



AUSTRALIA DAY WEEKEND
23, 24, 25 AND 26 JANUARY 2016



JESSICA WATSON OAM
SOLO AROUND THE WORLD SAILOR
AND
'2011 YOUNG AUSTRALIAN OF THE YEAR'
CLASSIC WOODEN DINGHY AMBASSADOR

December 2015
 Newsletter



For the third year in a row, I am really excited to be able to extend a very warm welcome inviting all sailors and their families to join us at South Gippsland Yacht Club's Inverloch Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta. This coming year the event will be held over the Australia Day Weekend 23, 24, 25 and 26 January 2016. Regattas commenced in Inverloch more than 100 years ago and for many Summers since have been a feature on Inverloch's holiday calendar. Inverloch is where, in 1928, visionary Len Morris launched his boat that founded the now famous International Moth Class yacht.



Last year we were very fortunate to be able to celebrate the event with well known sailors, Jessica Watson OAM Solo Around the World sailor and '2011 Young Australian of the Year' and Tom King OAM World Mirror Champion and Olympic Champion in 470 class of yacht who learnt to sail in Inverloch.

Jessica, our Inverloch Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta Ambassador in 2015, is a keen classic wooden boat enthusiast and is an 'Ambassador for Classic Wooden Dinghies'.

The 2016 Regatta is planned to be an outstanding regatta for the participants, whether sailing their wooden dinghies or displaying them for all to see. Participants will be provided with the opportunity to test their skills with invitation races on Saturday and Sunday with a special race for classic wooden dinghies and display on the beach on Monday. On Tuesday, in 'The Glade' there will be a display of classic wooden dinghies, live music, food stalls and the presentation of the overall awards to most worthy winners of various categories. Reflecting on a past seaside activity, when in 1927 Burt Munro raced his Indian on the beach in Inverloch Indian Motorcycle owners will be displaying their classic Indian bikes in 'The Glade'.

SGYC is renowned for its family friendly environment and promotion of juniors learning to sail as well as providing a fun place to sail. In the past, the Yacht Club has nurtured junior sailors who have become national and international champions. We are a small regional club with a big heart so we would welcome you to bring your impressive classic timber dinghy out of the garage or shed and head for Inverloch in South Gippsland for the Australia Day weekend in 2016. While there is an opportunity to sail and display your dinghy, we hope you will join in the social program organised by the Yacht Club and its Inverloch Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta sub-committee.



It is a privilege to be able to work with the community partners and sponsors who have committed support for the continuing success of this regatta. The Inverloch Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta, itself, while starting on Australia Day in 1914, has really come alive as a community event, one that Inverloch, the South Gippsland Yacht Club and all those people involved can truly be proud.

I look forward to seeing you and your boat at the regatta.



Allan Driver

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OUTLINE OF THE AUSTRALIA DAY WEEKEND

For general information about the Regatta visit: <https://vimeo.com/channels/sgyc> and see the Drift Media videos of the 2014 and 2015 Regattas.

Registration

The **Notice of Regatta**, **Registration Form** and **Sailing Instructions** are on the South Gippsland Yacht Club website. <http://www.sgycinverloch.com.au/>

Regatta entry fee: Adults \$45.00. Free polo shirt per entry and additional for crew at \$25.00 or \$15.00 for juniors
Juniors \$25.00. Free sailing hat and polo shirt per entry and additional for junior crew at \$15.00.

Payment of the entry fee, accompanied by the completed form, to be made as follows:

Cheques payable to:	SGYC Yacht Club P. O. Box 2 Inverloch 3996	Direct Transfer:	Bendigo Bank A/C Name BSB A/C	South Gippsland Yacht Club 633-000 105612162
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If electronic funds are transferred, scan and email the entry form to: andrewandmarion@bigpond.com

Early Registration Prize – RACV Inverloch Resort Accommodation Voucher

Registrations received by the Treasurer before 16 January 2016 will go in the draw for a RACV Inverloch Resort Inverloch voucher. The prize will be drawn at the award presentations commencing at 1.00 pm in 'The Glade' on Tuesday 26 January 2016.

Registration at Yacht Club

Participants who have not already registered their boats can do so at the yacht club from 10.00 am onward.



Furthest Travelled Prizes – RACV Inverloch Resort Accommodation Vouchers

There will be three prizes; First, Second and Third and each of these will be based on the distance travelled from the home address to Inverloch by a person that attends and registers an eligible classic wooden dinghy participating in the displays and Regatta race. First to Third will be judged by order of distance travelled. The SGYC'S Inverloch Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta Sub Committee will assess the eligible registrations and announce the winners at the award presentations commencing at 1.00 pm in 'The Glade' on Tuesday 26 January 2016.

Saturday 23 – Invitation Race 1

Lunch will be available at the Yacht Club.

The Regatta Invitation Race 1 will be run in conjunction with the South Gippsland Yacht Club Youth Series Race which commences at 1.00 pm. Briefing will be at 12.30 pm.

Additional Activities of interest in Inverloch

The Inverloch Rotary Club will hold an Arts and Craft market and BBQ at 'The Hub' on Saturday between 8.00 am and 3.00 pm. Also they will have their kayak raffle in A'Beckett Street all weekend.

Sunday 24 – Invitation Race 2

Lunch will be available at the Yacht Club.

The Regatta Invitation Race 2 will be run in conjunction with the South Gippsland Yacht Club Youth Series Race which commences at 1.30 pm. Briefing will be at 1.00 pm.



Monday 25 – Beach Display & Regatta Race



Monday has been set aside for the display of wooden dinghies on the beach from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm at which time a panel of Judges will inspect the boats. They will also assess the boats during racing.

Lunch will be available at the Yacht Club.

The Regatta race start is at 2.00 pm to make the most of the tide and sandbar conditions. Briefing will be at 1.00 pm.

It is helpful if you provide a description of your boat on an A4 size laminated sheet attached to the boat.

For boats to be eligible for awards they must sail in the Regatta race.

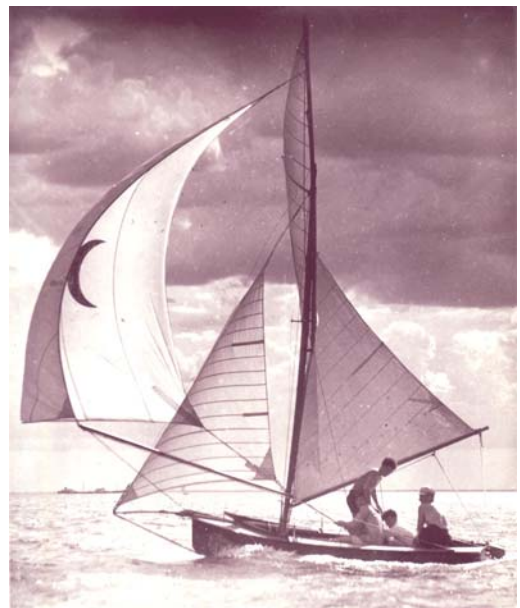
Monday 25 – Evening – Regatta Dinner

The Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta dinner at the Bowling Club, next to the Yacht Club, will commence at 6.00 pm. Cost of the dinner is \$25.00 per head and drinks can be purchased from the bar. As there is limited capacity early booking is recommended.

AWARDS – TO BE ANNOUNCED AT THE DINNER

BOATS AWARDS

- **Best Sailing Dinghy in Original Condition** – (may be a dinghy of historic significance either first of type, race history or sailor)
- **Best Presented Sailing Dinghy** – (best in show)
- **Best Presented Sailing Boat** – (best in show but not of a dinghy class but of traditional building techniques. This is for original or new built boats like clinkers)
- **Best Moth in Original or Restored Condition** – (may also be a new build using traditional materials and replicating design and construction methods previously used)



Prizes include an award plaque, Dimension bag with hat, tee shirt and socks and a Ronstan sailing watch.



SAILING AWARDS



- **Winner of Mini series of Races** – The two invitation races and the Regatta race.
A Ronstan sailing watch for the skipper and other prize for the crew.
- **Winner of Regatta Race** – The Regatta race only.
A Ronstan sailing watch for the skipper and other prize for the crew.

Tuesday 26 – Morning - Displays and Overall Awards

‘CONCOURS DE ELEGANCE’ - FOR CLASSIC WOODEN DINGHIES

Display of boats in ‘The Glade’, the park just behind the yacht club, from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm.



As a part of Inverloch’s Australia Day celebrations in ‘The Glade’ classic Indian Motorcycles will also be displayed, and there will be food stalls, live music and



face painting.

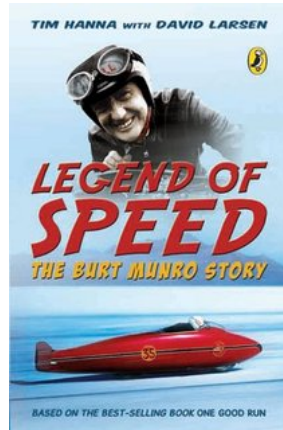
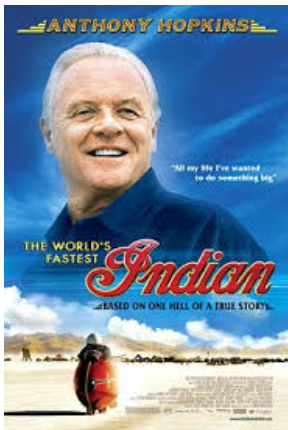
Additional Activities of interest in Inverloch

The Inverloch Historical Society’s Rocket Brigade shed, next to ‘The Glade’, will be open. The shed provides information on Inverloch’s maritime history.

An Australia Day ceremony will also be run at ‘The Hub’ by the RSL with the Inverloch and District Lions Club providing a free sausage sizzle.



INDIAN MOTOCYCLES - BURT MUNRO 1899 - 1978



Motorcycle racing was very popular in Inverloch following WW1 and New Zealander Burt Munro visited Inverloch during the late 1920s when living in Melbourne. He raced motorcycles with others on the beach and also at a specially made banked race track and on one occasion won a gold medal. Burt is best known for his numerous world speed records set in the 1950s and 60s on his modified 1920 Indian Scout raced at Bonneville Salt Flats, USA. He was the central figure in the movie 'Worlds Fastest Indian' in which Burt was played by Anthony Hopkins. Burt Munro was visiting Inverloch during the period when Len Morris was developing the Inverloch 11 footer, which eventually became the International Moth. Members of the Indian Motorcycle Club will be coming to Inverloch to display their classic Indians in 'The Glade'.

Owners of visiting Classic Indians will receive a set of posters which includes the new Burt Munro/Indian poster and a Burt Munro/Indian coffee mug.

OVERALL AWARDS PRESENTAION

Boat Awards



Previous Lions Club Perpetual Trophy winners

Gold, Silver and Bronze ribbons will be sold to the public at \$5.00/set. Each ribbon tied to the side stay of a boat will recognise the beauty or historic value of the boat and a tally of the ribbons will identify the Peoples Choice. The judging panel will select from the previous category award winners to determine the winner of the Inverloch and District Lions Club Perpetual Trophy for Best Overall Boat.

- **Peoples Choice** – boat judged by public, using a tally of ribbons, as best boat.
The prize is a Ronstan sailing watch and Marine Timbers Boat Cote pack.
- **Inverloch and District Lions Club Perpetual Award for Best Overall Boat** – as judged by expert panel
The judges will decide and announce the award at 1.00 pm.
The prizes are the Lions Club perpetual trophy and a Ronstan sailing watch and Marine Timbers Boat Cote pack.



Youth Award



Previous Rotary Club Youth Perpetual Trophy Winners

- **Inverloch Rotary Club Wooden Dinghy Youth Trophy** – best young classic wooden dinghy sailor in the Regatta. **In addition to winning the perpetual trophy the winner will receive a Ronstan sailing watch.**

The Commodore and Service Club representatives will announce the award shortly after the 1.00 pm commencement of presentations.

Lunch will be available in 'The Glade'

SOME OF THE CLASSIC WOODEN DINGHIES OF INTEREST

Moth, Vee Jay, Cherub, Heron, Mirror-gaff, Javelin, Sabot, 125, Canoe, Skate, Minnow, Flying Ant, Light Weight Sharpie, 12 Sq Metre, Fireball, FJ, Flying Dutchman, Lazy E, Finn, O.K., 12 foot Cadet, Fairy Penguin, GP 14, Gwen 12, Minnow, Mirror 14, Many Junior, Miracle, NS14, Rainbow, Sabre, Sailfish, Solo, Elwood Seahorse, Port Phillip 12, Sailfish, Yvonne, Kitty Kat, the range of early Skiffs and others that contributed to the evolution of sailing in Australia. Also wooden sailing boats built using traditional methods and/or of historical interest.

If you have one in the garage or shed it's time to get it out and bring it along to the Regatta.

VIDEO OF INVERLOCH CLASSIC WOODEN DINGHY REGATTA

For those that would like more information about the Inverloch Classic Dinghy Regatta you can watch the 2014 videos of the event at the following link. <https://vimeo.com/channels/sgyc>



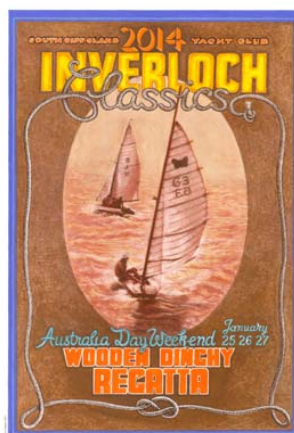
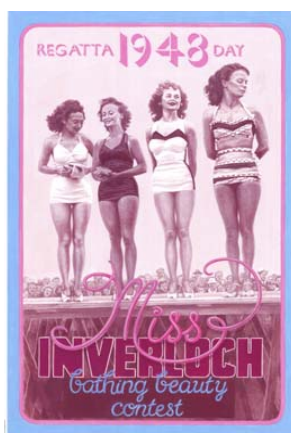
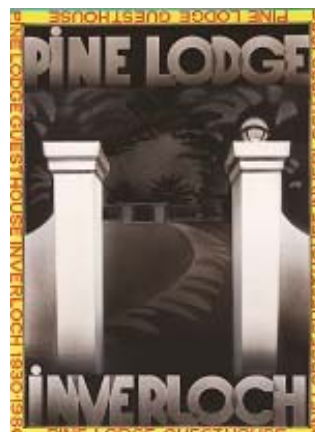
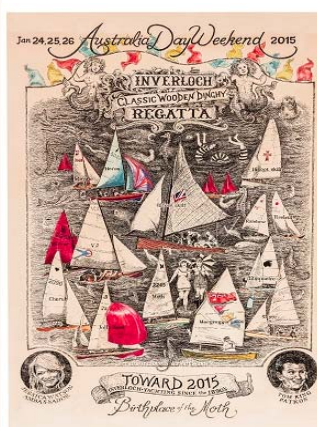
2014 videos include: Highlights, Inverloch Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta, Extras and Bottling a VJ.

The 2015 Inverloch Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta video will be posted shortly.



INVERLOCH REGATTA AND HERITAGE POSTERS

POSTERS



Regatta and Heritage Posters are available at \$25.00 each from the Information Centre in the Inverloch Community Hub.

CLASSIC WOODEN DINGHY SUBCOMMITTEE

The Inverloch Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta Committee is a subcommittee of the SGYC. It is greatly assisted by representatives of the SGYC, Inverloch and District Lions Club, Inverloch Rotary Club and Inverloch Historical Society.

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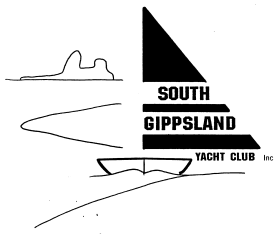
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If you would like to become a supporter of the 2016 Inverloch Classic Wooden Dinghy Regatta, Supporter Decal stickers are available.



Contact Andrew Chapman Ph 03 5674 1266 or John Honeybone Ph 03 5674 3568

