

# News from BSC - 2008 Season

## 8th November - Annual Presentation Dinner

The inaugural Presentation Dinner was held at the Som Thai Restaurant. The food was excellent, the company great, and some the stories were very tall.

Photos of this event will be found

at: [http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008\\_1108BSCAnnualDinner#](http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008_1108BSCAnnualDinner#)

and at: [http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008\\_1108BSCAnnualDinnerMD#](http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008_1108BSCAnnualDinnerMD#)

## 8th November - Annual Awards

The BSC 2008 Sailing Champion is Brett Winfield



The Most Improved Sailors award was presented to Peter & Diane Gere



The Sink or Swim Trophy for outstanding (!) sailing feats was presented to Stan Best



## APT Series Awards

### Catamarans:



1. Rattle & Hum - Brett Winfield



2. A Frayed Knot - Loi Odore



3. Finistère - Stan Best

No results for dinghies in this series

## **Kimberley Quest Series Awards**

### Catamarans:

1. Rattle & Hum - Brett Winfield
2. A Frayed Knot - Loi Odore
3. Finistère - Stan Best

### Dinghies:



1. Magic Happens - Sandy Ogg



2. BSC Corsair - Paul Murphy
3. No third place with 3 other people/boats only competing in 1 race each

## **2nd November - KIMBERLEY QUEST SERIES, RACE 6 & 7**

Some photos of these events at Town Beach will be found

at: [http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008\\_1102BSCAtTownBeach#](http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008_1102BSCAtTownBeach#)

## **26th October - KIMBERLEY QUEST SERIES, RACE 4 & 5**

Some photos of these events at Town Beach will be found

at: [http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008\\_1026BSCRacingAtTownBeach#](http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008_1026BSCRacingAtTownBeach#)

## **24th August - Shinju Matsuri Float Parade**

BSC was entered in the Shinju Matsuri (Festival of the Pearl) Float Parade and some photos will be found at: <http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/ShinjuMatsuri2008FloatParade>

## **17th August - KIMBERLEY QUEST SERIES, RACE 3**

Some photos of this event will be found

at: [http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008\\_0817BSCSeriesIIRace3](http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008_0817BSCSeriesIIRace3)

## **3rd August - KIMBERLEY QUEST SERIES, RACE 1**

Some photos of this event will be found

at: [http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008\\_0803BSCSeriesIIRace1](http://picasaweb.google.com/BroomeWaters/2008_0803BSCSeriesIIRace1)

## **1st June - APT SERIES, RACE 3**

### RATTLE & HUM CONTINUES WINNING STREAK DESPITE TACTICAL BLUNDERS

Brett and Ryan Winfield crewed *Rattle & Hum* to its third consecutive win in the APT Sailing Series sailed off Gantheaume Point on Sunday 1st June. The race was sailed in light to moderate Easterly winds that generated some high speed sailing from the high performance catamarans.

Loi Odore and Miranda Dibden in *A Frayed Knot* looked set to take the lead early, but were forced to return and re-start the race after breaking the start line by a few seconds. Stan

Best and Jason Stone in *Finistère* crossed the start in second place closely followed by Phil Cox sailing solo in the smaller Arrow class catamaran, *I Shoot an Arrow in the Air*.

Brett Winfield threw away a commanding 100m lead at the first windward mark by missing the second mark and having to sail back upwind to rejoin the race and avoid disqualification. This allowed *A Frayed Knot*, and *Finistère* to sail past *Rattle & Hum* and open up a significant break over the series leader. To add to his comedy of errors, Winfield then made another inexcusable major tactical blunder which effectively doubled the length of the next leg and left *Rattle & Hum* well behind at the next upwind mark. Through faultless crewing by son Ryan and re-focussed concentration, Winfield clawed back to regain the lead by the completion of the first lap. *Rattle & Hum* then revelled in the freshening conditions and held on to the lead to cross the finish line 3 minutes 20 seconds clear of *A Frayed Knot*.

This was a sufficient break for *Rattle & Hum* to narrowly win on handicap as well as taking line honours. *Finistère* and *I Shoot an Arrow in the Air* finished third and fourth respectively on handicap.

*A Frayed Knot* skipper Loi Odore was elated with the near perfect conditions that resulted in exhilarating sailing. "That was a fantastic race. At one stage we were right on the edge of control when the boat nose dived and almost capsized." he said. "We had the boat half submerged and it only just recovered. I'm amazed we didn't break any gear - the strain on the boat was incredible."

*Rattle & Hum* leads the series on handicap closely followed by *A Frayed Knot* and *Finistère*. With only two races left to sail competition will be hot as skippers and crews vie for the inaugural APT trophy.

Action shots of this race will be found on the [Photographs](#) page and details on the [Results](#) page.

## **18th May - APT SERIES, RACE 2**

### BEST BLOWS AWAY LOCAL SAILING FLEET

New skipper Brad Best revelled in the fresh conditions to blitz the small fleet in Race 2 of the APT Sailing Series on Sunday 18 May.

Strong easterly winds gusting to 20 knots played havoc with the fleet, with every boat capsizing and several boats retiring.

After nose-diving and capsizing prior to the start, Best and junior crew Luke Winfield sailing *Rattle & Hum* sailed a faultless race to finish 7 minutes ahead of Loi Odore and Louis Bell in *A Frayed Knot*. Best's experience shone through as he sailed steadily and consistently, despite being new to the Nacra 5.2 class catamaran and suffering a broken toe in the pre-race capsizing.

A spectacular capsizing while gybing round the wing mark signalled the end of Odore's chances of a handicap win over *Rattle & Hum*. Odore has been placed third and second in the first two races in the series the series.

The much anticipated father / son clash in the two Nacra 5.2's did not eventuate after Brad's Father, Stan, failed to start in *Finistère* due to a "rigging failure". "Forgetting to put the dagger

boards in before the race wasn't the smartest thing I've ever done," said Best Snr. "Without them, the boat simply wouldn't tack and we had to sail right up to Cable Beach before I could tack back."

Hobie 16 skipper Chris Cavilla and crew Colin Kenworthy and Isaiah Tagive displayed incredible courage and determination to complete the course following numerous capsizes in the high-performance boat. "Hobie 16s are a handful at the best of times," said Sailing Club Race Officer Brett Winfield. "This team have very little sailing experience yet they literally hung on & finished long after the rest of the fleet was back at the beach." "It was almost like one of those marathon runners finally staggering across the line." he said. Despite this marathon effort Cavilla was disqualified after rounding the last 2 marks in the incorrect order.

### **3rd & 4th May - N/W Expo**

The N/W Expo was held at BRAC over this weekend, with BSC having a very suitable exhibition location on the edge of the pool. Photographs of recent events, along with information about the club were displayed, together with the Hobie Bravo *Petit Chat* (in the pool!) and a rigged *Mirror*.



A simple sailing competition was held over the two days with three book prizes, donated by Kimberley Bookshop, for the first correct entries drawn "out of the hat". The winners of this competition have been notified and they are: Annabelle Lindsay, Thomas (?), and David Thow. Their prizes can be picked up at Kimberley Bookshop.

### **Sunday 4th May - APT SERIES, RACE 1**

Series 1 Race 1 was sailed in very mild conditions. Winds were SE - E at 8 - 13 knots and it was a typically spectacular Broome morning!

Numbers were well down due to the NW Expo, but we still had 3 boats in Catamarans A, one in Catamarans B, and 2 Corsairs ready to race.

Welcome to new members Stan & Brad Best sailing the Nacra 5.2 "*Finistere*", to Paul Murphy sailing the BSC Corsair, and to Ryan Winfield sailing his re-fitted Go Cat (officially unnamed, but listed as *TT Bombora*).

Following a delayed start due to first day teething/timing problems, Commodore Sandy Ogg assisted by Peter Hull & Dianne Murphy got the first race for the season underway. *Rattle & Hum* blew the start badly & had to do a 360° turn to avoid breaking the line, while *A Frayed Knot* enjoyed a near perfect start. Loi held a solid lead up the first windward leg but suffered a brainfritz, tacked to port & missed the starboard rounding of the first mark allowing *Rattle & Hum* to take the lead. The old Rattler was able to maintain boat speed (and sail the right course!) to maintain the lead for the rest of the race and take line honours. *Finistere* & *A Frayed Knot* were in close contact with each other for the remainder of the race. A thrilling finish saw Stan Best's wealth of sailing experience shine through & he pipped Loi by one second to take 2nd across the line.

Paul Murphy sailed a solid race to finish with a very respectable elapsed time of 58.30. (Consistency points only allocated) Due to the delayed start Ryan Winfield was unable to start as he had commitments at the NW Expo. John Travis and his new Naval Cadet crew did not race & opted for a pleasure sail.

We now have a handicap system in operation, using the YSA & YVic Yardsticks and these are a multiplier factor that adjusts time to allow for the various boat speeds of different classes of boats. This will be loaded on a laptop before the next race so we can do the presentations on the beach immediately after each race.

## **Sunday 13th April - HANDOVER OF RESCUE BOAT**

[BROOME ADVERTISER](#), Thursday, April 17, 2008 (by Chris Hingston)



A NEW rescue boat donated to the Broome Sailing Club saw active duty for the first time last weekend patrolling the waters at the club's family fun day and giving the occasional joyride.

The rescue boat was donated by the Broome Surf Club last weekend and will provide the Sailing Club with their first rescue boat. Commodore Sandy Ogg said the Sailing Club was grateful for the gift. "We haven't had a rescue boat before and the surf club very kindly donated us one," she said. She also thanked regional manager for APT Kimberley Wilderness Adventures Phil Cox, who donated funding for an engine and safety equipment for the boat.

Broome Surf Club patrol captain Ric Cockman said his club supported the idea of mutual cooperation with local clubs. "Instead of selling the boat for funding we decided to give it up to

help a new club starting up," he said. "The idea is it is nice when club's work together to support each other. It is a struggle out there to do it on your own," Cockman said.

Sailing Club secretary John Kennedy will man the rescue boat, putting his skills from the Broome Volunteer Rescue Group to use. Commodore Ogg said the sailing club had grown hugely in its second year and was expecting to have 15-20 boats this season. Races get underway May 4

## **Sunday 30th March - CLUB OPEN DAY**

Despite weather that was not at all kind to us (with light winds and rain) the Club's Open Day was a resounding success with many old and new club boats and old and new club members.

BSC was proud to show off its new club house, trailer based and that was most kindly built and donated by Loi Odore. The beach cabanas also proved their worth (they are waterproof and also provided excellent shade when the sun did eventually come out!).

We had 10 of our 16 boats on the water, and many members and visitors took the opportunity of blowing away the cobwebs with a little sailing. This was followed by a sausage sizzle put on by Carol and Marie that seemed to be enjoyed by all.

See some photos of this event at the: [Photo Gallery](#)

It looks like this will be a great season if the Open Day was anything to go by.

## **Monday 25th February - SAILING CLUB GEARS UP FOR 2008 SEASON by Brett Winfield**

Following a highly successful inaugural season in 2007, Broome Sailing Club is calling for anyone interested in sailing to start getting their boats ready for the upcoming season.

The Club sails a mixed fleet of catamarans and dinghies from the beach at Ganthæume Pt, and provides comprehensive sail training in addition to its racing program. Commodore Sandy Ogg said "Sailing is a great family sport that is growing in popularity in Broome. We have a number of new boats in town this year and it's shaping up to be a fabulous season."

The Club has a growing number of young people joining up and has tailored its 2008 program to maximise participation for everyone, including beginners. Sunday racing occurs fortnightly at 10.00am, finishing with a social lunch on the beach.

The Nacra catamaran National Championships will be held in Bunbury in January 2009 and a couple of our crews are using the upcoming season to prepare for the event," Commodore Ogg said.

"You don't have to be a yachtie to be involved in the Club. We are also seeking people to operate the safety and start boats. A Recreational Skippers Ticket is required, and we also provide full on-water training so we can maintain the highest safety standards," the Commodore said.



The Club's AGM will be held on Monday March 17 at BRAC and all are encouraged to attend.

An Open Day will be held at Ganthæume Pt on Sunday 30 March from 10.00am for anyone with a boat or wishing to crew on a boat to register their interest, go for a sail and meet other Broome yachties.

*Ryan and Luke Winfield with the new catamaran they have prepared for the upcoming sailing season.*