



TIMARU YACHT AND POWER BOAT CLUB

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GEOFF SWAN

It is with a heavy heart that I inform you all that Geoff Swan from Ashburton passed away on the 24th of May surrounded by His Wife Ngaire and Daughter Caitlin.

We have all shared some great times with Geoff on and off the water over many years. He will be sadly missed by us all.

- Steve Hutton

From Geoff's wife and daughter:

Caitlin and I would just like to let you know that sadly Geoff died at 3.35am Wednesday 24th. He remained at home and was still able to crack a smile with us until the last 24 hours.

Geoff's donated his body to science and his funeral will be held in Ashburton sometime after King's Birthday weekend. We will let you know the details as soon as we're organised.

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who's been in contact during his illness. He always appreciated your friendship and support.

- Ngaire and Caitlin Swan

Geoff has been a stalwart of the Ashburton Sailing Club and he will be sadly missed. I will let everyone know when his funeral is to be as soon as I know.

- Chris Thompson



Sorry, no funeral arrangements available at time of this newsletter going out

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PROFILE – ANDREW MILLER

Second at the NZ trailer yacht Nationals

If you hear the name 'Miller' in the context of Timaru sailing you might think of any of the three generations who have been active in and around the club for many decades.

Andrew has sailed with the club since he could walk, advancing through the juniors in a starling to represent the club twice at national match racing, then moving to a Finn where he gained top 10 finishes. He has now moved on sail an Elliott 5.9 and has recently come second at the NZ trailer yacht Nationals.



Last Easter the team of Andrew Miller, Raymond Miller and Christan Rasch went to the trailer yacht nationals held at Naval Point Yacht Club. At that point Andrew and Raymond had about a season and a half experience in the boat and Christan was still learning the ropes, but despite this they came a very credible second place against vastly more experienced crews, some of whom had travelled some distance to complete.



Day one started with 12 knots of breeze and building. It was set to be a great day... until the second down-wind leg of the first race where Raymond managed to break the spinnaker pole. For the rest of that race and the next race he had to fly the kite without a pole but still managed two second places.

Day two, with borrowed pole, started with 12 knots of wind and building into a choppy sea. The team had a good first two races with a second and a third but as the wind increased and chop got worse the boys on the Elliott 5.9 started to struggle a bit and the results slipped a bit.



With Day three's forecast not looking good, 4 races were sailed on day two.

Day 3 (Sunday) blew out as forecast so that was the end of the regatta.

Results; 'Rattle n Hum' first (elder 780), 'Reheat' second (Elliott 5.9... Andrew and team), and 'Forty Four Forty' third (Shaw 750). All and all a great result for the Timaru team.

Also I would like to thank our support team of Anna and Margaret Miller for their help, and Naval Point and their team for a well run and successful regatta



- Raymond Miller, Steve Hutton

CRUISE REPORT - REDEMPTION INLET TO CHALKY INLET

You're invited ! - Tues 6th June at 1930hrs

Ahoy all Captains, crew, club members and others ...

You are invited to join the Trailer Yacht Section on Tues 6th June at 1930hrs at the TYPBC Club House to hear about a cruise from Redemption Inlet up through the Chalky Inlet.

Guest speakers; Rob Peck and Brian Hutton will describe what they got up to and why, with photos of their journey.



Bar will be open for refreshments (cash bar don't forget)

So don't miss a good night out and see you all there.

- Steve Hutton

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AGM ... AND GENERAL VOLUNTEERING

Reminder the club's AGM will be held on Saturday 22 July

What do you enjoy doing that could support the club?

The club operates with the voluntary efforts of its members. Please consider stepping forward to take on some wee part of things, whether as a formal role on the Committee or as a part of the wider team.

If there's something you might enjoy doing (whether part of a role or not) let us know and we'd be glad of your contribution.

Things like... boat maintenance, administration, building or jetty maintenance, joining the small team who lead the organisation for regattas or club events.

Contact our secretary in the first instance, Catherine.Illingworth@outlook.com

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