

## Media Alert

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### Ports North sets sail with Cairns Yacht Club

The Cairns Yacht Club is setting a new pace this weekend with the first 2014 Dinghy Point Score series to be held in Trinity inlet. And Ports North is putting the wind in the sails.

“On Saturday we’re holding the first dinghy series in many years, and the new Pacer sails provided by the Ports North sponsorship is very welcome,” CYC Commodore John Poole said. “Our beautiful waterfront will be a sight to see when our dinghies catch the breeze.”

The sails are a result of a generous sponsorship negotiated between Ports North and immediate past Commodore Brian Dowling, who has led the charge to re-energise sailing in Cairns. The club has also received a grant to add more dinghies to its fleet and another suitable craft for people with disabilities to access.

“Sailing, like many sports, has gone through significant changes over the past 40 years as a result of technology and increased choices in the sports available within the region,” Commodore Poole said.

“This new point score series is the start of a greater sailing presence in the Port of Cairns. And the ongoing support offered by Ports North recognises the strength of the relationships between the club, the port and sailing enthusiasts.”

Ports North Chairman Brett Moller said the sponsorship was part of the organisation’s continued commitment to the Cairns community.

“Our Cairns harbour is a stunning reminder of just where we live,” Mr Moller said. “It’s a community hub, a perfect place to relax, take in the scenery, or join in with the many recreational water pursuits available.”

“The revival of a Dinghy Point Score Series which begins this weekend will add even more excitement and atmosphere to our harbour.”

“I congratulate the Cairns Yacht Club for its dedication to recreational as well as competitive sailing around our region.”

The CYC 2014 Dinghy Point Score series will begin on October 11 and finishes on December 6. The club will start rigging the pacers with their new sails from 8.30am at the Cairns Yacht club on the Marlin Marina.

**For more information on the Yacht Club dinghy series contact Scott Davis: 0410477166**  
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