

## Cherubs Dominate Brass Monkey Regatta

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## 2005/06 NSW Interclub Program

Date	Event	Location
1-3 Oct 05	Jervis Bay Regatta	Jervis Bay Sailing Club
<b>12-13 Nov 05</b>	<b>State Championship Heats 1-3</b>	<b>Belmont 16ft Sailing Club</b>
<b>3-4 Dec 05</b>	<b>State Championship Heats 4-6</b>	<b>Jervis Bay Sailing Club</b>
<b>27 Dec 05—4 Jan 06</b>	<b>National Championships</b>	<b>Largs Bay Sailing Club, Adelaide</b>
26 Jan 06	Australia Day Regatta	Georges River 16ft Sailing Club
12 February 06	SFS Trophy Race	Sydney Flying Squadron, Kirribilli
<b>25-26 Feb 06</b>	<b>State Championships Heats 7-8</b>	<b>Georges River 16ft Sailing Club</b>
<b>11 March 06</b>	<b>State Championship Heat 9</b>	<b>Lane Cove 12ft Sailing Skiff Club</b>
11 March 06	NSW State Presentation Night and AGM	Lane Cove 12ft Sailing Skiff Club

## Club Profile: Drummoyne Sailing Club

The newest Cherub club in Sydney is Drummoyne Sailing Club located on the southern shore of the Parramatta River near Birkenhead Point. Drummoyne is one of Sydney's premier 16ft Skiff Clubs but these days also has senior fleets of Hartley16s and yachts. The Club's strong Junior Program

sails Sabots and Flying Elevens. This season Drummoyne will be starting a Cherub fleet which will sail on Saturday afternoons. Experienced Cherub sailors Andrew Stewart and Amy Smith in *Everything Zen* will be joining the fleet in the early days to provide guidance to the younger

sailors from Drummoyne who are just starting out in Cherubs.



## Cherubs Dominate Brass Monkey Regatta

In a result that will have the handicappers reaching for their red pens, Cherubs filled the first four overall places in at the Brass Monkey regatta held at the Sydney Flying Squadron in August. The regatta was staged by the Squadron as a season starter and attracted a quality mixed fleet of over 50 high performance boats including 49ers, 29ers, NS14s, Moths, A Class cats, 18, 16, 14, 13 and 12ft Skiffs.

The regatta's four races were held over on short windward leeward course with a downwind gate and twin bottom marks. Conditions varied from a strong gusty westerly breezes on Saturday to light winds on Sunday. Overall the conditions were not those that have traditionally been seen as favouring Cherubs. Despite this the eight Cherub entrants Cherubs performed well in all races with James Birdsall and Jensen Penney in *In God's Hands* clear winners overall on yardstick in front of Adam Forbes and Curtis Warner in *Camel Toe* and Poppy Moore with her stand in crew Trevor Fay in her new boat *Max Power*. Adam Bolton and

Duncan Murray in *Heart Shaped Box* finished fourth to complete a Cherub quadrella.

Tony Sheldon and Ewan Duckworth in *Moe's Tavern* and Andrew Stewart in *Everything Zen* also put in some good results.

The regatta was a spectacular result for the Cherub class particularly when you consider the quality of the other boats sailing which included top-line 16ft Skiffs such as *Savage Bee* and *Fire Stopping*, Interdominion 12ft Skiff Champion *Yabba Dabba*, State 12ft Skiff Champion *P&O* and former Cherub sailor James Francis in his 18ft Skiff *Panasonic*.

True to the spirit of the event, the mounted brass monkey was awarded to the best on-water effort as spotted by the race committee. The *Camel Toe* crew of Adam Forbes and Curtis Warner took the ugly monkey home after being clocked at 20 knots whilst passing the cap-sized 12ft Skiff Interdominion Champion.



Adam Forbes and Curtis Warner in *Camel Toe* finished second overall in a mixed fleet of over 50 boats.



James Birdsall and Jensen Penney on their way to overall victory in the Brass Monkey Regatta on Sydney Harbour.

## Adelaide Nationals at Largs Bay

The host club for this year's National Championships is Largs Bay Sailing Club. Largs Bay is a regular host of major championship events so a well run series is on the cards. The Club's regular classes include Australian Sharpies, Herons, Lasers

and 12ft Cadets as well as Cherubs.

The club has good launching facilities protected by a seawall that avoids the breaking waves that are encountered at many of the other Adelaide sailing clubs.

At the same time as the Cherub Nationals Largs Bay will also be hosting the 77th Stonehaven Cup for 12ft Cadets, so it will be a good chance to show off the credentials of the Cherub class to the next generation of young South Australian sailors.

### Nationals

More information on the Largs Bay Nationals on the [South Australian](#) page at [Cherub Central](#)

## Nationals Program

Date	Day	Event	Social
27 December	Tuesday	Measuring (AM & PM)	
28 December	Wednesday	Measuring (AM) <b>Invitation Races 1 &amp; 2</b> (Back to back)	<b>Welcome BBQ</b>
29 December	Thursday	<b>Heats 1 &amp; 2</b> (Back to back)	
30 December	Friday	<b>Heat 3</b>	<b>National Council AGM</b>
31 December	Saturday	<b>Heats 4 &amp; 5</b> (Back to back)	<b>New Years Eve</b> Band at Largs Bay SC
1 January	Sunday	Lay Day	
2 January	Monday	<b>Heats 6 &amp; 7</b> (Back to back)	<b>Bouncy Castle Boxing</b>
3 January	Tuesday	<b>Heat 8</b>	
4 January	Wednesday	<b>Heat 9</b>	<b>Presentation Night</b> at Largs Bay SC

## Training Day on Lake Macquarie

A fresh South Westerly morning breeze, strong in the morning of 15-20 knots greeted participants in the Cherub Association's training day at Lake Macquarie on 17 July.

*Camel Toe, Lick This, Krank Hundeninin, Red Rocket* and the new crews in *Moe's Tavern* and *Max Power* took advantage of the opportunity to improve their skills. The fleet sailed a series of short

races under the expert eye of current State Champion Trevor Fay.

NSW Cherub Association is looking at developing a Training Program for the upcoming season specifically targeted at "youth" level sailors.

## What a Classic!

Who is the skinny bloke showing great style steering his Cherub to windward during the 1970 World Championships in Perth? No prizes for recognising one of Australia's top current yachtsmen, but you can find out the answer on the Message Board at [Cherub Central](#).

They don't make booms like that anymore!

The Cherub Association is always on the lookout for photos from the rich history of the class in Australia. If you have a photo of classic Cherub action send it to the editor at [lunsmann@tpg.com.au](mailto:lunsmann@tpg.com.au)



## Promotional Opportunities on the Cherub Web Site

The Cherub Association's national web site [Cherub Central](http://CherubCentral.org.au) is one of best designed and managed sailing class web site in the country. It features news and results, technical information, pages for local state news, a national message board and information on equipment.

The site now also provides an page with contact details for firms that supply products or services to Cherub sailors.

For \$100 pa you could join firms such as Quantum Sails, Hasley Lidgard Sails, CST Composites and Fastacraft in the listings of sailmakers, mast producers, foil makers, photographers and other service providers who have direct web hyperlinks, e-mail and other contact details on the page. For details on how to be create your presence on the site contact Wayne at [info@cherub.org.au](mailto:info@cherub.org.au)



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The Cherub is a 2 person 12ft high performance racing skiff with spinnaker and trapeze. Cherubs are very quick craft offering exciting rides particularly downwind with their large asymmetric kites. The majority of Cherub sailors are in their late teen or early twenties but the flexibility of the class and the Cherub's great sailing qualities mean that there are also attractive to many older sailors. Many women sail Cherubs, both as skippers and as crews and husband/wife, boyfriend/girlfriend, brother/sister and parent/child combinations of crew are common.

The Cherub is a 'restricted' class as distinct from a 'one design' class. This feature gives amateur builders flexibility in complying with maximum and minimum measurement restrictions, and also permits boats to be rigged and tuned to allow for a wide range of crew sizes.

Competitive crew weights range from the very light 110 kg to the heavies of around 150-160kgs.

The NSW Cherub Association conducts an active program of interclub racing events to which all registered Cherubs are welcome. The Association also hosts a number of social events to which all Cherub sailors including sailors of "Classic" older boats are welcome.