Castle Cove Sailing Club

September 2008



Dates for your diary

Sunday 7th Sept Castle Cup

13th and 14th Sept Laser 2000 open

Saturday 27th Sept YCW Open pursuit race

Sunday 28th Sept Cove Cup

Tuesday 30th Sept P1 period ends



Club boats dressed overall at the 2012 Flag presentation

FROM THE COMMODORE

The sailing season is coming to an end with too many of the races being cancelled this year. We still have the late summer series for keelboats, the last of the Monday evening series before the keelboat lifts, the last of the Sunday series for Dinghies, and the Cove Cup at the end of the month. So there is still some sailing to enjoy before the Autumn Series and the start of the Club Suppers in October. Don't forget the end of the P1 is at the end of September, so keep an eye out for planned moves from Ian Green.

I'm sure many of you have enjoyed the Olympics, especially the performance of the sailing team. Seeing the medal races at 6 a.m. on successive days was nerve racking and exhilarating at the same time, and a special congratulation goes to Bryony Shaw for the first ever medal in ladies windsurfing.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate club members for following the request not to park on the approaches to the club gates on the double yellow lines – it has had the desired effect in that holiday makers have followed your example and the access has been kept clear.

Lets hope we have a late summer during September to enjoy the remainder of the summer season.

Paul Clarke.

FROM THE SAILING SECRETARY

Well the weather has conspired against us this month. The Basso Cup was cancelled, probably for the first time in the clubs history. The BBQ went ahead anyway thanks to Andrea and helpers in the galley and Paul and helpers who stood outside in the rain to cook the meat while the rest of us took shelter in the club house.

The re-arranged Allen welling was cancelled again, and some Monday and Wednesday nights have had to be cancelled as well. Let's hope for some good weather soon to support the L2000 open on the 13th and 14th September.

Before this we have the castle cup for the dinghies on the 7th September; the Cove cup is on the 28th September.

Congratulations to Jordan Frederick, Sam Barker and Mike Male for their achievements at Parkston Youth week.

Jordan came 3rd in his Topper in the silver fleet

Sam Barker and Mike Male came 4th in the 420

Congratulations to the winners of the 3rd Wednesday series:-

J24 Class R Turner Joskin 2

Laser class C Brann 192785

Class 9 P Barnstable 1160

Class K M Carter Manana

Class J K Frances Opportune

Congratulations to Peter Barfoot and Alan Jenkins for their win in the Novice cup.

Congratulations also go to our Olympic sailors achieving such a spectacular result in China.

Alison Stephens

Club race results on the internet

Could all race officers please ensure that after printing off the results, the results are updated on the internet, for the benefit of people who are not able to stay long enough to see the print outs. Instructions for doing so are written up to the right of the monitor. (I know there have been problems doing this recently, but the computer should now be behaving itself.

Celia Rushton

My Story of the Optimist Nationals 9 – 16 August 2008

Leading up to the event I felt very excited but a little worried that I would be the only sailor from Castle Cove at a club about 370 miles away and I wouldn't really know anyone. This was my first nationals and I was sailing my fibreglass optimist 'Oliver' which I had only had this season. I entered into the regatta fleet that is for less experienced sailors and includes training and racing. There were 125 sailors in this fleet and I hoped I might finish in the top half.

Friday: -

My Dad and I left Portland at 8am to go to Pwllheli. We crossed the border into Wales at 1.30pm. After another four hours we finally arrived, unloaded the boat and went to get it measured.

Saturday: -

It was raining and windy but luckily there was no sailing planned. I had to register for the event and was given a goody bag and a brilliant T-shirt. Lots more sailors arrived – some from USA and Ireland. The rest of the day we watched the Olympics on a big overhead projector.

Sunday: -

It was sunny but too windy so the sailing was cancelled. We did some fun activities instead.

Monday: -

When we got to the club it looked windy but people were still rigging. We trained in the morning, came in for lunch and then went out for a very windy race with a 1 metre chop. The waves went right over my bow and on the downwind leg I did a front flip and went for a swim.

Tuesday: -

This was a good day. We went out to do start and upwind practice which was fun. Then we went out to race and did 3 races. I got a 28th, 29th and 5th!

Wednesday: -

We did gybing exercises in the morning and racing in the afternoon. In the evening we had inflatable sumo wrestling. I won my match.

Thursday: -

We went for a sailaway picnic to another beach for lunch. It was a round trip of about 10 miles - upwind on the way and a run back.

Friday: -

This was our last day. We went out at about 11am for 3 races and came back in at 3pm. We had a prize giving where everyone in my fleet received a medal and a wooden plaque.

And the final result: -

James Bishop, age 10

36th out of 125 sailors - It was my best week ever!

Boat Park

The P1 period ends 30th September. Please make sure that you remove your dinghy or tender unless P2 or winter storage facility fees have been paid. A reminder that owners must make sure their boat or tender is easily identifiable, usually by making sure the Portland Harbour dues sticker is clearly visible. Abandoned or unidentifiable boats and tenders will be removed. Thank you.

Ian Green, Boat Park Administrator

Where is SOMEONE?

At the last AGM, there was an overwhelming majority in favour of keeping the current club ethos of volunteers, but many of those who voted aren't getting stuck in. It's not enough to turn up for the duties on the rota - when you notice things that need doing - take action.

Prior to the team racing in June, I checked the Toppers for serviceability and found a mast gate broken and one boom defective, with a label attached 'THIS IS BROKEN, NEEDS A RIVET, THANKS'. Which SOMEONE was supposed to do that? Why not the person who broke it or found it?

Recently, one curtain had been opened too firmly, and it had come completely off the track. It was left piled over a chair - for SOMEONE to put back.

At the regatta weekend, there was only one loo roll in the whole club. This can't have suddenly happened, and although several SOMEONEs have been buying them, they got missed. But didn't anyone think ' I'll pop down to Asda and get some'?

The pool table cues are damaged and they have caused tears in the table cloth. Which SOMEONE is supposed to see to finding a repairer, letting them into the club and organising payment?

Recently, a member wanted to use a club Laser but found it unserviceable as a block had come away from the boom. This was a wear-and-tear breakage, but no action by person breaking it left another member disappointed. Another job for SOMEONE.

Those finding or causing defects need to take ownership, and if they can't fix it themselves, talk to a committee member.

The few are already doing too much, and it's getting worse.

Stephen Green

Laser 2000 Open

There will be Laser 2000 Open event at the Club over the weekend of 13th - 14th September. We are expecting about 30 to 35 boats so the Club will busier than normal. If possible, please park outside the Club, either in Old Castle Road or in Rylands Lane. We will have a marshall at the gate on the Saturday morning, so please park as requested. Thank you.

LOOK AFTER YOUR GALLEY

During August the following items are missing from the Galley and we urgently need them returned.

2 Large Metal Pie Tins

3 Large plastic food containers

These may seem trivial items but we cannot produce the suppers without them. PLEASE RETURN ASAP.!!!!!

Also, it should be noted by all members that due to lack of storage space, we cannot hold large stocks of utensils, so any equipment which goes missing from the galley has an impact both in food preparation and time wasting.

Immy Turner, Galley Committee

Weymouth Sailing Club Autumn and Winter Series

All yachts are welcome to enter the WSC Autumn and Winter series.

Racing in the Bay from committee boat starts for IRC and PY yachts.

Start times from 1030 on Sunday mornings.

Autumn Series from 5th October to 9th November (6 races)

Winter Series from 16th November to 21st December (6 races)

Prize giving after the last race of each series.

Pro rata club moorings up to 33ft LOA may be available, which include the use of the 4T crane.

Apply to mail@weysailclub.org.uk

lain Jones

SOCIAL / GALLEY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Now we are nearly at the end of the summer sailing period I thought I would mention a few thoughts from the Social Committee.

Despite the often bad weather we have enjoyed a busy programme with the Wednesday evenings again being very popular. Weekend events have been more badly affected by weather than normal and the social side of some events has not always been easy to re schedule, the BBQs being the main casualty.

What has been very pleasing is the way that, as the Social Committee have been encouraging for sometime, groups of people have been arranging their own BBQs and events. This is using our club as it should be, the galley/social committee provides the facilities and members can then create what they want.

The Committee would like to thank the Barker family in particular for organising and leading the Social during the YCW Regatta. Their BBQ on the Saturday was superb both in quality and value, thank you Bill, Marianne, Sam and Anna.!

You will all remember from the AGM last year, I shall be standing down as Chairman of the Social Committee, so do let me or any of the General Committee know if you would be willing to volunteer to take over this position from me.

Meanwhile for this month, please note that if the weather is fine we are hoping that there will be a BBQ after the Dinghy Castle Cup on 7th September and after the Cove Cup on Sunday 28th September.

Immy Turner

UNDERCOVER WINTER STORAGE

From Mid October in large spacious barn near Milborne St Andrew. Suitable for all dinghies and keelboats up to 35 ft loa.

Rates	Per	Month	Under 20ft	£40
			20 to 30 ft	£50
			30 to 35 ft	£ 60

Skilled joiner on site for wood repairs. Pressure washer available.

Contact Bob Turner or 01258 837228

2012 Flag Presentation (see cover photo)

Club boats dressed overall at the 2012 Flag presentation on Sunday 24th August Showing

- (1) AVALON OF CHOR (Joan & Brian Wilkins).
- (2) EQUITY Of ESSEX (Julie & Dave Dunn)
- (3) IDUNA (Sara & David Lloyd)

Photo taken by John Hasker Of Weymouth Sailing Club

Brian Wilkins

A Fantastic Fun Day at Sutton Bingham on 30th August 2008

Summer finally arrived back in time for the CCSC Cadets visit to Sutton Bingham Sailing Club's open day; and what a superb day was enjoyed by all. An amazing 85 children of all ages, some whom had never been in a boat before, all got afloat in a range of boats from Optimists and Laser Bugs, though RS Teras and Fevas to the larger Comet Trios.

For those who could sail the day started with a number of team relay races in a fleet of RS Teras followed but various other races and games (the water football was fiercely competed!). Less experienced sailors paired up and tried their hand at sailing Optimists and Laser Bugs. While those who have never set foot in a boat before all progressed quickly from a joy-ride to helming under the supervision of an instructor in the boat.

The day finished with a wonderful sail-past in front of the Club House and presentation of prize bags donated by Harken.

We would like to thank all at Sutton Bingham Sailing Club for their hospitality and together with Tony Wood from the RYA, for organising such an enjoyable event.

Photos from the day can be found the SailDorset Website at www.saildorset.org.uk/news1.html

Updating the website with the results

Richard White



Next newsletter

The deadline for contributions for the next Newsletter is the 24th September. Read this Newsletter on the website *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. **PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS and I can send you a link to the Newsletter as soon as it is out (instead of waiting for printing and the post). E-MAILS ARE SENT AS BLIND COPIES SO YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS WILL NOT BE SEEN BY ANY OTHER RECIPIENTS.** *It usually only takes a couple of minutes to download.* **The fewer paper copies we send out the more money we can save for the Club – you will be aware from the accounts that it is expensive to produce. And, of course, if you read it**

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MIRROR DINGHY 'DOUBLE TROUBLE' FOR SALE

A fantastic first boat for children learning to sail

Well maintained and lovingly looked after member of the family. Growing children forces sale!!

- Wooden boom, gaff, rudder and centerboard (new 2008). New alloy mast.
- New kicking strap, halyards and sheets in 2007.
- 'Fly away' spinnaker launching system (new 2007) plus conventional spinnaker launching system.
- Mainsail, jib and hardly used spinnaker with chute and sock.
- Launching trolley.

More photographs available. Must be seen, lying Weymouth. Contact 01305 835462/ themerewethers@hotmail.com

