



**Australian Hansa Class Association**

**2016 Annual General Meeting**

**Agenda**

**5.00pm Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

**Gold Coast Sailing Club**

1. Welcome
2. Attendance & Apologies
3. Minutes – To confirm the minutes of the 2015 AGM
4. President's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Treasurer's report 2015
  - b. Annual Subscriptions for 2016/7
6. Championships Reports, covering:
  - a. State & Territory Championship Reports
  - b. Rotation schedule of future National Championships
  - c. Pan Pacific Masters Games
  - d. 2016 Hansa Class World Championships – Medemblik, Netherlands
  - e. 2017 Asia Pacific Championships
  - f. 2018 World Championships
7. Executive Reports, covering:
  - a. Rules & Technical Report
  - b. Secretary's Report
  - c. Development Report
8. Election of Committee of Management
  - President
  - Secretary
  - Treasurer
  - Vice President – Championships
  - Vice President – Development
  - Vice President – Rules & Measurement
  - State/ Territory Representatives (two per State/ Territory)
9. General Business

## MINUTES AUSTRALIAN HANSA CLASS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2015

Meeting opened 17.00

Attendees: Russell Phillips (VIC), Shauna Phillips (VIC), Bob Schahinger (SA), Deirdre Schahinger (SA), Norm Brundle (TAS), Jason Elwes (NSW), Donna Millsom (NSW), Chris Mitchell (NSW), Beck West (VIC), Cadeyrn Gaskin (VIC), John Garbutt (NSW), Jocelyn Neumueller (SA), Krista Bailey (VIC), Paul Linden (SA), Christine Elliott (VIC), Gerda Lambeck (ACT), Kenneth Hibbert (SA), Andrew Fergusson (TAS), Craig Escott (TAS), William Brown (TAS), Chris Symonds (TAS), Rob Eadie (TAS), Terry Peek (ACT) and others.

Apologies – T.Clear, M.Leydon, T.Leydon. R.Viney

### 1. **Welcome - Russell Phillips**

Welcomed all participants to 2015 Australian Hansa Class Nationals and thanked Derwent Sailing Squadron for hosting the event

### 2. **Attendance & Apologies – Russell Phillips**

Russell noted apologies from 4 members as above.

### 3. **Last year's AGM minutes**

Corrections to the 2014 minutes were emailed from Tish Leydon. These changes will be made to the 2014 minutes and re-displayed on the AHCA website. (Shauna to amend reports and update website).

Motion – that the minutes were a correct and accurate reflection of the 2014 AGM held at Goowla and that they be approved.

Moved - Deirdre Schahinger

Seconded – Donna Millsom

Motion Passed

### 4. **President's Report – Russell Phillips**

Written President's report presented to meeting.

Motion – Pass President's report

Moved – Beck West

Seconded – Donna Millsom

Motion Passed

### 5. **Treasurer/ Secretary's Report – Shauna Phillips**

Written Treasurer & Secretary's report presented to meeting. Shauna took attendees through income and expenditure for last financial year. AHCA lost \$2,657.95 to finish the year with \$17,556.99 in the bank. Membership fees to remain unchanged - \$35 senior, \$10 junior.

Motion – Pass Treasurer/ Secretary's report

Moved - Deirdre Schahinger

Seconded - John Garbutt

Motion passed

## **6. State Reports – Shauna Phillips**

Written State Championships reports received from NSW, SA, TAS, VIC. No reports received from WA or ACT.

Written championships report including rotation of future AHCA Championships, dates and details for IFDS World Championships, ISAF Sailing World Cup, Sail Sydney and the 2016 Hansa World Championships. Brief discussion held regarding the need to ship boats – particularly Liberties – to the 2016 Worlds in Medemblik and distribution to clubs of charter fees. Cost to ship boats will depend on number of boats being sent and container size required, but use Hobart costs as a rough guide - \$600 for Liberty, \$450 for 303, \$350 for 2.3 at this point. Container to Hobart cost \$8829.65, \$8,150 covered by shipping fee payments from sailors. AHCA covered deficit of \$679.65 (This amount will be reduced by \$125 when a 2.3 transported back to mainland for sale is sold).

Motion – Pass all State & Championship reports

Moved – Jason Elwes

Seconded – Craig Escott

Motion passed

## **7. Executive Reports – Russell Phillips**

### **Rules/Technical Report – Bob Schahinger/ Terry Peek**

No written report received, but Bob gave a verbal report. Not much has really changed this year. 1 application for equipment change received. All boats at this regatta comply with the Class rules, meaning everyone is sticking to the rules. All boats comply with weights and measures, of which Bob has a list of boats. Terry noted that they would be reviewing the Class rules – so keep an eye out for when any changes are announced. He urged all sailors to please read the Class rules as part of the process and send any suggestions for changes to Class Rules to Terry and Bob by the end of July.

### **Secretary's Report**

Already delivered as part of Treasurer's Report

### **Development Report**

Written Development report presented to the meeting

Motion – Pass the Executive Reports

Moved – Beck West

Seconded – Deirdre Schahinger

Motion passed

## **8. Election of Office Bearers for the next 12 months**

Russell declared all positions vacant and stepped aside. Rob Eadie ran election for President.

- President – only one nominee – Russell Phillips – elected unopposed
- Secretary – only one nominee – Shauna Phillips – elected unopposed
- Treasurer – only one nominee (another nomination previously withdrawn) – Shauna Phillips – elected unopposed
- Vice-President Championships – only one nominee – Tony Clear – elected unopposed
- Vice-President Rules & Measurement – only one nominee – Bob Schahinger – elected unopposed
- Vice-President Development – only one nominee – Donna Millsom – elected unopposed
- State/Territory Representatives
  - ACT – No nominations received – appointments pending
  - NSW – Donna Millsom & Jason Elwes
  - QLD – Chris Ruston
  - SA – Deirdre Schahinger & Warren Miller
  - TAS – No nominations received – appointments pending
  - VIC – Beck West & Christine Elliott
  - WA – Mike Cull

With several states not represented at Nationals, and State Reps positions unfilled, we will approach incumbent members to enquire if they wish to retain their positions and fill positions as required.

Once all State/Territory positions are filled, we will then look to appointing two members to Executive from states/territories who are not currently represented on the Executive Committee.

Motion by Russell Phillips – to appoint two members to the Executive from states/territories who are not currently represented on the Executive Committee, once all current State/Territory positions are filled.

Moved – Beck West

Seconded – Rob Eadie

Motion passed

## **9. General Business**

Russell tabled a solicitor's letter received from Tish Leydon citing grievances with the current committee during her role as Vice President Development. Terry Peek asked that the report be included with AGM documents posted to the website.

Meeting Closed 5.30

## President's Report 2016

Greetings to all Hansaophiles. Welcome to the end of another busy season with our Nationals at Gold Coast Sailing Club. Chris Ruston and his team have been working hard to put on a fantastic event to be at and we thank him and his Club for hosting our Nationals.

I have had a busy and enjoyable season, being fortunate enough to be able to compete in all the 4 Hansa classes this summer and be able to appreciate again, the truly innovative nature of these boats and the opportunity they provide to get people of all abilities on the water to experience the freedom and exhilaration that we all take for granted after a few years of sailing Hansa craft.

My 2.3 experience was at the 23rd birthday at Nowra organised by Hansa Sailing - and what a Birthday it was! Several monumental pileups at various marks, many life threatening water fights on the course, people too large for their boats (we know who we are), bugger-all wind, plenty of current, and a very entertaining evening at the dinner where the food was terrific. It was a great weekend for those that attended and many thanks to Hansa Sailing for organising it and kudos to those members who sailed the 2.3's so well. It is pleasing to see a larger than normal fleet of 2.3's at our Nationals and at many of the State Championships.

My 303 experience was not nearly as much fun but it was exciting in blustery conditions on Port Philip Bay at an OTB Regatta at Royal Brighton Yacht club where 4 of us from Docklands Yacht Club competed over 2 days. These are a great boat and easy to see why they are so favoured by learn to sail programs. Then onto the really serious stuff for the Skud18 Para Sailing World Championships at Royal Yacht Club of Victoria. This was also a great event with many International competitors having learnt to sail - and many still competing in - either 2.3's or 303's. Lastly, I completed the quadrella with the Liberty at Sail Melbourne. If you are at an event and there are Hansa boats that you have not sailed, do yourself a favour and give them a try.

Following the IHCA AGM, some proposed rule changes were mooted relating to the use of compasses, mainsheet purchases, 303 seating and 2.3 seating positions. There has been some contention over these proposed changes and agreement couldn't be reached between the International Hansa Class Associations. Class Associations in some countries consist of majority of disabled sailors and some countries argued strongly in favour, or against, rule changes that they felt could advantage more able-bodied teams. The rules will be discussed further at a forum at the Hansa Worlds in Medemblik prior to being forwarded to World Sailing. I will keep you up to date with any progress.

The Worlds are coming up at Medemblik in June and early indications are that they will be a great spectacle, with nearly 30 Liberties amongst the fleets of 76 boats. Currently, we have 9 Australian members competing from: WA, SA, Tasmania and Victoria. So please follow our exploits on the website and Facebook page while we are there.

The 2018 Worlds have been awarded to Hiroshima, Japan and we expect that they will be spectacular. There will be more information as it comes to hand. So put this one in your diary.

Inclusion is a word that is frequently bandied about these days, though it appears that some people have 'hijacked' the word and feel that, by running a disabled event or including a few disabled sailors in a separate boat in a separate division, that they are running an inclusive event. If you want to understand inclusion - look around you at this regatta - old, young, disabled, non-disabled, male, female, experienced and novice. All sailing with and against each other in the same boats. You will

never find a better example of inclusion than what we do as a Class Association and you should all be proud to be part of it and carry this experience with you as an example of true inclusion.

Good Luck to all competitors at Nationals and enjoy your sailing catching up with friends.

See you on the water

Russell Phillips

President – AHCA

**Australian Hansa Class Association**  
**Profit & Loss Standard**  
January through December 2015

	Jan - Dec 15
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Boat parts & fittings	796.23
Catering monies collected	4,117.00
Charter Fees Collected	550.00
Event Entry Fees	8,520.00
Golden Egg Donation	4,150.00
Membership Fees	2,600.00
Other Income	826.00
Other Regatta money collected	17.34
Shipping money collected	8,150.00
Total Income	29,726.57
Expense	
Catering Costs	4,242.00
Charter Fees Paid	150.00
Dues and Subscriptions	135.00
Golden Egg Prizemoney	1,650.00
Government Charges	53.00
Insurance	1,652.00
Regatta expenses	7,600.00
Shipping costs	8,829.65
Software Expense	220.00
Trophies	372.40
Total Expense	24,904.05
Net Ordinary Income	4,822.52
Net Income	4,822.52



**NAB Community Fee Saver  
Account**

For further information call the  
Business Servicing Team on 13 10 12

**Account Balance Summary**

Opening balance	\$19,449.51 Cr
Total credits	\$3,035.00
Total debits	\$0.00
<b>Closing balance</b>	<b>\$22,484.51 Cr</b>

**Statement starts 3 October 2015**

**Statement ends 4 January 2016**

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AUSTRALIAN HANSA CLASS ASSOCIATION INC  
PO BOX 3002  
BRIGHTON VIC 3186

**Outlet Details**

Dandenong South  
Frankston - Dandenong Rd, Dandenong VIC 3175

**Account Details**

AUSTRALIAN HANSA CLASS ASSOCIATION INC  
BSB number 083-221  
Account number 59-751-7634

**Transaction Details**

Date	Particulars	Debits	Credits	Balance
3 Oct 2015	Brought forward			19,449.51 Cr
13 Nov 2015	J Elliott535150 John Elliott			
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30 Nov 2015	Hansa Golden Egg Patricia Ennis			
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4 Jan 2016	2016Cescott B&e Ltd			
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	2016Readie Mr Robert Gregor			
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## Treasurer/ Secretary's Report 2016

The 2015 season was a logistical challenge with the Nationals being held for the first time in Tasmania.

With early expressions of interest's we were able to set a shipping price that would have covered our costs, however a couple of people later changed their minds about attending or sought alternate transportation. Fortunately, the fuel levy price dropped from the original quote to the final invoice, which meant that the Class's contribution (\$679.65) was not as high as first expected. Actual price was \$8829.65

With the Worlds in 2018 in Japan and Nationals scheduled for Western Australia in 2018, Donna and I will look to securing a favourable partnership with a shipping company to assist with future regattas requiring transportation of boats.

Membership numbers dipped in several states but grew in others, with the overall membership number for 2015 year being 75 (74 senior and 1 junior). This reduction in paid members is also due to sailors who are only crewing choosing to not pay membership fees.

The AHCA Bank account balance on 1 Jan 2015 was \$17,556.99 and on December 31<sup>st</sup> was \$22,379.51 - a profit for the financial year of \$4822.52

This profit was assisted by the 2015 and 2016 Golden Egg prize donations both received in the 2015 year – the 2016 prizes will be paid at this regatta and will therefore appear as expenses in the 2016 financial year.

The total also includes \$400 in boat charter fees & \$51.23 in repair parts that was paid in error to the Association and not the boat owner which will be rectified in the 2016 year.

Boat parts and fittings includes \$745 from Hansa Sailing for our share of the Sail Levy.

Trophy expenses, as expected, dropped from the 2014 year (down from \$1664.10 to \$372.40) when Hansa titles replaced Access, however with the making of Queensland State trophies to be presented at this event, trophy expenses will continue into 2016.

As previous years, the AHCA and IHCA insurance policies are invoiced as one cost, which the IHCA reimburses 50% of – reflected in 'other income'.

Dues and Subscriptions are our affiliation costs with Yachting Australia, Government charges are our costs to file the 2014 return with the Department of Justice and Software Costs are the cost of YA hosting our website.

Catering & Entry fees were all collected as part of the online entry system. Some clubs who use outside contractors in their catering invoiced the catering separately, whilst others issued a single invoice for race management and catering. Hence Income shows Catering and Entry fees as two separate entries, whilst expenditure shows Catering and regatta expenses.

Our website received over 33,000 page views in the 2015 calendar year and our Facebook page is shared and liked by sailors from Australia and the World, as well as other Hansa Class Associations. We always welcome new stories and photos of our sailors and their boats, so please feel free to forward them – along with information on upcoming events that are open to our fleets.

Department of Justice/Consumer Affairs Victoria have moved to an online system for filing of annual financial reports.

## Australian Hansa Class Association – Australian Capital Territory Report 2015-2016

The 2015 Hansa Class State Championships were held in conjunction with the ACT Dingy Championships at Canberra Yacht Club on Lake Burley Griffin on 14<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2015. Six races were held over two days, on a scenic course in the bay flanked between Commonwealth Avenue Bridge and the National Museum of Australia peninsular. The light to moderate conditions that can be found on the lake with small wind shift, gave interesting race conditions for the duration of the Regatta.

Everyone in the Hansa fleet of six craft displayed great sportsmanship and a good time was had by all. The official results showed Local SKUD 18 sailor, Duncan MacGregor, dominated the singles races with an overall first place and Colin Alderton, from interstate, giving stiff competition to gain second place. Congratulations must also go to Al Peek and Doug Monk. Local sailor Catharine Keir with her crew Gerda Lambeck were successful in first place in the doubles. Tish Ennis and crew gained second place and John Elliot and crew came in third. Thanks must go once again to Terry Peek for his exemplary duties as Race Officer.

Some Hansa 303 racing was available during the YMCA Sailing Club summer sailing season and was conducted on Saturday afternoons. Further weekly racing opportunities in the ACT will be explored with the YMCA Sailing Club and the Canberra Yacht Club in the upcoming season.

The Friendship Cup which is a Unique Regatta for the Hansa 2.3 and 303 classes will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November 2016 on Lake Tuggeranong in the Australian Capital Territory involving participants from Japan and Hong Kong as well as from around Australia.

In conclusion, the Hansa class is viewed as an enjoyable class to race in the Lakes within the ACT and there is every reason to feel positive about the future of the Hansa class in the ACT.

Kim Ballantyne

Hansa Class, ACT Representative

20 March 2016

## AHCA - NSW State Report

This year has seen much work being done with Sailability NSW, working on getting their branches and sailors involved in regattas.

This is proving to be beneficial but it is something that needs continual encouragement and TLC to nurture the relationship between the class and Sailability, due to the uniqueness of the state having very few boats that are privately owned and majority of boats being owned by Sailability.

If we do not have a solid relationship with Sailability and its branches then we will, as in previous years, have a very poor showing at our state championships.

I am very pleased to say that this year's state championship was a great success, hosted by the Nowra Community Sailing Club on the 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> February. We were very fortunate to have a team of international sailors from Hong Kong take to the Shoalhaven River, along with sailors from all over NSW and the ACT.

Saturday morning saw a slow start with little wind but with the wind steadily building, racing was soon under way. With the sailors, also came a large number of family and friends seeing the banks of the Shoalhaven River lined with people cheering their favorite sailors on as they battled the challengers of the tidal conditions and sometimes fluky wind.

The regatta dinner was held at Bomaderry Bowling Club with some 70 people enjoying a wonderful dinner, fabulous company and beautiful entertainment by one of our young sailors Amy Snowdon.

Sunday again saw light wind in the morning and no racing was to be had before lunch, a slight breeze came through after lunch enabling racing to get under way and get enough racing in to finish the regatta.

Mayor Jo Gash presented our sailors with their trophies and went on to congratulate the AHCA and all involved for bringing such a wonderful event to the region.

It has been a privilege working with the current committee and I would like to thank both the President and the Secretary for their continued support and help over the past year and look forward to working with you in the future!

Regards

Donna Millsom

NSW Class Rep 2015/2016

## 2016 Queensland Hansa Class State Report

Our inclusive Club continues to grow operating Tuesday to Saturday with occasional Corporate Groups and a small inclusive after-school group on Wednesday's. Luckily we have a wonderful core group of volunteers and a smattering of colour with new recruits coming and going. Almost all our volunteers are racing sailors which provides a great Training environment with Lake Arrr providing the special ingredient that makes our sailors stand out from the crowd.

Our fleet consists of 5x2.3s 8xBreeze Rotos, 7x303w, and Barry Coates has recently donated his Liberty, our very first. Additionally 2xRIBs, 3xYA Instructors, and some very experienced Volunteer Coaches contribute to making a great atmosphere. We also support Special Olympics and were very proud to assemble the Australian Sailing Team attending the World Summer Games in LA2015. Athletes and Volunteers came from Qld, NSW, and ACT winning nothing less than Gold or Silver.

These are very exciting times for us particularly because the HANSA Nationals are the first time that we have ever invited outsiders to sail on our secret "Bermuda Triangle" training area. Arrr

Chris Ruston

## South Australian Hansa Class report

South Australia did not have Hansa Class state titles this year as there was only one day that was convenient and to be fair to all other states the championship has to be over two days.

But in January Hansa Class members came 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at the one day, four races dinghy competition on Hindmarsh Island as part of Goolwa Regatta Week. As soon as the seven 3.03 doubles arrived at the Hindmarsh Island, three short races were held in the marina in very light wind. The wind picked up for the passage final race to Goolwa.

At the recent two day Sailability regatta held at Port Adelaide Sailing Club the wind was also very light making sailing in confined waters with building lining the banks at test of patience rather than sailing skill. Start boat and mark flags cannot be placed in the main channel so were dropped near the bank. Several people ran aground in very sticky mud. Out of the 14 Hansa 3.03 doubles the first four place getters were Hansa Class members, the first three are coming to the Nationals and the crew of the fourth going to the Worlds.

Both Port Adelaide Sailing Club and Goolwa Regatta Yacht Club offer racing on their Sailability days and results are included in the Club championship results as a class.

In 2016/2017 season we are working on having the Hansa Class State titles at the Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron. As the numbers are likely to be small sailing in the marina would be a colourful spectacle with an impressive backdrop.

I am happy to continue as one of the SA representatives.

Deirdre Schahinger  
March 2016

## **Australian Hansa Class Association. - Tasmania Report**

### **Hansa State Championships Report**

Wynyard Yacht Club hosted the 2016 Hansa Class State Championships 23/24<sup>th</sup> Jan 2016.

Ten of the eleven 303's in the State entered the regatta.

Conditions were at times challenging with large wind shifts and gusts but the comradeship between sailors and support volunteers was fantastic.

It also shows that you don't need to have a fast or expensive yacht to have top racing. These identical craft give all the opportunity to sail equally against each other.

At the regattas conclusion Mike Darby won the singles racing with very consistent sailing.

Doubles went to Rod Viney with his crew Rian Kliger. Rian did a great job teaming with Rod and the two sailed consistently over the 4 races

Chris Thomas our Principal Race Officer coordinated our on water team of ten to have perfectly laid courses and race management.

On shore we required lots of support getting sailors into and out of their yachts registration, sign on / off etc this group consisted of another 10 persons. Our Catering team of volunteers again showed how to provide an amazing Saturday evening dinner function for 50 persons with daily lunches also provided for both days.

In conclusion;

The Hansa 303 class continues to grow in Tasmania with another new 303 arriving at Wynyard in March and a further addition to the Hobart fleet expected before next season. The Hansa class has expanded into the Launceston Tamar region at Deviot Sailing Club this season.

I wish to advise the meeting that I will not be standing as the Tasmanian Hansa Class delegate in future while ever the current National President resides on the committee due to his personal and public attacks on my credibility.

Regards



Chris Symonds

2015/16 Hansa Class Delegate

## **Victoria State Rep Report 2016**

State Championships were held at Latrobe Valley Yacht Club (LVYC) on January 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. There were many closely contested fleets with sailors from two states (Vic and ACT) competing and two first time competitors. To encourage the participation of new sailors we held a three day Short Course regatta at Docklands Yacht Club (DYC) including an intro to racing/sailing rules and we intend to have more intro/come try events in the lead up to the 2017 Nationals.

HANSA class were invited to compete in four open class championships in Victoria during the past year. Sauna Sail in the Latrobe Valley held over the Queen's Birthday long weekend was a popular event. Sail Country at Albury Wodonga Yacht Club over the Melbourne Cup "long weekend" did not provide kind weather conditions, but, very nice wine and entertainment. The George Mac regatta at Royal Brighton Yacht Club (RBYC) held November 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> brought together OTB sailors of all ages including junior and youth classes, as well as selected open classes including the Hansa 303's and Liberties. Finally, Sail Melbourne, where the Liberties were reinstated as an invited class (which we hope to continue and possibly expand upon in future) – and we can't forget the Para Worlds where Dan & Liesl again topped the podium in the SKUD18.

Following the production of Yachting Victoria's Inclusive Club Standard for sailing clubs in 2014/2015, the inclusion of the Hansa Class in these open regattas is very welcome and shows many clubs in Victoria are headed in an inclusive direction.

There are many events Victorian sailors are looking forward to this year including the 2016 Nationals in Qld, Sauna Sail on the Queen's Birthday weekend in June, the Hansa Worlds June 3rd to 9th in Medemblik, The Netherlands, Sail Country in October (TBC) and the Pan Pac Masters in November in Qld.

We are busy organizing the 2017 Nationals (combined with the Victorian State Championships) to be held at Royal Geelong Yacht Club from April 14th to 17th 2017. To facilitate getting as many sailors on the water as possible we intend to run a regatta at DYC the weekend prior to this, therefore enabling two events within one week!

We are working closely with Sailability Victoria, Yachting Victoria and Victorian Clubs to promote our inclusive events and encourage growth in preparation for hosting the Nationals. In line with this encouragement of growth our Victorian Liberty fleet has now grown to 10 boats.

Beck West & Christine Elliott – Victorian State Reps.



#### WA Report.

The Hansa Fleet is slowly building here in WA with 6 Liberty's now at RPYC, 5 of which are raced on a regular basis with the Dinghy Division. Sailability at RPYC has a fleet of 8 - 303's which are also utilized most Sundays at the 'Learn to Sail' program. We are hoping to gain a few more solo Sailors from this Program although none are quite ready. 4 of our Liberty's are on there way to Medemblik where we will have 3 Sailors from Perth competing in the Liberty Fleet. The 303's will be used for Sunday afternoon racing by our Liberty owners until our Season ends.

WA still has 3 Sailability programmes operating, RPYC, SoPYC & PRYC in Albany. There are a few Sail into Life programmes operated by Rotary, 1 in Mandurah & 1 in Bunbury where they have a few 303 dinghies. Dawesvill YC is in the process of starting a Sailability programme but is not running as yet.

The Hansa State Titles were held in early Feb in conjunction with the Argonaut Mini Series held at RPYC. 5 Liberty's raced with Graeme Martin winning, Genevieve Wickham 2<sup>nd</sup> & Mike Cull 3<sup>rd</sup>. There were also 6 - 303 dinghies competing all with Volunteers assisting competitors but unfortunately none were Hansa members so could not be recognized but it was great to have so many dinghies out on the water for the Weekend.

**Tracy Odiam**

President Sailability WA, Hansa state rep.

## Championships Report

### **Rotation schedule of future AHCA Championships**

- 2017 – Victoria
- 2018 - Western Australia
- 2019 – New South Wales
- 2020 – ACT
- 2021 – South Australia
- 2022 – Tasmania
- 2023 – Queensland

### **2016 Para World Sailing Championships**

The 2016 Para World Sailing Championships will be held in Medemblik as part of the Delta Lloyd regatta. From the 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Sailing World Cup – Sail Melbourne**

The 2016 Sailing World Cup will be held at Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron and the Liberties are an invited class. Dates are from the 5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> December. Website is [www.sailmelbourne.com.au](http://www.sailmelbourne.com.au)

### **2016 Hansa Class World Championships**

The 2016 World Championships will be held in Medemblik, Netherlands from Jun 3<sup>rd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> 2016. The website is [www.2016hansaworlds.com](http://www.2016hansaworlds.com)

### **2016 Pan Pac Masters Games**

Invited classes are the 303 and Liberty. Competitors must have a minimum age of 30 years. Sailing takes place at Paradise Point, Queensland from 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> November. More information on their website – [www.panpacmasters.com.au](http://www.panpacmasters.com.au)

### **2017 Asia Pacific Championships**

Currently no host country or dates are available for this event.

### **2017 Australian Hansa Class Championships**

The 2017 AHCA Championships will be held at Royal Geelong Yacht Club from April 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>. More information shortly on our website – [www.ahca.yachting.org.au](http://www.ahca.yachting.org.au)

### **2018 Hansa Class World & International Championships – October 2018**

Hiroshima Japan has recently been announced as the host of this event. More information will be available in coming months at [www.hansaclass.org](http://www.hansaclass.org)