

Castle Cove Sailing Club



September 2004 Newsletter

THIS MONTH'S DIARY

**Saturdays and Tuesdays
Working Parties**

**Saturday 11th September
Cadet Open**

**Saturday 18th September
Team Racing
9.45 am**

**Saturday 18th September
Laser Class Meeting
1.00 pm (lunch break)**

**Friday 24th September
Mooring Meeting
7.30 pm for 8.00 pm**

**Saturday 25th September
Cove Cup
Cadets last day
BBQ and prizegiving
9.15 am**

**Sunday 26th September
Summer dinghy parking ends**

**Wednesday 29th September
Class 9 AGM
7.30 pm**

**Saturday 2nd October
Asymmetric Training**

**Sunday 3rd October
Autumn Series begins**

SUMMER DINGHY PARKING ENDS

on Sunday 26th September

Unless you have a 'winter' space all dinghies and tenders must be removed from the site by this date

GENERAL COMMITTEE VACANCIES

There will be 3 vacancies on the General Committee coming up. If you would like to talk about it please contact Diana Gill

FROM THE COMMODORE

What a fantastic month for our Club!

For those who were not aware, two of our members were part of the amazingly successful British Olympic Sailing Team, which once again performed better than any other section of the overall UK Olympic Team.



We all send our heartiest congratulations to Sarah Ayton (Gold Yingling) and Nick Dempsey (Bronze Mistral). Sarah and Nick are still trying to get their feet back on the ground but we look forward to hearing all about their experiences in due course.

I would also like to thank all those who gave their commitment and energy to the running of the National 12 Burton week. This was a big effort in challenging weather conditions, but both on and off the water the Nat 12 sailors had a superb regatta. Many lessons were also learnt and will be used when we consider the planning of other events in the future.

Just a small point on communication. This Newsletter is always packed with a variety of information and tips on how to get the most from your sailing and participation in Club activities. I encourage all members to read it thoroughly, and please can you also ensure that your family and all those within your membership group read it as well!!!!!!

Enjoy your Autumn sailing and as ever, plan ahead to make all your arrangements for the Boat Park, craning out, Annual Dinner and Prizegiving and all those other admin tasks which otherwise will steal up on us and catch us by surprise.

Bob Turner

FROM THE HONORARY SECRETARY

AGM 12 November: Preparation

Elections to GC: Please note the AGM is approaching. As mentioned in the August Newsletter the rules allow for three new members annually on the General Committee to promote fresh ideas. Care and attention is still needed as the Club consolidates its position at Sandsfoot so representatives prepared to contribute members' views continue to be very important. Please be ready to stand for election and put your name on the list in the Chartroom.

AGM Agenda: As guided by the RYA (who suggest a very long lead in time) our rules require that any items to be discussed at the AGM must be notified to the Hon Sec 28 days in advance. This means that it is inappropriate to have an 'Any Other Business' item on the agenda. If you wish a point to be raised at the AGM, please **MAKE SURE YOU NOTIFY DIANA** a month in advance.

Diana Gill

NOTE FROM THE TREASURER

On the Agenda for the AGM this year you will see a note stating that questions relating to the Accounts must be sent to me seven days before the AGM. This is to give me an opportunity to get the figures together and be able to answer the questions more authoritatively than I was able to do last year!

Judy Kemmis Betty

TROPHIES

With the Annual Prizegiving just around the corner it's time for everyone who won a trophy last year to return them to me duly cleaned and polished. It would be very much appreciated if all the trophies could be returned to me by Saturday 11 September at the very latest. Last year nearly all the trophies were returned on time with only a minimal amount of chasing; I hope the same can be achieved this year or better still have them all returned by the deadline.

Thank you for your support.

Karen Horlock

BOAT PARK

Please note that, unless you have arranged (and paid) for a 'winter period' space, your dinghy (or yacht tender) must be removed from the Boat Park by Sunday 26th September. This rather strict deadline is necessary because, starting Friday 1st October, most of the eastern side of the Boat Park will be used for the winter storage of keelboats.

Boats that have been allocated a space for the 'winter period' will be accommodated on the western side or in a small section within the eastern side. A list showing the allocated spaces will be displayed in the Clubhouse.

Hopefully, it should be possible to move all/most of the boats to their new positions on Sunday 26th September. If you wish to move your own boat or you are able to help with this operation we plan to start around 10.00 and, assuming we have at least ten people, should be finished by lunchtime. Please let me know if you are able to help.

Mike Clarkson - mestclark@aol.com

WORKING PARTIES - PLEASE HELP

Preparation for Winter lay-up - START 4 SEPTEMBER

Work associated with erecting fencing, bringing Pontoons ashore and the Pier.

Aim to set up teams of six people per day to work with a task leader.

Malcolm Spicer will coordinate the work.

Plan to work Saturdays 1000 to 1600 hrs (with lunch break!) and Tuesdays as an option for those who cannot make weekends. Start Sat 4 and then 7,11,14,18,21,25 September.

Please contact Malcolm Spicer - Tel 01305 782125

Barry Grant - Outside Work Coordinator

TEAM RACING

Saturday 18th September
9.45 am

Teams are welcome from any groups in the Club wishing to put something forward

If you can't make up a team, but want to take part, turn up on the day and we will sort out something for you.

Paul Wallis

Class 9 AGM Wednesday 29th September

This year the class 9 (all dinghies) AGM will be held in the Clubhouse on 29th September, starting at 19.30. Please come along and make your views known!

Correction to the sailing programme

There will be no Z-class starts during the Autumn Series

SILVER SPRAY – CLOCKS

Has anybody seen the clocks from Silver Spray? The turn over in clocks has been a bit exceptional this year – we are now onto our third! If anybody has put one 'in a safe place', or has seen one lying around then please would you let me know?

Thank you.

Ben Evans - 01305 750163

FROM THE HONORARY SAILING SECRETARY

Cove Cup Family Fun Day

Don't forget the Cove Cup on the 25th of September. There will be three back to back races for A-Class and Class 9 dinghies, a balloon race for the younger Cadets and a single (longer) race for the keelboats, all followed by a prize giving and Club barbecue! The courses will be matched to all abilities, with prizes being given for:

- The first parent and child crew
- The lowest average age
- The highest average age
- Greatest stamina (or the most capsizes award) - dinghies only
- First boat to finish without using a spinnaker - keelboats only
- First boat to finish that doesn't usually race
- First boat in a preferred class
- Sailing committee special prizes

The Cadet end of season trophies will also be presented at the same time. If you are at all unsure about the racing, then there will be a briefing at 09.15 in the Clubhouse, with races starting at 10.30 and being run on an 'elapsed time' basis. This is the last full day before the end of the summer parking period, so please make a note in your diary and then come down to celebrate the end of the summer and the start of the Autumn Series!

Team Racing – 18th September

This year's Team Racing takes place on Saturday 18th September. We will hope to start the racing at 10.30, so please be at the Club by 09.45 so that we can confirm the number of teams and rig boats etc. Paul Wallis will be running the event and would like an idea of numbers beforehand, so if you are planning to take part please would you let him know? His phone number is on the duties telephone list, and there is a 'sign up' list in the Clubhouse (or will be very shortly!) - as always, you are very welcome to just turn up on the day, but an advance warning on numbers is useful. This has always been a fun event, so please come along!

Ben Evans - 01305 750163

USE YOUR VOTE – RYA COUNCIL

I am retiring after three interesting years on the RYA council. Earlier this year I looked for possible candidates to fill my vacancy. Mark Kemmis-Betty has nobly volunteered. I had no hesitation in proposing Mark. Another person I approached, David Darbyshire is also standing for election. There is a great need for representatives and friends in court for the Portland area. A number of problems loom on the horizon for Portland. Powergen has said it has only shelved the wind turbine proposal for the Harbour. The Olympics, if London is awarded the Games will need local input to ensure the area is developed sympathetically for the future good of all. If the Games are lost to another country I predict Powergen will be back with a firm proposal to erect wind turbines in Portland. It has been muted that Portland should be changed to the RYA Southern Region from the South West Region.

During my term of office I have seen the reduction of the Council, which I believe should be reduced further. A committee of 39 is far too many. There has been a proposal from Government for all to pay Light Charges for boating, imposing tax on diesel and many other issues. The Combined Clubs of Weymouth invited me to a meeting and asked me to put their case regarding the Powergen proposal to the RYA. I was able to persuade the Council to include environmental issues as one of the objections to Power Turbines.

Due to my membership of the RCC I was sponsored by the CYCC (Conference of Yacht Cruising Clubs). Both Mark Kemmis-Betty and David Darbyshire, who is the Hon Sec to the CYCC, have been sponsored by this organisation. It is a collection of clubs who publish sailing pilots representing some 17 sailing clubs, some 18000 sailors. It has taken on a greater roll recently conducting research into problems faced by the boating community from Governments and other quarters, to lobby those institutes when required. It is working with the RYA on a number of issues. As a Council member I was invited to attend its meeting and comment on the email correspondence.

The election papers are coming with the next issue of the RYA magazine. If you are or know RYA members PLEASE VOTE for Mark Kemmis-Betty and David Darbyshire and tell as many people as possible to vote for them. It could be important for our area and boating in the UK.

Barry Woodhouse

BOAT LAUNCHING

Some members have allowed their friends to launch boats from the site.

Please note that only Club members are allowed to under Club Rules. If anyone wishes to discuss this please see a Committee member.

LOST PROPERTY

Please check the lost property in the entrance to the changing rooms!

All unclaimed lost property will be disposed of.

MOORINGS

For the second year running the season started with 30 moorings on the bottom again. It will not be possible to start next season in the same position. The Club is buying ¼" chain to winterise the Club moorings and those we administer.

We propose to hold a meeting of mooring holders on Friday 24th September – 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm to discuss best practices for the winterisation of moorings, and how we should proceed in future. Photographs will be on display of all the moorings we have lifted, inspected and repaired this year.

I do hope that we will have a good attendance. I am sure that you will want to put your boat on its mooring when it is launched next year. If your mooring is on the bottom, it will mean you may have to take your boat round to Weymouth Harbour until it can be found.

Alan White

LASER TRAINING

Bob Cudmore offered his expertise to other Laser sailors and Cadets on 7th August.

Using a video of race starts, he showed the risk of losing ground in the middle of the line through line sag, and pointed out the effects of poor crew positioning dragging the transom and slowing the boat.

With a Laser lying on its side, the effect on sail shape using combinations of controls were made very apparent; much more so than looking up at it whilst sailing.

Using combinations of Cunningham, kicker and outhaul changed the shape of the sail top and bottom independently for a range of wind and sea conditions.

Next on the water, with practise 'rabbit' or gate starts, and sailing blindfold to learn feeling the boat. This was done with a 'buddy' to watch and instruct, and, upwind, was surprisingly easy. Downwind was totally different, however, judging by the wild changes of course. Apparently it would have been simpler if we were supporting ourselves on the balls of our feet to get maximum feedback. I got maximum feedback much more quickly from my muscles!

Final part was running by the lee, which can be fast in a Laser as long as you stay upright. The wind and sea combination was kind to us that day.

There were obvious omissions from the training. Bob must have held back on the key issues since nobody beat him in the afternoon races.

Steve Green - 01305 789191 - stephen@shcagreen.fsnet.co.uk

RACE OFFICERS' COURSE

Last year Derek and Ben ran an excellent course on being a Race Officer. If you missed it, and/or would like a refresher here is another chance:

Saturday 9 November 9.00 for 9.30 - 16.30
Run by: **Mike Pearson** (RYA SW Area Race Mgt Coordinator)

At: **WSC**

Cost: **£14** to include coffee and lunch

The better we all are as ROs, the better (and more fun) our racing will be. You also learn a lot that helps you on the water.

Response by 18 October to
Barry Payne V/Comdre WSC - 01305 785481 -
wey.sailclub@rya-online.net

Calling all LASER SAILORS



Come to the annual
LASER CLASS MEETING
Saturday 18 September at 1 pm
(half an hour during the Team Racing lunch break)

and get your racing, training, likes, dislikes and ideas heard

If you would like to be Class Captain, let me or Ben Evans know today
Come ready to vote in my replacement

Mark Wildman

THEFTS OF LASER TROLLEYS

Trolleys are attractive to young go-cart makers. Check yours is still there and secure wheels if possible

CONGRATULATIONS

To Angie White who has passed her RYA Dinghy 1 and 2

ALWAYS LOCK UP AFTER YOU!!

**REMEMBER – LOCK UP EVERYWHERE
WHEN YOU LEAVE**

Do not assume you are not the last out!
All members should have a key.

All doors and windows of the Clubhouse should be locked!

Changing rooms and stores should be locked at all times!

Lock the gates!

OPTIMIST FOR SALE - "THUMPER"

Wooden hull, rebuilt 2001
 Strong, light, epoxy coated
 Good buoyancy bags
 Aluminium mast and boom
 Distinctive fluorescent yellow race sail
 Regular winner at CCSC junior opens
 Complete with launching trolley
 £350 ono

Contact: the Rowles' Family - 01305 773922

FOR SALE

A selection of sailing gear:

Wetsuits:

GUL wetsuit short sleeve/long legs: junior large
 O'THREE wetsuit long sleeve/long legs: junior large
 O'THREE wetsuit long sleeve/long legs: junior medium

Various splash tops:

Small adult, and
 Medium adult

Various Buoyancy aids:

Child: small, medium and large
 Adult: large

All £5-£10 each

Contact: the Rowles' Family - 01305 773922

FOR SALE

3.5 HP outboard engine
 Mariner, air cooled
 Old, but still works well
 £100

Nick Rowles - 01305 773922

FOR SALE

Mini bic child's windsurfer kit
 Ideal age 5-9 years
 Board+Rig+Sail complete
 £80

Contact: the Rowles' Family - 01305 773922

LIFEBOATS - WEYMOUTH LADIES' LIFEBOAT GUILD**Jazz & Jackets**

Saturday 23rd October
 8-11 pm

Sea Cadet Training Centre, Nothe
 Live music with Gerry Brown and the Mission
 Hall Jazz Band
 Delicious filled jacket potato supper –
 Licensed bar
 Tickets £8.00
 Ring 01305 788994

Coffee Morning

Thursday 18th November
 10.30 am-12

Old Rooms Inn
 RNLI Christmas Cards, Calendars, etc.
 Cakes, Christmas Presents, Decorations and
 much more
 Entrance £1.00 on the door

Christmas Evening at Brewers Quay

Friday 3rd December

A great start to the Christmas season: a
 delicious home cooked supper, great
 company, wine and beer bar, among the
 Christmas decorations
 Admittance by ticket - £12.00
 Ring 01305 788994 to apply

Enquiries for tickets and further details

Rose Abbott – 01305 788994

Di Ludlow – 01305 813446

FOR SALE

JEANNEAU ARCADIA
 "Kachina" 1984 9m 6 berth
 13 hp Yanmar inboard, stub & drop keel
 (reduces from 2m to 1m) with legs to dry out
 GPS Autopilot furling genoa holding tank etc.
 Fast spacious family cruiser easily handled
 £25750

For full details contact me on the number
 below evenings or weekends

Richard Salt - 01297 32169

DEAR CCSC,

Matt and Jo



The Flags

Nicky and Bob Ward and Andie and Paul Clarke would like to thank the whole of Castle Cove for the use of the Clubhouse for the wedding reception of Joanna and Matthew (a.k.a. Jo and Matt) on the 6th August. The location was perfect, thanks to Rose Spicer and her team for their efforts since the move. The buffet was outstanding, this time thanks to Rose Abbott and her magnificent team. And finally, the purveyors of beverages (mainly alcoholic!) Michael and Robyn, Bob Turner, Brian Wilkins and John Marchment ensured that all guests were never without a drink. Those guests who had never been to Weymouth before were rightly impressed by the facilities and the fine views of the Dorset coast, Portland and the harbour itself. A day that the wedding party will never forget – thanks to the weather and Castle Cove Sailing Club.

Nicky and Bob Ward and Andie and Paul Clarke

**PLAYING WITH THE WIND
A POEM**

There's a game I play, living by the sea,
with a friend; or may be She
sometimes can be, not friend, but an adversary.
She teases, smiles, and gently plays The Game,
but not for long, perhaps She's bored
She's ner'e the same, that's not Her way.
She comes, She goes,
sometimes gently, sometimes strong.
I cannot win, I just compete
I ease the sheet, and reef the main.
I'm sure She'll play this Game again.

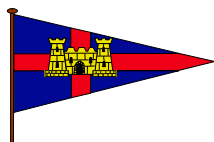
Reg Paveley

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the October 2004 Newsletter will be 26th September 2004. There is no need to use special formatting – simple text is much easier for me to work with and any photographs are preferable as separate files (or send me the prints for scanning). 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 - click on Social, then Club Newsletters. It usually only takes a couple of minutes to download. You will see it all in full glorious colour and the photographs in particular are much more impressive than in the copy sent through the post. **If you give me your e-mail address I can send you a link to the Newsletter as soon as it out each month (instead of waiting for printing and the post).** The fewer paper copies we send out the more money we can save for the Club.

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CASTLE COVE SAILING CLUB **ANNUAL DINNER AND PRIZEGIVING**

The Rembrandt Hotel, Weymouth

On Friday 29th October 2004
7.30pm for 8.15pm

Dinner, Prizegiving and Dancing
Dress: Black tie or lounge suits

Tickets: £23.00 each

But do hurry, numbers are limited to 160!!!
Tables seat 10, so why not get a party together?

Application form: please tick appropriate box.

Cheques must accompany Ticket application.

- I would like to book a table for 10; please find enclosed the cheque(s) for all 10 Tickets, plus names of all included in the party.
- I would like..... Tickets at £23.00 each. Please may I sit with/near (names below) if possible. Please indicate number of vegetarians.
- I would like..... Cadet Tickets at £23.00 each. Please may I sit with/near (names below), if possible. Please indicate number of vegetarians.
- I would like..... Tickets at £5.00 each to listen to the Prizegiving and to join the dance. Admission from 9.45pm approx.

Please send completed application form plus cheques for full amount made payable to Castle Cove Sailing Club to:

Mrs Judy Kemmis-Betty,
Manor Coach House,
Stottingway Street,
Upwey,
Weymouth.
DT3 5QA

The deadline for receipt of applications is 15th October. Early booking is most helpful. Please send SAE if you require a receipt. No tickets are issued.