



# The Trailer Sailer Club of Qld. Inc

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March April 2008

## Presidents Message

I apologise for the late cancellation of the March meeting. We didn't realise until it was too late that most of the regulars couldn't make it for various reasons. It was great to see so many people at our April meeting. I hope those who were there enjoyed my presentation on "sailing with the tide". Thank you to Kev, Geoff, and Steve for helping with the practical demonstration.

I was pleased to be back on the water for the combined event at Manly on 20 April, after having not been well. Despite the forecast, it turned out to be a fine day with a moderate breeze - you can never rely fully on the forecast. There was much close racing between the TSCQ boats, particularly as we crossed tacks heading down to the Cleveland yellow.

I am writing this before the Geoff Wallace memorial event on Sunday 27 April - the forecast looks OK so I am sure it will be another succesful day. A number of TSCQ boats will be competing in the Bay to Bay on the 3/4 May. I consider this race to be the trailer sailer equivalent of the Sydney - Hobart (or at least Brisbane to Gladstone). It attracts up to 200 entries from around Australia in a 2 day race from Tin Can Bay to Hervey Bay.

See you on the water

Marty

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### Calendar – April 2008

- 20 Combined Clubs – Manly
- 22 Meeting – 16ft Skiff Club 7.30pm
- 27 Geoff Wallace Trophy – Vic Point.

### Calendar – May 2008

- 3-4 HBSC Bay to Bay Regatta – Tin Can Bay
- 10 TSCQ Ladies Night – Manly
- 17 Combined Clubs – Manly to Canaipa
- 18 Combined Clubs – Canaipa to Manly
- 27 Meeting – 16ft Skiff Club 7.30pm

### Calendar – June 2008

- 1 Club sail – Raby Bay
- 7-9 Moreton Bay Cruise long weekend.
- 15 Combined Clubs - Manly
- 24 Meeting 16ft Skiff Club 7.30pm

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Pattersons Computer Services has donated a Hot Knife to the TSCQ with the intention that club members may borrow it for 1 week for a \$5.00 donation to the Club.

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Those wanting to borrow the Hot Knife – contact Linsay Patterson 0412 250 880



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## Club Sail – 30 March 2008

Cancelled races and bad weather over the last two months had a hungry fleet of 8 assemble at the Manly car park on what was meant to be a perfect day of 10-15 knots and a beautiful alluring blue sky. The sky remained cloudless but the wind would only manage 10 knots at it's strongest.

Illness kept Marty (Evergreen) and Geoff and Di (Toucan) off the water, those that did make a day of it were Fastlane Kamikaze, Backflip, Farrside, Chamchella, a couple of others and a newcomer called Sound of Silence.



### Backflip

With Dream On now filling a space on Boatpoint, my new (older) steed slipped off the trailer with help from Cameron and Tracy, my crew for the day and hopeful trailer-sailer purchasers. The conga line was it's usual haphazard affair with the bemused starter Russell trying to muster some unified response from all, eventually sending us off out to Hope Bank, up to St Helena, Green Island to starboard then finish at the leads.



### Kamikaze

A westerly gave us spinnaker start and Farrside took on the ungainly appearance of a single bed

with a king size doona draped over the pulpit and into the water. Borrowed from Fastlane, Russell would spend the day regretting leaving his familiar Ribena flavoured kite at home. We popped the smallish kite that came with SoS and with a few nervous comments from the crew about how this boat heels more than Farrside, we chased after the leading bunch.

To my surprise and delight we rounded Hope Bank not last but in the middle of the fleet! Reaching across to St Helena Is., in less than 5 knots of wind had us experimenting with all sorts of sail combinations, finally resorting to the standard jib and main that would inch us past Kamikaze.



### Kamikaze.

Our tussle with the Sultans of Sail continued after turning the corner where we missed a mark, dropped the kite and tacked back.

I was furious with my oversight and with the frustration of such little progress, we hoisted Dream On's old spinnaker and headed for the Leads. Kamikaze found themselves in a hole and we gradually slipped by.

As darkness fell during the painful pack up procedure as every halyard, rope, tweaker on SoS seems to have an unnecessary double, the fleet disappeared either homebound or to the bar so I too abandoned the final stages to join them.

Steven Lock – 'sound of silence'



## Club Sail – 30 March 2008



**Kamikaze**



**Sound of Silence (pic by Susie McCarthy)**



**Hmm.....Excited about the new boat?? ☺**

## Geoff Wallace Trophy – April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008

A perfect day – great sailing and great company.



Evergreen



Farrside



Toucan and Kamikaze



Backflip



Evergreen and Backflip



# Trail & Sail



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