

Wednesday gets busier



Yesterday's Nor'wester didn't deter 14 junior dinghy sailors from turning up for the first Lemonade series event. Designed primarily as a coaching exercise, everyone got the opportunity to test their skills in plenty of breeze. The keelboat & trailer yacht numbers were down, obviously the conditions in the afternoon led many to assume it would be the same in the evening. In fact the breeze dropped away to almost nothing by the end of the rum race.

Research Bouys to be deployed

The University of Canterbury are intending to place 6 temporary moorings in different locations around Lyttelton Harbour. The moorings will be in rocky reef habitat and will be 5 - 10m from the rocks in shallow water 6 - 16m depth. The moorings will consist of a large surface buoy and sub-surface buoy holding 2 racks attached to a single rope. On the rope, 2 racks will be attached at approximately 3m, 6m and 9m depths. These racks are made of PVC pipe and have PVC settling plates on them. These experiments are to see what sort of ascidian larvae are in the water column around the peninsula. The 6 tentative locations are Camp Bay, North coast of Quail Island, near the gun emplacements across from Camp Bay, Pigeon Bay, Godley Head and Little Akaloa.

Club Events coming up

- Sat/Sun 12/13 Dec 10:30am
Canterbury Starling Champs
SI Paper Tiger Champs
- Wed 16 Dec Lemonade racing 4:30pm
Mount Gay Twilight Final
6:30pm
- 15 & 16 Dec YNZ Laser &
Starling Zone Camp
- Sat 19 Dec Pint to Pinot/Xmas Party
- Dec 19/20 South Island P & Starling
Champs
- Jan 9-17 P Class & Starling NZ Champs
- Jan 29-31 Noelex 25 & Flying Fifteen NZ
Champs
- Feb 11-14 R Class Leander trophy



Mount Gay Twilight Series final

Next Wednesday sees the final race of this year's Mount Gay Twilight Series for keelboats and trailer yachts. It is a close battle for the podium places in both divisions. The last race will decide the overall result. There will a series prizegiving in the Wardroom after the race. Join us for some Mount Gay Xmas cheer.



Christmas is coming

19 December sees the annual novelty race and Xmas party for the kids (and adults too!). Santa will be attendance.

AMNESTY

YNZ Boat Registration

Is your boat registered with Yachting NZ? The normal fee of \$50 to change the details on their database has been waived until the end of January 2010. Take this opportunity to update your details and help YNZ improve the quality of their records. Email Jenny@yachtingnz.org.nz or see the YNZ website at www.yachtingnz.org.nz

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