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TELLTALES

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JULY

From the Commodore

2013 is flying by and it is proving a busy year at Scammonden.

So far we have run a RYA level 1 and a RYA level 2 course and Saturday Club is verging on being full to capacity. All this is great and is providing us with lots of new members, who I'd like to welcome to the club. And it brings me on to my first plea - we desperately need extra help with the Saturday Club. You could help in many ways from simply rigging the training boats, driving the safety boat or catching the beginners as they sail ashore. If you can spare one Saturday or several Saturdays throughout the year please contact myself or Ben Ratcliffe... no experience is necessary!

On Saturday, July 13 we have our Open Day.

If you are a regular at the club then Sophie or Paul may have already asked if you can help on the day. Please let all your friends, family and work colleagues know that we are opening the club up to them for one day to come and see what we do. We will also be offering an attractive membership rate for the remainder of 2013 for anyone wanting to join.

For those members who want to improve their racing skills or would like

to get into racing Isaac Marsh is running a very good race training event on a Thursday night for the next couple of weeks. Read on in this edition of Telltales for more details.

We also have the Supernova Open meeting to look forward to on July 14.

The Committee are currently working on getting some power boat courses set up, if you would like a recognised RYA certification that I would recommend every member lets us know. There will be a small charge for these courses but they are really relevant and will provide you with a lot more confidence when doing your duties.

Finally it's nearly time for the summer holidays. If you are going away either sailing or just to relax I hope you have a fantastic time, but remember we don't stop sailing at Scammonden and where's better to be on a summer's day?

If you have any ideas on how to improve anything at the club please let me know.

Mike Goodwin
Commodore

Captains Report

With the season now in full swing and the summer already upon us now is the time to reflect on a busy sailing season so far.

After a slow start with the cold weather and the snow, the Saturday Club sailing academy is full of life with new people learning to sail. And I hope they will join the names below in winning some trophies in the coming years.

Isaac March won the Warm-up series and the Spring Bank series, Angus Illingworth won the Early Saturday series and The Caretaker's Cup, I (Paul Cornish) won the Spring Fleet and Commodore's Cup, Ben Ratcliffe won the 1st Wednesday series and Challenge Pursuit Day and Sally Ratcliffe won the Seamanship trophy, finally so far this year Phil Davies won the Father's Day trophy and Chris Smith won the Mid-Summer Pursuit.

We've had some interesting and close racing so far, with more to come between now and the end of the season.

Best of luck to everyone who will be competing this summer at sailing events around the country, including Team Scammonden who will be in Abersoch for the week – Steve Yates, Jeremy Child, Tony Morris, Phil Davies and myself will be sailing, with more club members cheering us on.

And best of luck to those who take part in the Birkett and Ullswater Week – let us know how you get on and we'll publish the results on the club's website and in the next edition of Teltales.

Paul Cornish

Open Day

As revealed in the last edition of Teltales Scammonden Water Sailing Club is hosting an Open Day on Saturday, July 13.

We were awarded £10,000 from Sport England towards the purchase of two new Wayfarers for the club's Training Centre and for club members to sail.

To raise some more money towards the overall purchase cost we're hosting an Open Day for family, friends and the wider public to take a trip on a boat around the bay for a minimum donation of £1 per person.

As well as sailing trips there will be a capsized demonstration, a race, raffle, food, drink and more.

To make it a success SWSC needs its members to volunteer to help on the day - either in welcoming visitors, helping the boats, running the safety boats, baking cakes to sell, making/selling refreshments, running the raffle, managing the car park and generally helping on the day.

We've already got some raffle prizes - a voucher for the Bolster Moor Farm Shop, children's books, locally-produced beer and a bottle of wine or two - if you can donate any raffle items, bake a cake or volunteer contact Sophie Yates on 07711 749134 or email her on yates_sophie@hotmail.com

Sophie will soon be allocating volunteers to jobs - so if there's anything you'd like to volunteer to do let her know ASAP.

The Open Day runs from 10am until 4pm but club members can arrive earlier to help set up. To make it a success we need as much help as possible on the day and to spread the word too. There is a poster in this edition of Teltales to put up in your workplace to help promote the Open Day.

Afterwards there will be a BBQ for club members who have helped on the day.

We hope to see as many of you there as possible and that you enjoy the day too.

Isaac's Race Coaching

On Thursday evenings Isaac Marsh will be running race coaching sessions to pass on racing tips he's learnt competing at national events. They started on Thursday, June 20, at pm. It resumes on Thursday for anyone to join in, even if you missed the first session.

Isaac's sessions will include:

- A briefing to outline the objectives of the session
- Time on the water running through a number of exercises
- Debrief of the session – including some video footage
- Questions and answers

Isaac plans to run the sessions every Thursday for four weeks and coaching will focus on start line tips, starting to windward, sailing downwind and boat handling. Eddie Marsh will cover the rescue boat while Isaac puts us all through our paces.

The sessions are suitable for any class of boat and all club members are welcome to come join the sessions... we might all learn enough to beat him too!

SWSC's Saturday Club Needs You!

Every Saturday Ben Ratcliffe has been running a popular Saturday Club for children and beginners. It's great to see so many new people learning to sail and having fun.

The Ratcliffe family - Ben, Alison, Sally and Katie - are running (and taking part in) the Saturday Club brilliantly, but to ensure it can run every weekend they need club members support. Volunteers do not need to be qualified to teach new members how to sail, they just need to be around to lend a hand.

If you can spare a couple of hours from 2pm on a Saturday afternoon please speak to Ben Ratcliffe.

Southport 24 Hour Race in September

Once again SWSC will be entering an Enterprise team into the Southport 24 hour race, hosted by West Lancashire Yacht Club on September 7-8.

SWSC were placed 26 out of 57 boats last year. This year we'd like to enter two boats and give more members the chance to sail too.

It's a great social weekend, the fun starts on Friday evening with a social event, sailing starts at midday on Saturday and finishes at midday on Sunday. Helms and crews will sail in shifts throughout the 24 hours. We'd love to make it a great SWSC away-weekend so even if you don't want to sail you're welcome to come along, camp for the weekend and cheer us on.

If you'd like to take part in the Southport 24 hour race speak to Mike Goodwin or Paul

Enterprise Open 2013

SWSC welcomed ten Enterprise boats to the club for this year's Open. Congratulations to Sam Woods and Richard Hayton of Etherow Sailing Club for winning first place. Second place went to Royston Taggart and Lisa Woods and third place to Richard and Millie Pryke. Top Scammonden boat was Jamie Holdaway and Sophie Yates. Other Scammonden boats were John Hutchinson and Mick Meaker and Graham and Siarlot Lloyd.

NEWS IN BRIEF:

SWSC has new radios which are in the OD box. Can every OD/rescue team make sure they're charged after use and ready for the next sailing day.

Mark 1 has been moved due to the water level decreasing. Club members should be aware of the submerged wall when sailing at Mark 1.



SUMMER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Thursdays, on the water for 7pm, Isaac Marsh is running Race Coaching sessions.
 - Saturday, July 6, girls and ladies training with championship sailor Katie Mapplebeck from 2-5pm.
 - Tuesday, July 9, General Committee Meeting: Speak to any member of the committee if you have ideas and suggestions for the club. Committee member details are in the photo gallery in the bar (or they'll be in the bar after sailing!) Notes of committee monthly meetings are now on the noticeboard for all club members to see.
 - Saturday, July 13, Open Day - all day event for all the family.
 - Sunday, July 14, Supernova Open
- TBC: Powerboat Level 2 course - speak to Ben Ratcliffe if you're interested