



The Maritime Museum's
MARITIME WEEKEND
March 22, 23,24 2013.

“DEFIANCE TRIUMPHS AGAIN”



Somewhere in the crowd of sails above is *Defiance*, on the way to Line and Handicap Honours in Division 2 of the Couta Boat race on the Saturday afternoon. For the second time in two years, **David Cross** was awarded the white jersey for winning this race.

Nellie (shown below), skippered by **Russ Watson**, was a close second on corrected time.



The previous night, in the Museum's boat building shed, the Fishy Tales audience was treated to a feast of memories and flag lore from Jeff Stevens, Richard Murphy, and John Barrett. Les Dusting used his bell to ring the changes. As usual the audience was satiated with an abundance of sandwiches, pastries, and drinks.

Saturday produced a morning of challenging weather, and, as can be seen from the DNCs in the results, there were many entrants who decided to feast on the free fish and chips (courtesy of **Queenscliff Harbour**) but not to sail. However, the race went ahead, and the wind co-operated by giving up five or ten knots to become quite pacific, as the photographs show.



On Sunday, the morning's weather was if anything even more ferocious: Lewis Ferrier was not keen to take *Rosebud* into the **Bight** to be the turning mark in the **Memorial Race**. Nobody was keen to take to the water at all, and the **Ferry Captain** thought the day quite unsuitable for a race with sailing boats. **OOD Ian Curtis** therefore cancelled the day's races.



Thank you to our race officers Jennifer Gilbert, Jean Monger, Ian Curtis, and Geoffrey Mathews, and to Jennifer Gilbert for photographs.

**The Next Club Event is THE EASTER REGATTA
30/3/2013. Followed by a BYO BBQ at the club house.**