***NSW State Titles 20011-12***

**125 Dinghy NSW Championship**
**run by Hornsby PCYC Sailing Club**

**Lookout Bay, Hawksbury River**
**Sat 18 April 2012**

The state titles were held as a three race short course series hosted by Hornsby PCYC Sailing Club at Lookout Bay (formerly Dead Horse Bay), Brooklyn, on the Hawkesbury River. Seven boats rigged up on the morning - two from DAC and five from Hornsby PCYC Sailing Club, including ‘The Incredible Hull’ now sailed by Beth and Kristian Higgs and the young talent of Luke Alexander and Charlie Parry taking ‘Jens Gem’ for a spin.

Race 1
A nice easterly breeze got up around lunch time and by the time we had sailed out to the starting line on the beautiful Hawkesbury we had plenty enough wind to avoid being swept over the starting line by the powerful outgoing tide. Trevor Larance and Adam Mariani in ‘Chilled Out’ quickly established a lead with Simon George and Joana Parr in ‘Give Way’ not far behind on the single triangle course. By the finish they were less than thirty seconds apart, then nearly a minute to Jack Whittle and crew in ‘Jackpot’ who just pipped Justin Bakker and Michael Grimund in ‘Fast Forward’ for third place. ‘Jens Gem’ was only 30 seconds behind ‘Photron’ and ‘The Incredible Hull not far behind them.

Race 2
‘Chillout’ and ‘Giveway’ again took the lead on the windward leg and extended their lead over ‘Photron’ on the return leg of the sausage course. ‘Jackpot’ made a better job of running against the tide and pipped ‘Photron’ on the line to take third. The young gun rookies in ‘Jens Gem’ came in twenty seconds later ahead of ‘Fast Forward’. Meanwhile, the Higgs on ‘Incredible Hull’ discovered the hard way that it is better to leave your centreboard down until after you get the spinnaker up!

Race 3
With a good start, the Caley crew in ‘Photron’ reached the top mark just behind ‘Chilled Out’ and stuck with them till the wing mark where a better gybe saw ‘Chilled Out’ pull away. With ‘Giveway ‘ breathing down their necks, the boys on ‘Photron’ fluffed the last spinnaker drop and saw their second place slip away on the last beat. ‘Fast Forward’ crossed not much after that.

Thanks all for coming and well done. Congratulations to Luke and Charlie for being right in there on debut racing in a 125. I’m sure you will be trouble for us next year. Welcome to Beth and Kristian in ‘the Incredible Hull’. We look forward to seeing you all at the Nationals. And lastly a big thanks to all our helpers and the crew at Hornsby PCYC Sailing Club for running the states for us again.

John Caley

Secretary Treasurer.

FULL RESULTS - SCRATCH

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| Name | Sail | Skipper | 1 | 2 | 3 | Total | Championship |
| of Boat | # |  |  |  |  |  | Results |
| Chilled out | 3145 | Trevor Larance | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 2.25 | 1 |
| Giveway | 3029 | Simon George | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 6.00 | 2 |
| Jackpot | 3148 | Jack Whittle | 3.00 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 11.00 | 3 |
| Photron | 1519 | John Caley | 5.00 | 4.00 | 3.00 | 12.00 | 4 |
| Fast Forward | 3147 | Justin Bakker | 4.00 | 6.00 | 4.00 | 14.00 | 5 |
| Jens Gem | 3152 | Luke Alexander | 6.00 | 5.00 | 6.00 | 17.00 | 6 |
| Incredible Hull | 3022 | Beth Higgs | 7.00 | 7.00 | 7.00 | 21.00 | 7 |

FULL RESULTS - HANDICAP

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| Name | Sail | Skipper | 1 | 2 | 3 | Total | H/Cap |
| of Boat | # |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |   | Results |
| Photron | 1519 | John Caley | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 7.00 | 1 |
| Fast Forward | 3147 | Justin Bakker | 2.00 | 6.00 | 0.75 | 8.75 | 2 |
| Jens Gem | 3152 | Luke Alexander | 6.00 | 0.75 | 4.00 | 10.75 | 3 |
| Giveway | 3029 | Simon George | 5.00 | 4.00 | 3.00 | 12.00 | 4 |
| Jackpot | 3148 | Jack Whittle | 4.00 | 3.00 | 6.00 | 13.00 | 5 |
| Incredible Hull | 3022 | Beth Higgs | 0.75 | 7.00 | 7.00 | 14.75 | 6 |
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