



**2019
Annual
General
Meeting**

**June 18, 2019
7.30pm**



2019 AGM Agenda

- 2018/19 Season review
- 2019/20 Committee results
- General Business

WCAA AGM – Tuesday June 18, 7.30pm

Online Meeting - Zoom platform

Meeting Attendees

Dave West
Nick Bez
Paul Grimshaw
Al Haynes
Karen Murden
Grant Evans
Mick Watkins
Martin Stone
Chris Thompson
Ian Lane
Peter Nitcshke
Peter Monkhouse
Manfred Speicher
2x unidentified

Apologies

Peter Doolan
Greg Johns
Jim Kariotis
Jason Morris



2018/19
Season Review





2018/19 Committee

President:	Dave West
Secretary:	Nick Bez
Treasurer:	Paul Grimshaw
VIC State Rep:	Jim Kariotis
QLD State Rep:	Peter Nitschke
SA State Rep:	Tim Lelliott
ACT State Rep:	Mark Simpson
TAS State Rep:	Mark Fitzgerald
WA Rep:	Ian Lane
NSW Reps:	Al Haynes Peter Doolan Steve Walsh Mel Webb Martin Stone

President thanked all committee members for great contributions in a transformative season for the Class



2018/19 Activities – Transition to LT

- Provided member information and ran demo days to get sailors to try the LT prototypes and understand the rationale for moving from the One Design
- Conducted **member vote** on adopting the LT as class legal for racing
- Supported LT importer Windgenuity by emailing Class database **14 different updates** on the LT and also provided multiple Social media posts
- Within a year there are **~350 LT's sold in Australia** and **>2,000 worldwide**





2018/19 Activities – Updated Systems

- Transitioned membership renewals and regatta entry to Regatta Toolbox
- Designed and launched completely updated Class website with enhanced functionality and new domain
- Implemented online tools such as membership status checking

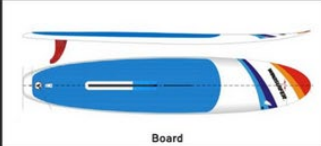





regatta toolbox plus account

search members...

	NAME	COUNTRY	EMAIL	MOBILE	CLUB	STATUS
Members	1 Adam Keyes...	AUS	adam@cdc.net.au	0419554649	Sandringham Yacht Club	active
Settings	2 Al Haynes	AUS	Alhaynes@me.com	0438336495	WCAA	active
Plans	3 Alan Cook	AUS	planetsf@bigpond.net.au	0448784752	Windsurfing Tasmania	active
	4 Alexander Fo...	AUS	frankfontyne@yahoo.com	0408556113	None	active
E-signatures	5 Alistair Saund...	AUS	alsaunders64@gmail.com	0425201379	None	active
	6 Andrew Baker	AUS	abaker@mobium.com.au	0407808231	Sandringham	active
Admin Access	7 Andrew Dallis...	AUS	dallissona@banksa.com.au	0434307544	Brighton & Seacliff Yacht Club	active
	8 Andrew Brodr...	AUS	brods1675@hotmail.com	0417549080	nil	active
Events	9 Andrew Forbes	AUS	forbes.aj@gmail.com	0450990009	Middle Harbour	active
	10 Andrew Mcau...	AUS	andrewmcaullay@gmail.com	0419474123	RPYC	active
Data Collection	11 Andrew Gibson	AUS	acoldbeer@iprimus.com.au	0417929945	Toukley Sailing Club	active
	12 Andrew Camp...	AUS	c_andyman71@hotmail.com	0438111197	Narrabeen Lakes sailing club	active

ABOUT NEWS RACE CLASS & MEMBERSHIP EVENT CALENDAR CONTACT

WINDSURFER_{LT}

Easy One Design Racing

One board, one sail, one mast, one boom, one fin - nothing to add, no more to spend. Check out the class rules [here](#)

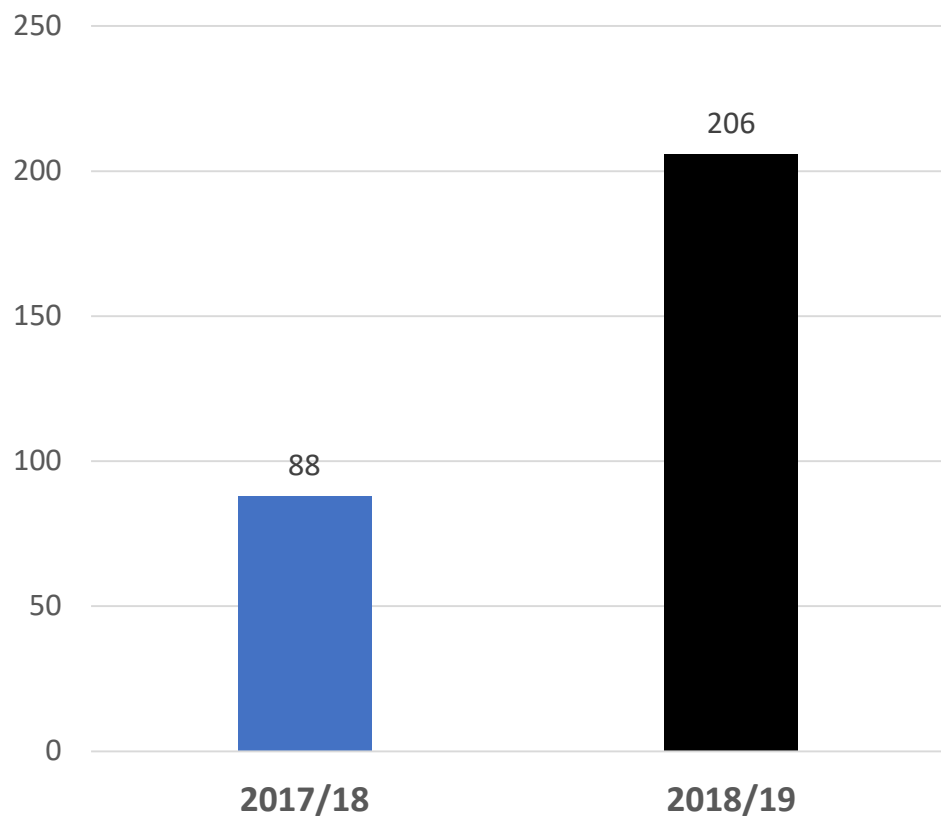
All versions of the Windsurfer are class legal for racing including the Windsurfer 'LT', 'One Design' and 'Original' when sailed with 'as manufacturer supplied' equipment.

The LT is available from Windsurfer and also from a variety of brands around the world such as Starboard, Exocet and I-99. All use exactly the same



2018/19 Activities – Class Membership

- In 2018/19 membership grew by 135%



- 176 of 206 took TPL Insurance option

- Fourth Life Membership awarded – Karen Murden (NSW) for outstanding contribution to the Class





2018/19 Activities – Class Membership

- Negotiated with the International Windsurfer Class to recognise WCAA membership at International events
- Gained a voice for Australia within International Class with 2 positions on the Executive:
 - Greg Johns – Vice President
 - Nick Bez – Chairman of Technical Committee

Australia's strong stance drove international decision to adopt no upwind pumping into Class rules

- Windsurfer Class regains international status and also bids for Olympics 2024





2018/19 Activities – Promotion

- Various meet-ups, demo days in all States



- Sydney Boat Show





2018/19 Activities – Promotion

- Class Email subscribers now >500, up by 35%
 - Sent **27 Class emails** during 2018/19
 - Updated email system to Mailchimp with enhanced list segmentation capability (member only or total database)
- Class Facebook, total views in 2018/19 up by 400%
 - **Engagements increased by 700%** with enhanced posting frequency – 716 following
 - ‘Likes’ now 653, up by 250 in the year
- Class website
 - Unique visitors for year = **4,300**
 - Ongoing updates





2018/19 Activities – Promotion

- Developed Class Promotional Video
 - 5,100 unique views





2018/19 Activities – Racing

- Supported the establishment of **new local fleets and Club racing** in various states.
- South Australia
- Tasmania
- Western Australia



2018/19 Activities – Racing

- **State Championship** program expanded with new States coming onboard – over 120 competing:

- Victoria
- New South Wales
- Queensland
- Tasmania
- Western Australia



PHOTOS: COURTESY OF THE AUSTRALIAN WINDSURFING ASSOCIATION

WINDSURFERS were back sailing in force in Hobart last weekend to compete in the state championships. Their appearance drew a website comment: "Tasmania's windsurfer state championships showcased everything that is good about windsurfing, and the depth of windsurfing experience and knowledge was extraordinary."

The revised Tasmanian championships were sailed off Sand Bay and attached 21 sails, five the number regatta Asa Chas expected. The Sand Bay Sailing Club included the windsurfer state titles in a line-up of Tasmanian championships for Optimists (10 years), Intermediate and Green, International Cadet, 29ers and Flying Events.

In total, the championships attracted 160 young and 100 young (and some not so young in the windsurfers) sailors.

The windsurfer championship was held in four divisions, including the 10-year-old, pathway board, several new IT, Windsurfer, and several original Windsurfers. Among the competitors were Chris Rodgers, the first Tasmanian to sail a windsurfer.

The overall winner of the 2019 windsurfer championship was well known Hobart sailor Tim Jones on a 29er, which included three firsts, a second and three thirds in the 10 races. David Moorehead was runner-up on 21 points, with Mark Fitzgerald third on 31 points.

Asa Chas was the first woman to finish in a competitive with position, while Chris Rodgers, who imported the first windsurfer to Tasmania, finished 187, came in 14th overall in the 29er fleet.

The 10-year-old championship was won by Matthew Shelton on a boardwalk from Finn Buchanan, with exciting winning five races and Buchanan four.

In the windsurfer category, Harry Wright, David Moorehead finished with 10 points, Mark Fitzgerald with 21 points and Andy Shannon 31 points.

In the windsurfer lightweight fleet, Tim Jones took lead with win and of his take first place ahead of John Thomson and Stuart Taylor.

Asa Chas was runner-up with the women's windsurfer championship.

In an inter-club with Jane Austin, Windsurfer Tasmania president Lynette McAllister and regatta Asa Chas said they were delighted with the success of the championship.

The introduction of the Windsurfer LT last year has reignited the class worldwide," McAllister said.

"The LT is a major leap from the original windsurfer of the 1970s and 80s and is a fraction of the cost of other higher performance craft."

Asa Chas said more than 20 LT boards have been bought by Tasmanians, while there was also keen interest among young boardwalkers in the Techee 29er, which is an Olympic pathway board and one of the world's sailing youth championships.

"The windsurfer is a great way to enjoy sailing at low cost and in an inclusive way," McAllister said. "You can keep it in your garage or carport, transport it on your roof racks, rig on the beach in minutes, you don't need crew, and you can then enjoy sailing on five 20-lane races."

Classy Cadets
SANDY Bay Sailing Club members Harry Alford and James Gough added the International Cadet Tasmania championship to last weekend's regatta on the Derwent.

They finished with a net 10 points, with the win in the nine races and a repeat a very competitive fleet that needed a comeback to decide second place between Lawrence Jeffs and Harry Cooper, with Elliott Hughes and Oliver Cooper.

Jeffs and Cooper took second place with two firsts. An interesting point was the number of girls helming the Cadets, with Emily Nicholas fifth overall.

The Optimists were out in force with a commanding lead by Eddie Reid, who was runner-up for the national title last January, continued his form with seven wins out of nine races. Ed Broady came in second, with third place going to Adelaide sailor Luke Smith. Eve Cooper (Lindisfarne Yacht Club) finished third with a scoreless that didn't feature a single race outside the top three.

This made the handicap planning very tight. Oli Cahill from Kingston was first, with Landonne sailor Ruby Korral and Angus Watson second and third.

Josie Andrewartha and father Grant stepped only one race on their way to claiming another Mirror title. It was a deserved victory for a great ambassador of the sport.

Jonny Gray and Zoe Cowie were the only crew to beat Jones and Grant, winning the final race. It was not enough to upset husband, David Gray and crew Arts Strong, who took second place overall, with Jenny and Zoe third.

Charlotte Armstrong and Ross Landon claimed the Youth (10-15) title, with Lulu and Pippa Bird were the under 10 trophy, while Tracy and Mia Miler got their old fashioned quarter mile racing trophy to take out the Classic trophy.

True family affair
The LT's introduction of one of Hobart's best known sailing families, the Cabotts, were aboard champion yacht Intrigue when it notched up yet another double victory win in the Combined Club summer regatta on the River Derwent last Saturday.

Sailing with crewskipper Dave Cabot were his son David and grandson James, son of the late Bruce Cabot, with 16-year-old 19-year-old Angus the helms to steer the Club 40 Landerloch Yacht.

Intrigue, which has been racing on the Derwent since 1965, now has a commanding lead in Division 1, AMS, with six wins over the season. Its IRC is a close second to Doctor Who, and PHS is a third overall to the consistent Doctor Who, supported by Lord Jackson.

With no Summer Pre-race regatta to go next, Intrigue (March 30, Intrigue is a not out one-point) in the Division 1, AMS category, with 547 points, followed by Doctor Who (22 points) and Intrigue on 27 points in the Division 1.

Doctor Who dominated its sixth place in IRC last Saturday and continues to lead the IRC position with 14 points. Intrigue has a net 18 points, Harbour 20 points.

In the PHS category, Doctor Who placed fifth in race night and has doubled this to be on a net 20 points. Harbour, which won the division last Saturday, is on three points.

The regatta events will start with a feeder race from Saturday to Easter April 21, followed by two days of the regatta events for all the beach classes, racing 29ers and new for classic boats.

For more information on the regatta and entry visit www.boat.com.au

2018/19 Activities – Racing

- **2019 National Championships at Toronto** was a massive success with record numbers and great vibe on and off the water:
 - **107** competitors - world record globally in the modern era
 - Great mix of competitors – 12 to 72 years old
 - 19 competitors under 18 years
 - Cruiser division a big success – 15 competitors





2018/19 Activities – Racing

- 2020 Nationals planning well advanced
- NOR and online entries to open early July
- Sneak peak of 2020 Nationals Promo Video



The poster features the following elements:

- Top Left:** Windsurfer Australia logo.
- Top Right:** Windsurfing South Australia logo.
- Center:** BSYC logo (Brighton & Seafiff Yacht Club) with a yellow and black pennant.
- Text:** "PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE" and "WINDSURFER" in large, bold, italicized letters.
- Text:** "43rd AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS" and "January 23rd – 26th 2020".
- Supported by:** A section with the Coopers logo and the text "AUSTRALIAN MADE AUSTRALIAN OWNED".
- Bottom Row:** Logos for Mobium Group, Windgenuity, Binksmarine, Storehere, Jacob's Creek, Holdfast Bay, and OAP.

2018/19 Activities – Racing

- **Youth Scholarship initiated by the Class and Windgenuity**
 - Best overall performance by male and female under 18 at Nationals
 - \$2,500 allowance each to attend Windsurfer Class World Championships

- **2019 Winners**
 - Female – Isabella Grimshaw (VIC)
 - Male – Hamish Swain (QLD)





2018/19 Activities – Finances

- June 2018 balance = **\$10,858.97**
- June 2019 balance = **\$12,805.76**

2019 Major expenses

- AWA Insurance
- National Championships
- State Championships – trophy support
- Youth Scholarship



2019/20 Committee

President:	Nick Bez
Treasurer:	Paul Grimshaw
VIC State Rep:	Jim Kariotis
QLD State Rep:	Peter Nitcshke
SA State Rep:	Tim Lelliott
ACT State Rep:	Mark Simpson
TAS State Rep:	Jo Chau
WA Rep:	Ian Lane
NSW Reps:	Al Haynes Peter Doolan
	WNSW - Martin Stone



General Business

Discussion Points

1. Update on LT Olympic Bid

- Discussion regarding current status – LT still in the running.
- World Sailing to conduct on water evaluation later in 2019.

2. Strategies to attract Youth

- Class reaffirmed support to grow younger sailor participation.
- Discussion regarding initiatives to attract junior/youth sailors to Class. Various approaches from States outlined
- Discussed producing a video featuring kids/youth as a promo tool

3. 2020/21 Perth Worlds

- Discussion regarding event – exciting opportunity to showcase and promote the Class.
- Looking to be a great social and racing event – up to 350 competitors



Meeting Closed at 8.45pm