

# POWER DINGHY RACER

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## NEXT MEETING

APRIL 13 : 8.00 pm  
The Palms. Cnr Rokeby and  
Nicholson Rds, Subiaco.

## NEXT RACE

NANNUP CUP  
MAY 31  
FREDERICKSTOWN CUP  
APRIL 18-19

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## LOGUE BROOK DAM 1992

### LOGUE BROOK REGATTA — ANOTHER TOP FAMILY WEEKEND

Once again, Logue Brook proved to be a very popular weekend for dinghy racing families with big fields of Tubs, Dinghies and Formula 8s.

The caravan park was packed to the gunnels with tents, caravans and dinghy trailers and plenty of lies were told to the wee hours of the mornings around camp fires.

The Regatta kicked off with some spectacular dinghy circuit racing on Saturday.

In a course that was shortened by the local Marine and Harbours inspection to stay clear of the 5 knot limit area, there was plenty of gunnel crunching at the first buoy.

None were more competitive than the Parnell/Black, De Joode/Gerrick and Williamson/Maxfield entries who were going to fight it out to the bitter end for championship points. (Pretty Boy Rob De Joode was less than impressed when he found out later that they weren't racing for points on Saturday).

The Suzuki powered 'Pink Flyer' once again proved unbeatable in around-the-buoys-racing.

Sunday kicked off with the Around-The-Dam Dinghy Race.

After a Le Mans style start Skews/Watson established a slender lead downwind but when they turned the buoy into the stiff breeze, it was a different matter.

The aircraft carrier of Frank Berloth came punching up through the chop and was the first home on the first lap.

After the restart for the final reverse lap, he couldn't be headed and beat the field home by 8 seconds.

The Regatta continued with some hair-raising Tub and Formula 8 racing on the short course.

With 11 Tubs in the water, the first buoy was a nightmare.

On the second Tub race, John Haynes flipped after rounding the first buoy and wasn't able to be avoided by Neville Watson who was right on his stern.

As a result John Haynes received a 6cm cut on his elbow from Neville's propeller.

The ever alert rescue teams were there instantly and were quick to get John ashore and into the hands of the event medical officer.

After he was bundled off to the Harvey Hospital, John came back that afternoon. The incident brought home to us all how dangerous dinghy racing can be and how important safety procedures are.

In the Tub racing, Brad Watson, Justin Skews and Justin Ferguson were the ones to beat.

After driving his heart out all day Brad Watson was disqualified for unintentionally having an illegal motor. The borrowed motor had opened reed stops and unfortunately resulted in him losing all his championship points. (Let this be a lesson to us all!)

In the Formula 8s, the H.C. Jones team from Bridgetown proved unbeatable despite some spirited charges from Coleen Skews.

In the Pee Wees, Justine Watson maintained top position on a count back alongside Todd Williamson in the other heat.

After the presentation, the party continued to the very small hours with the lies getting bigger and the jokes longer — the end of another very successful event.

Thanks must go to the Berloths, the rescue teams, particularly Fairhurst who performed very maturely under pressure and the medical officer Craig Smetheren who volunteered his time for the event.

#### FORMULA 8

- 1st Kim Webb
- 2nd Scott Bennett
- 3rd Colleen Skewes
- 4th Brent Barden
- 5th Scott Webb
- 6th Tanzy Maxfield
- 7th Kerry Barden

#### PEE-WEE

- (Group 1)
- 1st Todd Williamson
  - 2nd Justine Watson
  - 3rd Nova Bevan

#### (Group 2)

- 1st Ben Fairfurst
- 2nd Navelle Watson
- 3rd Coby Bevan

#### BATHTUBS

- 1st Justin Skewes
- 2nd Frank Berloth
- 3rd Justin Ferguson
- 4th John Haynes
- 5th Michael Webb
- 6th Neville Watson
- 7th Geoff Hall
- 8th Howard Thomas
- 9th Adrain Maxwell

## P.D.R.C. COMMODORE'S REPORT

Next month's meeting will be a double header, firstly we will conduct the general meeting followed by the AGM. It is important all members make the effort to attend if not for any other reason than voting for new committee positions.

Normally it is a major task to find members to fill the positions, this year we have managed to find the nominations without too much effort with the exceptions of just a couple. From the outgoing committee, Frank has resigned as Scutineer, Rob De Joode as Editor, Glen Scews as Treasurer, Peter Bevan as rear Commodore and myself in the role of Commodore.

If you would like to be a part of the new driving force for 1992/93, please contact Lyn Benlouth prior to the next meeting.

I am pleased to see John Haynes was not seriously injured in the accident at Logue Brook Dam. John received a cut to his arm requiring stitches after he was run over by another Bath Tub. This is another example of the need to have the correct medical facilities on land at each race meeting and the requirement to have personal injury insurance, as mentioned at the last meeting personal insurance should be set as a standard requirement for all members.

#### SUNDAY DINGHIES AROUND THE DAM SPORTS

- 1st Frank Berloth and Brent Barden 15:49
- 2nd Justin Skewes and Bradley Watson 15:54
- 3rd Geoff Hall and Peter Hink 16:41
- 4th Neville Watson and Justine Watson 19:12
- 5th Mal Franklin and Ricky Franklin 19:47
- 6th Greg Stacey and Reg Buchanan 20:09

#### STANDARD

- 1st Ian Williamson and Tony Maxfield 16:02
- 2nd Rob De Joode and Rob Gerrick 16:48
- 3rd John Haynes and Scott Bennett 16:59
- 3rd Keith Parnell and Graeme Black 16:59
- 4th Greg Barndon and Peter Trivett 17:40
- 5th Ken Webb and Scott Webb 19:15
- 6th Tony Hawkins and Cindy Evans 20:00
- 7th David Barnett and Darrell Mickle 20:45
- Stuart Maxwell and
- 8th Steve Maxwell 20:57
- 9th Michael Webb and Kim Webb 21:30
- 10th Neville Smith and Dennis Hindle 22:19
- 11th Rin Rutherford and Adrain Griffin 24:16

### Supplementary Regulations

#### ENTRY FEE

\$25.00 per entry. \$30.00 for multiple entries where competitors are competing on both race days.

#### NOTE:

Entries to be forwarded to:

Race Director  
P.O. BOX 13  
SUBIACO WA 6008

(Cheques payable to P.D.R.C.)

**ENTRIES CLOSE 10th APRIL, 1992.**

All competitors must be financial members of the P.D.R.C. or affiliated WASDA Clubs.

#### CLASSES

8hp Sports, 8hp Standard, Bathtubs, Formula 8's, Pee Wee's, and Ladies. (Novice only.)

#### REPLACEMENT PARTS

No replacement parts other than those specified under Clause 9.1 WASDA race book.

#### WITHDRAWALS

Entrants withdrawing during race **MUST** advise an official. Failure to do so will incur a \$50.00 penalty.

#### RESCUE

Rescue craft will be on course for both race days.

#### PRACTICE

No practice will be allowed 100 Mtrs North of Kalgan River Caravan Park or on the King River. Failure to adhere to this could mean disqualification.

#### RACE DIRECTOR

Peter Street. Telephone: 249 3062 A/H.

#### PRESENTATION

Presentation of trophies will be held at the Kalgan River Caravan Park on Sunday 19th at 4.30pm. Limited drinks will be provided for competitors and support crew.

#### ACCOMMODATION

Kalgan River Caravan Park  
Lower King (Albany)  
Telephone: (098) 44 7937

#### NOTE:

**ENTRIES CLOSE 10th APRIL 1992**

**Anyone wishing to assist Race Director on either Race Day, please contact Peter Street on Telephone: 249 3062 A/H.**

#### PROGRAMME:

**SATURDAY 18th APRIL**  
FORMULA 8's, BATHTUBS  
& PEE WEE'S  
KALGAN RIVER

#### SCRUTINEERING

8.00am Boatramp - Kalgan River  
Caravan Park

#### BRIEFING

8.45am Boatramp - Kalgan River  
Caravan Park

#### RACING

9.00am -  
2.00pm Kalgan River

**SUNDAY 19th APRIL**  
DINGHIES 8hp - SPORTS - STANDARD

#### SCRUTINEERING

8.30am Boatramp - Kalgan River  
Caravan Park

#### BRIEFING

9.15am Boatramp - Kalgan River  
Caravan Park

#### START

9.30am Standard  
9.35am Sports

### Supplementary Regulations

#### ENTRY FEE

\$40.00 per craft

#### CLASSES

8hp Sports  
8hp Standard

#### 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.

#### PRESENTATIONS

Presentations will be made at the Nannup Hotel on Sunday night.

#### PROGRAMME:

**SUNDAY 31 MAY**  
ON THE RIVERBANK NEXT TO  
THE NANNUP COUNCIL  
CARAVAN PARK.

#### SCRUTINEERING

7.30am

#### BRIEFING

8.30am

#### START

9.00am

#### RACE DETAILS

Race downstream to Sue's Bridge

#### BRIEFING:

SATURDAY 25 9.45 A.M.  
AT THE VASSE RIVER  
SUNDAY 26 .45A.M.  
AT MEELUP BEACH

#### SCRUTINEER:

Frank Berloth.

#### ACCOMMODATION

Nannup Hotel  
(097) 56 1080

**RED FLAG  
REMINDER**

**COMMITTEE POSITIONS TO BE VOTED ON  
13 APRIL 1992**



### AMENDMENT OF COMPETITION RULES

The proposed amendment to competition rules for standard class dinghies that was published in last months magazine was voted on at the March 9 general meeting and was passed by a majority vote. The proposed amendment will now be taken to the next W.A.S.D.A. meeting and if voted in then will become the Standard Class Rules 3.6, 3.8, 3.9. But until then the rules remain unchanged.

### PERSONAL ACCIDENT PROPOSAL

I propose that the P.D.R.C. arrange for the insurance of all licence holders, that they be adequately covered for Death and Disability and Accident for injuries sustained in the course of dinghy, bathtub and formula 8 racing. The insurance cost is to be covered by the relevant rise in club annual fees. Fees to increase by \$35.00 per licence to cover insurance for 1992/1993 licence.

Proposed by Russell Wilson  
Seconded by Frank Berloth

### AMENDMENT TO RULE 3.6

I propose that the following amendment be adopted to Power Dinghy Specification 3 Craft Standard Class Rule 3.6. Only propellers as supplied by the manufacturer for that model motor shall be used. Propellers raced may be repaired but must be larger than a stated minimum diameter of 8 1/2 inches. The forward and rear faces of the blade cannot be thinned or cupped and propellers must have a bull nose.

Proposed by Peter Bevan  
Seconded by Frank Berloth

## CLUB NEWS

ALBANY - FREDERICKSTOWN CUP  
1992

EASTER APRIL 18th & 19th

### RACE DETAILS

Race start foreshore Kalgan River Caravan Park. Start will be Le Mans start with craft out of water, Standard craft first, followed by Sports class. **NOTE: KILL SWITCHES MUST BE WORN.**

Craft will race down Kalgan River into Oyster Harbour to Emu Point. They will then cross the Harbour and into King River to a re-start point up the King River. **NOTE: RE-START HAS NO SUPPORT CREW OR SPECTATOR VEHICLE ACCESS.** Re-start will be last boat in first out. Boats will then race to finish point at Kalgan River Caravan Park.

### INSURANCE

You will notice that you will be voting on a proposal at the next club meeting for the PDRC to provide Accident Insurance on all license holders while dinghy racing.

The policy recommended by the committee covers the club for Public Liability up to \$5,000,000, Accident and Death up to \$30,000 (on a sliding scale) and Loss of Income up to \$300 per week for 18 months.

The committee is proposing to raise club and license fees to cover the cost. It will mean a rise of \$15 on license fees and \$30 on club fees per member per annum.

The committee is firmly in favour of this proposal and urges you to consider your vote wisely.

### WHERE TO GO

**ALUMINIUM WELDING:**  
(Racing dinghies, engine reinforcing, fuel tanks, transom frames etc.)

Frank Berloth 398 1800  
Steve Palmer 457 9935

**SURFACING PROPELLORS:**  
ARTHUR FAIRHURST

459 5799 wk, 459 8360 hm.

**RUBBER GEARBOXES:**  
Jeff Hodgkinson 364 9720 or Frank Berloth as agent for Jeff. (same price) 398 1800

**TRANSOM JACKS:**

Kevin Green 364 7820

**ENGINES & MECHANICAL SERVICE:**  
Frank Berloth 398 1800

(For any additions to this list please contact the editor Rob De Joode)

## DINGHY DITTIES

After all those years of chasing, Frank Berloth is now the one being chased. Could it be something to do with that 'aircraft carrier' he is now racing?

Rumour has it that P.B. will be returning to racing after an absence of two years. Is yet another 'aircraft carrier' in the wind?

The Webb family have taken out the 'Team of the Year Award'. Down at Logue Brook they had 3 Formula 8s, 1 Tub and a Dinghy. (I bet you his backyard looks worse than Frank Berloth's!)

## P.D.R.C. NANNUP HOTEL CUP

### SUNDAY MAY 31, 1992.

This race will start at Nannup and finish at Sue's Bridge. Last year 28 entries started the race taking between 3 and 4 hours to complete. The race offers the best of racing with sections of logs, tee trees and small rapids. The cost of entry is \$40.00 per craft which includes 2 meals at the Presentation on Sunday evening at the Nannup Hotel. Extra meals are available at \$7.50 per head. The Presentation will be held in the lounge and afterwards there will be a band playing for those who wish to carry on.

Entries close on the 22nd May, 1992. Late entries will cost an extra \$30.00. The start times will be taken on last year's results with the fastest first. New entries will receive start times based on the time the entry is received. The Race Organiser is Paul Tregurtha who can be contacted on Phone Number 448 7555.

The Nannup Hotel still has units and rooms available at special rates for dinghy racers. Phone (097) 56 1080.

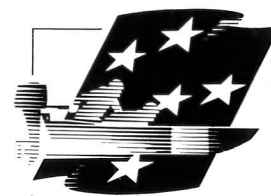
### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Be aware that as per new rules that have been instituted as a result of the Coronial Inquiry into the death at the Avon last year, all licences will become null and void as from April 30.

A new form of licence will be issued for the 1992/1993 season which will require competitors to pass a new Fitness Test (which will replace the old swim test) and provide a medical certificate. The new licence will also incorporate a personal accident insurance policy.

The licence fee will rise as a result, but the figure is yet to be recommended by the committee.

WASDA has no option in accepting these changes as they are the result of a Court of Inquiry recommendation.



## WESTERN AUSTRALIAN SPORTS DINGHY ASSOC. ENTRY FORM FREDERICKSTOWN CUP 92

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: .....
..... P/CODE: .....	..... P/CODE: .....
TEL: ..... LICENSE NO. <input type="text"/>	TEL: ..... LICENSE NO. <input type="text"/>

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.

ENTRY FEE \$25.00. NON-REFUNDABLE.  
P.O. BOX 13, SUBIACO W.A. 6008.  
PH: (09) 249 3062

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

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



## WESTERN AUSTRALIAN SPORTS DINGHY ASSOC. ENTRY FORM NANNUP HOTEL CUP

8 H.P. SPORTS DINGHY   
8 H.P. STANDARD DINGHY

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DRIVER SIGNATURE: ..... CREW SIGNATURE: .....

NAME OF TEAM: ..... RACE I.D. NUMBER

DRIVER	CREW
NAME: .....	NAME: .....
ADDRESS: .....	ADDRESS: .....
..... P/CODE: .....	..... P/CODE: .....
TEL: ..... LICENSE NO. <input type="text"/>	TEL: ..... LICENSE NO. <input type="text"/>

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**1992/1993 RACING CALENDAR**

Committee meeting — 28th April 92  
**GENERAL MEETING** — 11th May 92  
**NANNUP CUP** — 31st May 92  
 Committee meeting — 26th May 92  
**GENERAL MEETING** — 8th June 92  
**ROUSEHEAD** — 14th June 92  
**UPPER AVON CHALLENGE** —  
 28th June 92 (Dinghies)  
 Committee meeting — 30th June 92  
**GENERAL MEETING** — 13th July 92  
**SUNNYSIDE DOWN** — 11th-12th  
 July 92 (Dinghies, F8 & Tubs)  
**AVON PRACTISE** — 25th-26th July 92  
**AVON DESCENT** — 1st-2nd August 92  
 (Dinghies)  
 Committee meeting — 28th July 92  
**GENERAL MEETING** — 10th August 92  
**MOORE RIVER SPRINT** —  
 30th August 92 (Dinghies)  
 Committee meeting — 1st September 92  
**GENERAL MEETING** —  
 14th September 92

**BLESSING OF FLEET** — 19th-20th  
 September 92 (Dinghies, F8 & Tubs)  
**BLACKWOOD CLASSIC 250** —  
 26th-27th-28th September 92 (Dinghies)  
 Committee meeting — 29th September 92  
**GENERAL MEETING** — 12th October 92  
**YORK REGATTA** — 24th-25th  
 October 92 (Dinghies, F8 & Tubs)  
 Committee meeting — 27th October 92  
**GENERAL MEETING** — 9th November 92  
**NORTHAM REGATTA** — 21st-22nd  
 November 92 (Dinghies, F8 & Tubs)  
 Committee meeting — 1st December 92  
**GENERAL MEETING** —  
 14th December 92  
**CHILDREN CHRISTMAS PARTY** —  
 5th December 92  
**ADULTS CHRISTMAS PARTY** —  
 12th December 92  
**ROUSEHEAD** — 13th December 92  
 Committee meeting — 11th January 93  
**GENERAL MEETING** — 11th January 93

**BUSSELTON FESTIVAL** —  
 22nd-23rd-24th January 93  
 (Dinghies, F8 & Tubs)  
 Committee meeting — 2nd February 93  
**GENERAL MEETING** — 8th February 93  
**ROUSEHEAD SPECTACULAR** —  
 13th February 93  
**LOGUE BROOK DAM** — 27th-28th  
 February - 1st March 93 (Dinghies,  
 F8 & Tubs)  
 Committee meeting — 23rd February 93  
**GENERAL MEETING** — 8th March 93  
**EASTER**  
**FREDERICKSTOWN CUP** —  
 16th-17th-18th April 93  
 (Dinghies F8 & Tubs)  
 Committee meeting — 30th March 93

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## CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS 1991/1992 SEASON

DINGHIES		BATHTUBS		FORMULA 8s		PEE-WEEs	
K. Parnell	606	J. Skewes	580	K. Webb	500	<b>(Group 1)</b>	
G. Black	606	J. Ferguson	306	C. Skewes	440	J. Watson	700
R. De Joode	601	N. Watson	224	S. Bennett	460	T. Williamson	440
R. Gerrick	601	G. Evans	192	T. Maxfield	172	B. Fairhurst	380
T. Maxfield	567	F. Berloth	266	M. Healy	140	K. Parnell	240
I. Williamson	567	B. Watson	152	B. Dimmock	80	T. Wilson	140
R. Wilson	421	D. Palmer	100	P. Corboy	72	A. Rowe	120
J. Ferguson	421	C. Whately	87	B. Barden	66	N. Thomas	106
J. Haynes	388	T. Overstone	66	S. Webb	66	<b>(Group 2)</b>	
M. Whately	320	G. McNamara	66	L. Doggett	40	N. Watson	360
G. McNamara	286	T. Thomas	46	P. Hink	6	C. Bevan	260
M. Healy	278	G. Hall	38			N. Bevan	260
G. McNamara	240	J. Haynes	18			B. Smith	120
J. Skewes	314	D. Austin	12			S. Goddard	60
F. Berloth	319					C. Goddard	40
T. Gerrick	201					S. Thomas	40