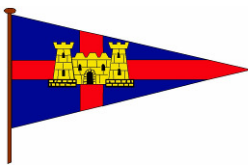


Castle Cove Sailing Club



September 2009 Newsletter

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September

5th & 6th - Laser 2000 open
Sunday 13th - Crews race
Saturday 19th - Sail for Gold
Sunday 20th - Alan Welling
Saturday 26th - YCW open pursuit race including dinghies

October

3rd-10th - Keelboat lift
Tuesday 6th - Exercise group
Sunday 10th - Commodore's cocktail



FROM THE COMMODORE

Iduna was caught out with the start times last Wednesday as I couldn't believe that the Wednesday racing series had come to an end for 2009 and we were starting the Late Summer Series. Where on earth has the summer gone?

I am pleased to say the Club has been busy all through August with visiting teams, the WOEC and members sailing during the week. With good weather at the weekends it has been great to see people enjoying the garden and using the bar on Sunday afternoons. The wind was not very kind for the Ladies Race which was a challenge for those that took part and all those that finished should be congratulated.

The Finn Nationals were a great success and thanks must go to all those that worked so hard to make the Finn sailors welcome. I am particularly pleased it was such a good event as it was Dave Dunn's last one as Chairman of the Championship Committee as he has decided that having done the job for over 10 years it was time to step down. I am sure you will all support me in giving a huge thanks to Dave who has worked so hard for all the local Clubs and masterminded some superb events.

Several dinghy members have been flying the Castle Cove flag at nationals and open meetings and Kay and Kevin Stibbs have been competing in the Fastnet Race. This year the race was blessed with good weather, although I believe a little bit more wind would have been welcomed. Well done to all Castle Cove members who took part both on Draig o' Mor and on other boats.

As summer draws to a close don't forget that the dinghies race until Boxing Day and Club life continues off the water. The Club bar will be open every Sunday lunchtime after racing so why not pop in for a beer every so often. In September Brian Shaw is putting on a Members Day to give us the opportunity to enjoy the atmosphere of Sail for Gold with a big screen showing all the action. Weather permitting there will also be an opportunity for members to watch the racing from our new RIB which should be in commission by the time you read this. Please sign up on the form in the Clubhouse as soon as possible so that the volunteers in the galley have some idea of numbers. If anyone would like to help with this please contact Hazel Shaw.

We will be putting out a programme of events in the next couple of weeks so watch the notice board and your e mail for information. Finally good sailing to all in the last weeks of summer.

Sara Lloyd

FROM THE SAILING SECRETARY

This is written quickly having just returned from my first Scorpion Nationals. The only thing to say about my result is that I can only get better! However, Alex Knight and Mike Robbins did exceptionally well with an overall 29th place out of 52. John Mursell and Nick Keast came 3rd. The week was very well run and Lyme Regis looked after us very well.

Congratulations to our winners in the last month. I have to do some changing of results for the 2nd Sunday, so do not have those to hand at the moment.

The winner of the 3rd Wed Fast Keelboat is Bill Barker in Tearaway (9977). The Slow keelboat result goes to Paul Elson in Orion (48). Class 9 the winner is Chris Brann in his Laser 192785 and the J24 Class was Robert Turner in Joskin II (4225).

The Ladies race was won by Cathie Williams in Onda (161605) in very breezy conditions.

The 3rd Monday Z class was won by Ted Clabburn in Ella (7035). Class 9 was won by Michael Robbins (14574) and the Asymmetric Class was won by Keith Ellis (136).

The Late summer series is already underway and we still have the Alderney Race, the Novice Race on the Saturday 29th Aug, the Team Race on the Bank Holiday Monday and the Allen Welling on the 20th Sept.

The L2000 are holding their Open on the weekend of the 5th and 6th of September so do come along and support these events.

Good Sailing

Alison Stephens

STRATEGY GROUP NEWS UPDATE 28TH AUGUST 2009

International Teams have trained at the Club and used the clubhouse for social purposes. Thanks to Members and Stewards positive interaction with the Teams the verbal feedback from the Teams is that they have enjoyed their stay at the Club and have had excellent training opportunities.

Of the Teams listed in the last Newsletter the Austrians did not come but windsurfers from Bulgaria, France and Hong Kong came on the recommendation of windsurfers at the European Championships in Tel Aviv. The Japanese Lasers are going direct to the WPNSA but we have gained the Swedish Team of 2 Finns, 9 Lasers, 7 Laser Radials, 6 470's, 1 49er and 5 Coach Boats from the 7th to the 10th of September 2009.

The E7 Area and the Short-Term spaces will be used to house the Japanese and Swedish dinghies.

The Strategy Group is meeting on the 8th of September to review their experiences over the year and information gathered so that they can plan for 2010, 2011 and 2012. Any feedback from Members and Stewards would be welcomed and taken into account at the meeting.

Brian Shaw,
Chair of the Strategy Group.

EASY EXERCISE GROUP

The Easy Exercise Group will be meeting again on Tuesday mornings 10.30am-11.00am followed by tea/coffee and a chat.

First session Tuesday 6th October.

Wear: Light clothing with ability to remove a layer, non-slip footwear or bare feet.

Bring: Mat, or Sleeping bag to lie on during Relaxation.

As always - new or past faces welcome with no restrictions on age, gender or ability.

Details from **Rosemary Spicer**. 01305-782125

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER

YCW Open Pursuit Race. Open to all Weymouth Clubs' dinghies, keelboats and yachts.

An afternoon pursuit race in the Bay based on 2009 YCW PY handicaps.

Check www.ycw.org.uk for more information, sailing instructions and start times.

Galley and refreshments at Weymouth Sailing Club - all welcome !

Prizegiving from around 1800.

LASER 2000 OPEN SATURDAY 5TH AND SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER

The Club will be hosting a Laser 2000 Open over the weekend of 5th and 6th of September. The Club will be busier than usual as we will have the Open, Cadets on Saturday morning, and the visiting Japanese Olympic Squad. To avoid congestion on site, could members please park offsite either in Old Castle Road or in Rylands Lane. Cadets are operating as normal so again, could parents please park outside the Club. On Saturday morning we will have a marshal on the gate so please try to park before you get there, or you will be turned back.

Thank you.

Peter Davies, Asymmetric Class Captain

OLYMPIC SAILING TEAMS AT CASTLE COVE – REQUEST FOR HELP

Two Olympic teams – from Japan and Sweden - will be training at the Club during the first two weeks of September. Short notice boats in the Olympic area have therefore been asked to vacate by 1st September and not return before Saturday 12th September.

In view of the relatively large number of boats expected and the overlap with the Laser 2000 Open we are anxious to minimise inconvenience to club members as well as ensuring that our visitors are well cared for.

Ian Green, (Boat Park Administrator) is therefore seeking help from members for any of the following...

1. If you are willing to offer temporary storage space for short notice space holders who are without their own alternative storage please contact Ian Green on 01305 788793 or email at i.greens@virgin.net).
2. If your boat has been away from the dinghy park and your return can be delayed until after the 11th September it would be appreciated.
3. Trail sail boats are asked not to stay overnight during this period.
4. All boats are welcome to return from Saturday 12th September.

Finally, if you are able to be part of a small team to help replace the Lasers on the Beach Rack and tidy the Olympic area ready for our visitors please contact Ian to arrange a suitable time, likely to be after the team race on Bank Holiday Monday.

Thank you for your help and co-operation,

Mike Clarkson

UNSUNG HERO



The beach the Club owns at the bottom of Old Castle Road has enjoyed huge crowds of sun and sea bathers during these hot August days. Most take their litter home with them but many do not. One local resident, Peter Tizzard, not a Club member, takes his dogs down to the beach every morning and then spends up to a half hour picking up forgotten sandals, towels, empty cans and bottles and other rubbish. One morning he filled seven bags! Also, Steve Green will be none to pleased to hear, Peter says "every so often" he notices the manual gates to the Club are left open and he makes a point of closing and locking them.

David Weber, Valhalla

WEATHER FORECASTS

When considering weather possibilities for cruising I have found for longer range(15DAYS) reasonably reliable synoptic charts use the link below. This takes you direct to the approp. folder and you can then bring up whatever periods are of interest.

http://www.ecmwf.int/products/forecasts/d/charts/medium/deterministic/msl_uv850_z500!Wind%20850%20and%20mslp!72!Europe!pop!od!oper!public_plots!2006030912!!/

Peter Yelland

I went along to the club on Monday to find that the rope securing our Scorpion to the ground had been cut (Rincewind 1894 – the one with the maroon cover). It was a clean cut so it hadn't just broken - a knife or other sharp implement must have been used. A small 2 foot or so section was left but the rest was gone. We're obviously miffed that the rope had been cut and most of it pinched but, more importantly, that the boat had been left unsecured to the ground thus invalidating insurance should the wind have got up and blown it away. It's difficult to see that there is an innocent explanation for this so I thought I'd better alert fellow club members to the possibility that there is a knife-wielding rope-stealing moron on the loose! I'd be grateful if you could include this in the next newsletter.

Andy Younger

NEXT NEWSLETTER

The deadline for contributions for the next Newsletter is the **24th of 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 on screen, it saves trees.

Celia Rushton – newsletter@ccsc.org.uk (This will always forward to my current e-mail address) – or 07977 912407 or 01305 769489.

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