

A busy couple of weeks

Easter's good weather saw the Sea Scouts regatta go off well and we have followed up this week with the Youthsail regatta.

Next week (Commencing Sunday) is the Secondary Schools Team Racing Regatta which has attracted a very large number of entrants.

Parking will be at a premium around the club, especially from Monday to Friday. Please bear with us if you are intending to launch your boat at the club during this period.

Paper Tiger Internationals NSW

At Easter John Kennett represented the club in the New Zealand Paper Tiger team that shipped their boats to Lake Illawarra near Wollongong NSW.

John was the only South Island representative in the NZ team of 10 and finished up 1st NZ Team member, 5th in the Teams results, 6th overall and top Rookie of the contest.

Of interest is the fact that John had four top 3 places and was also leading the first race when he was notified he was OCS. Had he not been over the line in this race and maintained a top 3 place in this race, he would have won the contest outright, not achieved by a Kiwi since 1981. Racing was very tight in light conditions, so much so that the first 3 places were 1 point apart

The Australian team was particularly strong with many previous National and International sailors taking part.

Napier Sailing Club will host both the next Nationals in January 2010 and also the next Internationals at Easter 2010.

John would like to thank the club for its support towards this campaign.

Club Events coming up

18 April Closing Day

20-24 April NZ Secondary Schools Team Racing Champs

Closing Day tomorrow

Races as normal from 1pm
Social function in the Wardroom to follow.
No Dinghy prizegiving this year—a sepa-

Optimist Nationals at Worser Bay

All 11 Naval Point members did great in some trying conditions. Barring sickness all stayed on the course even on the windiest days and gusted it out. The club did well especially considering the relatively junior ages of our sailors.



Patrick Haybittle, 1st 11 year old open fleet. (Also beat all the NZ 12 year olds too!) 60th out of 189. His best days were in 25-30kts.



Naval Point Green Fleet Clowns... Jonathan Gerry, Carmen Haybittle, Casey & Ella Harris