



## QLYC....Autumn Series – Cec Anderson Race 1 Sat February 2, 2013

### “Tiercel flies”!

The beginning of a new series in the racing calendar and surprises right out of the bag!

A lovely day to start the Autumn Series racing named after our old friend and past Life Governor of the club in “Cec Anderson”.

At briefing a large crowd of 38 (now a regular number) gathered to see what our sailing Captain and OOD had in store for the day.



Commodore Jill congratulated club members and particularly Geoff Mathews for an excellent “Messabout Day” off the beach at the club house last Sunday and a few new members as a result, including some interested in learning to sail by crewing on race days.



With a South to Southeaster to 15 knots during the day the race course was set at No 6 with three laps from Grass Beds to Swan Spit across to Wedge and returning to Grass Beds.



Although ten yachts had signed on at briefing something went wrong with the Christabelle with more water inside than outside as the crew climbed aboard in the pile moorings...OOPS...not a good sign, hope all is well Jock and Rick!!

And left...Nice shot by Colin of Defiance and Nellie taking Indulgence just after the start!!

And during the race Rosie slipped behind and eventually did not finish the race...hope it wasn't anything to do with new crew!!



As there were only two divisions in the race, Div 1 got away really quickly and of the four contenders in this division Tiercel flew to take a quiet and decisive lead and was never being headed....Mmmmm..now what does that mean...clean bottom, clever crew or just a nice day!!

Div 2 took their turn and with Zen Fancy and Lionheart getting to the line well but Lionheart took a break from proceedings to complete another circle before crossing the start line with comments heard across the water about "flags".

Out front with lap one complete Tiercel had a five minute lead over Indulgence with Drizabone and Defiance trailing.

By the end of lap two Tiercel was six minutes ahead of Zen who had taken the fleet control from Div 2 with Indulgence in third at the mark at Grass Beds.

And on the third and final lap it was Tiercel a minute and half ahead of Zen with Defiance, Indulgence and Drizabone making up the leaders.

So line honours went to Tiercel making a real meal of the race and showing a clean pair of heels to all.....keep it up Colin!! Second over the line was Zen in good time with third being Fancy who also made a very nice race of it.



On handicap it was Tiercel taking out the double with Fancy second and Zen third....well done to all with some surprises!!

It would seem from this photo prior to the race ...Colin Gibbs was toasting success already...how did he know the result???



For the record the other competitors followed in order of Drizabone, Nellie, Defiance, Indulgence and Lionheart!

Note: The “Grub” will be absent with his wife and Commodore Jill from this week with visiting Hobart for the Wooden Boat Show and then the Van Diemen’s Land Circumnavigation during February and March on “Tradition” with Murray and Julie Mackay.

Reports may be sketchy for the races in this period and there will certainly be a couple of special remittances from Tassie on the antics of circumnavigators!

It is understood that a sub branch (with quorum) of QLYC will hold its bi annual meeting in Hobart during the festival!!

On a similar note Sundance left the harbour on the Circumnavigation of Tassie under the leadership of Skipper John Barry with the likelihood of the same late March return to Queenscliff.



### Next Club Event:

**Saturday next 9/2/2013, for the .....  
Cec Anderson Series Race 2.  
...Please note BRIEFING 12 noon,  
FIRST START 13-30 PM.**