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Start of Icicle Series - Sun 8th Jan - 11.00 am

Start Afternoon Icicle Series - Wed 11th Jan - 1.30 pm

WORK PARTY 1 (A to BI) - Sat 14th Jan 9.30 am

Moscow to St Petersburg by Boat - Dick Trelfa

- Tue 17th Jan 7.30 pm

WORK PARTY 2 (Bo to C) - Sat 28th Jan - 9.30 am

WORK PARTY 3 (D to G) - Sat 4th Feb - 9.30 am

Optimist SW Coaching Sat & Sun 11th & 12th Feb

WORK PARTY 4 (O to R) - Sat 18th Feb - 9.30 am

RAF Defford Its secret war work - David Vernon

- Tue 21st Feb 7.30 pm

Powerboat Level 2 Training - Sat & Sun 25th & 26th Feb

WORK PARTY 5 (T & Z) - Sat 25th Feb

Start of Season - Sun 5th Mar - 2.00 pm

Laying Up Supper - Sat 25th Mar 7.30 pm

Commodore's contribution to New Year newsletter 2017



2016 was a milestone year for our Sailing Club. Over the last fifty years it has grown from a small group of people wanting to enjoy the sport of sailing into a significant player in the South West Region of the RYA known particularly for excellent Sail Training courses and Sailability. In addition many of our members (particularly younger ones) has gone on to achieve excellent successes on both the national and international sailing scene. As we start our second half century we should be thankful to those founding members and the many other members past and present we have given so much time and effort into making our club what it is today. Sadly many of them are no longer with us but, I am sure they would be impressed with the progress that our club has made.

During the last year we have enjoyed and celebrated our fiftieth year with many special sailing and social events. We need to thank Rhonwen James in particular, but also her team of helpers we planned, prepared for and led the events. Not forgetting all the clearing away and tidying up afterwards. We started the year without a Social Secretary and Rhonwen stepped in temporarily with lots of enthusiasm to fill that void. Not content with that she also volunteered to take over the running of the bar during the year and we must thank her and her husband Andy for their efforts in that department as well - which will continue into 2017

During the winter season so far we have had interesting talks on a variety of subjects, Ken and Rosie's Quiz evening, The Children's Christmas party and the Curry Lunch at the end of the winter series of Sunday races. The Laying Up Supper and Prizegiving which was this year held at the clubhouse proved a great success. In the Training area we have had Powerboat training courses and evening courses for Navigation which have again proved very popular.

The Wednesday afternoon "Old Gits" pursuit races have continued to attract very healthy fleets of up to 15 starters which have been supplemented by ladies of leisure and self employed members who do not qualify as "Old Gits" but are more than welcome to take part. The lake was only frozen for one of the events so the relatively mild weather has been kind to us this year.

In July the contractors finished the shell of our new Boat Shed which is the first phase of our clubhouse improvement plans. Recently the electrical installation of the new building has been professionally completed and then during the last four Thursdays an enthusiastic team very ably led by John Jordan have completed the fitting out of the building and transferred all the boats and equipment from the existing building bringing the new facility into full use. In addition to John we must thank Rob Cyphus, Les Pedrick, Dave Woodward, Mike Buckler, Malcolm Payton and John Titterton who have all been the most regular attendees and have achieved an awful lot in a short period of time. These Thursday work parties are planned to continue into the new year so anyone who can spare the time or even just a few hours on a Thursday (9.30am onwards) please come along and help. If you want to know what jobs are planned in a particular week ring either John Jordan on 01453 826613 or myself on 01452 740222

At the first meeting of the new Committee year two extra special meetings were arranged. On one 11th January will be a Development sub group tasked with deciding the next stages in our clubhouse development programme. On 18th January a meeting will be held to agree priorities for 2017 and revise our 5 year development plan. Feedback from both of these meeting in the next newsletter

Best wishes for the new year to all members

Thank you all for making FOSSC such a friendly club to belong to. Ian Cook Commodore FOSSC

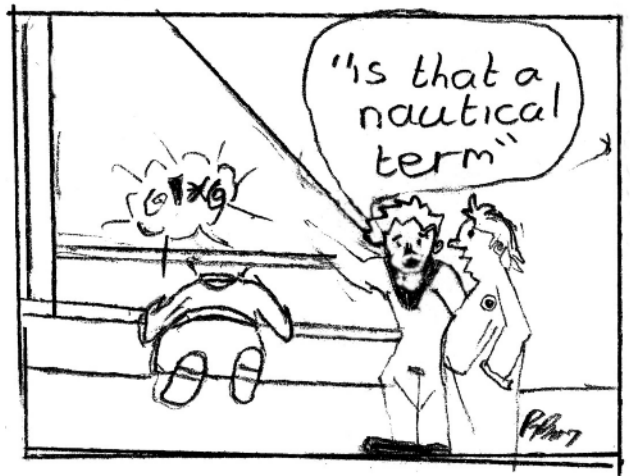
HEADHITTERS NOTES

Happy New Year everybody. The main item in this Newsletter is all about **Sail Training and Powerboat Training**. There are separate coloured form to be filled in for either the ST or the PB. There is a general consent form that needs to be filled in for each participant. If you need to send in consent forms for more than one sailor, please feel free to copy the consent form.

FRAMPTON IS STILL BUSY

Whilst for many of you this time of year is the down season with very little sailing, the club will be busy. On the first weekend of January, the South West Toppers are visiting for a weekend of training. This will be followed by two weeks of Power Boat Instructor training to make sure that we are able to train future members on the Safety Boats. In February we have Optimist SW Area Training as well as

Dinghy Instructor Training.



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DUTIES

In this Newsletter we have the duties until the end of April. The full programme will be available at the end of February.

WORK PARTIES

Look on the back page to see when you should turn up for your Work Party. Some of you will be allocated a Work Party in the Summer.

QUIZ NIGHT

Five and bit teams turned up for the Quiz on Tuesday 6th December. The running between the teams was all very close. At the end the just winning were the "Top of the Wave".



CONTACT INFORMATION

Please send your items, reports, photos, ads, etc for the Newsletter to: Ken Elsey, ken@elseyk.freemove.co.uk or send to 2, Park Brake, Highnam, Gloucester, GL2 8EJ. Please send any documents in Word or .rtf formats. **Do not include your photos or pictures with the Text, but send them separately as .jpg or similar formats.** This will reduce the time I have to spend compiling the Newsletter.

Return of the Jedi

The Day Skipper Practical

Mike Crowley, Brian Gow, Nick Hartshorn, Colin Mitchell and myself (Keith Hill) have recently completed our Day Skippers Practical (DSP) course with Storm Force Coaching Ltd, based at Shamrock Quay South Hampton. Usually the DSP is usually 5 days, but because we booked as a group Storm Force gave us a deal and we had a yacht and an instructor for 7 days/6 nights. When we made our booking little did anyone know we would break the boat, but more of that later.

The first day started 05:00 hrs when Nick Hartshorn set off and picked us all up (Thanks Nick, on behalf of myself and the rest of the crew) and drove to South Hampton. We arrived in plenty of time and had time for breakfast at the Yellow Wellie Café before going to Storm Force to meet our instructor, Howard Rogers. After a surprisingly short induction and the perquisite form filling it was off to the yacht.

The yacht a Hanse 350 named Padmé, has eight berths, is 35' long and was built in 2007. You may recognise the name as Padmé is from the Star Wars Movies. It was a name used by the Princess of Theed when in disguise. The Princess later became the Queen of Naboo and the secret wife of Anakin Skywalker. As an aside, all Storm Force boats have Star Wars themed names and I continue the theme with the title of this article.

We had hoped that we would have time to go to France but alas it was not to be. The weather was such that we could have made it to France easy enough but we may have had difficulty getting back and the time taken to do the trip could have put the DSP qualification under threat. Hence, after a vote, it was decided we would do something slightly less ambitious, so we circumnavigated the Isle of Wight instead.

The weather was variable as there were times when we were under full sail and other times we had to reef, there was only one day with no wind. There was heavy rain around but for one reason or another it avoided us most of the time. The Solent itself



is an excellent training ground with lots of traffic and you need to keep your wits about you. We used the term BFS to signify a Big Flipping Ship (or something similar) as it is amazing how a BFS can creep up on you. It also has a range of ports and anchorages each with their own navigational problems. Personally I don't think I could have asked for a better location or better weather for a training course.

It is more usual to have a mix of Day Skippers and Competent Crew training at the same time. We had 5 Day Skippers getting through the syllabus, even with the extra time the days were very long and busy. Each day started about 07:00 hrs and we would set sailing at about 09:00hrs. Lunch would be at a convenient mooring or anchorage and we would return to port about 18:00hrs. One evening we were out until 23:00 hrs in order to do the required 4 hrs night sailing.

Each day consisted of a couple of passages with us taking it in turns to do the passage planning and being Skipper. During each leg we would take time out for various lessons such as; parking (in my case pontoon bashing, only the once, honest!), anchoring, picking up buoys, man over board drill, sailing by transits, etc. I was very impressed by Roger (our instructor) as his demonstrations always made the exercise look easy. Roger also seemed to have endless patience and an ability to stay cool when we were only inches from other boats and various obstacles.

As for the sailing as we were so busy parts of the trip are a bit of blur, but there were several memorable moments.

One of the funniest was when we were beating West against wind and tide heading toward Lymington. We started at Cowes and were beating to port heading to the Mainland and we passed the EastLepe port hand mark to our port side. At the Mainland we tacked to starboard, and a while later we passed the EastLepe port hand mark to our starboard. At the Island we tacked back onto port and guess what, half way across the channel we passed the same EastLepe port hand mark to our port side again. We were not actual going anywhere. To negate the effect of the tide we decided to stay in the shallows and tacked up the mainland shore. This consisted of tacking away when the depth fell to 5 metres and back when it was 10 meters, which proved to be hard work. After a while we went to the starboard tack and headed to the Isle of White. This time we finally passed the EastLepe port hand to port, which meant we had made ground but not by a lot. Although it would have been a matter of time until the tide turned and we would have won the battle, we were not learning a lot. Hence we decided to turn around and head elsewhere.

Another memorable moment was when we sailed to Newton Creek. This is a lagoon with a narrow approach along a transit. We successfully navigated into the Creek, just had time for lunch (falling tide and we would have grounded if we stayed too long) and then headed out with the intention of going to Lymington.

It was then that the accident happened!!!!.

Unfortunately we tangled with a lobster pot that had been placed half way along the narrow Newton Creek transit. As we were dragging the lobster pot, had no engine and limited room to manoeuvre, we dropped anchor. It soon became clear that the lobster pot rope had to be cut and Howard asked for volunteers. I enquired if the volunteer would get a guaranteed DSP pass but Howard said no. There were no takers so Howard stripped off dived under the boat knife in hand. Although Howard (our hero) managed to cut us free of the lobster pot, he was unable to get all the rope from the prop shaft. At that point Lymington was off and

we headed back to Shamrock Quay completely under sail. The journey went well although it was a little slow due to a dying evening wind (I expect it was a Wednesday). Coming along-side the pontoon under sail was also interesting, but I must admit that the pontoon was long and empty, and the winds were light and gently blowing us onto the pontoon. That evening we went ashore and had an excellent meal at the Cove Restaurant (Fully recommend).

The following day the Engineers managed to lift Padmé out of the water, remove the rope, replace a seal and flush the gear box, all by lunch time and in heavy rain (For which we are very grateful). We on the other hand took the opportunity for another breakfast at the Yellow Wellie Café and a bit of revision using the radios, GPS and chart plotters.



That afternoon we sailed to Portsmouth as the first leg in circumnavigating the Isle of Wight. Nick Hartshorn had the honour of planning the passage around the Isle of Wight, back though the Needles, to Yarmouth. This meant that we needed a Westerly tide for the main part of the passage and an East tide to allow us to get through the Needles. Timing was going to be everything.

We left Portsmouth with a fair wind and localised heavy showers and it was a pleasant trip until the over-falls to the South of the Island. Nick wanted to sail around but Howard had other ideas. He said we could not go around as we would have been off the map (only just). I think he did it on purpose to see how we fared. None was sea sick, but I must admit that I felt a bit green. I suspect some of the others were in the same boat (excuse the pun) to some degree.

It was late afternoon when we reached the Needles Light House and we were in the right place when the tide turned, Nick's planning was right on the nose. As we were heading back into the Solent, we were treated to a fly-by from a WW2 Spitfire. The Sun was low on the horizon and the red tinged light illuminated the underside of the Spitfire as it banked away, over the light house. It really was a brilliant sight and it could have been a scene from the 1940's. It would have been a fantastic photograph, but everyone was busy enjoying the moment. Then the spitfire did it again!

When we reached Yarmouth, we tied to a buoy and had frying pan cooked pizza (as the oven was very slow) and other assorted bits and pieces while we waited for the Sun set. It was then off to the Hamble River for our night sailing exercise. It was a clear night with a light to moderate breeze. Even with the good visibility, it was surprising how difficult it is to pick out marks especially against background light. That is apart from the BFC, the Big Flipping Chimney (or something similar) of Fawley Power Station. That evening we were hoping to berth at Port Hamble Marina so we would be near the town so we could have an evening out.

This was not to be as they were full, so we berthed at Hamble Point Marina instead. The plan was to have something to eat locally (At the Ketch Rigger) and then get a taxi to town. We never made it to town.

Then all of a sudden it was the last day. After a sailing by transit exercise it was back to Shamrock Clear to clean the boat and disembark. Then came the customary debrief and were all relieved to have passed (Hooray!!) after which we headed home. It was about half an hour later when we received a call from Howard. It seems we had stowed Howards stuff in the van with the rest of our kit and he wanted it back.

There was one more personal memorable moment. This was when I saw a yacht called the Duet. This is the very first sailing vessel (Dinghy or Yacht) that I ever sailed on. This was 1980, when it was then owned by the Ocean Youth Club. But that is another story for another day.

Keith Hill.....

Junior Sailor in SW Topper Squad

Well done Oliver Wilcox. He has been a member for 3-4 years now. He has been through the RYA training scheme and attended many fun-filled Junior Weeks.

Oliver has just been selected for the RYA South West Topper Zone Squad and the ITCA Topper 4.2 UK Squad. He is middle row far left in this 4.2 Squad picture below. The picture was taken at the Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy. He is very excited to be apart of two squads but equally proud of his roots wearing his FOSSC jumper to many events. He even got jumpers for his grandparents as they form part of his support crew!!

Shelley Allen





LAYING UP SUPPER

Photos by Andy James & Ken Elsey



JOHN SANGWIN TROPHY BOXING DAY

Ten boats made the Boxing Day trip from the boat park to the lake for this year's John Sangwin trophy. The weather did not initially look very promising but the very light breeze built and remained consistent in strength and direction throughout, and the sun shone.

In the lead from start to finish was Phil White in his Aero. He was also first overall on time, much to the delight of Jo! He was tailed by Bill and Ben the Gribbles - sadly Ben's fighting weight was not as fine-tuned as Phil's, and they lost ground on each of the 5 laps but still finished 2nd on the water and time.

It took John Jordan about a lap to get his Solo to front of the following pack. Behind him, places 4 - 7 on the water were ever changing between the other Solos (Jim Bennett and Malcolm Payton) and Lasers (Andy Croft and John Boothman) with Andy Tully's Mirror never far behind.

A special mention for Charlie Barrett in his Oppy which he drove round the course in a respectable time slowed only by having to wait for his Mum to keep up in her British Moth - Charlie obviously understands the event rules better than most and avoided a top 4 finish! Next year's duties will be shared by:

- 1 Phil White
 - 2 Bill Gribble (Ben on Bar/Galley!)
 - 3 John Jordan
 - 4 John Boothman
- Tony Williams



Photos by Keith Hill and Roger Gribble.

True Grit Trophy - New Year's Day

7 boats turned out on blustery cold New Years Day. Of the 7 starters, only 3 boats completed the course, with a broken mast and several capsizes the causes of the retirements.

Results

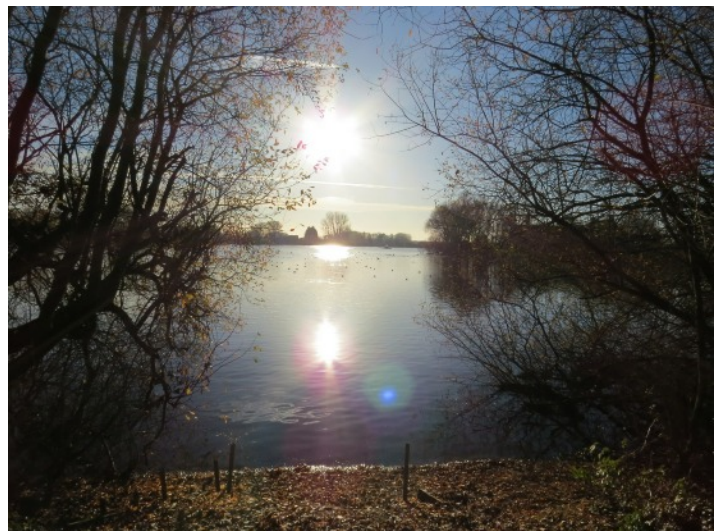
1 st	Enterprise 22975	Phil Kirk and Harry Palmer
2 nd	Enterprise 21870	Bill Gribble and Ben Gribble
3 rd	Laser Radial 168039	Jon Barrance
RET	Laser Radial 197747	Nick Williams
RET	Enterprise Ent18	Nicola Barrett and Hannah Green
RET	RS Aero 9	Phil White
RET	Laser 172688	Les Pedrick

Relaxing in the bar after the race it was noticeable that no beer or cider was sold, but only non-alcoholic Ginger Beer. I wonder why?

Reuben cycled down to the club to have a look. I think that the last time he visited the club was in the middle of Summer or why else was he wearing shorts! There are more photos on the club Facebook page! <http://www.facebook.com/groups/fossc>

Ken Elsey





Sail Training 2017

Welcome to Sail Training 2017, enclosed with this newsletter you will find your Application Form to apply for the sail training courses and an Activity Consent Form.

We hope to be running, subject to demand, the full range courses again this year; brief descriptions of each course are below. Please take note of the dates of your selected course, you are expected to attend all dates listed.

After sail training there will be opportunities to continue sailing on Friday evenings (Social Sailing) with the support of experienced sailors and instructors. These evenings are free to members, you are able to use club boats and will improve your sailing skills and hopefully your sailing experience. Watch the club sailing programme/website for details.

For security you will see that the Application form is printed on coloured paper, photo-copies will not be accepted, so do not pass onto friends because the courses are only available to Club members only.

You will also find a Confidential Activity Consent form, (these can be copied) and should be completed for each applicant (parents/guardians to sign for those under 21).

You will see that we are requesting you tell us how much sailing you have done since the last sail training course you attended. We are finding that members are requesting to do follow up courses without having gained any sailing experience since the last course. Clearly to gain any benefit from the next course you should have consolidated the skills you learnt on the previous course before moving on.

Everyone involved on a sail training course agrees to take part in either rescue boat or galley duties during the courses. The adults will cover the Youth course dates and the parents of Youth applicants will cover the Adult courses.

The rescue boat duty will only involve you as an assistant unless you hold the RYA PB2 qualification, if you are qualified (RYA PB 2) please make a note on your application form. Sail Training is run on purely a voluntary basis, the duties being part of it, failure to attend lets everyone else down and puts an extra burden on those who do turn up.

Completed application forms should be sent to Mark Barrett (address on form) with a cheque made payable to FoSSC for the correct fee. On receipt you will receive an email acknowledgement; *please write your email address legibly!* (If you don't receive an acknowledgement within a week or 10 days let me know)

The Beginners courses will use the club boats; applications for the use of a club Topper or Optimist should be made at this time. 6 Optimists and 6 Toppers are available for first timers on these courses. One boat per family in the first instance, first come first served. The Club reserves the right to allocate boats to the most suited candidates.

The closing date for all courses is four weeks before the starting date. After the closing date you will receive confirmation if you have been accepted on the course together with joining instructions.

The courses we plan to run are as follows:

RYA National Sailing Scheme (NSS) Level 2 - Beginners (Saturdays 10am - 5 pm)

Cost:- £100.00

Boats Club Gulls or Wanderers

The Adult beginners course - no experience necessary. The ideal way to learn the essentials of sailing. By the end of the course you will be confident enough to sail in moderate wind conditions and enjoy all facilities of the Club to the full.

RYA NSS Level 3 - Better sailing (Saturdays 10am - 5 pm)

Cost £100.00 for Adults, £70.00 for Juniors (under 17)

Boats Students own 2 person boats or Club Gulls and Wanderers

Expected Places 6

This course is designed for the holders of NSS level 2 or Youth Stage 3 or 4 who have done some sailing since the award of the certificate, ideally about 30 hours sailing. The aim is to improve and add to your skills, become more self-reliant and be able to make seaman-like decisions in moderate conditions.

Racing Training (5 Saturdays 10am - 5pm, then 2 Sunday mornings 10am - 1pm)

Cost:- Adults £100 Juniors (17 and under) £70

Boats Students own or the clubs 6 Toppers, possibly Laser Radials or 4.7

Expected Places 12

The racing course. - All you need to know to enable you to take part in and enjoy Club Racing. Even if you don't intend to race, it will enhance your overall sailing skills. You should already be able to sail at a good Level 2 standard. Racing on two Sundays forms part of the course

RYA Youth Sailing Scheme (YSS) Stage 2 (Saturdays 10am - 5 pm,)

Cost:- £70

Boats Club Gulls or Wanderers

Expected Places 16

The Junior beginners course - with no experience necessary, this is the ideal way to learn the essentials of sailing. Sailors should ideally be 10 years old and confident in water. By the end of the course you will be confident enough to sail in moderate conditions and enjoy all facilities of the Club to the full.

RYA YSS Stage 3 (Saturdays 10am - 5 pm)

Cost:- £70

Boats Students own Topper or Club Toppers.

Expected Places 16 - however only 6 Club Toppers are available.

This course is designed for the holders of Level 2 and who have done some sailing since the award of the certificate. The aim is to improve and add to their skills sailing Toppers, and have an insight to racing and be able to make seaman-like decisions in moderate conditions.

RYA YSS Stage 4 (Saturdays 10am - 5 pm)

Cost:- £70
 Boats Club RS Fevas.
 Expected Places 8

This course is designed for the holders of Stage 2 and who have done some sailing since the award of the certificate. The aim is to improve and add to their skills in 2 person boats, and sail a performance boat and become more self-reliant and be able to make seaman-like decisions in moderate conditions.

Please note that Stage 3 and Stage 4 are broadly equivalent but that Stage 4 must be sailed in two person boats. The Young Sailors Logbook explains the details and differences.

Optimist Course - International Optimist Class Association (IOCA) Grade 1(Sunday mornings)

Cost:- £60
 Boat Students own Optimists, 6 Club Optimists available. (First come, first served)
 Places 6+

The course is an informal introduction to sailing using the IOCA scheme. Sailors should be at least 7 years old. This course is aimed to bring the very young sailor up through the IOCA sailing system. By the end of the course it is hoped to award an IOCA Stage certificate to all successful candidates depending on the level of skill achieved.

Handicapped Sailing

The Club is also a recognised Sailability establishment and has eight Access sailing dinghies in addition to the Wanderers, which can be rigged for sailors with disabilities.

Winter Evening Social Programme

Tuesday 17th January 7.30 pm

Moscow to St Petersburg by Boat - Dick Trelfa

Tuesday 21st February 7.30 pm

RAF Defford Its secret work during the war and
 development of Automatic Landing Systems - David Vernon

Wednesday 22nd March 7.30 pm

Shackleton Part 2 - David Fletcher

Powerboat Training 2017 free to members

The powerboat courses consist of a combination of theory and practical sessions with the emphasis being on practical handling of our powerboats. Each course takes place over two days however if you have considerable powerboating experience already please get in touch to discuss. Our powerboat instructors will guide you through everything you need to know in order to prepare and operate a small powerboat safely. After successful completion of the Powerboat Level 2 course it is hoped that you will progress to the safety boat course which will develop your skills further.

In addition we also offer a half day instruction. This is to give those members who'd like a refresher or who are experienced power boaters, but are unfamiliar with our boats, the opportunity to spend some time re-visiting the basics. This can be arranged on mutually convenient Sunday mornings. To enrol for these, please contact our bosun, Malcolm Payton.

This year the RYA Powerboat Level 2 course takes place on Sat 25th and Sun 26th February and a second course later in the year on Sat 11th and Sat 18th November. These courses are ideal for those who'd like to learn to operate a small power boat safely. Under 16s interested in learning to drive a powerboat please email or phone Patricia Bennett before applying.

In addition we run the Safety Boat course which will take place on Saturdays 7th and 14th October. This course is for holders of the Powerboat Level 2 certificate, any sailing instructors who'd like to attain the safety boat certificate, also for those who may have considerable powerboating experience already and would like to further enhance or update those skills. Minimum age 16.



Our aim is to maintain a high standard of safety at our club and beyond. Therefore we provide these courses free to members. You will be given a pack which includes the relevant RYA booklet, Powerboating Logbook if you don't already have one and on successful completion of the course, your certificate. The only thing we ask in return is that you help very occasionally with safety cover during sail training.

To apply please complete the FOSSC Powerboat Training Application Form 2017 and return to either Mark Barrett at the address on the Sail Training Form or to Patricia Bennett, Old Orchard House, 7A Springhill, Upper Cam, Dursley, Glos, GL11 5PE. In addition please complete the Confidential Activity Consent Form (Powerboat) and enclose a passport size photo with your name written on the back.

Closing date will be when all places are filled. Number of places depends on availability of instructors.

Patricia Bennett

LASER OPEN

Rank	Fleet	Division	SailNo	Club	HelmName	R1	R2	R3	R4	Nett
1st			209835	Bartley	Edward Higson	(4.0)	1.0	2.0	1.0	4.0
2nd			211320	GWSC	Daniel Wigmore	(6.0)	2.0	3.0	2.0	7.0
3rd		Youth	210631	Tobermory	Benjamin-Timothy Flower	3.0	3.0	(4.0)	3.0	9.0
4th		Master	211009	Bartley	John Ling	5.0	(8.0)	1.0	4.0	10.0
5th		Master	209834	West Riding	Tim Keighley	2.0	4.0	(5.0)	5.0	11.0
6th		Master	210617	Bartley	Jeremy Higson	(13.0)	6.0	6.0	8.0	20.0
7th		Grand Master	209870	Papercourt	Richard Lymposs	10.0	5.0	(11.0)	7.0	22.0
8th		Youth	146085	Cotswold	Hugo Hanson	9.0	(10.0)	7.0	9.0	25
9th		Master	209190	Bartley	Robin Pitt	(15.0)	13.0	9.0	6.0	28.0
10th		Youth	80085	Cotswold	Dougie White	8.0	(12.0)	8.0	12.0	28.0
11th			136159	FOSSC	Steve Jones	1.0	7.0	(22.0 DNS)	22.0 DNS	30.0
12th	Radial	Youth	196523	Whitefriars	Will Hopes	11.0	9.0	(12.0)	10.0	30
13th		Grand Master	208207	Bartley	Michael Parker	(14.0)	11.0	10.0	14.0	35.0
14th		Grand Master	201013	Bowmoor	Neil Crosby	12.0	(22.0 DNF)	14.0	11.0	37.0
15th		Grand Master	207731	FOSSC	Pete Roberts	(16.0)	14.0	13.0	13.0	40.0
16th			210404	Starcross	Greg Bartlett	7.0	(22.0 DNF)	15.0	22.0 DNF	44.0
17th	Radial	Great Grand Master	168039	FOSSC	Jon Barrance	(18.0)	16.0	17.0	15.0	48.0
18th		Grand Master	191135	FOSSC	John Rosser	20.0	15.0	16.0	(22.0 DNS)	51.0
19th		Grand Master	196026	FOSSC	Mike Crowley	17.0	(22.0 DNF)	18.0	22.0 DNS	57.0
20th			147276		Toby Hubbard	19.0	(22.0 DNF)	19.0	22.0 DNS	60.0
21st	Radial	Grand Master	ORK4	FOSSC	John Boothman	21.0	(22.0 DNF)	22.0 DNS	22.0 DNS	65.0





Phil Kirk and his team set a challenging course in the gusty north wind. There were 21 competitors with several coming from local clubs and a few from Bartley SC. Amongst those from Bartley was a 6 foot plus Ed Higson who last sailed at Frampton in his Topper. Ed has continue to progress his sailing and is now considering whether to try for the next Olympics. Steve Jones have a good mornings sail, but was unable to continue on the afternoon. Ed won the event with 2 x 1st and a 2nd. His father Jeremy came 6th overall.

Notice to all members - Using the Galley

If you use the galley as a duty or if you're hosting a function (training day/weekend or open event), please can you log the details in the Health & Safety Folder, which is on the shelf next to the tea/coffee cupboard.

All you need to do is log what you have used the kitchen for, whether it's been left clean and if there are any problems that need reporting.

It's important this folder is maintained by all members when using the galley for functions as it forms part of our Health & Safety check.

Thank you.

Any questions, please contact Kate Hartshorn at hartshornkatie@yahoo.co.uk

Great Sadness

Sadly I have to inform you that one of our Sailability Members, Virginia Farmiloe has died aged 48.

Virginia lived at Forest Way Care Home, Minsterworth and was a member for several years. For the whole time she was confined to a wheelchair and improvement to her experience of the club was one of the reasons for me to raise the funds to purchase the Wheelyboat.

Her funeral took place on Wednesday 4th at St Georges Church Tuffley

David

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Your Treasurer is sinking!

Your Treasurer has to study and make sense of the club's monthly bank statement. Money spent and leaving the account is easy, because I have control of what is spent.

But often it is a complete mystery why money has appeared in the FOSSC bank account!

Where has the money come from, what is it for, who has paid it in and why? So, please please please, if you are paying money into the FOSSC bank account, tell me you are doing so - email me at stevehawkins472@btinternet.com. As a minimum, please add a meaningful transaction reference to the payment into the bank.

Thank you, Steve Hawkins, FOSSC Treasurer

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Month	Date	Day	Event	Start Time	OOD	AOD	Rescue	Rescue 2	Galley/Bar
Jan	1	Sun	True Grit Trophy	11:00	Hannah Callen	Ian Cook	Paul Dix	Mike Crowley	
Jan	7	Sat	Topper SW Zone Squad Training	08:30					
Jan	8	Sun	Topper SW Zone Squad Training	08:30					
Jan	8	Sun	Icicle Series 1	11:00					
Jan	11	Wed	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 1	13:30					
Jan	14	Sat	WORK PARTY (Surnames A to B)	09:30					
Jan	14		Powerboat Instructor Training - Day 1	09:30					
Jan	15	Sun	Powerboat Instructor Training - Day 2	09:30					
Jan	15		Icicle Series 2	11:00					
Jan	18	Wed	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 2	13:30					
Jan	21	Sat	Powerboat Instructor Training - Day 3	09:30					
Jan	22	Sun	Powerboat Instructor Training - Day 4	09:30					
Jan	22		Icicle Series 3	11:00					
Jan	25	Wed	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 3	13:30					
Jan	28	Sat	WORK PARTY (Surnames Bo to C)	09:30					
Jan	29	Sun	FIRST AID TRAINING	10:00					
Jan	29		Icicle Series 4	11:00					

Month	Date	Day	Event	Start Time
Feb	1	Wed	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 4	13:30
Feb	4	Sat	WORK PARTY (Surnames (D to G)	09:30
Feb	4		Dinghy Instructor Training - Pre-Assessment	09:30
Feb	5	Sun	FIRST AID TRAINING	10:00
Feb	5		Icicle Series 5	11:00
Feb	8	Wed	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 5	13:30
Feb	11	Sat	Optimist SW Coaching	09:30
Feb	11		Dinghy Instructor Training (Day 1)	09:30
Feb	12	Sun	Optimist SW Coaching	09:00
Feb	12		Dinghy Instructor Training (Day 2)	09:30
Feb	15	Wed	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 6	13:30



Galley/Bar

Apr	2	Sun	Spring Pursuit 4	14:00	Keith Hill	David Carter	Chris Lamb	John Firth	Shaun Garley
Apr	2		Spring Class 4	15:45	Keith Hill	David Carter	Chris Lamb	John Firth	Shaun Garley
Apr	5	Wed	Wednesday Afternoon Spring Series 1	16:00					
Apr	5		Wednesday Spring Series 1	18:30	Pete Roberts	Laura Honey	Graham Rolfe	Hywel Moss	Colin John
Apr	8	Sat	Sailability	09:30					
Apr	8		Adult S T Level 1&2 + Better Sailing (Week 2)	09:30					
Apr	9	Sun	Canada Cup - Handicap	12:00	Phil White	Eric Ison	Nick Fox	Paul Elder	Pablo Garrido
Apr	9		Canada Cup - Pursuit	14:00	Phil White	Eric Ison	Nick Fox	Paul Elder	Pablo Garrido
Apr	9		Canada Cup - Handicap	15:45	Phil White	Eric Ison	Nick Fox	Paul Elder	Pablo Garrido
Apr	19	Wed	Wednesday Afternoon Spring Series 2	16:00					
Apr	12		Wednesday Spring Series 2	18:30	Bruce Richard-son	James Noott	Gordon Rice	Steven Ring	Jonathan Webb
Apr	15	Sat	Sailability	09:30					
Apr	16	Sun	Spring Pursuit 5	14:00	Phil Kirk	Hannah Callen	Paul Coomber	Chris Dicks	Pat Gilbert
Apr	16		Spring Class 5	15:45	Phil Kirk	Hannah Callen	Paul Coomber	Chris Dicks	Pat Gilbert
Apr	19	Wed	Sailability Open	11:00	David Green-field	Geoff Cox			
Apr	19		Wednesday Spring Series 3	18:30	Roger Allan	Henry Beck	Amanda Bradbury	Keith Clausen	David Benjamin
Apr	22	Sat							
Apr	22		Sailability	09:30					
Apr	22		Adult S T Level 1&2 + Better Sailing (Week 3)	09:30					
Apr	23	Sun	Spring Pursuit 6	14:00	Roger Witts	Adrian Gingell	James Brine	Kevin Benn	Adam Blaxhill
Apr	23		Spring Class 6	15:45	Roger Witts	Adrian Gingell	James Brine	Kevin Benn	Adam Blaxhill
Apr	26	Wed	Wednesday Afternoon Spring Series 3	16:00					
Apr	26		Wednesday Spring Series 4	18:30	Roger Appleby	John Rosser	Adam Dix	Nicholas Evans	Tony Emery
Apr	29	Sat	Sailability	09:30					
Apr	29		Adult Sail Training Level 1&2 (Week 4)	09:30					
Apr	30	Sat	Adult Better Sailing (Week 4)	09:30					
Apr	30	Sun	Concorde Cup - Handicap	12:00	Sue Beynon	Geoff Cox	Martyn Cartwright	Paul Howell	Jan Lilley
Apr	30		Concorde Cup - Pursuit	14:00	Sue Beynon	Geoff Cox	Martyn Cartwright	Paul Howell	Jan Lilley
Apr	30		Concorde Cup - Handicap	15:45	Sue Beynon	Geoff Cox	Martyn Cartwright	Paul Howell	Jan Lilley

Happy New Year!

I took over as the new social secretary at the recent AGM and am happy to report that I have the first social event under my belt.

Sixteen children of varying ages enjoyed a three hour Christmas party at the club on Saturday 17th December. Craft activities included card, snowflake, bookmark, badge, Christmas tree and placemat making as well as biscuit decorating. All activities proved popular with both children and adults!

The children enjoyed a 'bring and share' lunch and then a visit from Santa, who arrived by powerboat.

Special thanks to **Hazel Benn** who organised and prepared the craft activities and to all the parents who stayed and helped with the clearing up.

The next social event is the **Fitting out Supper**, which is scheduled for 7:30pm on **Saturday 25th March**.

This will be an informal two course supper at the club, with food hopefully provided by Mrs Massey. The menu will be confirmed nearer the time.

Please register your interest by emailing staceyjbeck@gmail.com so I can get an idea of numbers.

If anyone would like to offer their services for a social event please get in touch as I will need lots of help throughout the year.

Stacey



SUMMER/AUTUMN WORK PARTIES

Surname	Date
H to Hi	Sat 13th May
Ho to Ja	Sat 8th July
Jo to K	Sat 9th Sept
L to Ma	Sat 7th Oct
Mc to N	Sat 11th Nov

These work parties are designed to keep the club site neat and tidy through out the Summer with mainly grass cutting and keeping borders tidy. There might be other jobs such as painting, which can only be carried out in the warmer weather. Look out just before your work party for an email suggesting tools for specific jobs.

The club will publish an excel list of all nearer time of the work parties to indicate what work needs to be carried out on those days. The list will be sent out by email and put on the club website.

The Yearbook, Newsletter and Berthing stickers will most probably be packed during the Work Party Sat 25th February, ready for members to collect.



WORK PARTIES 2017

There going to be 5 major winter work parties this year, plus several Summer Work Parties to keep the club neat and tidy throughout the year. The 6 Summer Work Parties have more members allocated for duties than last Year as we have to prepare for the 50th Anniversary and hope to begin work on phase 1 of the building.

Surname	Date
A to BI	Sat 14 th January
Bo to C	Sat 28 th January
D to G	Sat 4 th February
O to R	Sat 18 th February
T to Z	Sat 25 th February
	SUMMER/AUTUMN WORK PARTIES (see inside page)

Work Parties start at 9.30am. Hot drinks will be provided, but you will need to bring your own packed lunch.

If you can't make one full day, 2 half days will still qualify. If you can't make the day suggested above, don't worry and come another day. The work parties will last until the jobs for the day has been completed. Make certain that when you arrive at the club, you look for the "job allocator" and sign off on the attendance register. If you cannot make a one of those days, please contact a committee member so that a week time job can be given.

Please bring a range of tools as per jobs on previous pages.

On Saturdayrd January work will start on pollarding & coppicing so bring suitable hand tools. Also if you have a chain saw and are certificated and have suitable safety equipment. The grass around the rows and berths will be cut to help in assessing the berths. Other outside jobs involve renovating the hut and repairing the jetties.

If you have boat skills, the Bosun and the Sail Training team will be doing lots of work on the club fleet of boats.

Inside the club the are the normal cleaning and repairing jobs, plus painting and specific installation work.