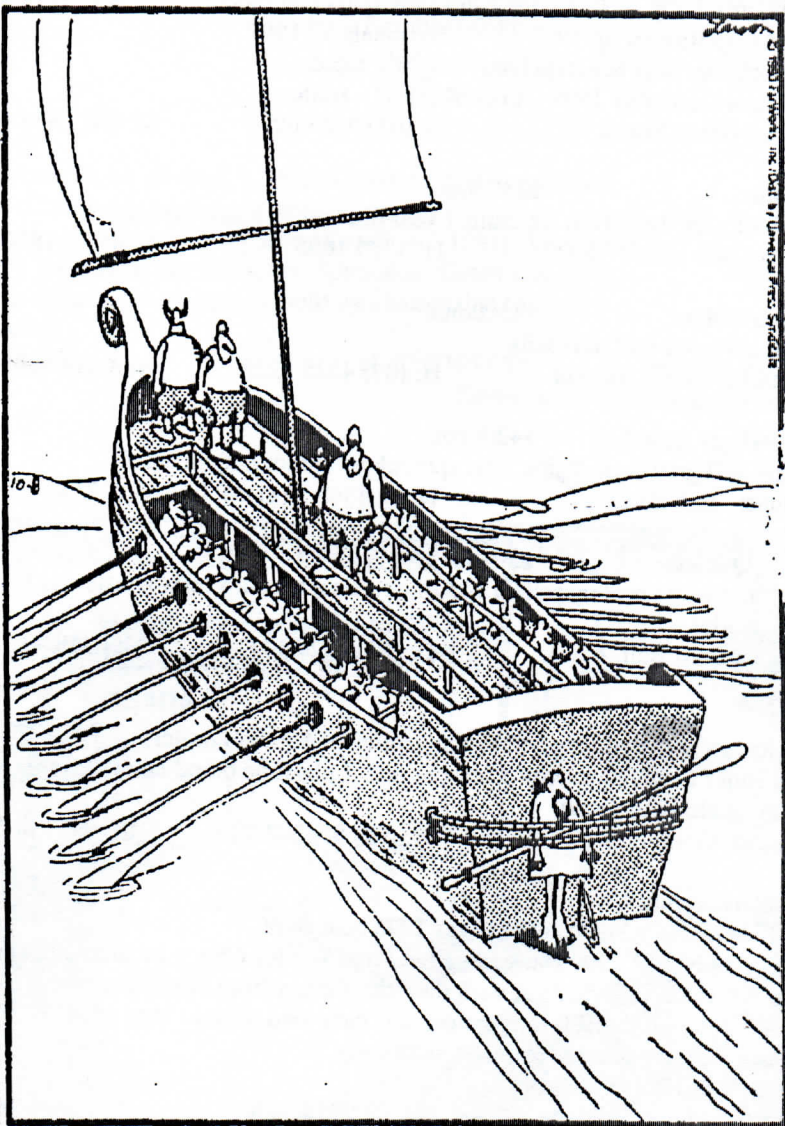
Discard: 0

Sail No.	Skipper	Place	R1	R2	R3	R4	Series Points
354	Jacob Christian	1	4	2	1	1	8
363	Richie Reynolds	2	2	4	5	2	13
183	Julian Bolleter	3	6	3	2	3	14
360	Chris Rodowicz	4	3	5	3	4	15
350	Abby Parkes	5	7	6	4	13	30
356	Simon Medd	6	8	1	13	13	35
366	Ewan McLellan	7	5	7	13	13	38
362	Paul Hansen	8	1	13	13	13	40
299	Scott Kennedy	9	13	13	6	13	45
359	Bruce Potts	10	13	8	13	13	47
324	John Perry	11	13	13	13	13	52
280	Anthony Hogno	11	13	13	13	13	52



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By GARY LARSON



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