

WA Dragon Class Annual Report 2022

The WA Dragon Fleet had good attendance and participation in the races throughout the 2021–2022 season.

There were 16 consistency races with 25 boats on the register and 23 boats racing at some time during the season. On average there were 12 boats racing each Saturday. The highest number was 18 boats on Closing Day.

Although we have lost a number of participating members due to health reasons we have gained additional new helms and boats to the fleet. We welcome new fleet members, Richard Lynn, Emma Shand, Rob Parker and John Wallis.

Ian Malley and Ray Chatfield continued to run training sessions on Saturday mornings for new sailors and those interested in sailing Dragons. This is part of an initiative to attract more crew and boats to the Dragon fleet.

The Womens Helm Regatta for the Saracen Trophy was held in early October 2021 with great success, gaining much interest and participation from sailors outside of the fleet. This is part of the initiative to diversify the gender participation in the fleet. This initiative has been extended this year with the nomination of women to the WAIDA Committee.

The Final Results of the Season are as follows:

Pre-Christmas Handicap Consistency

- 1st AUS214 Scoundrel (W Packer & Crew)
- 2nd AUS213 Shapes (G Totterdell & Crew)
- 3rd AUS190 Seajoy (G McGann & Crew)

Post-Christmas Handicap Consistency

- 1st AUS213 Shapes (G Totterdell & Crew)
- 2nd AUS201 Wizzardry (R Chatfield & Crew)
- 3rd AUS152 Georgia (R Williams & Crew)

Overall Season Handicap Consistency

- 1st AUS213 Shapes (G Totterdell & Crew)
- 2nd AUS223 CanewdonWitch (T Ford & Crew)
- 3rd AUS218 Indulgence (K Palassis & Crew)

RFBYC Club Championship

- 1st AUS214 Scoundrel (W Packer & Crew)
- 2nd AUS213 Shapes (G Totterdell & Crew)
- 3rd AUS223 Canewdon Witch (T Ford & Crew)

The season has been a positive one for the fleet and we look forward to the new sailing season.

Kevin Palassis, Fleet Captain