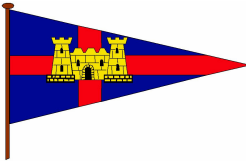


# Castle Cove Sailing Club



# November 2005 Newsletter

## DIARY

**Friday 4th November**  
Dinner Dance & Prize Giving

**Sunday 6th November**  
Winter series starts

**Friday 11th November**  
The AGM

**Saturday 10th December**  
Pre-Christmas Social Evening

**Tuesday Mornings**  
Easy exercise / relaxation session 10.30

## FROM THE COMMODORE

As we enter the run up to Christmas, just a quick reminder to keep an eye on some of the important events which you would not wish to miss. The Annual Dinner and Prize Giving at the Rembrandt Hotel is on Friday the 4th. If you have missed the deadline for the Dinner itself, please note that you can still attend the Prize Giving and Disco for the princely sum of £5. Who could possibly want to miss the sight of Barry and Liz Grant once again leading off the dancing with their stunning TANGO routine?

The AGM on Friday 11th November is, as ever, most important and we need the Membership there in force to contribute to the debate and decision making. Diana and all the officials have done their utmost to present their reports in good time, please help them by reading iT well ahead so that the AGM can be both productive and allow the time for a drink or two afterwards.

I have also realised that this is my last contribution to the Newsletter as your Commodore. Whilst most of you can now heave a sigh of relief, I would like to thank both Celia Rushton and Cathy Ledger before her for making this Newsletter such a useful and informative conduit of communication within the Club. There really is no excuse for not knowing what is going on.

Finally, I must take this opportunity to thank everyone for their wonderful support to myself and Immy over the last 3 years, and most of all for supporting your Club. All we would ask is that you give Paul and Andrea Clarke more of the same!!

Very Best Wishes, Good Sailing and Thanks.

**Bob Turner**

**SECURITY—still an issue**

**Please remember to  
LOCK UP EVERYWHERE**

**This means slipways, changing rooms, store rooms, the main building and the gates**

3 Important bits of information:

1. **Break in:** Rimfire was broken into on the Boat Park, they took nothing as Simon had taken everything off. Regrettably it would take machine guns and razor wire to stop the determined thief. Please ensure you take everything off. One suggestion is you lock up so the boat is not damaged if someone really wants to get in. (Simon has 3 padlocks to replace- annoying but not too difficult).

2. **Frapping:** THANK YOU to keelboat owners who have already tied out their halyards to prevent frapping. I have a list of offenders who have not yet done so. WPBC Environmental Health Officer contacts me every year with complaints - **please tidy up your boat asap.**

NB — This applies to dinghies as well.

3. **Found:** On the railway line a dinghy in a blue carrier and 2 paddles. Now in the Chartroom. Please contact Rose Spicer or Steve Green.

**D. Gill**

### **CHANGE TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Silver Seal is being taken out of the water for the Winter series. As a result, people intending to race in the winter series should look in the clubhouse for change of sailing instructions for race starts and the course.

**Alison Stephens**  
Sailing secretary

### **KEEL-BOAT LIFT-OUT 2005**

The stars were still shining brightly at 0500 on the first morning of Lift-out as Boat-owners mustered to prepare for the busy day ahead. Fenders were hung along the pier and Members were ferried out to their boats whilst other Members were poised to take lines as the boats arrived to take their place in logical queue in readiness for when enough water allowed lifting. Other Members handed strops to awaiting Boat and helped to fit them in position before hooking them onto the crane's chains. John Whitfield took charge to signal to the Crane-driver and as one boat was swung into Boat-yard, the next boat with strops already in place moved to lifting position. With one person taking bow-rope and another taking stern-rope they expertly guided the vessel to where Malcolm with another group was waiting to settle the boat safely into its cradle.

The next two days we followed the same procedure, by now working as a team. As well as the usual stalwarts Alan and Clive, it was especially pleasing that a number of extra volunteers turned up to help; some for more than one day. They just turned up despite not having a real need to be there, other than to be helpful and to be part of one of our Club's activities. Our grateful thanks go to everyone who helped in any way.

We now have our own strops and this has made us more efficient and speeded up the procedure. This gave us extra time, so we took advantage of our captive workforce to lift Club ferry boat and end section of the pontoon, whilst the already booked crane was still on site.

The Winter Lay-up is one of the Club's major assets, and it is gratifying to see how after four years of laying up at our Club, we are achieving a well organized routine. Members help each other and its really enjoyable working as a Team in a friendly atmosphere. You could say that we cleverly avoid the huge sums of money spent by Corporations to achieve "Team Building"!!

April 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> (Thursday, Friday and Saturday) if weather permits, the keel-boats will be lifting-in, for the new season. Any Club Members wishing to help on any of those very busy but also social days will be welcome.

**Malcolm Spicer**

### **CHRISTMAS SOCIAL 'DO'**

**SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2005**

The Christmas Social will take place as a Club Supper organised by the 'Friday morning' sailors. This is always a good 'do' so why not start off the Christmas festivities by putting your name down on the list which will go up on the Social Notice board shortly or phone Sara Lloyd on 787222 or Dee Gill on 775854 to book.

## TRAINING

There are places available to do a Safety boat course with the Sea Cadets on 14 & 15 January and 25 & 26 Feb (£125 ). The course is a two day event and powerboat 2 is a requirement.

There are also 2 VHF/GMDSS Courses being held on the 4th & 5th February, one course each day. (£75 )

To book on any of these or get further information, contact me

**Celia Rushton, 777511 or [newsletter@ccc.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@ccc.org.uk)**

## LASER CLASS

Congratulations to everybody, including the race teams, for making it such a great autumn series. We have had some fantastic laser racing. Turnout has been very good and the competition very close throughout the fleet with Alec Asker, at the time of writing, leading the series.

### Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> series- results

#### **Standard**

1<sup>st</sup> Keith Stevens, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nick Jackson, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sally Fielding

#### **Radial**

1<sup>st</sup> Cathy Williams, 2<sup>ND</sup> Gemma Spicer

#### **4.7**

1<sup>st</sup> Anya de longh.

The Cove cup provided some good fleet racing. It particularly benefited from a strong 4.7 fleet. Well done.

#### **Standard**

1<sup>st</sup> Ben Lashbrooke, 2<sup>nd</sup> Keith Stevens, 3<sup>rd</sup> John Shone

#### **Radial**

1<sup>st</sup> Sally Fielding, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Clark

#### **4.7**

1<sup>st</sup> Anya de Longh, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gemma Spicer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Celia Rushton

Malcolm Lofts, your Class Vice Captain, and myself are working towards making 2006 a very successful Laser sailing season. We have a range of initiatives which we will be implementing over the next few months with the aim of improving levels of participation on the water, providing enjoyable sailing opportunities and promoting the standard of laser sailing at the club. A key element will be to provide regular training opportunities enabling all abilities of laser sailor to develop their sailing, and promotion of the 4.7 class. Towards the end of the month we will be canvassing members for their views regarding Laser sailing at CCSC. IT WILL BE VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU REPLY TO THIS AS WE WANT YOUR VIEWS SO THAT WE CAN PROVIDE THE TYPE OF LASER SAILING THAT YOU WANT.

The **winter series starts on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November** the final opportunity to sail this year! It promises to be a good series with a number of additional sailors due to appear. I look forward to some good racing and seeing you all out sailing, the more the better!.

For those of you who do not have a boat the club laser is available, subject to demand.

Finally, please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss any matters relating to laser sailing at CCSC.

**JOHN SHONE LASER CLASS CAPTAIN ( [jhnshon4@aol.com](mailto:jhnshon4@aol.com) )**

## **Z Class AGM Highlights**

Here are some of the main items discussed and agreed at the recent Z Class AGM;

Monday night racing to continue 3 x 6 race series finishing Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September ( With the possibility of adjusted handicap for non-spinnaker entrants allowing novice crews and shorthanded boats to take part and still have a chance of a decent result)

Wednesday night racing 3 x 6 race series; 1 x Z cup race; 1 x 3 race late summer Z series finishing Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September

All Z evening start time sequences will commence at 6.45pm throughout the season (Dinghies will start after keelboats)

3 x Saturday Series finishing Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September

Z Class flag (Code E) will be flown from backstay for all Z Class races

All YCW long distance and passage races will be publicized in all YCW club handbooks

The cruising programme will be published in the club handbook

Sponsorship opportunities now exist for series and cup races (Any member whose business might be interested in sponsorship opportunities please contact me)

The idea of a midnight race has shown some interest and is being considered, please register your interest with me and we can set something up.

The CCSC website for crew requests and crew availability should be looked into and publicized more.

New handicap chairman is Paul Elsom

If you would like to have a chat about any of the above please give me a call on 07976 425719 or e-mail me [roy@creativesolutions-uk.com](mailto:roy@creativesolutions-uk.com)

**Roy Griffiths**  
**Z Class Captain**

## **Weymouth & Portland Marine Directory**

[www.wpmd.co.uk](http://www.wpmd.co.uk)

Offer to all Castle Cove Sailing Club Members – free classified advertising until end December, simply log on to the website and register for your free classified entry.

You can also upload up to three images of your item for sale.

**Roy Griffiths**

## HARBOUR USERS' CONSULTATION GROUP

As I near completion of my third year as the Castle Cove Sailing Club Representative on the Harbour Users' Consultation Group I thought that it might be an appropriate time to give a short report on the workings of the Group in the Castle Cove Sailing Newsletter (hopefully the report will get past the censors!)

The Harbour Users' Consultation Group is made up of wide variety of harbour users 4 Weymouth Councillors and the Harbour Master, with the recent addition of a representative from the Dorset Police. Whilst a wide spectrum of harbour issues are discussed the main issue every year is the proposed increases to Inner Harbour pontoon charges. The meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2005 was almost totally taken up with this subject. The current Council Policy is over 5 years to increase the annual cost of pontoon charges to 70% or 75% of the Dean and Reddyhoffs rate and at the same time reduce the Residents Discount to 10%. As Dean and Reddyhoffs recent increase has been just over 5% Council berth holders in the Inner Harbour will be faced with another large increase in fees for the year 2006/07.

At the 11<sup>th</sup> October meeting the Harbour Users' Consultation Group unanimously proposed that:

1. Harbour Charges should be taken to independent arbitration.

If the Council would not agree to independent arbitration then at least the reduction of the Residents discount should be delayed until after the fees had been increased to the agreed percentage of the Dean & Reddyhoffs charges.

The only problem is that the Council and Council Officers are on no obligation whatsoever to act on what is decided at the Harbour Users' Consultation Group. In 2003 I therefore tried to follow the discussion on harbour charges right through all the various Council Committees and Groups, finally speaking to the full Council. Whilst I was well supported by other Castle Cove Sailing Club members at the full Council Meeting it made no difference to what the final charges were.

If any other Castle Cove Sailing Club member with a berth in the Inner Harbour would like the unique opportunity of gaining an insight in to local government I would be very happy for him or her to take over as the Castle Cove Sailing Club Representative on the Harbour Users' Consultation Group as I think it is a mistake for any Castle Cove member to remain in the same post for too long.

**Mark Kemmis Betty**

## DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the next Newsletter, which will be out in December, is **27th November 2005**. There is no need to use special formatting – simple text is much easier to work with and any photographs are preferable as separate files. A few notes about the photograph or a suggested caption are helpful as well as the photographer's name.

Read this Newsletter on the website [www.ccsc.org.uk](http://www.ccsc.org.uk) - click on Social, then Club Newsletters. You will see it all in full glorious colour and the photographs are much more impressive than in the copy sent through the post.

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**Celia Rushton – [newsletter@ccsc.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@ccsc.org.uk) – (01305) 777511**

# FOR SALE / WANTED

## FOR SALE

**Contender GBR 582**, Rondar hull, Wave-length mast, 2 sails, fixed rudder, trailer, trolley, over cover,  
good introduction boat and decent hull,  
£1,500, based at Weymouth.  
[sershn@aol.com](mailto:sershn@aol.com) or call Hugh Shone

## FOR SALE

Endre Pesics is selling his mirror sailed by daughter as she hopes to get something a little larger and £100 would be enough or even less if to a good home. If any one is interested there's a good opportunity. I don't know condition.

Regards Peter Yelland

## FOR SALE

Laser Pico  
Sail No. 2239 "Picol'eau"

Complete with launching trolley.  
Good condition £1000

Peter Cartwright 01305 851503  
email [marren@lineone.net](mailto:marren@lineone.net)

## WANTED

We are looking for a 2nd-hand Mirror dinghy with launching trolley, for Alexander Beaumont.

Any information to 01305 854026 Mr and Mrs Buckland [members].

## Trips East is For Sale

After much badgering from the MG C27 Owners Press Gang Association we have bitten the bullet and decided to buy – guess what – correct an MG C27.

Trips East was our first boat and has proved to be a fantastic club racer and short cruiser, we have taken her across the channel numerous times and found her to be very seaworthy in most conditions. In terms of performance she sails to windward surprisingly close and comes into her own on a downwind, just behind the beam, run.

She has been rigged for racing and can easily be handled by two crew including the helm, ideally a maximum of four crew are required in all but big blows when additional weight is a help for going up wind.

Her race sails are lightweight Relling One Design Pentax including Battened Main, No1 Genoa and No3 Gib with a very stable Relling One Design Spinnaker. This suit of sails has proved to provide sail plans for most conditions. The adjustable backstay onto the fractional rig means that there is usually sufficient adjustment available to negate the need to reef.

With regard to her cruising skills Trips East is a bit of a tardis down below with full headroom sleeping up to five in a double fore cabin, two bunks in the saloon and a quarterberth. She has a sea toilet and a two burner spirit cooker with loads of storage space including a wardrobe.

### Boat Details

Sunwind 26, Designed by Tord Sunden

LOA 7.80m, LWL 6.40m, Beam 2.60m  
Draught 1.5m, Displ 2.30 ton, Sail 34 sq m

Volvo Penta MD5B Diesel Engine, 110S Saildrive, Fin Keel, 2 Blade Folding Propeller

At the moment she is out of the water stored on the Castle Cove Sailing Club hard winter standing.

If anyone would like to hand over a cheque for £11950, a box of tissues and guarantee to look after her then we would gladly sell her to you.

**Please give Roy Griffiths a call on 07976 425719 to set up a viewing**

