

# GARDEN BAY SAILING CLUB

## Winter Race Series 2017/8 November results

In November we managed to get in a total of only two races, out of a possible four. The conditions on November 4 were far from ideal. Having waited around for an hour for the wind to fill in, three boats endured sleet, rain, drizzle and cold. The following week was not much better, but four brave souls went out to test their mettle against each other and the weather.

The forecasts for the following two Saturdays were calling for strong, gusty winds and rain, so racing was cancelled. On both occasions conditions turned out differently!

The results for the second month of our Winter Race Series are:

Frendy (Charlie Park)	24.6	Points
Infidel (Dale Kerfoot)	24.2	“
Pretender (Claus Sjogren)	23.8	“
Linnea (Anders Rahmberg).	2.5	“

The results for October and November are:

Pretender (Claus Sjogren)	52.2	Points
Infidel (Dale Kerfoot)	45.6	“
Peregrine (David Twentyman)	41.1	“
Frendy (Charlie Park)	37.1	“
Lark (Zoro Szabados)	23.0	“

## Carol Ships Parade Friday, December 15

This year's Carol Ship Parade will be taking place on Friday, December 15.

Any boats wishing to participate in this event should contact either Charlie Park at [cpark@dccnet.com](mailto:cpark@dccnet.com) or Bob Fielding at [ggardenb@dccnet.com](mailto:ggardenb@dccnet.com)

Boats will be assembling at around 5.45 p.m. opposite Madeira Park, before leaving at 6 p.m. for a tour of the harbour: Garden Bay/Hospital Bay/Irvin's Landing/ Lee Bay (weather permitting)/Whisky Slough/ and back to Madeira Park. Afterwards boats are invited to tie up at John Henry's

Marina to participate in a dock party to celebrate the season.

John Henry's has also said that any of the Carol Ships who would like to tie up at their docks on December 8-10 are very welcome, as they will be holding their Christmas Fair.

Hope to see you there!

## November Pub Meeting

At the meeting held last month a couple of videos were shared. The first showed the A-Cats of Barnegat Bay, and the other covered the restoration of a Buzzard Bay 25 which had been originally built in 1914.

There was general agreement that we should make the 'Video Night' a regular feature during the winter months. As December is a busy month we will start this in January. Stay tuned for a lineup of potential nights /days and subjects.

## Next Pub Meeting

There will be no Pub Meeting in December as most people seem to have fairly full calendars. Look forward to catching up in January.

## Rules Quiz #7

The Rules of Racing are split into a number of subsections: Part 1 covers the Fundamental Rules; Part 2 is When Boats Meet; Part 3 is Conduct of a Race. This month's Quiz belongs to the latter.

Five seconds prior to the start, Boat M is reaching along the starting line awaiting the starting gun so she can luff to close-hauled and start the race. Five to eight seconds later, and still no starting gun, some boats luff to close-hauled and start. Ten seconds later the gun sounds and M starts. She finishes poorly in the race and requests redress under Rule 62.1(a), Redress. (This rule reads: Request for redress or a protest committee's decision to consider redress shall be based on a claim or possibility that a boat's score or place in a race or series has been or may be, through no fault of her

own, made significantly worse by an improper action or omission of the race committee, protest committee organizing authority or technical committee for the event, but not by a protest committee decision when the boat was a party to the hearing.)

At the hearing the race committee chairman explains that the class flag was lowered precisely at the correct time but the shotgun misfired several times until it finally went off ten seconds late. You are on the protest committee; how would you decide this?

## Volvo Ocean Race 2017/8

The second leg from Lisbon to Cape Town has just ended, with MAPFRE gaining a comfortable win. Leg 3 will start on December 10, following the in-harbour race on December 8. The next destination, after battling through the southern ocean, is Melbourne, and will earn the winner double points. In this edition there is also the ability to earn double points on the legs from Auckland to Itajai and Newport to Cardiff. This should give the skippers and crews a great incentive to push even harder!

## Answer to Quiz #7

Boat M's request for redress is denied. Rule 26, Starting Races, states that "Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded."

## Season's Greetings

Louise and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and help and to wish you a **Very Happy Christmas and Best Wishes for the New Year.**

Fair Winds  
David Ll. Twentyman