

2025 Queensland State Championships

Hervey Bay Sailing Club



The Torquay Pharmacy Hervey Bay Sailing Club annual regatta incorporated the 2025 Finn Queensland State Championships.

We have been participating in this regatta for the past 4 years and because it is such a wonderful location we decided to make this our State Championships venue.

Hervey Bay is located about 3.5hours drive north of Brisbane, and is the whale watching capital. Fraser Island is the largest sand island in the world, is adjacent and separated by the Great Sandy Strait.

The waters are pristine and with a temperature of 26 degrees, swimming from the lovely smooth water sandy beaches is a must.

Back to the sailing.

There were 16 entries including Nick Kennedy from Lake Jindabyne and Rob Brown from Lake Macquarie. Although there was lots of sunshine with 30degree temps the wind was 15 gusting to 25 knots on both days which made for tough and interesting sailing, particularly with the big wind shifts.

Three races each day and the club provided separate windward leeward courses for the Finns.

Phill Chadwick started in fine form on Saturday with 2, 1, 1 followed by Larry Kleist with 1, 3, 5 and John Warlow with 5, 2, 2.

Sunday start was a little earlier at 10.30am to enable 3 races and time to pack boats and allow for presentation. Phil again dominated with 1, 1, 1 followed by Larry 2, 3, 2 and John with 5, 2, 5.

Overall results were Phil, Qld State Champion with a score of 5 points, Larry Kleist on 11 points and John Warlow on 16 points.

Presentation was on the lawn with prizes supplied by Torquay Pharmacy and the beautifully restored perpetual trophy presented to Phil. A big thanks and our gratitude to Stu Bishop, CEO Wallace Bishop Jewellers for the great work in bringing the trophy back to its pristine original condition. It will be displayed proudly in the new glass display cabinets along with the Australian trophy at RQYS.

Finn central was the fabulous Allegra Resort with its massive pool and great facilities. Many of us made a holiday by staying 5 days.

Saturday night we had dinner at Santini Restaurant & Bar attached to Allegra. 20 people attended and enjoyed great food, wine and lots of laughs.

Overall an excellent weekend of sailing and enjoying the company of the Finn family.

Results [HERE](#)

Below: Allegra Hervey Bay where most of us stayed.



