

St GEORGE SAILING CLUB

SKATE SECTION 2025-26 SEASON REPORT

The 25-26 season at St. George was fantastic with an even spread of spoils across multiple events. Our fleet numbers were slightly down, due mainly to various ailments and injuries.

Tim Sellars and Damien Vlotman on 981 “Any Which Way” took out the Club Championship with a super consistent performance across the season. They purchased the boat from Dave Luck, and some much needed equipment upgrades bore fruit. Congratulations Tim and Damo. I’m not sure you guys are having enough fun!



981 Any Which Way

Skate class stalwart Mick Winney, and the remarkable Emma Edwards on 971 “Take It Easy” won the season point score. The determination of these two to get around the track, no matter the conditions, is really something, and it showed in their meritorious win.

Sean Leonard, despite health challenges, had a very successful season as Skipper/Crew/Shore Manager with 986 “Last Tango” . He teamed up with his usual crew Matt Couch and former skipper Geoff “Bear” Hughes to take out the State Championships. Sean then towed the boat to Ceduna SA where WA skipper and StGSC member Gavin Caporn together with Matt Couch put on a display of raw boat speed and skill to make up for the disappointment of the previous year’s performance and win the National Championships.



977 - Take It Easy

The venerable Ray Simpson and his dynamic crew Pete Howard on 980 “Double Decker Dog” put a lot of work into their rig this season and it paid dividends with much improved boat speed. They were consistently among the leading boats all season. Go Simpzoom!

After much arm twisting the immutable Dave Luck finally succumbed to Glenn Crichton’s entreaties and the pair teamed up on 957 “Never Give n’ Inch” and went on to have a very good season. I think they surprised even themselves. An unfortunate hull structural failure punched a hole in their late season and halted their momentum to some degree. They’ll be back.

Greg Patterson and Yianni Foufas on 972 “What Now” juggled injuries, health issues and work commitments all season, but when they did hit the water, they were still a force with their usual impeccable crew work. No one does corners quite like those two.

Keith and Chris Sinton on 979 “Atomic Rat” continue to chip away at the performance gains. One could never accuse Keith of being afraid to get some carbon dust and epoxy on his hands. Always the engineer is Keith. They had a pleasing start to the season and saw some positives.



986 - Last Tango

Greg Halliday and Scottie McGuire on 976 “Burnt To the Bone” put in some early encouraging appearances but a scrape with some asphalt unfortunately saw Scottie out for the season with a torn up wrist. Hopefully they’ll be fit for next season.

St GEORGE SAILING CLUB

SKATE SECTION 2025-26 SEASON REPORT

A heartfelt thanks to the StGSC Starters and all the other selfless volunteers who give up their valuable time to enable us to flap about on a Saturday. It is so appreciated. Legends!

StGSC has a special kind of community spirit, unlike any other sailing club. It has always had different classes, geography, junior pathways and social values. In the Skate class we hope to continue our 60 year-plus relationship with StGSC and that our mutually beneficial journeys continue.

I would also like to thank Greg Halliday, whose tireless work behind the scenes, keeps the Skate class ticking over, Finally I would like to thank Shane Lackey for his unflinching advocacy for the Skate class. Shane, of all people, knows how important traditional values and sailing classes are to a community sailing club. Bravo Shane.

Regards,

Sean Leonard. Skate Class Organiser

St GEORGE SAILING CLUB

SKATE SECTION 2025-26 SEASON RESULTS

ORGANISER: Sean Leonard

SECRETARY: Greg Halliday

981 – ANY WHICH WAY

Skipper: Tim Sellars

Crew: Damien Vlotman

Club Champion

Runner Up Season Pointscore

Runner Up First Half Season Pointscore

Trophies:

- Club Champion - A.& A.C.Birdsall Perpetual Trophy
- Most Fastest Times (6) - Hayden Pauley Perpetual Trophy
- Club Championship Heat 2 (Scr) - Bob Fleming (Courser Layer) Perpetual Trophy
- Club Championship Heat 3 (Scr) - Darryl Schofield (Starters Boat) Perpetual Trophy
- Club Championship Heat 4 (Scr) – Ken Guthrie Perpetual Trophy
- Club Championship Heat 3 (Hcp) – Balaton Design Trophy
- Round the Bay Race winner

977 - TAKE IT EASY

Skipper: Michael Winney

Crew: Emma Edwards

Season Pointscore Winner

Runner Up Club Championship

First Half Season Pointscore Winner

Runner Up Second Half Season Pointscore

National Championship: 5th Place

State Championship Pointscore Winner

Runner Up State Championship

Trophies

- Season Pointscore Winner – Phil Peelgrane Perpetual Trophy
- First Half Season Pointscore Winner – John Grant Perpetual Trophy

St GEORGE SAILING CLUB

SKATE SECTION 2025-26 SEASON RESULTS

- Club Championship Heat 1 (Scr) – John Mason Perpetual Trophy
- Club Championship Heat 1 (Hcp) – Take it Easy Trophy

986 – LAST TANGO

Skipper: Sean Leonard/Gavin Caporn Crew: Matt Couch

National Champion

State Champion

Club Championship: 7th Place

Season Pointscore: 7th Place

Trophies:

- Club Championship Heat 5 (Hcp) – R&M Marine Trophy
- State Champion – Gosford Sports Club Perpetual Trophy
- State Championship – Yarra Bay Cup -Basil Wood Perpetual Trophy

980 - DOUBLE DECKER DOG

Skipper: Ray Simpson Crew: Peter Howard

Club Championship: 3rd Place

Season Pointscore: 3rd Place

National Championship: 6th Place

State Championship: 3rd Place

Trophies:

- State Championship - St George Regatta -Lackey Family Perpetual Trophy

979 - ATOMIC RAT

Skipper: Keith Sinton Crew: Chris Sinton

Club Championship: 4th Place

Season Pointscore: 4th Place

St GEORGE SAILING CLUB

SKATE SECTION 2025-26 SEASON RESULTS

State Championship: 6th Place

Trophies:

- Club Championship Heat 2 (Hcp) – R O Natrass Trophy

972 - WHAT NOW

Skipper: Greg Paterson

Crew: Yianni Foufas

Club Championship: 5th Place

Season Pointscore: 6th Place

Trophies:

- Club Championship Heat 5 (Scr) – Lorraine York Trophy
- Fastest Time – Last Race before Nationals -Ariel Trophy

957 - NEVER GIVE N INCH

Skipper: David Luck

Crew: Glenn Crichton

Club Championship: 6th Place

Season Pointscore: 5th Place

Second Half Season Pointscore Winner

Trophies:

- 2nd Half Season Pointscore Winner - Glenn Crichton Perpetual Trophy
- Club Championship Heat 4 (Hcp) – Burnt to the Bone Trophy
- Busted Boat Trophy

976 – BURNT TO THE BONE

Skipper: Greg Halliday

Crew: Scott McGuire

Season Pointscore: 8th Place

St George Sailing Club

Skate Section 2025-26 Season Results

StGSC Skates - 2025-26 - Club Championship - Scratch Results

Series Results [SCRATCH] up to Race 5 (Drops = 1)

Place	Ties	Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Series Score	Race 5	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
							28-Feb	31-Jan	13-Dec	22-Nov	25-Oct
1		981	Any Which Way	Tim Sellars	Damien Vlotman	5	[3.0]	1	1	1	2
2		977	Take It Easy	Michael Winney	Emma Edwards	11	[7.0]	4	2	4	1
3		980	Double Decker Dog	Ray Simpson	Peter Howard	12	4	3	[6.0F]	2	3
4		979	Atomic Rat	Keith Sinton	Chris Sinton	16	6	[6.0F]	3	3	4
5		972	What Now	Greg Paterson	Yianni Foufas	22	1	9.0C	6.0H	[9.0C]	6.0F
6		957	Never Give 'N Inch	Dave Luck	Glenn Crichton	25	5	2	9.0C	9.0C	[9.0C]
7		986	Last Tango	Sean Leonard	Matthew Couch	29	2	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	[9.0C]
8		976	Burnt to the Bone	Greg Halliday	Scott McGuire	36	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	[9.0C]

StGSC Skates - 2025-26 - Club Championship - Handicap Results

Series Results [HANDICAP] up to Race 5

Place	Ties	Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Series Score	Race 5	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
							28-Feb	31-Jan	13-Dec	22-Nov	25-Oct
1		981	Any Which Way	Tim Sellars	Damien Vlotman	[5.0]	3	1	2	3	
2		979	Atomic Rat	Keith Sinton	Chris Sinton	2	[6.0F]	3	1	4	
3	1.0S	977	Take It Easy	Michael Winney	Emma Edwards	[7.0]	4	2	4	1	
4		980	Double Decker Dog	Ray Simpson	Peter Howard	4	2	[6.0F]	3	2	
5		972	What Now	Greg Paterson	Yianni Foufas	3	9.0C	6.0H	[9.0C]	6.0F	
6		957	Never Give 'N Inch	Dave Luck	Glenn Crichton	6	1	9.0C	9.0C	[9.0C]	
7		986	Last Tango	Sean Leonard	Matthew Couch	1	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	[9.0C]	
8		976	Burnt to the Bone	Greg Halliday	Scott McGuire	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	[9.0C]	

**St George Sailing Club
Skate Section 2025-26 Season Results**

StGSC Skates - 2025-26 - Race 14 - 20/12/25 - Ariel Trophy (Scr)

SCRATCH results Start : 14:40

Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Fin Time	Elapsed	Score
1	972	What Now	Greg Paterson	Yianni Foufas	15:36:18	56:18:00	1
2	981	Any Which Way	Tim Sellars	Damien Voltman	15:37:25	57:25:00	2
3	977	Take It Easy	Michael Winney	Emma Edwards	15:42:54	1:02:54	3
4	980	Double Decker Dog	Ray Simpson	Peter Howard	15:45:42	1:05:42	4
5	979	Atomic Rat	Keith Sinton	Chris Sinton	15:55:19	1:15:19	5
DNC	957	Never Give 'N Inch	Dave Luck	Glenn Crichton			9
DNC	976	Burnt to the Bone	Greg Halliday	Scott McGuire			9
DNC	986	Last Tango	Sean Leonard	Matthew Couch			9

StGSC Skates - 2025-26 - Most Fastest Times

Series Results [SCRATCH] up to Race 19

Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Fastest Times	Race 19	Race 18	Race 17	Race 16	Race 15	Race 14	Race 13	Race 12	Race 11	Race 10	Race 9	Race 8	Race 7	Race 6	Race 5	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
1	981	Any Which Way	Tim Sellars	Damien Vlotman	6	2	3	1	1	1	2	1	3	1	EXC	[3.0]	EXC	1	2	[9.0C]	[7.0F]	2	EXC	EXC
	972	What Now	Greg Paterson	Yianni Foufas	3	9.0C	1	9.0C	9.0C	6.0H	1	6.0H	9.0C	9.0C	EXC	9.0C	EXC	[9.0C]	6.0F	[9.0C]	1	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
	977	Take It Easy	Michael Winney	Emma Edwards	2	4	[7.0]	4	4	3	3	2	2	[4.0]	EXC	2	EXC	3	1	1	3	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
	980	Double Decker Dog	Peter Howard	Matt Couch	2	3	4	3	3	[9.0C]	4	6.0F	[9.0C]	2	EXC	1	EXC	[6.0F]	3	2	2	1	EXC	EXC
	957	Never Give 'N Inch	David Luck	Glenn Crichton	2	1	5	2	2	6.0F	9.0C	9.0C	1	9.0C	EXC	9.0C	EXC	2	9.0C	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
	979	Atomic Rat	Keith Sinton	Chris Sinton	0	9.0C	6	[9.0C]	6.0F	2	5	3	[9.0C]	3	EXC	6.0F	EXC	6.0F	4	3	7.0F	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
	986	Last Tango	Sean Leonard	Matthew Couch	0	9.0C	2	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	EXC	4	EXC	9.0C	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	5.0F	EXC	EXC
	976	Burnt to the Bone	Greg Halliday	Scott McGuire	0	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	EXC	9.0C	EXC	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	7.0F	5.0F	EXC	EXC

St George Sailing Club
Skate Section 2025-26 Season Results

StGSC Skates - 2025-26 - Season Pointscore

Series Results [HANDICAP] up to Race 19 (Drops = 3)

Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Series Score	Race 19	Race 18	Race 17	Race 16	Race 15	Race 14	Race 13	Race 12	Race 11	Race 10	Race 9	Race 8	Race 7	Race 6	Race 5	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
1	977	Take It Easy	Michael Winney	Emma Edwards	26	2	[7.0]	1	4	3	3	2	2	[4.0]	EXC	2	EXC	3	1	1	2	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
2	981	Any Which Way	Tim Sellars	Damien Vlotman	29	4	[5.0]	4	3	1	2	1	3	1	EXC	4	EXC	1	3	[9.0C]	[7.0F]	2	EXC	EXC
3	980	Double Decker Dog	Ray Simpson	Peter Howard	33	3	4	3	2	[9.0C]	4	6.0F	[9.0C]	3	EXC	1	EXC	[6.0F]	2	3	1	1	EXC	EXC
4	979	Atomic Rat	Keith Sinton	Chris Sinton	54	9.0C	2	[9.0C]	6.0F	2	5	3	[9.0C]	2	EXC	6.0F	EXC	6.0F	4	2	7.0F	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
5	957	Never Give 'N Inch	David Luck	Glenn Crichton	64	1	6	2	1	6.0F	9.0C	9.0C	1	9.0C	EXC	9.0C	EXC	2	9.0C	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
6	972	What Now	Greg Paterson	Yianni Foufas	79	9.0C	3	9.0C	9.0C	6.0H	1	6.0H	9.0C	9.0C	EXC	9.0C	EXC	[9.0C]	6.0F	[9.0C]	3	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
7	986	Last Tango	Sean Leonard	Matthew Couch	90	9.0C	1	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	EXC	3	EXC	9.0C	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	5.0F	EXC	EXC
8	976	Burnt to the Bone	Greg Halliday	Scott McGuire	102	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	EXC	9.0C	EXC	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	7.0F	5.0F	EXC	EXC

StGSC Skates - 2025-26 - First Half Season Pointscore

Series Results [HANDICAP] up to Race 14 (Drops = 2)

Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Series Score	Race 14	Race 13	Race 12	Race 11	Race 10	Race 9	Race 8	Race 7	Race 6	Race 5	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
1	977	Take It Easy	Michael Winney	Emma Edwards	16	3	2	2	[4.0]	EXC	2	EXC	3	1	1	2	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
2	981	Any Which Way	Tim Sellars	Damien Vlotman	17	2	1	3	1	EXC	4	EXC	1	3	[9.0C]	[7.0F]	2	EXC	EXC
3	980	Double Decker Dog	Ray Simpson	Peter Howard	21	4	6.0F	[9.0C]	3	EXC	1	EXC	[6.0F]	2	3	1	1	EXC	EXC
4	979	Atomic Rat	Keith Sinton	Chris Sinton	35	5	3	[9.0C]	2	EXC	6.0F	EXC	6.0F	4	2	7.0F	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
5	972	What Now	Greg Paterson	Yianni Foufas	52	1	6.0H	9.0C	9.0C	EXC	9.0C	EXC	9	6.0F	[9.0C]	3	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
6	957	Never Give 'N Inch	David Luck	Glenn Crichton	57	9.0C	9.0C	1	9.0C	EXC	9.0C	EXC	2	9.0C	9	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	EXC	EXC
7	986	Last Tango	Sean Leonard	Matthew Couch	62	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	EXC	3	EXC	9.0C	9	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	5.0F	EXC	EXC
8	976	Burnt to the Bone	Greg Halliday	Scott McGuire	66	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	EXC	9.0C	EXC	9	[9.0C]	[9.0C]	7.0F	5.0F	EXC	EXC

StGSC Skates - 2025-26 - Second Half Season Pointscore

Series Results [HANDICAP] Races 15-19 (Drops = 1)

Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Series Score	Race 19	Race 18	Race 17	Race 16	Race 15
1	957	Never Give 'N Inch	David Luck	Glenn Crichton	10	1	6	2	1	[6.0F] Note: Tie Break - 957 has 2 x 1st, 977 has 1 x 1st
2	977	Take It Easy	Michael Winney	Emma Edwards	10	2	[7.0]	1	4	3
3	981	Any Which Way	Tim Sellars	Damien Vlotman	12	4	[5.0]	4	3	1
4	980	Double Decker Dog	Ray Simpson	Peter Howard	12	3	4	3	2	[9.0C]
5	979	Atomic Rat	Keith Sinton	Chris Sinton	19	9.0C	2	[9.0C]	6.0F	2
6	972	What Now	Greg Paterson	Yianni Foufas	27	9.0C	3	9.0C	[9.0C]	6.0H
7	986	Last Tango	Sean Leonard	Matthew Couch	28	9.0C	1	9.0C	9.0C	[9.0C]
8	976	Burnt to the Bone	Greg Halliday	Scott McGuire	36	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	9.0C	[9.0C]