

Abbotsford Sailing Club News 09/09/2020

Only a few more sleeps!

And then the start of the season is here! The most important points from [our latest COVID management plan are on the website](#) and have been sent to all members. Please adhere to the rules to make the sailing possible!

The rule is still **Get In, Sail, Get out**. Please remember that there is in principle no access to the club, except for those on official duty and one parent per junior family. There are no showers and limited access to the change rooms and toilets. Please arrive dressed for sailing as much as possible.

We now have a QR code at the club as an alternative to signing in manually. For this you will have to install the “**Service NSW**” app from your favourite App store. Please do this before coming to the club and want to use the QR code.

There will sadly be no canteen. Please bring your own lunch for the day. Even though we would like to have the additional income, the additional organisation to do this in a COVID safe manner is too hard for the small number of volunteers at the club.

[The registration forms are also on the website.](#) **Please make an effort to register before the weekend. With the COVID restrictions: no membership means no sailing!**

Scout Slipping

Thank you to all those members who assisted with Scout slipping. She is back out on the mooring looking good for another year. We hope to use her a bit more for starting and finishing this year, but this will require assistance for our race officer.

Assistance for the Race Officer still needed!

Thank you to Alan Gaha who has offered to take on as much as possible of the Race Officer role. **But YOU are not off the hook!** We still need assistance for days that Alan is not available and to help Alan.

Please contact Judy or myself to help if you are going to be at the club or want to help!

Parents and carers of our Junior Sailors

We would like to reiterate that the club requires a parent or carer of a junior sailor to be present at all times while your junior is attending the club. The club cannot take the responsibility for your junior in case something happens before, during or after racing. During racing, they will be given on-water support, but if they have to leave the water, or an emergency happens, you as a carer need to be present.

We have made an adjustment in our COVID-19 management plan to allow one carer or parent per family with juniors to enter and stay at the club during racing, including entering the mezzanine level.

How can you help?

Please adhere to the above rules and if you are unsure, please ask!

The club is also likely to face a significant financial loss this year. However we have decided not to increase our fees by a large amount. However, if you are able to afford it, we would like you to contribute \$100 to **the ClubKeeper fund** this year.

You can do this by transferring directly to the treasurer with your fee payment, or you can use our Australian Sport Foundation option and get a tax deduction

<https://asf.org.au/projects/abbotsford-12ft-sailing-club/>:



Other items

Working with Children Check: This is a reminder that anyone over 18 who is likely to work with our juniors (for example as a coach) and does not have children at the club themselves needs to complete a working with children check:

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

Please complete this as soon as possible. Once you have your WWCC number, please send this to our secretary Phil Marsh (philmarsh@bigpond.com).

Sailing Committee meetings

The next club meeting will be on **Monday** 21 September at 8:00 pm and will most likely still take place via video conference. All members are welcome to attend, please e-mail willemvervoort@gmail.com if you are not on the sailing committee meeting mailing list and would like to attend.

Working bees

This years' maintenance will focus on maintaining the main functions of the club and performing any necessary repairs for unsafe situations. The club captain Chris D will inform you when activities will be planned.

I look forward to seeing you all back "around" the club for racing. Please feel free to e-mail me with any concerns about the club management.

Willem Vervoort
President A12SC

Please advertise our club to all your friends and colleagues, we can always use new members and sailors. The [facebook page](#) and [the website](#) are all active and updated.

Boats and gear for sale: Please check the bottom of the newsletter, or let me know if you would like to advertise.

Any news to be included in the next newsletter should be sent to willemvervoort@gmail.com. Newsletters will hopefully come out every week during the racing season.

Boats and equipment for sale

Advertise your boat or equipment here

Coming Events (we will get the racing calendar on the website calendar as soon as possible)

12 September	First race day- short course races
19 September	Second race day- long course race
21 September	Sailing committee meeting 8:00 pm at the club

Please note these dates in your diary. It would be great if all members could attend events.