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Topper SW Zone Training Weekend Sat 16th & Sun 17th January

A Race without Equal - Nigel Owen - Thurs 21st January

Talk on the Clipper Round the World Race

WORK PARTY 1 - Sat 23rd January

WORK PARTY 2 - Sat 30th January

WORK PARTY 3 - Sat 6th February

Optimist SW Coaching Sat 13th & Sun 14th February

WORK PARTY 4 - Sat 20th February

WORK PARTY 5 - Sat 27th February

Powerboat level 2 Session 1 - Sat 27th February

START OF SEASON - Sun 6th March

Powerboat level 2 Session 2 - Sat 12th March

West Country Breweries - Sun 20th March

Golden Goose Egg Hunt - Easter Sun 27th March

Start of Adult Sail Training - Sat 2nd April

Frampton on Severn Sailing Club - 50th Anniversary

FOSSC Newsletter January 2016

Commodore's contribution

A very happy new year to all members.

By the time you read this the club will have held the first celebratory event of our 50th anniversary year on 1st January after the True Grit Trophy race. For a provisional list of other events during the year see elsewhere in this newsletter. Thanks go to Rhonwen James (Bryce) who is leading the team who are planning these events. In addition all our other activities such as Open meetings or regular



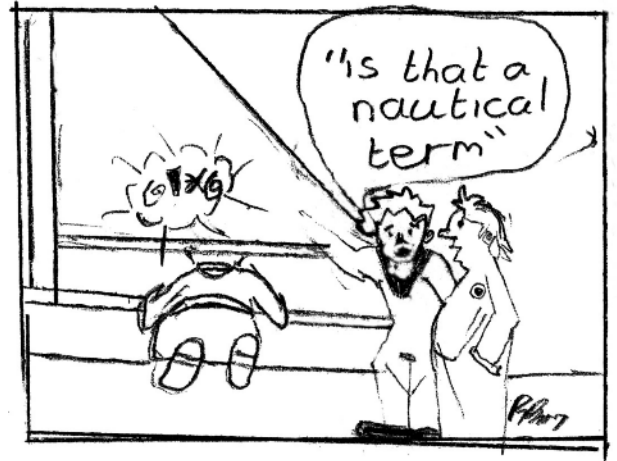
Social events will be re-named "The Frampton on Severn 50th Anniversary --- Open Meeting". With all the strong winds and bad weather recently it is a pity that some of the rain falling elsewhere in the country could not have filled up our lake which is still well down on where we would like it to be for water level. Hopefully during the remainder of the winter and spring the lake will fill up and enable us to get through the summer sailing season without the problems of excessive weed growth and shallow water areas which caused us problems in 2015.

On 30th July we will be celebrating our 50 years of existence and hope to have 100 or more people for a special evening in a large marquee in the grounds of the clubhouse. Already we have booking commitments to three tables of ten but these are from non current members and I would like to suggest that members get together and book not individual tickets but tables if they can. Perhaps I can suggest that groups form tables as Classes (Laser, Solo, Handicap, Moths, Optimist parents etc etc), as interest groups (Sail Trainers, Sailability, Social sailors, Old Gits etc etc) or as family groups. Two of the tables already booked are from extended families who have previously been active members of the club. In addition we will be extending invitations to other clubs and organisations in the village to form a table and come to celebrate with us. Please let us have an early indication of attendance (even if it is provisional at this stage) and if needed we can get more tables or even a bigger marquee if bookings are better than our target of 100 people.

Linked to our celebrations there are two other initiatives taking place which members can contribute towards. Ken Elsey is collecting photographs of club events and activities over the last 50 years and would like to borrow from you any suitable photographs you can supply for him to copy and then return to you. As some of you may know we already have a publication of "a History of Frampton on Severn Sailing Club" but it finishes at 1996 at the moment. I am looking at the last 20 years to bring it up to date by looking through yearbooks and newsletters from that period, but any further contributions or anecdotes from members will be gratefully received. I am hoping to introduce illustrations to make the final version more interesting and readable. I am also considering items such as brief descriptions of some of the notable club characters over the years and also a "where are they now" section for as many of the Junior sailors mentioned over the years - some of our Facebook users may be able to help me with research for that. *(Continued on Page 4)*

HEADHITTERS NOTES

Welcome to the 50th Anniversary season of Frampton on Severn Sailing Club. In this edition are the Sail Training Forms and information on the courses. Make certain you read the instructions carefully before sending off forms. This Newsletter also contains information on the 50th Anniversary Celebration events this year. Rhonwen has put together a centre spread which can be removed and pinned to your notice board, so don't miss out on what is happening!



Locking the Gate

Several members haven't read and understood the new method of locking the gate. The padlocks on the gate should be daisy chained so that either of the locks can be opened. See photo for the way of locking the gate. When locked incorrectly other members or the allowed fishermen have been locked out from the club.



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QUIZ NIGHT

7½ teams turned up for mind numbing annual quiz. There were 10 question rounds, plus 2 table rounds. The table rounds were images of personalities that had a name related to Christmas and a round on numbers. In there there were photos to recognise such as Jesus Navas and Mary Berry. In the numbers round you had to supply to words to the initials, such as 24 H to T and 1 FOTCN. Overcoming these obstacles were last years winners, "Bees Lees". In second place were "15 Whats" only just ½ point ahead of "Wishful Thinkers". Half way through we had a Ploughmans put together by Penny.



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.

We are also preparing a list of past members and other persons / organisations to invite to attend. Contacting past members may not be easy if we have no current address or E mail so it would be a great help if members can make a note of any past members and their contact details and copy them to me please to help with the task of spreading the word. If you know past members and are still in touch please give them the date to put in their diaries - Saturday 30th July.

A short update for members on development progress. After obtaining prices for the first phase of our proposed development work (The Boat Storage Shed), one of which was a particularly keen price much below the estimated cost, the last Main Committee decided that we should go ahead and pay for the first phase out of existing club funds and at the same time bid for grants for subsequent phases. This recommendation will be subject to members approval at a special general meeting to be called early in the new year and I urge all members to attend and support this proposal. The main advantage of this approach is that we will hopefully have the first phase finished by the start of the summer sailing season 2016 and gain a complete year on timings as suggested at the AGM. The special meeting we will also need to pass some rule changes needed as a consequence of the new Lease.

I do hope this special milestone 50th year in the life of the Club is an enjoyable one. Members will notice special banners to publicise the year but we are also looking into purchasing flags, bunting , clothing, boat stickers, car stickers all of which should boost awareness both within the club and in the local community as well. There is lots to do, so anyone willing to help please contact Rhonwen or myself as we would love to harness your enthusiasm.

Row2Rio 2016

I have been contacted by a local girl from Quedgeley in Gloucester Mel Parker who is part of a mixed team of four who are planning to travel from the site of the London Olympics to the new Olympic site in Rio 2016 by human power alone. They will be setting off from London and cycling to Lagos in southern Portugal before rowing across the Atlantic to north Brazil then getting back onto bikes to cycle to Rio. They have bikes and the boat but are looking to borrow or hire some of the other equipment they need such as :- Lifejackets x 4 (higher newton rating), Epirb, PLB, Foul Weather gear, VHF hand held radio, immersion suits, Portable gas cooking system (e.g. jetboil). I am trying to arrange for Mel to come and talk to us at the club before they set off on their five month trip and have said that club individuals might sponsor their efforts as they are raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support. If anyone can help with any of the items listed above please let me know. For further information see www.row2rio2016.co.uk and find them on Facebook or Twitter. You can also contact Mel direct at mel@row2rio2016.co.uk.

Let's hope we all have a great 2016 the 50th Anniversary Year of Frampton on Severn Sailing Club

Ian Cook

Commodore

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Sail Training 2016

Welcome to Sail Training 2016, 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.

We produce a duty rota for Rescue Boat/Galley and everyone on sail training agrees to take part. 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, it has been decided for safety reasons that the rescue helm will be Powerboat 2 qualified, 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 rescue/tea rota 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)

Course Dates :- 2/4, 9/4, 16/4, 23/4, 30/4, 7/5

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)

Course Dates :- 2/4, 9/4, 16/4, 23/4, 30/4, 7/5

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)

Course Dates:- 2/4, 9/4, 16/4, 23/4, 30/4, 8/5, 15/5

Cost:- Adults £100 Juniors (Under 17) £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 the two Sundays listed forms part of the course

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

Course Dates:- 4/6, 11/6, 18/6, 25/6, 2/7, 9/7

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)

Course Dates:- 4/6, 11/6, 18/6, 25/6, 2/7, 9/7

Cost:- £70

Boats Students own Topper or Club Toppers.

Expected Places 16 - however only 6 Club Toppers are available. Allocation of Club Toppers will be at the discretion of the Instructors.

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)

Course Dates:- 4/6, 11/6, 18/6, 25/6, 2/7, 9/7

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)

Course Dates:- 1/5, 8/5, 15/5, 22/5, 5/6, 12/6, 19/6, 26/6

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.

Solo fleet update, January 2016

First of all I would like to wish all club members a Happy New Year.

We start 2016 with a very healthy and growing Solo fleet, comprising 33 boats which is one of the largest in the South West region.

The new year brings a brand new look to the Solo Association website where you can find a wealth of information on our class, including boats and equipment for sale. It will take a few weeks to iron out the wrinkles but the new site is a big improvement on the old. The website address remains the same but you may need to erase your browser history to reach it at www.solosailing.org.uk

Speaking of websites, can I draw your attention to the Solo page in our club website which I have updated with the local Solo events for 2016 and a few links to tuning guides etc. Please have a look and let me know if you feel any additional information should be added.

<http://www.fossc.org.uk/classes/solo.html>

You will see from the events list that there are two training evenings in May where Ken Elsey has kindly offered to provide training on setting up the boat and some basic manoeuvres. The second session will be a continuation, not a repeat, of the first. Please contact me to let me know if you are interested in attending these training sessions. If there is a positive response to this training I will endeavour to organise more later in the year.

I appreciate that not everyone likes to participate in club racing, but with our large fleet I look forward to seeing a significant number of Solo entries in the coming months. It would be great to have more fleet specific activities and to see a higher level of participation in the main event, our Solo open event on Sunday September 25th.

Your feedback on any aspect of the Solo fleet at Frampton would be very much appreciated and I look forward to seeing you at the Club but better still, on the water!

Brian Gow
Solo Fleet Captain

Stop Press:- The Solo Class Association has just up dated its website
<http://www.solosailing.org.uk>

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Results from the New Years Day 50th Anniversary True Grit Trophy

Rank	Class	SailNo	HelmName	CrewName	PY	1st Jan 2016	Nett
1st	TOPPER	44341	Hannah Callen		1322	1.0	1.0
2nd	SOLO	5171	Ian Cook		1146	2.0	2.0
3rd	SOLO	3929	Paul Dix		1146	3.0	3.0
4th	LASER	75018	Mike Crowley		1088	4	4.0
5th	RS AERO 7	1135	Phil White		1065	5.0	5.0
6th	SOLO	5351	Keith Hill		1146	6.0	6.0
7th	ENTERPRISE	18	Mark	Nicola Barrett	1115	7.0	7.0
8th	LASER RADIAL	135555	Andrew Croft		1122	8.0	8.0
9th	Topper 4.2	46109	Patricia Bennett		1329	9.0	9.0
10th	OPTIMIST	3650	Edward Baker		1658	10.0	10.0
11th	BYTE CII	2631	Sarah Kirk		1150	11	11.0
12th	LASER	117442	Charlie Baker		1088	12	12.0
13th	Topper 4.2	44356	Sue Beynon		1329	13	13.0
14th	LASER RADIAL	ORK4	John Boothman		1122	14.0	14.0
15th	ENTERPRISE	15678	Charles Cutts	Anna Seal	1115	15.0	15.0
16th	SOLO	4892	Jim Bennett		1146	16.0	16.0
17th	LASER	167687	Henry Beck		1088	17.0	17.0
18th	LASER RADIAL	154690	Pete Roberts		1122	20.0 RET	20.0
18th	SOLO	4168	John Jordan		1146	20.0 RET	20.0



Photos
By
Andy
James

Look out for this Press Report in the local Papers

Frampton on Severn Sailing Club celebrated the start of their 50th year with a race for the "True Grit" trophy on New Year's Day. Despite the chilly air, 19 sailing dinghies in 7 different classes were launched in challenging conditions for a race which took just over an hour. The start was fiercely contested and there were a couple of capsizes during the race as the gusts caught out some sailors. Mainly it was good hard racing throughout the fleet with tactics coming in to play when several boats were converging on the gybe mark.

The race was run on a handicap basis so the result was not obvious on the water. After the elapsed race times were adjusted to take account of the different classes, the winner was declared as one of the club's junior sailors, Hannah Callen (Ross on Wye), followed by the commodore Ian Cook (Standish), and in third place Paul Dix (Gloucester).

After the race, the competitors and their shore crews enjoyed mulled wine and homemade shortbread in the clubhouse. This was the first of a series of events planned throughout the year to celebrate 50 years since the club was founded in 1966.



Photos by Bill Gribble



50th Anniversary True Grit Trophy Race



FOSSC 50th Anniversary

(your 4 page cut out and keep guide to our celebrations!)

Our fabulous Sailing Club started in **1966** and is definitely still going strong. Help us celebrate **50 years** of sailing at Frampton on Severn by joining in the **special events** which will be organised throughout the year.

Our membership includes people from all walks of life, from the very **young** to the **well seasoned**; and from **novices** eager to set foot in a boat for the first time, to those who compete at **national level**, or venture further afield in **yachts** on the seven seas. It is the **variety** of people which makes the club what it is and **everyone is invited** to take part in our celebrations.

If you would like **more details**, or would like to **volunteer** to help with the arrangements, please see the **club newsletters**, or **contact** Rhonwen James at rhonwenbryce@yahoo.co.uk.

FOSSC 50th Anniversary

What can I do during the year?

- Put the dates in your diary and then come and join in! Look out for more details in the FOSSC 2016 Year Book, on the website and in club newsletters.
- If you can do anything to help organise any of the events (before or during), please contact Rhonwen James, rhonwenbryce@yahoo.co.uk
- Easter Golden Goose Egg Hunt – Looking for a volunteer to organise this for our younger members.
- Summer Friday Sailors – Set off the season with a 'Bring and Eat Barbeque'. End of May bank holiday weekend so camping will be available. Can someone (more than one) please volunteer to manage this, i.e. buy the coals and keep the bbq going on the night.
- Hallowe'en Party, including Fireworks – well it wouldn't be a celebration without fireworks!!! Bring a banger! Hot food to be provided.
- Laying Up Supper – As there will be a big social event in the summer (see next page), the prize-giving will be done at the clubhouse during the Laying Up Supper. (Black ties not required!)

FOSSC 50th Anniversary

What can I do for the main event?

- Come and join in the Barn Dance and Hog Roast to be held on Saturday 23 July in a marquee in the club grounds. Downfield school barn dance band will be providing the music and a caller to help those who have not done the dances before. This is a casual event, families welcome. (We did a similar event a couple of years ago - it was brilliant fun!)
- Sunday 24 July - 50 boats (or more) on the water – what a sight that will be!! There will be two parts to this event: 50+ boats on the water parading across the lake; and then a fun team racing event. Both are open to all club members – **juniors, seniors, beginners, experts, sailability.....** The racing will be in teams allocated by the organisers with all aspects of the club represented in each team, and with staggered starts. To enable this to happen we will need safety boat crews, ground crews (to register sailors, move trolleys and manage launching and recovery) and race officers. If you would like to take part, (in one or both events) either in a sailing boat, or supporting the event by taking on one of the other roles, please let Rhonwen James know so that we can be sure we will organise this safely and efficiently.
rhonwenbryce@yahoo.co.uk.
- Formal 50th Anniversary Celebration to be held on Saturday 30th July in a marquee at the club. A cold buffet and musical entertainment will be provided. Former members and other local clubs and dignitaries will be invited to join us.
- Camping available both weekends; junior week in between.

FOSSC 50th Anniversary

Programme

Friday 1 January – True Grit Topple – Celebrations start with mulled wine and shortbread at the club

Easter – a Golden Goose Egg Hunt at the club

Friday 27 May – Social Sailing Bring and Eat BBQ (camping available)

Saturday 23 July – Barn Dance and hog roast in marquee at the club (camping available)

Sunday 24 July – 50 boats on the water, including juniors, social sailors, sailability and racers (safety crew, shore crew and sailors required!)

Saturday 30 July – Formal 50th Anniversary Celebration in a marquee at the club, inviting former members and other local clubs. Cold buffet and entertainment. (camping available)

Saturday 29 October – Hallowe'en party and fireworks at the club

Saturday 26 November – Laying Up Supper and Prize-giving

(Other social events may be arranged during the year – see club newsletters for details)

Day Skipper – Practical

Ahoy all you land lubbers (I always wanted to say that) is there anyone interested in joining me for a Day Skipper's Practical Course ???

My name is Keith Hill and I completed my Day Skippers theory course last year and I aim to do the Practical course in 2017. As I am a member of a sailing club, I thought it would be nice if there we could organize a group. My personal preference is earlier in the year but that is a preference. Other than that nothing else has been organized.

I have decided to try and get a list of all interested parties and then, once I have an understanding of the numbers and preferred dates, I will then try to find a course to match. Please note that I will accommodate many people as possible but to do this I will need some flexibility.

Costs and Requirements

A typical 5-day course costs about; £450 (Nov to March), £500 (April), £530 (May to Sept) and £500 (Oct). The Course fees generally include all moorings and berthing, Wet Weather Gear if required, fuel and all your meals eaten aboard. Note there are evenings off the boat. Boat sizes vary but typically 4 -6 students per boat.

Most courses require:

- Day Skippers Theory
- 100 sea Miles Experience (4 overnight) or relevant experience.

I do not know formal they are with the experience, but I suggest we cross that bridge when we come to it. Saying that, if anyone knows of any opportunities to gain experience please let me know.

If you are interested or have (or know of) any sailing opportunities please send an E:mail to : Keith@Hillh0use.plus.com (NOTE the "0" in h"0"use is a ZERO!!!!)



**Photos
from the
Dinner
&
Prize-
giving**



Membership Secretary - Alastair Hunter

Just a few words to introduce myself as your new membership secretary. Fiona and I joined the club seven years ago with a view of introducing our two girls to the delights of sailing and to improve my dinghy sailing and racing skills, with success on the first point at least.

I learnt to sail at the tender age of 10 in Weston Bay in a mirror dinghy that my dad built in the garage, and seem to recall a plentiful supply of Mars Bars being used as an incentive to crew in the racing. I am currently sailing a Solo although being a self confessed fair weather sailor am now 'ashore' for the winter.

I look forward to being membership secretary and introducing new members to the club, and if you have any membership queries feel free to contact me on 01454 856025 or email adhunteruk@gmail.com.

Finally I would like to thank Henry for doing a superb job over the last few years - a tough act to follow.

Alastair.



Results from the Boxing Day John Sangwin Race

Rank	Class	SailNo	HelmName	CrewName	PY	Place	Points
1	LASER RADIAL	154690	Pete Roberts		1122	1	1.0
2	LASER	75018	Mike Crowley		1088	2	2.0
3	LASER RADIAL	168039	Jonathan Barrance		1122	3	3.0
4	SOLO	5351	Keith Hill		1146	4	4
5	LASER RADIAL	135555	Andrew Croft		1122	5	5.0
6	RS AERO 7	1135	Phil White		1065	RET	7.0



Dinghy Park 2016

Re-numbering

With the extension to the park, it has been necessary to reverse the order on rows **K, L & M** to achieve a rising sequence of numbering.

This will bring them into line with other rows, north to south, in the main area, ie. from the club house end.

Berth holders will automatically receive the new number on the 2016 sticker however **the location will remain exactly the same.**

The aim is to have some suitable, albeit temporary/trial signage in place by the time you receive this newsletter but the original tags will be left in place for the time being.

Odd discrepancies elsewhere will hopefully be addressed too so please raise any queries if necessary.

Surplus craft/trolleys etc

The club has been canvassed by a Cornish company, "Versatile Marine" with regard to clearing unwanted equipment that we may wish to sell. It is intended to request a viewing of "graveyard" items & should anyone wish to add to the inventory, could you please advise details, location & an acceptable valuation of any item by the week ending Sunday 7th February.

Should a visit be successfully arranged I will ensure all are kept in the picture.

General housekeeping

At some point in the season, the planned new boat store will bring pressure to bear on useable space in the park with some boats permanently displaced others temporarily.

Contingency space will therefore need to be freed up in as orderly a fashion as possible, ahead of the construction, to enable usual club activities to continue with the minimum of disruption.

In this regard, it is hoped, via work party assistance, to tidy pockets of the park where clearly old/abandoned or stray items have gathered.

For this process to be effective & to avoid upset in error, may I ask that unidentified equipment/craft be restored to allocated berths appropriately please? Should there be any short term issues moving kit, within or offsite, your advice would be appreciated so it can be factored into the emerging programme & personal concerns accommodated.

It is very much in our collective interest to recover neglected space & I do hope this can be achieved smoothly with your all round cooperation.

Kind regards

Malcolm Sheppard Berthing Secretary

WINTER TALKS

A Race without Equal - Nigel Owen Thursday 21st January 7.30pm

A talk by Nigel Owen on his experience in taking part in two legs of the Clipper Round the World yacht race from selection to completion.

Month	Date	Day	Event	Start Time	OOD	AOD	Rescue	Rescue 2	Galley/Bar
January	1	Friday	True Grit Trophy	11:00	Peter Dalton	Jon Barrance	Bill Gribble	Helen Johnstone	
January	6	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 1	13:30					
January	10	Sunday	Icicle Series 1	11:00					
January	13	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 2	13:30					
January	16	Saturday	Topper SW Zone Squad Training	08:30					
January	17	Sunday	Topper SW Zone Squad Training	08:30					
January	17	Sunday	Icicle Series 2	11:00					
January	20	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 3	13:30					
January	23	Saturday	WORK PARTY						
January	24	Sunday	Icicle Series 3	11:00					
January	27	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 4	13:30					
January	30	Saturday	WORK PARTY	09:30					
January	31	Sunday	FIRST AID TRAINING						
January	31	Sunday	Icicle Series 4	11:00					
February	3	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 5	13:30					
February	6	Saturday	WORK PARTY	09:30					
February	7	Sunday	Icicle Series 5	11:00					
February	10	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 6	13:30					
February	13	Saturday	Optimist SW Coaching	09:00					
February	14	Sunday	Optimist SW Coaching	09:00					
February	17	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 7	13:30					
February	20	Saturday	WORK PARTY	09:30					
February	21	Sunday	Icicle Series 6	11:00					
February	24	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 8	13:30					
February	27	Saturday	WORK PARTY	09:30					
February	27	Saturday	Powerboat Level 2 Training (Week 1)	09:30					
February	28	Sunday	Icicle Series 7	11:00					

**Don't forget to
note your duties
down in your
diary!**

Month	Date	Day	Event	Start Time	OOD	AOD	Rescue	Rescue 2	Galley/Bar
March	2	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 9	13:30					
March	6	Sunday	Spring Pursuit 1	14:00	Pete Roberts	Nicola Barrett	Chris Lamb	Michael Ladomery	Pauline Kiekebosch
March	6	Sunday	Spring Class 1	15:45	Pete Roberts	Nicola Barrett	Chris Lamb	Michael Ladomery	Pauline Kiekebosch
March	9	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 10	13:30					
March	12	Saturday	Powerboat Level 2 Training (Week 2)	09:30					
March	13	Sunday	Spring Pursuit 2	14:00	Graham Rolfe	John Boothman	Andrew Brander	Neal Palmer	Nicholas Evans
March	13	Sunday	Spring Class 2	15:45	Graham Rolfe	John Boothman	Andrew Brander	Neal Palmer	Nicholas Evans
March	16	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Icicle Series 11	13:30					
March	19	Saturday	Safety Boat Refresher Training	09:30					
March	19	Saturday	Instructor Play Day & Sail Training Meeting	09:30					
March	20	Sunday	West Country Breweries - Handicap	12:00	Mike Crowley	Alan Johnson	Martin Elms	Ania Szatkowska	Rodney Colebrook
March	20	Sunday	West Country Breweries - Pursuit	14:00	Mike Crowley	Alan Johnson	Martin Elms	Ania Szatkowska	Rodney Colebrook
March	20	Sunday	West Country Breweries - Handicap	15:45	Mike Crowley	Alan Johnson	Martin Elms	Ania Szatkowska	Rodney Colebrook
March	23	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Spring Series 1	16:00					
March	27	Sunday	Spring Pursuit 3	14:00	Roger Appleby	Mark Baker	Charlie Baker	Jonathan Sharp	Catherine Maignan
March	27	Sunday	Spring Class 3	15:45	Roger Appleby	Mark Baker	Charlie Baker	Jonathan Sharp	Catherine Maignan
March	30	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Spring Series 2	16:00					
Month	Date	Day	Event	Start Time	OOD	AOD	Rescue	Rescue 2	Galley/Bar
April	2	Saturday	Adult Sail Training Level 1&2, Better Sailing & Racing (Week 1)	09:30					
April	3	Sunday	Spring Pursuit 4	14:00	Rhonwen James	Nick Hartshorn	Josef Hartshorn	Rob Cyphus	Pat Gilbert
April	3	Sunday	Spring Class 4	15:45	Rhonwen James	Nick Hartshorn	Josef Hartshorn	Rob Cyphus	Pat Gilbert
April	6	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Spring Series 3	16:00					
April	6	Wednesday	Wednesday Spring Series 1	18:30	Ian Cook	James Noott	Andrew Lovering	John Firth	Andrew Ball

Month	Date	Day	Event	Start Time	OOD	AOD	Rescue	Rescue 2	Galley/Bar
April	9	Saturday	Sailability	09:30					
April	9	Saturday	Adult Sail Training Level 1&2, Better Sailing & Racing (Week 2)	09:30					
April	9	Saturday	Thornbury Sail Training	09:30					
April	10	Sunday	Canada Cup - Handicap	12:00	Bruce Richardson	Lyn Gregson	Daniel Callen	Steven Ring	Neil Gray
April	10	Sunday	Canada Cup - Pursuit	14:00	Bruce Richardson	Lyn Gregson	Daniel Callen	Steven Ring	Neil Gray
April	10	Sunday	Canada Cup - Handicap	15:45	Bruce Richardson	Lyn Gregson	Daniel Callen	Steven Ring	Neil Gray
April	13	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Spring Series 4	16:00					
April	13	Wednesday	Wednesday Spring Series 2	18:30	Roger Allan	Andrew Crofts	Les Pedrick	Bernie Bennett	Sharon Ames
April	16	Saturday	Sailability	09:30					
April	16	Saturday	Adult Sail Training Level 1&2, Better Sailing & Racing (Week 3)	09:30					
April	16	Saturday	Thornbury Sail Training	09:30					
April	17	Sunday	Spring Pursuit 5	14:00	Sarah Kirk	Eric Ison	Andrew Mason	Joe Pedder	Tish Rickard
April	17	Sunday	Spring Class 5	15:45	Sarah Kirk	Eric Ison	Andrew Mason	Joe Pedder	Tish Rickard
April	20	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Spring Series 5	16:00					
April	20	Wednesday	Wednesday Spring Series 3	18:30	Keith Hill	Charles Cutts	Anna Seal	Juliet Richardson	Colin John
April	23	Saturday	WORK PARTY	09:30					
April	23	Saturday	Sailability	09:30					
April	23	Saturday	Adult Sail Training Level 1&2, Better Sailing & Racing (Week 4)	09:30					
April	24	Sunday	Concorde Cup - Handicap	12:00	Geoff Cox	Sue Beynon	Stephen Hawkins	Hannah Green	Simon Campbell-Watson
April	24	Sunday	Concorde Cup - Pursuit	14:00	Geoff Cox	Sue Beynon	Stephen Hawkins	Hannah Green	Simon Campbell-Watson
April	24	Sunday	Concorde Cup - Handicap	15:45	Geoff Cox	Sue Beynon	Stephen Hawkins	Hannah Green	Simon Campbell-Watson
April	27	Wednesday	Wednesday Afternoon Spring Series 6	16:00					
April	27	Wednesday	Wednesday Spring Series 4	18:30	Tony Latham	Alex Bailey	Robin Knox	Hywel Moss	Martin Aston
April	30	Saturday	Sailability	09:30					
April	30	Saturday	Adult Sail Training Level 1&2, Better Sailing & Racing (Week 5)	09:30					

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Rank	Class	SailNo	Club	HelmName	group	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total	Nett
1st	S	209190	Bartley	John Ling	GM	(1.0)	1.0	1.0	1.0	4.0	3.0
2nd	S	204206	Burgfield	Ben Rolfe	J	2.0	2.0	2.0	(23.0 DNC)	29.0	6.0
3rd	S	202319	West Riding	Tim Keighley		(3.0)	3.0	3.0	2.0	11.0	8.0
4th	R	206331	Papercourt	Richard Lympos		4.0	4.0	(9.0)	3.0	20.0	11.0
5th	S	203305	Burgfield	Nigel Rolfe		5.0	8.0	4.0	(9.0)	26.0	17.0
6th	S	204688	Bartley	Robin Pitt		(19.0 DNF)	10.0	5.0	4.0	38.0	19.0
7th	R	201700	South Cerney	Haydn Lavender	J	7.0	9.0	(10.0)	5.0	31.0	21
8th	4.7	201013	Bowmoor	Neil Crosby	GM	8.0	5.0	(12.0)	8.0	33.0	21.0
9th	S	205123	Tewksbury	Adam John		9.0	6.0	6.0	(23.0 DNC)	44.0	21.0
10th	R	1	CVLSC	Jon Lewis		(19.0 DNF)	7.0	8.0	6.0	40.0	21.0
11th	S	75018	FOSSC	Michael Crowley		(19.0 DNF)	12.0	7.0	11.0	49.0	30.0
12th	R	204976	Avon SC	Mike Adams	GM	13.0	(19.0 DNF)	11.0	7.0	50.0	31.0
13th	R	168039	FOSSC	Jon Barrance	GGM	11.0	(13.0)	13.0	10.0	47.0	34.0
14th	R	146896	FOSSC	Richard Bayliss	GGM	12.0	11.0	(15.0)	12.0	50.0	35.0
15th	4.7	no number	FOSSC	Sam Wells		10.0	14.0	14.0	(23.0 DNC)	61.0	38.0
16th	S	200890	Bartley	Jeremy Higson		6.0	(19.0 DNF)	19.0 DNF	19.0 DNF	63.0	44.0
17th	S	149530	FOSSC	Mark Smyth	GM	(19.0 DSQ)	19.0 DSQ	19.0 DSQ	19.0 DSQ	76.0	57.0

FOSSC Work Party Jobs 2016					
Job - Fleet		Type	Category	Lead	
1	Inspect & Maintain Gull Fleet	Annual	Fleet	Pete Roberts	
2	Inspect & Maintain Feva Fleet	Annual	Fleet	Patricia Bennett	
3	Inspect & Maintain Topper Fleet	Annual	Fleet	Phil White	
4	Inspect & Maintain Wanderer Fleet	Annual	Fleet	Pete Roberts	
5	Inspect & Maintain Oppie Fleet	Annual	Fleet	Jon Barrance	
6	Inspect & Maintain Powerboats	Annual	Fleet	Malcolm Payton	
7	Inspect & Maintain Sailability Fleet	Annual	Fleet	David Greenfield	
8	Inspect & Maintain Bouyancy Aids	Annual	Fleet	Geoff Cox	
9	Pressure Wash Committee/Powerboats. Check ropes/fittings	Annual	Fleet	Malcolm Payton	
10	Fill drums with concrete for Wheely Boat	One off	Fleet	David Greenfield	
Job - Grounds					
1	Inspect, Maintain, Replace Berthing Chains	Annual	Grounds	Malcolm Sheppard	
2	Remove unpaid boats	Annual	Grounds	Malcolm Sheppard	
3	Tidy up and log Graveyard boats for sale later in year	Annual	Grounds	Malcolm Sheppard	
4	Remove unidentified trailers/trolleys for potential sale or disposal	Annual	Grounds	Malcolm Sheppard	
5	Cut hedges within Dinghy Park to 2m	Annual	Grounds	David Greenfield	
6	Pollard & Coppice South Bank	Annual	Grounds	David Greenfield	
7	Pollard & Coppice West Bank	Annual	Grounds	David Greenfield	
8	Pollard & Coppice North Bank	Annual	Grounds	David Greenfield	
9	Pollard & Coppice East Bank	Annual	Grounds	David Greenfield	
10	Burn/Shred Cuttings	Annual	Grounds	David Greenfield	
11	Level/Remove Mole Hills throughout boat park	Annual	Grounds	Work Party Lead	
12	Remove weeds at lake edge and clean Slipways of slime	Annual	Grounds	Work Party Lead	
13	Clear out and dispose of extra rubbish in Bin Store (large items)	Annual	Grounds	Work Party Lead	
14	Cut grass and cut back undergrowth around all Club Boats	Annual	Grounds	Work Party Lead	
15	Inspect condition of Septic Tank and Pipes from Clubhouse	Annual	Grounds	Paul Dix	
16	Cut back brambles/weeds obscuring any signage and check signage	Annual	Grounds	Work Party Lead	
17	Remove weeds near building/launch/prep area, trim back at fences	Annual	Grounds	Work Party Lead	
18	Burn/Shred/Chip all cuttings from the Pollarding & Coppicing Work	Annual	Grounds	David Greenfield	
Job - Admin					
1	Compile and prepare Year Book for distribution (with Ken)	Annual	Admin	Ken Elsey	
Job - Lake					
1	Inspect & Maintain Jetties (detail of work on main job list)	Annual	Lake	Malcolm Payton	
2	Inspect and maintain Committee Hut	Annual	Lake	Ken Elsey	
3	Clean water level gauge	Annual	Lake	Work Party Lead	
4	Inspect and Repair Sailing Marks. Ropes and Concrete Weights	Annual	Lake	Andy Smith	

SUMMER/AUTUMN WORK PARTIES

Surname	Date
Bailey to Benn	Sat 23rd April
Bennett to Buckler	Sat 21st May
Callen to Cooper	Sat 16th July
Coxe to Dean	Sat 17th Sept
Dicks to Firth	Sat 8th Oct
Fisher to Guthrie	Sat 12 th 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. With the 50th Anniversary Celebrations this year, specific tidying work will be needed to make certain the events run smoothly. 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.

Job - Clubhouse				
1 Tidy Sail Loft including identification of all members spars, rigs & foils	Annual	Clubhouse	Henry Beck	
2 Tidy Sail Training Cage Upstairs	Annual	Clubhouse	Mark Barrett	
3 Tidy Sail Training Cupboard Downstairs	Annual	Clubhouse	Mark Barrett	
4 Clean out and tidy Kitchen thoroughly	Annual	Clubhouse	Adam Dix	
5 Clean Clubhouse Windows Inside & Outside (incl Velux in Boat Store)	Annual	Clubhouse	Work Party Lead	
6 Clean out & repair Gutters (check downpipes are clear)	Annual	Clubhouse	Work Party Lead	
7 Clean Bar & Bar Store	Annual	Clubhouse	Chris Latham	
8 De-scale Gents Showerheads and clean out push buttons	Annual	Clubhouse	Work Party Lead	
9 Paint Gents Shower Floor	Annual	Clubhouse	Work Party Lead	
10 Clean out Gents & Ladies Changing Rooms. Pressure wash mats	Annual	Clubhouse	Work Party Lead	
11 Clean, clear and tidy Boatshed/Garage	Annual	Clubhouse	Work Party Lead	
12 Clean/vacuum carpets, vacuum top of beams	Annual	Clubhouse	Work Party Lead	
13 Clean fly zappers/replace tubes and clean out light shades	Annual	Clubhouse	Work Party Lead	
14 Race Control Equipment – check all in working order	Annual	Clubhouse	John Titterton	
15 Inspect Defibrillator & batteries	Annual	Clubhouse	David Carter	
16 Sort out OOD/Flag Box, update instructions and inspect gear	Annual	Clubhouse	Andy Smith	

WORK PARTIES 2016

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
H to J	Sat 23 rd January
K to N	Sat 30 th January
O to R	Sat 6 th February
S to Toghill	Sat 20 th February
Trubshawe to Y & A to Atkey	Sat 27 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 Saturday 23rd 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.