

The Great Bar Boat Race 2009

The 25th Great Bar Boat Race was sailed on Sydney Harbour on Monday, 21 December 2009 when 20 yachts faced the starter's gun. The conditions were perfect with a 20 to 25 knot nor-easter and a glorious sunny day. The format of the race was altered this year to provide for one division with all yachts starting on the one starter's gun. It made for a more exciting race.

Peter Mooney was first across the line in *Endorphan* and took the Thomson Reuters line honours trophy. Thomson Reuters have supported the race over many years and we thank them for their sponsorship this year and look forward to a continuing association with them in the future.

First on handicap was Des Kennedy SC in *Eye Appeal*, second was Curtis J in *Another Dilemma* and third was Solomon J in *Yeromis IV*. The Chalfont Cup for competition between judges and silks went to Des Kennedy SC and Solomon J won both the Wooden Boat Cup and the Compo Cup. The Gruff Crawford Memorial Panache Trophy was awarded



to Williams SC in *Farrocious* which, regrettably, could not be presented because it has not been returned by a previous winner. Again, a request is made for the return of that trophy together with the Wooden Boat Cup.

The John Hartigan Shield for inter-chambers competition was once again won by Jack Shand Chambers being its fourth consecutive victory for this shield.

The post race celebrations, as usual,

were held on Store Beach and made for a most enjoyable end to the race day. We look forward to the 26th Great Bar Boat Race in December and thanks are extended to the Bar Association and, in particular, Katie Hall for the conduct and organisation of this year's race.

Des Kennedy SC

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