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Cherub Building Season Underway



Right: The production floor at Complete Composites in Perth is currently full of Cherub building projects.

Winter is the Cherub building season and this year there are a number of interesting projects underway across the country. The success of the last two National Championships seems to have led to an enthusiastic interest in the Adelaide series to be held at Largs Bay and several people will be going to Adelaide with new or full re-built boats.

In this edition of *Australian Cherub News* we feature three projects that are underway at present, one of which you can follow through an excellent blog site.

The development of a new Cherub hull mould and various component moulds by Complete Composites in Perth, has meant that building a Cherub at home

has never been easier with shells, preformed fore-decks, side decks, rudder pods and other moulding now readily available.

If you know of other Cherub building projects that are underway at the moment please let us know at:
info@cherub.org.au.

Largs Bay Nationals News

The 48th Cherub National Championships will be held at Largs Bay Sailing Club, Adelaide, South Australia, from 28 December 2010 to 4 January 2011.

The [Notice of Race](#) for the series is now available as is the [Entry Form](#). The Club's Organising Committee has started planning and extensive social program. New Year's Eve celebrations will include a live band at the Club with the fireworks at Semaphore visible from the Club balcony. The entry fee for the NYE night is included with your series entry. \$15 for non-sailors and under 15s free.

There is currently great interest in the Adelaide

Adelaide Cherub Nationals Links

[NOTICE OF RACE](#)

[ENTRY FORM](#)

Accommodation

[LARGS BAY SAILING CLUB](#)

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series across the country with many crews already well advanced in their preparations.

28 December 2010 to 4 January 2011



Largs Bay Sailing Club

Nationals Photos and DVD

The photo **CD** from last year's Perth Nationals is still available. You can download the CD order form [here](#)

The world renowned **DVD** of the Perth series is also still available. The DVD order form is [here](#).

View the **DVD Teaser** [here](#)

Lucky Find



Barry Park had a stroke of good fortune recently when he found this late 1960s vintage plywood Cherub at his local tip. The boat was registered in Victoria and has the registration number 1346.

Barry plans to restore it and would be interested to know what type of design it is. If anyone has any clues, send them through to info@cherub.org.au or contact Barry directly via the Australian Cherub Sailors Group on Facebook.

Australian Cherub News

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For all the day by day news on the Cherub scene join up to the [Cherub National Council of Australia](#) page on Facebook.

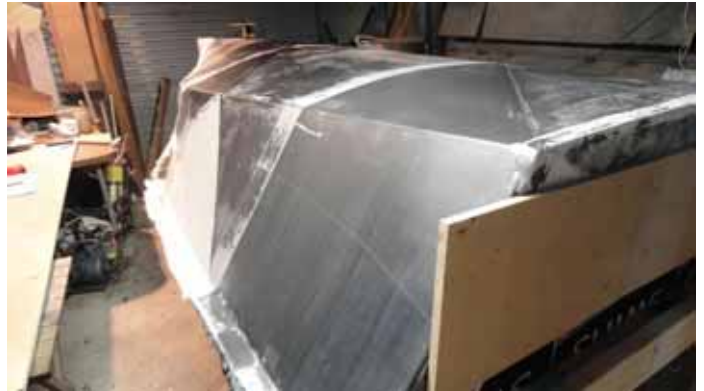
To stay in touch with your Cherub friends, post photos and take part in discussions check out the [Australian Cherub Sailors](#) group.

Three 2010 Cherub Building Projects

Sydney - Adam Bolton

Sydney Cherub sailor Adam Bolton is making steady progress with the construction of a new Cherub to his own design. The design features very efficient planning surfaces and should be a great high speed machine. Adam is building the hull in his garage over a male jig, using wet lay-up vacuum bagged construction. The lay-up is generally carbon and glass over closed cell foam.

You can follow his progress on his excellent [blog](#) that explains each of the construction steps, the problems he has encountered and the way he has overcome them.



Lake Macquarie - Trevor Fay and Nigel Blatchford

Former National Champion Trevor Fay together with Nigel Blatchford are undertaking a full re-build of the Cherub 3143 (ex *Syncin*) which will sail next season as *The French Tickler*. With Kris Fay taking over the helm of *Wally*, Trevor, who will return to the Cherub scene next season after a stint in 16ft skiffs, needed a new boat. 3143 is a *Lairy Canary* design originally built by the Blatchford family. This winter Trevor and Nigel have demolished the hull to a bare shell and are now close to finishing a full rebuild of frames, floor decks and supports. The finished boat will look very similar in layout to *Wally*. Knowing Trevor's track record with Cherub building it will be light, strong and very competitive.



Perth - Complete Composites

In Perth, Ben Lawrie from Complete Composites is in full production from his new Matthews design moulds. The second shell to be pulled from the mould weighed in at just 15kg, so the prospects are that the first full hulls will be light and strong. The new hulls will feature carbon chainplates, teardrop transom tubes and a number of other features that will be seen for the first time on a production Cherub. The side decks have been built to a new rounded "comfy" profile.

Right from top: Adam Bolton's new hull design features a narrow transom and very flat section aft to provide efficient high speed planning surfaces. Trevor Fay and Nigel Blatchford's full re-build of 3143 showing (left) the floor framing layout and (right) the foredeck supports. The second shell out of the Complete Composites mould weighed in at just 15kg. The new Complete Composites hulls will feature carbon chainplates.



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WA Cherub Calendar 2010-11

Date	Event	Location
Sat 23rd Oct	Cade Matthews Trophy and State Selection 1	East Fremantle YC
13 to 14 Nov	State Heat 1 & State Selection Heat 2	Koombana Bay SC, Bunbury
Sat 27th Nov	SPRINT SERIES & State Selection Heat 4	Perth Dinghy SC
Sun 28th Nov	SPRINT SERIES & State Selection Heat 5 and 6	Mounts Bay SC
Sat 13th Dec	State Heat 3 and State Selection 7	Perth Dinghy SC
Sun 14th Dec	State Heat 4 and State Selection 8	Mounts Bay SC
28 Dec to 4 Jan	48th Australian National Championships	Largs Bay SC, Adelaide
22 to 23 Jan	State Heat 5, 6, 7 and 8	Mandurah OFSC
Sat 12th Feb	State Heat 9	Perth Dinghy SC
Sun 13th Feb	State Heat 10	Mounts Bay SC
5, 6, 7 Mar	Cherub Grand Prix	Rottneest Island

Qld Cherub Calendar 2010-11

Date	Event	Location
6 to 7 Nov	Queensland State Championships	Darling Point SS, Brisbane
11 to 12 Dec	Battle for Waterloo	Darling Point SS, Brisbane
28 Dec to 4 Jan	48th Australian National Championships	Largs Bay SC, Adelaide
22 to 25 Apr	12ft Skiff Nationals	Brisbane

NSW Cherub Calendar 2010-11

Date	Event	Location
28 to 29 Aug	Brass Monkey Regatta	Sydney Flying Squadron
Sat 25 Sep	F11 Hunters Hill Sprint Series	Hunters Hill Sailing Club
Sat 18 Oct	NSW State Championship Heats 1 and 2	Abbotsford 12ft Flying Squadron
Sun 19 Oct	State Championship Heat 3	Drummoyne JSC
27 to 28 Nov	State Championship Heats 4 to 6	Belmont 16ft SC
28 Dec to 4 Jan	48th Australian National Championships	Largs Bay SC, Adelaide
6 to 15 Jan	12ft Skiff Interdominions	Lane Cove 12ft SSC
8 to 9 Jan	Manning River Marathon	Taree Aquatic Club
Wed 26 Jan	Australia Day Regatta	Avalon SC
12 to 13 Feb	State Championship Heats 7 to 9	Toronto ASC, Lake Macquarie
Sat 5 Mar	State Championship Heat 10	Lane Cove 12ft SSC
Sun 6 Mar	State Championship Heat 11 and Presentation	Yarra Bay 16ft SC
11 to 16 Apr	Australian Secondary Schools Regatta (CHS)	Belmont 16ft SC
9 to 10 Apr	Batemans Bay Regatta Weekend	Batemans Bay Sailing Club