# Castle Cove Sailing Club



# February 2011 Newsletter

# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

#### March

Wednesday 2nd - Winter talk, Alison Stephens

Wednesday 9th - Winter talk Wednesday 16th - Winter talk Wednesday 19th - Z Class Dinner Wednesday 23rd - Winter talk

26th - Dinghy Dinner

Monday 28th - On the water training

#### April

Monday 4th - On the water training Monday 11th - On the water training

Tuesday mornings - Exercise Group



#### FROM THE COMMODORE

The responsibility of being Commodore really hit home this month at the Special General Meeting when you gave me and the General Committee your trust to proceed with the building of the extension, once we have sufficient funds. We will start the moorings compound as soon as possible to clear the front of the club-house for use as extended dinghy park space. We then hope to start the extension to the club house in September, but need to raise more money before we can confidently proceed. Ian Green has done a remarkable job in squeezing in 60 Olympic visitors without displacing any club members dinghies this year. We will be holding a meeting towards the end of February discuss our options us in 2012 and specifically how much disruption our dinghy members are prepared to accept in order to increase the number of Olympic spaces we can offer.

This month sees the end of an era, as Celia has advised me that she wishes to hand over the job of producing the newsletter. She has done a fantastic job over the last 6 years and I will certainly miss her help. I am sure we all wish to thank her for her contribution to the club. (Continue sending her newsletter items and notices to be e-mailed until otherwise directed).

We have had two pieces of exciting sailing news this month: firstly Kevin Stevens has taken over as Laser Class Captain and secondly we have our first class rep for the Laser 2000 fleet. Pete Barfoot, assisting Tim Emberley within the Asymmetric Class. I am looking forward to supporting them, along with our other class captains and fleets, to develop their racing, training, social activities and build the camaraderie within their classes.

Our working parties are pressing ahead with a variety of projects around the club; they are in need of more help and it is an entertaining and enjoyable way for all the family to spend a Sunday. Next Sunday you can lend a hand at any time throughout the day with lunch provided by Diana Gill at a modest price to cover cost. Please come along for however many hours you can manage.

Finally, we are holding an informal Moules et Frites supper on Friday 11 Feb from 7:30pm - sign up in the club or contact me if you wish to come so we can haul in enough mussels for the evening! (commodore@ccsc.org.uk or 01305 260765)

**Richard White** 1

# FROM THE SAILING SEC:

We had a lovely evening at the Prize Giving in January, well done to everyone that collected trophies. For anyone that was unable to make it your trophies and plaques are in the loft if you would like to collect them. Many thanks to everyone that helped out on the night and a big thank you to John and Angela Elliot for organising all the engraving of the trophies, organising me on the evening and between them and their children making all the trophies beautifully shiny! John is stepping down from this job, so I would like to say a very big thank you for all the hard work he has done, he has done a great job. If anyone would like to take on this job let me know! And thank you to Serena Shone for creating the beautiful plaques.

A number of dinghy sailors have been venturing around the country. Alex Adams, Nick Orman and Sam Barker went off to London for the Bloody Mary coming in 24<sup>th</sup>, 37<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> respectively out of 239 entries - well done for braving the elements! Sutton Bingham has also seen an influx of sailors from Castle Cove for their winter series on a Sunday. For all of you that want to enjoy the glorious weather we get in winter - in the future we hope to get racing at Castle Cove through the winter.

A few dates for your diary:

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**, **7.30pm** - Alison Stephens is kicking off the Winter Talks – an evening on exploring the Antarctic by Tall Ship. The Bar will be open! And the food will be....

Moules and Frites night! - £2/head. Mussels being picked by Malcolm and his muscle men! If you don't like Moules - BYO sausages and we'll cook them for you. Sign up at the club or email: sailing sec@ccsc.org.uk - to let us know you'd like to join us.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> March and Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> April – Winter Series Talks and on the water training with Adam Bowers. This is a great chance for dinghy and keelboat sailors alike, there will be something for everyone – will only cost £30 (£15 for Cadets) for the whole series including a free beer/soft drink each week – a bargain! And food will be available at £2/head.

Z-Class Dinner – 19<sup>th</sup> March – see booking form Dinghy Dinner – 26<sup>th</sup> March – see booking form

And one small request – we need your broken/old windsurfing or laser masts so we can put flags on all the buoys in the harbour. Drop me a line if you think you can help: sailing\_sec@ccsc.org.uk or 01305 783483.

Helen Rollinson, Sailing Secretary

# SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

#### 12 January 2011 at 7.00 pm.

The General Committee is pleased to announce the result of the Special General Meeting which was to discuss:

The General Committee is seeking approval of their recommendation that the club starts construction of the extension to the club house and moorings compound.

The outcome of the meeting was:

<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	145
Votes for Approval	131
Votes of Disapproval	13
Spoilt Papers	1

I should like to thank all the members of Castle Cove Sailing Club that came to the Special General Meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> January. Members of the Extension Working Group presented the history of the project, plans of the extension and mooring compound, the current financial status and how further finance will be raised.

The General Committee expects to start the Moorings Compound in early spring. This includes dismantling the garage and moving the moorings items to the compound in April.

Stage 1 of the extension will commence once sufficient funds have been raised to proceed without committing the club to financial risk. It is expected that this position will be reached by the summer and we intend to start building in September 2011.

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#### CADETS REPRESENT C.C.S.C. IN TOPPER EVENTS IN JANUARY

### Topper S.W. Winter Regatta at Chew Valley Lake S.C.

The first event of the season for our cadets with Toppers was at Chew Valley on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January.

They were met with 22kts and very blustery conditions, but undaunted both Ross McFarlane and Emily White turned in commendable 13<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> places in a fleet of 26.



# TOPPER WINTER REGATTA AT DATCHET WATER S.C.

Four of our cadets Alex McFarlane, Ross McFarlane, Tom Rowell and Emily White braved freezing conditions over the weekend of 29/30 January to compete in the Topper Winter Regatta at Datchet Water Sailing Club in a fleet of 212 boats.

Of the three races planned for Saturday only two were completed because of the cold and when returning on Sunday morning they all found their mainsheets were frozen solid.

Ross finished the event in 56<sup>th</sup> place overall turning in a 4<sup>th</sup> place on Sunday morning. Emily finished 101<sup>st</sup> with 31<sup>st</sup> place on her last race. Tom had a frustrating weekend only competing in the first race but finished it in 68<sup>th</sup> place. Alex competed with the new 4.2 size sail finishing 4<sup>th</sup> out of the 9 entries.

Well done to you all!



Richard White, Commodore

# **Weymouth Lifeboat Ball**

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011

At Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy

Why not make up a table of 10 or 12 to enjoy this superb evening including a delicious two course meal, the full sound of **Big Bertie's Band** providing music for all types of dancing plus **An Excellent Raffle** 

Numbers are strictly limited this year so our advice is, in anticipation of the invitation/application form which will be mailed out on 17<sup>th</sup> February, start getting your table together so you can respond immediately. Tickets, costing £35 per person, will be issued on receipt of full payment from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2011. The closing date is 1<sup>st</sup> April.

Contact Nichola Lane on 01305 772305 or nichola@timbo.ltd.uk for more details

#### **CLUB ALARM**

Some members do not understand how the alarm works, so here is an outline

The alarm is automatically switched on and off by switches inside the locks. There are no keypads to operate. Any door can be unlocked and locked without setting off the alarm. The front door lock below the handle is the master for the whole site so it is essential that it is locked on leaving the site, likewise, the drivers store door lower lock is the sub-master for downstairs so must be left locked to protect downstairs doors. The drivers store door must be undone before opening the fuel store, and the fuel store shut before relocking the drivers store door.

When locking up, listen for the sound signal. A high pitch three tone 'chirrup' indicates that the alarm is set. An alternating 'bee-baw' emergency siren sound indicates that something is wrong; for example, a door is open. Unlock and check the site, correct and relock.

If you operate a lock with the door open, the alarm will sound, so do not use the lock to hold a door ajar and take care not to operate the lock as you remove your key when the door is open.

Steve Green

#### **WORK PARTIES UPDATE**

Work is going well on all three fronts, Site, House and Boats with a core of regulars and some welcome new blood. There has been a bit of delay in getting the South boundary fencing ordered but we hope to be in a position to start towards the end of Feb.

Next weekend it's an all day Sunday. Its low springs at lunchtime so we hope to get the slip repairs done.

### Plans for next weekend.

IMPORTANT - We have hired a small digger and driver Sat morning from 9am to clear the landslip and then install cable ducting for the Slip winch. I need 5 people to support this work. Some fence panels have to be removed and the ducting bedded in. Please ring me/email me if you can make it.

**TASKS LAGGING** ---- Can anyone help out please?

Landscape railway bank

Need to plant it out with natural vegetation/bushes to anchor bank

Modify changing room electrics

Changes to lighting

**Modify Slipway gates** 

Both slipway gates to have hinges modified for 180 opening

Thanks

Barry Grant, Site maintenance

#### MEMBERS SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subs' have to be in by the end of January ( to me at 30 Coburg Road, Dorchester, DT1 2HW – Not anywhere else ) to get the £10 'discount'...and have to be in by end of February in any event. Shortly after that people will be considered to have resigned.

If it is of any interest half of the membership has currently re-newed (as of 26 January) - of those 16 have changed their status, mostly from family to ordinary membership; 4 have asked to suspend their membership; two have come off suspended membership; nine have failed to return their duty slips or asked to be excused duties; 14 have resigned; 31 have changed their email and, sadly, three who were on the list last year are now deceased.

We currently have 13 people on the waiting list for membership and are interviewing potential new members at the end of this month and at the end of February when we will know how many vacancies we are likely to have. There may never have been a better time to join the club, as you can work out we have had more leaving than waiting to come in ( at the moment ).

Twenty eight members, so far, have paid their subs' online, of which three have made mistakes in their calculations - less than the proportion who have paid in the conventional way!

Several people this year have paid for their boatpark space (which includes Portland Harbour dues if paying P1) and have then added the dues in again further down the form in the space normally only used for boats that have moorings.

It might also be worth pointing out that the whole of the 'top' sheet should be returned, not just the duty slip. We do need this sheet to check boat insurance and whether or not there has been any change in personal details

Trevor Bevins, Membership Secretary

#### **KEELBOAT CREW**

To protect our alcohol licence, non members will be asked to sign the visitors book, which is placed near the bar. Non-members may only visit six times per year, so to meet the licencing requirements for more frequent visitors such as regular crew, a new class of membership has been introduced at the AGM.

Associate membership is open to full members of Weymouth Sailing Club at a cost of £20 per year with no Joining Fee. A summary of the conditions of membership are-

They shall not own or helm a boat in CCSC races.

They shall not have a mooring or boat park space.

They shall not have a vote.

They shall not be liable to duties.

They shall not have keys and fobs.

Full conditions of membership will be on the CCSC website under 'Rules and Byelaws' Boat owners must encourage regular crew to become members to safeguard the club.

#### Stephen Green

Rear Commodore - Shore

# **UPDATED KEELBOAT LAUNCH DAYS**

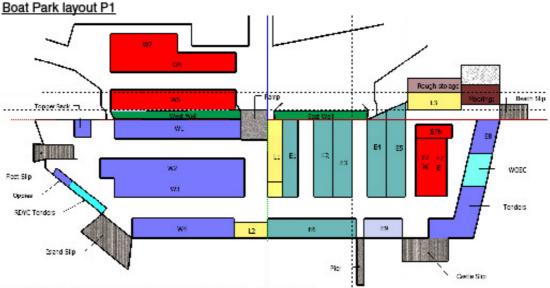
Intended Keeboat launching to commence on SUNDAY 3rd APRIL, MONDAY 4th APRIL TUESDAY 5th APRIL

Please check for further details, nearer to those dates, to be posted on Notice Board on Chartroom Window (outward facing)

# **Malcolm Spicer**

#### Boat Park Arrangements for P1 2011

To accommodate the contracted Olympic teams there has to be some changes to the layout of the boat park during the P1 period (April 1st to September 30th). This notice explains how you may be affected.



Olympic teams will occupy rows E1, E2, E3, E4, E5 and E6.

Castle Cove dinghies allocated spaces in the red coloured rows will be required to move away from the site for the periods when we host an Open Event, unless you are competing, to make room for visiting dinghies.

Contender Open 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> May 2011 Boats must be removed by 13.00 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2011 Boats may return from 18.00 Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2011

Yacht Clubs of Weymouth Dinghy Regatta 2<sup>rd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> July Boats must be removed by 13.00 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011 Boats may return from 18.00 Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2011

For this year small dinghies (Mirror's, Pico's Feva's) will be allocated to E7 to make best use of the space available and W1 will mostly be used for larger dinghies.

Please contact me if for any reason you might have a problem moving your dinghy away for these periods.

It is going to be very busy on the dinghy park this summer and it will help if all equipment is clearly marked so the owner can be identified. Items that should not be on the boat park, especially road trailers may be removed without warning.

lan Green Boat Park Administrator



March.

# CCSC Dinghy Dinner Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2011 At 7.30pm

# Talk from Dick Batt - Sailmaker and Ex-Womble!

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	:	Saturday March 19 <sup>th</sup>
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	Dress code: Black	tie or Lounge Suits and Posh Frocks!
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Plea	ase reserve Tickets for	
The	other members of my party	are:
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(Ple	ase indicate if special diet rec	quired)
I en	close a cheque for £	Payable to Castle Cove Sailing Club

Return form to Bill Barker, Z Class Captain, 24a St Davids Rd, Weymouth, DT4 9LP by 5<sup>th</sup>

#### **SPECTACLES**

A pair of dark framed glasses was found after the SGM under a chair at the front row left side, viewed from the galley. They are on the galley servery.

#### **MICROWAVE**

We have a working microwave spare which needs a good home. Any offers. NOT FOR USE ON THE CCSC PREMISES

Contact Gill Watkin 01300 345257 watkinplumbing257@btinternet.com

# TWO CANOES (NO PADDLES)

There are two canoes without identification at the club. I will dispose of them at the end of the month unless the owner removes them first.

#### Ian Green

**Boat Park Administrator** 

# **NEXT NEWSLETTER**

The deadline for contributions for the next Newsletter is the **24th of next month.** 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.

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

### **WANTED / FOR SALE**

**FOR SALE- MOORING NO. 461**. New 20m chain riser, galvanised link and pick-up buoy winter 2009. Sinker is Paul Horlock type plate. Next 5 yr inspection due 2014. Position is 50 35.506N, 002 27.390W. £700 o.n.o. Contact Phil Smith (01305) 246892 evenings (at other times please leave contact details and I'll get back to you).