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NEXT MEETING

December 14th, 8p.m.
The Palms, Cnr Rokeby and
Nicholson Rds, Subiaco

NEXT RACES

BUSSELTON FESTIVAL
January 30th-31st

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NORTHAM REPORT & RESULTS

The weekend began for some Saturday morning with the early corners getting in up to four hours practice. At these hours of the morning the local law thought that the sun was to bright on Scott Bennett's car windscreen so they put a piece of yellow tint in the top left corner.

Racing began at 1.35 pm with no major incident. There was the usual flips in the dinghies but the best had to be Greg and Margo Barndon. With no weed this year Margo thought it would be good to practise some swimming about five or six times. Tubs and F8's raced mostly trouble free, with Greg Barndon in a tub for the first time, he raced very well.

Saturday night was quite different but before some had left Northam they were showered with 3 1/2 inches of rain and hail stones like golf balls. The barbie tea was had by most with the entertaining sky show in the background (lightning). Most drunk their fill and retired before 3.00 am. The camp was awakened about 7.30 am by more entertainment. A hot air balloon landed in a paddock 50 yards from the camping ground.

Sundays racing began at 10.00 am with F8's and tubs first. The tubs was a continuous fight all weekend between the two all tubs Justin Skewes 117 and Bradley Watson 059. In the F8's Colleen Skewes 124 and Kerry Bardon 113 could not catch Scott Bennett 028. Peter Corboy 022 had mechanical problems so this left the rest of the field to swap around a lot for the minor placings.

Pee Wee racing probably was one of the best for the youngest for some time. Once Ben Fairhurst 111 remembered to put fuel in his craft they all raced like true champions. The Dinghies had three heats on Sunday and ended up with a dash for cash. The difference between sports and standard was 00.34 sec (Do we need expensive props).

DFC Sports	045	36.75 sec
	105	37.06 sec
	158	38.60 sec
	160	36.69 sec
DFC Standard	024	41.92 sec
	081	39.87 sec
	108	39.63 sec
	163	39.03 sec
	166	37.03 sec
	183	38.70 sec
	184	47.96 sec

Thanks to all, Rescue boat drivers, starters Glen and Peter, Scorers Deanne and Chris, other helpers and you the competitors.

**Neville Watson
Kevin Lawrence**

NORTHAM REGATTA 1992

SPORTS	POINTS
1st 045 David Wright Michelle Holland	75
2nd 108 Bradley Watson Geoff Lawrence	72
3rd 158 Craig Whately Trevor Gerrick	58
4th 105 Russell Wilson Justin Ferguson	52
5th 166 Ian Williamson Amanda Williamson	51

STANDARD

1st 024 Cameron Wilkie Peter Caboni	74
2nd 163 Mick Chittick Dennis Peach	73
3rd 183 Peter Pavlovich Rebecca Rutherford	54
4th 111 John Haynes Scott Bennett	52
5th 081 Greg Brandon Margo Barden	50
6th 184 Rin Rutherford Adrian Griffin	33
7th 037 Mary Vessels Kevan Goodall	26

BATHTUBS

1st 059 Bradley Watson	73
2nd 117 Justin Skewes	71
3rd 111 John Haynes	60
4th 105 Justin Ferguson	56
5th 022 Darren Austin	55
6th 013 Howard Thomas	33
7th 071 Greg Bardon	31

FORMULA 8

1st 028 Scott Bennett	78
2nd 113 Kerry Barden	66
3rd 124 Colleen Skewes	64
4th 111 John Haynes	59
5th 105 Jan Wilson	58
6th 059 Justine Watson	56
7th 207 Mark Wilson	55
8th 184 Daniel Rutherford	48
9th 104 Cobie Bevan	25
10th 022 Peter Corboy	10

PEE WEE

1st 059 Narelle Watson	36
2nd 111 Ben Fairhurst	35
3rd 028 Todd Williamson	29
4th 105 Tyron Wilson	16
5th 113 Peter Barden	14
6th 104 Nova Bevan	13

PDRC COMMODORE'S REPORT

Last Tuesday I was invited to a WASDA meeting convened principally to hear Russell Wilson's appeal against a 90 minute penalty imposed on him at this years Blackwood Classic 250.

I am disappointed to say that it was a complete waste of time.

After three hours of haggling, the appeal was not heard due to the Blackwood Committee and the appellant not being able to agree on the fact that there was a proper notice of appeal.

The Blackwood Committee argued vigorously that Russell didn't inform them that he was going to take things further after his protest hearing on the Saturday night, whereas Russell said he made it quite clear.

Unfortunately, in the absence of any witnesses, it was their word against Russell's. Without any proof, Russell's argument was sunk.

It was an outcome that greatly disturbed me.

I was one of the key people in setting up the structure of WASDA.

The purpose of WASDA was to provide a forum where our club could have a say in the running of the Avon and Blackwood and they could have a say in the running of our club. We'd all run under the same set of rules and penalties would be consistent. If a racer felt he was unfairly dealt with, WASDA would provide a higher court to hear appeals ... and in that way WASDA would ensure that fairness and consistency was maintained. It seems that everyone thinks it is a good concept, **except the Blackwood people.** Successive Blackwood Committees have vigorously fought against any input from WASDA.

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**NEW PDRC
OFFICE NUMBER
490 1714**

Enquiries to Secretary
Lyn Berloth

Please send photos, stories and information
for publication to:

POWER DINGY RACER
20 Lawrence Street
Gosnells 6110

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

SPORTS

TREVOR GERRICK	600	BRENT BARDEN	220
CRAIG WHATELY	600	RALPH JONES	220
RUSSELL WILSON	540	ROB DE JOODE	201
JUSTIN FERGUSON	540	ROB GERRICK	201
FRANK BERLOTH	292	NEIL BAILEY	180
IAN WILLIAMSON	240	BOB MASSAN	160
TONY MAXFIELD	220	GEOFF MASSAN	160
DAVID WRIGHT	212	SCOTT BENNETT	155
MICHELLE HOLLAND	212	JOHN HAYNES	155
ROGER AMBROSINO	190	JILL EVANS	140
PAUL TREGUTHA	120	JOHN EVANS	140
TONY OVERSTONE	120	KEITH PARNEL	121
GRANT POWU-BRAY	100	GRAEME BLACK	121
MARK TREGURTHA	80	GARY MCNAMARA	115
NEVILLE WATSON	80	DON HAYNES	112
JILL EVANS	61	CLEVE HAYNES	112
KEVIN GREEN	61	DAVID CHESTER	101
BRODIE TAYLOR	61	GLEN MCNAMARA	100
PETER BEVAN	47	PAUL REID	100
TOM BLAXELL	47	TED THOMPSON	100

BRETT STOLP 100

A special thank you to Gary Finley and his team at Foothills Marine for their continued support in sponsorship, and upkeep of our recovery vessels. Without their sponsorship it would cost the club many hundreds of dollars per year in maintaining this essential equipment.

Your support is much appreciated by our members, and we hope to continue this happy relationship in the future.



**RED FLAG
REMINDER**

**Adults Christmas Party.
12th December Progressive Dinner.**

**THERE ARE ONLY A FEW TICKETS LEFT.
BOOK NOW ON 490 1714.**

I get the impression that they believe WASDA is an unnecessary intrusion into the running of their event. They did not submit their Sub Regulations to WASDA for approval before the event (as per agreed procedure) and once again, imposed outrageously inconsistent penalties, as in Russell Wilson's case. The Blackwood Committee "snubbed it's nose" at a widely supported petition that the penalty was excessive and refused to allow Russell's appeal to be heard at WASDA based on a technicality. I believe that the time has come where the members of the Blackwood River Sport Club must decide whether they want to be involved in WASDA or not. They cannot continue to have it both ways. They cannot continue to ignore WASDA demands on safety, organisation and consistency of rules and penalties,

and yet receive the benefit of our members' entry fees and other WASDA benefits. I call upon the BRSC members to take a good hard look at where you're going. If you decide that there is merit in staying in WASDA, your committee is going to have to be more in tune with WASDA's objectives. If there are committee members that cannot come to terms with this, you're going to have to make some hard decisions about their futures. If you decided that you're better off without WASDA, so be it. But I am certain of two things, the first is that things cannot continue as they are, and the second is that you will have a devil of a job holding the event next year without WASDA's full co-operation.

**Peter Bevan
Commodore**



CLUB NEWS

ADULTS CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year the Adults Christmas Party will be a Progressive Dinner. For those of you that have not been on one before, the idea is that we go to different homes to have the different courses. This is going to be a ripper!

The club has hired a double decker bus for the night (complete with bar) and it will be transporting the participants between six very nice venues offered by club members for each course.

The night will kick off at Geoff Halls home in Winthrop for Pre-dinner cocktails at 7.00pm on Saturday December 12. The bus is only licensed to hold 80 people so if you are interested in going, book early on 490 1714.

Tickets are \$70 a double which includes all six courses, cocktails, beer, wine, champagne and after dinner ports and spirits. Dress is collar and tie.

This is going to be a good one — don't be disappointed!

RAFFLE

The club has organised a raffle and its a ripper! First prize is a 5 day trip for two to Bali! But the big news is that the member that puts in the most effort will be given a BRAND NEW 8HP MARINER AS A GIFT! If you really want a new motor but can't afford it, this is a way to get it at no cost! Tickets are \$2 each in books of 10 available from Brent Barden on 295 2491. We expect this raffle to be a great

fundraiser for the club. We certainly need it so get behind this project and sell some tickets.

ROUS HEAD

Due to a variety of reasons, including the lack of a Race Director, this event has been cancelled. The next event will now be the Busseton Festival on the 30th and 31st of January 1993.

FOR SALE

Readymix boat 166. Advanced kevlar construction built in June this year. Very good condition. Call Ian Williamson on 409 6595 (home) or 007 914 344 (work).

Underwater World Boat 002. Kevlar Dinghy, 8th 8 Sport 92 Avon Descent. Ready to race. \$2,500. See David Wright.

Bathtub \$475 ono, phone 490 1714.

Rubber Duck Boat 148

Metzeler "Maya" fully reinforced, built in fuel tank, ready to race. 5th 1992 Avon, 7th 1990 Blackwood (STD). Phone Keith Brooker 439 1879 Home 360 2326 Work.

MURRAY SPRINT 1993

Persons interested in being part of a 2500 km expedition on the Murray River (Victoria and South Australia) in late March/early April 1993 please contact Kim Epton 490 3235.

DINGHY DITTIES

Seeing the country coming out of a recession must be good news for dinghy racers. Already the following have intentions to build new boats. Geoff Hall, Garry Evans, Justin Skews, the Underwater World team x 2, Russell Wilson, Frank Berloth, Rob De Joode, John Goodbody, Ian Williamson, Tony Makfeild, Mark Innes, the Velmade Team x 2, the Lawrence brothers x 2, Kevin Green and Peter Bevan. This totals 19 new boats.

With this sort of glut in the market second handies will be cheap.

The above list mentioned Ian Williamson and Tony Maxfeild. Ian was seen racing at Northam with his Daughter. Could she be the new decki. Rumour has it Rob Cracker is linking up with Tony.

Koonack lovers had a real treat at Neville Watson's property over the weekend. There was plenty to go round for everybody. Someone said the natural predator of the Koonack stayed home.

Could this be right Tay?

WHERE TO GO

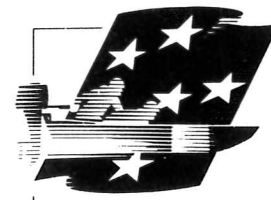
ALUMINIUM WELDING:
(Racing dinghies, engine reinforcing, fuel tanks, transom frames etc.)
Frank Berloth 398 1800

SURFACING PROPELLERS:
Arthur Fairhurst 351 8388 or
Frank Berloth as agent for
Arthur, (same price) 398 1800

RUBBER GEARBOXES:
Frank Berloth 398 1800

TRANSOM JACKS:
Kevin Green 364 7820

ENGINES & MECHANICAL SERVICE:
Frank Berloth 298 1800
(for any additions to this list
please contact the office
490 1714)



WESTERN AUSTRALIAN SPORTS DINGHY ASSOC ENTRY FORM

BUSSELTON FESTIVAL

8 H.P. SPORTS DINGHY BATHTUB FORMULA 8
8 H.P. STANDARD DINGHY PEE WEE LADIES

INDEMNITY

In entering and in consideration of my/our payments herein of the Entry Fee I/we hereby acknowledge that I/we have read the rules governing the Event and agree by the rules and instructions of the Event's officials and hereby completely and absolutely indemnify the Western Australian Sports Dinghy Association Inc. and all and any of their members, employees, officials, officers or helpers of or in any way connected with the Association for all actions, claims, costs, demands, damages, expenses, charges, injuries and any other losses arising out of or in conjunction with the said Event regardless of the nature or cause of any occurrence giving rise to any such actions, damages, demands, expenses, charges or other losses. I/we acknowledge that I/we are entering and/or participating in the said Event entirely and absolutely at my/our own risk.

DRIVER SIGNATURE: CREW SIGNATURE:

NAME OF TEAM: RACE I.D. NUMBER

DRIVER	CREW
NAME:	NAME:
ADDRESS:	ADDRESS:
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This Entry Form must be completed and signed by both members of the team and forwarded with the Entry Fee to the Organiser/Race Director at the address below.

If under the age of eighteen years as at the date of the Event the following section is to be completed.
I agree to my son/daughter entering the Event.

ENQUIRIES: 490 1714

.....
Signature of Parent or Guardian
THIS IS A CLOSED EVENT.

IF YOUR BOAT'S NOT RIGHT — YOU DON'T START!

Supplementary Regulations

ENTRY FEE:
\$30 PER RACE NUMBER. \$40 FOR MULTIPLE ENTRIES. ENTRY MUST BE ON AN OFFICIAL WASDA ENTRY FORM. FEES WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY.
CLASSES
8HP SPORTS — 8HP STANDARD — BATH TUBS — FORMULA 8 — PEE WEE

CLASSES:
8 H.P. Sport, 8 H.P. Standard, Bathtubs, Formula 8, Pee Wees.

REPLACEMENT PARTS:
No replacement parts other than those specified under clause 9.1 WASDA rulebook.

WITHDRAWALS:
Entrants withdrawing during the race MUST advise an official. Failure to do so will incur a \$50 penalty.

START ORDER:
SATURDAY 30TH JANUARY
10.00A.M. HEATS OF
FORMULA 8

BATH TUB
PEE WEE
LUNCH BREAK
RESUME
COMPETITION
SUNDAY 31ST JANUARY 9.00A.M.
LE MANS START AT MEELUP BEACH

SCRUTINEERING:
SATURDAY 30TH 9.00-9.45A.M.
AT THE VASSE RIVER
SUNDAY 31ST 8.00-8.45A.M.
AT MEELUP BEACH

RACE DETAILS
SATURDAY'S RACING WILL BE CONDUCTED ON THE VASSE RIVER ADJACENT TO BUSSELL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC LIGHTS, AT THE EDGE OF TOWN.
SUNDAY'S RACING WILL START AT MEELUP BEACH AND RACE ACROSS GEOGRAPHE BAY AND FINISH AT THE BUSSELTON JETTY. ALL DINGHIES MUST HAVE FLAGS AND FLARES.

BRIEFING:
SATURDAY 30TH 9.45A.M.

AT THE VASSE RIVER
SUNDAY 8.45 31ST
AT MEELUP BEACH

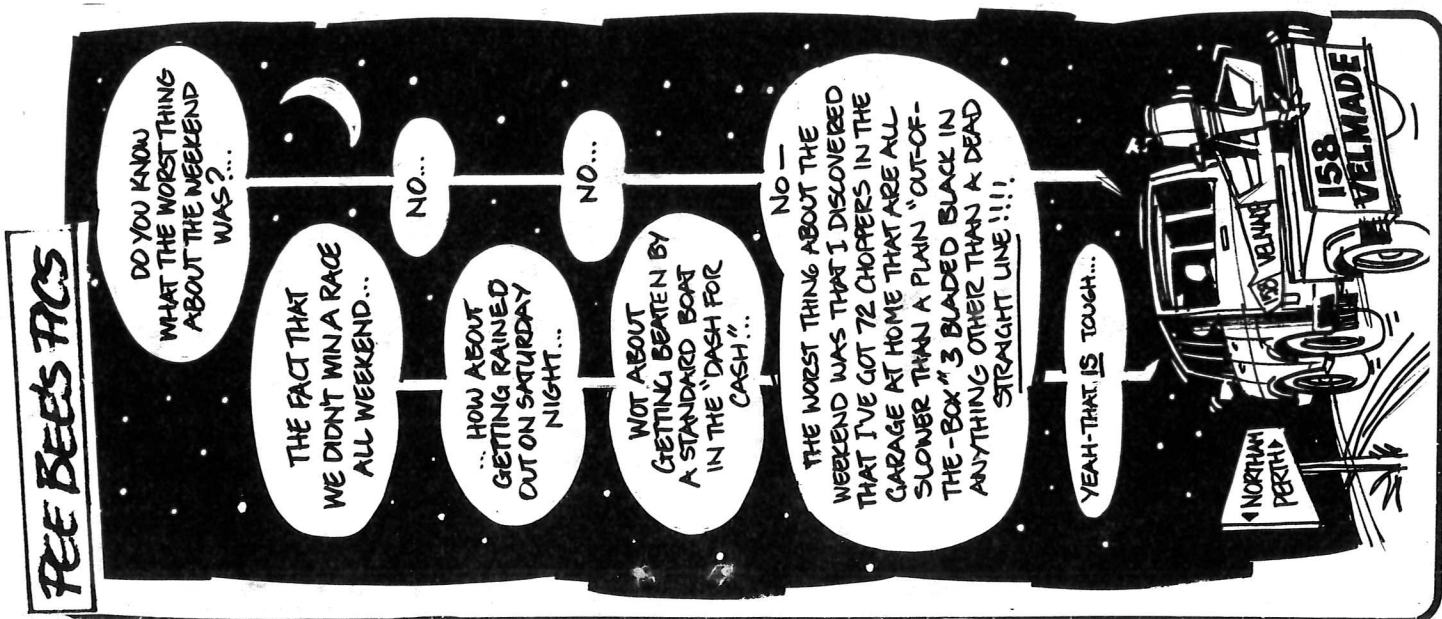
SCRUTINEER:
GEOFF HALL

ACCOMODATION:
KOOKABURRA CARAVAN PARK 097 521 516
PARADISE INN MOTEL 097 521 200

RECOVERY:
The recovery of craft will be by a sweep and recovery boat manned by two competent people with previous experience.

RACE DIRECTOR:
To be announced
All enquiries PDRC Office 490 1714

FIRST AID
PDRC MEDICAL CABINET WILL BE ON SITE
BUSSELTON HOSPITAL 521 122



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CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

Up till January 1993

DINGHIES TOP "20"

Craig Whately	600
Trevor Gerrick	600
Russell Wilson	540
Justin Ferguson	540
Frank Berloth	292
Ian Williamson	240
Rolf Jones	220
Brent Barden	220
Tony Maxfield	220
David Wright	212
Michelle Holland	212
Jill Evans	205
Rob Gerrick	201
Rob De Joode	201
Roger Ambrosino	190
John Evans	165
Bob Massan	160
Geoff Massan	160
John Haynes	155

Scott Bennett	155
Paul Tregutha	120
Keith Parnell	121
Graham Black	121

BATHTUBS

Bradley Watson	400
Trevor Thomas	200
Justin Skewes	200
John Haynes	180
Justin Ferguson	106
Howard Thomas	72
Darren Austin	26
Geoff Hall	6
Greg Barndon	6
Tay Overstone	1

FORMULA "8"s

Scott Bennett	300
Jan Wilson	180
Kerry Barden	180

Colleen Skewes	160
Scott Webb	160
Kim Webb	66
Mark Wilson	52
Justine Watson	52
Peter Corboy	46
John Haynes	46
Cobie Bevan	18
Steve Webb	12
Daniel Rutherford	12
Peter Pavlinovich	6

PEE WEE'S

Narelle Watson	200
Ben Fairhurst	180
Todd Williamson	160
Tyron Wilson	140
Nova Bevan	106
Kris Parnell	61
Peter Barden	20
Leigh Hindle	6