

HELFDORD RIVER SAILING CLUB

Newsletter - Summer 2010

COMMODORE'S REPORT

The lovely weather continues and the Clubhouse is now busy most evenings. We provide sailing activities on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons. This, together with a high number of visiting yachts, means that it is essential to book in advance if you want to eat in the Clubhouse. Ali and Greg, professional as ever, will do their best to accommodate Members whenever they can, and the barbecue will be available on busy evenings.

The Development Plan questionnaire was run for an extra month but will finish at the end of June so that Members' views can be collated and summarised. The Development Plan Sub-Committee has been meeting monthly since January, with plans and schedules now being formulated for the next AGM.

This is the first newsletter being produced exclusively for the new Club website. Hard copies will be available in the Clubhouse and the Club office, or can be obtained by sending an SAE to the Club Administrator. Please let us have your email addresses if you wish to be kept informed about social events throughout the year.

I hope you all have a very enjoyable summer.

Jane Benney - Commodore

OBITUARIES

The Club has recently lost three lifelong Members who have sadly passed away.

ROBIN MOMBER, who was a founder Member and Honorary Secretary for many years.

FIONA BEALE, a Member and supporter for over 40 years.

'JILL' LONDON who, with her husband Peter, did so much work on the building of our current Clubhouse.

They will all be greatly missed, and the Committee and Members send their deepest sympathies to all the families involved.

Unfortunately, due to the inappropriate behaviour of a very few, it has become necessary to remind Members that it is unacceptable for any Member to be rude to any member of staff, the stewards or Committee members who all work so hard to make the Club such a wonderful place for all. Any behaviour of this nature will result in the person responsible being brought before the General Committee.

DINGHY NEWS

The Spring Weekend and Thursday Series are just coming to an end with the Susanna May Trophy this weekend which is always a highlight on the calendar. See the website for all dinghy results.

The next date for your diary is the Dinghy Regatta on Sunday 4th July. This should be a really exciting day as we have an On Board Feva Frenzy taking place on the same day. This year there will be 3 classes to accommodate all ages and abilities!

- PY Dinghies
- RS Fevas
- Under 14 PY Dinghies

If you would like to take part, the entry forms for all 3 classes are on the website along with NOR and Sailing Instructions. Please get these back to me before Thursday 1st July so we can produce results sheets in time for the day. Looking forward to seeing you all on the water over the summer.

Beccy Kestin - Captain Dinghies

CAR PARK REMINDER

Once again can we remind members to PLEASE put your 2010 parking sticker on your car - if you don't have one there are plenty available from the office. Call in or phone 01326 231006. Non-members must park in the public car park adjacent. Parking space is as ever very limited and we now have a Club clamp - so beware!

FALMOUTH WEEK - REGATTA TEAS

As usual, Helford will be hosting the first day's racing of Falmouth Week on Sunday 8th August. The Club always provides a wonderful tea for the racing crews and to do this, volunteers are needed to prepare, serve and clear up afterwards. Please could anyone who is willing to give up a couple of hours on a Sunday afternoon and/or to make cakes, scones etc. ring Sandra Monaghan on 01326 290618 or Penny on 01326 231006.

MEMBERS' EMAIL ADDRESSES

As you will see, our seasonal Newsletters are now being posted on our website, rather than sending them out by post. Paper versions will be available in the Clubhouse and also can be sent to you on request by contacting the Club office on 01326 231006.

In order that as many members as possible have access to Club news, we would urge you once again to let us have your email address.

Thank you

RESTAURANT & BAR OPENING TIMES

Until Sunday 4th July

Restaurant Opening Times

Lunch & Dinner Tuesday to Sunday
(closed Monday)

Dinner from 6pm - 9.30pm

Lunch from 12 - 2pm

Bar Opening Times

Evening 6pm - 11pm

Weekday Lunch 12 - 2pm

Sunday Lunch 12 - 6pm

From Monday 5th July to 5th September

Bar & Restaurant

Open every day from 10am til 11pm for breakfast, lunch, cream teas and dinner

We urge you PLEASE to book well in advance if possible especially for dinner as our restaurant is very busy. Please call Alli on 01326 231414 for bookings.

Thank you

FOR SALE - CLUB PRINTS

Sarah Wimperis, a Club member and accomplished artist, has produced a wonderful print of the Club which is now on sale either from the bar or the office at £15 each. A framed version will be on show in the Clubhouse or you can see it on the website - visit www.helforddriversc.co.uk

SOCIAL CALENDAR - SUMMER and AUTUMN 2010

July

Sunday 4th Club Dinghy Regatta. Dinghy racing and afternoon teas
Music by 'Shades of Blue' Jazz Guitarist 16.30 - 18.30hrs. All
welcome. Entry forms available on the Club website

Sunday 18th Club Yacht Regatta. Keelboat racing and afternoon teas. All
welcome. Entry forms available on the Club website

August

Saturday 7th Lizard Lifeboat Appeal Raffle Draw. Live music with 'Shellin'
Snails' - rock band with music for all ages. 20.30 - 23.00hrs

Sunday 8th First day's racing of Falmouth Week hosted by HRSC. Pig
roast and live music with 'Jonah's Lift' Celtic Ceilidh Folk
Band 15.30 - 17.30hrs

Friday 27th Junior Fun Night

October

A possible talk by Pete Goss from 'Spirit of Mystery' - date to be confirmed

Friday 8th Junior Posh Nosh evening

Wednesday 13th Yacht Wash Up Meeting 19.30hrs

Friday 22nd Quiz Night with prizes - questions set by Dot Spragg - start
19.30hrs

November

Thursday 11th Dinghy Wash Up Meeting 19.00hrs

Saturday 13th Magic Tricks - demonstration of basic tricks, tricks at the
tables and show - suitable for all ages. 19.30 start with show
21.00 - 22.00hrs

Wednesday 17th Yacht Prize Giving Evening

Saturday 27th Dinghy Prize Giving Evening

December

Children's Christmas Party - date to be confirmed

Saturday 11th Carol Singing with 'Illumination Brass' - 19.30 to 20.30hrs

YACHT NEWS

Dear Fellow Sailors

Well, the odds have certainly stacked in our favour so far this year with some glorious sailing conditions for both the Spring and Early Summer Series. Wednesday evenings have been influenced by high pressure systems and some light easterly conditions, which certainly suited newcomer Zoom Baby as she cruised to a decisive victory in the Spring IRC Series followed by the J-boats with Jacobi in 2nd and Origin 3rd.

These light conditions persisted into the Early Summer Series but Jacobi started to get to grips with her new no 3 sail plan and just took the honours from Zoom Baby followed by Origin having stepped up a gear this season in 3rd. Having lost a couple of boats this season, the IRC fleet has benefited from two newcomers, Supergroove and General Khaos which are making great progress and we extend a warm welcome to them from the fleet.

The turnout in the PY fleet has been a little disappointing compared with last year when numbers blossomed – come and join in - it's summer time! Jinjy, Valkyrie, Kudu and White Squall have been regulars with the occasional appearance by Beejolly, particularly early on. The Early Summer Series went to Jinjy with Valkyrie in 2nd and Kudu in 3rd.

Looking ahead, we have the 51st Annual Pursuit Race to L'Aber-Wrac'h which takes place on Friday 25th June, and there is the usual extensive programme of social events planned to welcome fellow yachtsmen from Brittany.

The HRSC Yacht Regatta takes place on 18th July with a new 3 race format for IRC, which is generating some interest from Falmouth based yachts and looks set to be a competitive Regatta. IRC commences at 10.30hrs, while PY and Gaffers will have 2 races with a more leisurely start time of 12.00hrs.

The plans for the Henri Lloyd Falmouth Week are now complete with Helford's Race Day being on Sunday 8th August and an excellent shore-side programme of events has been organised. This year's race programme also includes the Pendennis Cup for Superyachts and the IRC Southwest Championship, which runs from Monday 9th to Wednesday 11th August which should further swell the entries.

If you have any ideas or questions about racing your yacht at any level, please do get in touch. Otherwise, come and join in on Wednesday nights, we look forward to seeing you on the water!

Regards

Garth & Stuart - Captains Yachts