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Simon Filmer, of Helford River Camping, generously donated his Laser, for youth training & racing in 2017
Chris Vickery of Azores & Back fame donated his this summer www.pbo.co.uk/news/through-hell-and-high-water-azab-sailors-return-13118

Jenny Field provided another Laser this autumn for the cost of a modestly priced trolley
HRSC Juniors now need just 1-2 more

GOOD condition Lasers

New Lasers cost £5000 - way beyond the Juniors Budget.
So, we would love your Lonely Laser

Put delicately, your **pristine** (no flowerbed or hedge gap fillers please) Laser is required, for a good cause – but not the best of homes.

Contact

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The Commodore and Committee wish all Members a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful and healthy New Year.

HELFDORD RIVER SAILING CLUB

WINTER 2018 NEWSLETTER

COMMODORE'S REPORT

I would like to thank the Committee for its sterling work throughout what has been a difficult year. Due to a concerted effort the pontoon was back up and running in time for the start of the season without too much disruption to our Members.

On 10th July we welcomed a fleet of 13 classic boats from the Yacht Club Classique in France. This was a first for the Club and I was pleased to receive a letter expressing their thanks for our "welcome and cordiality".

At the beginning of the season we welcomed Alex and Patrizia as stewards at HRSC. Their unique style of food was enjoyed by many visiting yachtsmen and some Members. Unfortunately they were unable to meet the needs of other demographics within the Club. I understand that Alex and Patrizia will very shortly be opening their own restaurant and we wish them well with this new venture.

We are now enjoying delicious Sunday roasts at HRSC served by guest chefs Gavin and Lindsey until March. I am pleased to see the clubhouse so busy on Sundays again during the winter. It's great to see old Members catching up with each other.

Gavin, Lindsey and Susie Lawrence will be providing wonderful food throughout the winter to support the very successful calendar of social events organised by Di Best and the Social Sub Committee. Please keep an eye on our website for details www.helfordriversc.co.uk.

Finally I would like to wish all Members a very happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous and healthy New Year.

John Bolitho - Commodore

THANK YOU TO OUR 2018 SPONSORS

As ever we would like to extend a big thank you to our 2018 Race Sponsors:

Hine Downing Solicitors - Early Summer Yacht Series
Budock Veau Hotel - Mid Summer Yacht Series
Ancasta International Yacht Sales - Race Marks



HRSC SOCIAL EVENTS WINTER 2018/SPRING 2019

Wednesday 28th November David Southwood tells his story about surviving a hurricane during the 2017 OSTAR (Offshore Transatlantic Single Handed Race). Talk starts at 20.00. Food available please call Lindsey Purse on 07872079031 or email lindseypurse@gmail.com

Friday 30th November Christmas Quiz with Rob & Suzanne Matthews. Quiz starts at 20.00. Food available please contact Lindsey - details above.

Wednesday 5th December John Strike's Black & White slide show about ship wrecks off the Cornish coast. Talk starts at 20.00. Food available please email Lindsey - details above.

Friday 7th December Yacht & Dinghy Prize Giving Evening 18.30hrs start

Friday 14th December Christmas Carols with accompaniment by St. Keverne Band 19.00hrs start. Come along and get in the mood for Christmas by singing some carols. Mince pies, sausage rolls and mulled wine will be served.

Sunday 23rd December Christmas Family Lunch. There will be a magician to entertain the children plus a delicious lunch for all the family. What a start to the festive season! All welcome. Please book your table with Lindsey.

Monday 31st December New Year's Eve Abba Party. Fancy dress optional. Bring a plate of food to share.

Events Planned for 2019

January & February—Wednesday night talks, monthly quiz nights.

Friday 22nd February Dinner Dance at Tregenna Castle Hotel St. Ives (see website for details www.helforddriversc.co.uk)

Details of these events and many more will be posted on our website www.helforddriversc.co.uk, HRSC Facebook page and emailed to Members. If you have not already done so PLEASE send us your email address. You can call the Club office on 01326 231006 or email

hrsc-admin@btconnect.com.

DON'T MISS OUT!

HELFDORD RIVER SAILING CLUB

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday 25th January 2019 at 19.30 hrs

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Helford River Sailing Club will be held at the Clubhouse at 19.30 hrs on Friday 25th January 2019 at which the following business will be transacted:

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting
3. Commodore's Report
4. Honorary Treasurer's Report - Approval of Accounts
5. Election of officers
6. Election of Club Accountants
7. Any Other Business

Close of Meeting

Nominations for election of Officers must be sent in writing, duly proposed and seconded, to the Honorary Secretary not less than 7 days before the AGM. Items of Any Other Business must be submitted in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least 28 days before the Annual General Meeting (in accordance with Club Rules 18, 20 and 32 respectively).

If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else for a position on the Committee please contact the office on 01326 231006 for a nomination form.

Peter Lethfead-Currie (Honorary Secretary)

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

It is very important that as many Members as possible attend the AGM as we need to elect several new Committee members for 2019. Several long standing Committee members will be leaving at the end of their term and we need to replace them. Please would any Members interested in serving on the Committee contact the Honorary Secretary.

We are looking to fill the following vacancies:

Captain Dinghies
Captain Juniors
Captain Amenities

THE CLUB WEBSITE IS REGULARLY UPDATED - KEEP UP WITH THE LATEST
NEWS ON www.helfordriversc.co.uk

2019 MOORING FEES (1st April to 31st October)

Deep Water Mooring	£30.00 per 300mm
(minimum charge £500 at the discretion of the Committee)	
Sailing Dinghy Park Adult	£118.00
Sailing Dinghy Park Junior	£ 79.00
Sailing Dinghy Park Rack	£ 79.00
Car Park Dinghy Area	£ 73.00
Shed Key	£ 18.00
Canoes and Kayaks	£ 35.00
Tender on Pontoon (under 3.25m)	£117.00
Trailer summer storage	£ 59.00
Drying Mooring (boats up to 22ft)	£440.00
Inflatable Dinghy Rack	£ 49.00

There is no waiting list for boats under 3.25metres - spaces for these are allocated on a first come first served basis from January onwards by contacting the Club office. If your tender on the pontoon has an outboard engine please could you ensure that you place a bucket over the propeller to avoid damage to other boats.

Finger Berth Moorings

Maximum: Length 5 metres Beam 2 metres
Weight 450kg
Outboard: 2 stroke 90hp or 4 stroke 75hp
All boats regardless of length £340.00

All finger berths and dinghy park spaces are allocated via a waiting list system. If you would like your name added to the list (one per family) please contact Penny on 01326 231006.



YACHT REPORT

The contrast of the seasons of 2018 have to be about the most diverse I've ever known. The extremely wet summer and winter of 2017 rolling into the very wet early part of 2018 led us to believe it couldn't get any worse, but it did. The Beast from the East along with the snow topped it all weather wise. What would the summer bring? It brought almost wall to wall sunshine month after month - what a glorious summer it has been. Being a farmer, and it's always 'too something' for us farmers, it was a tad dry through the growing season, but if I had the choice it would be the sunny summer of 2018 rather than the rainy summer of 2017.

Sailing almost every week in the yacht races has been sometimes exhilarating, sometimes a little less than one would hope for. The wind changes in the river are always a challenge but the camaraderie of the racers on these evenings is always great. This year we have seen a resurgence of PY yachts racing alongside the 707s which has been a great boost to the racing. I think almost every week we comment while racing " there are worse things to be doing on a Wednesday evening".

Dinghy racing has again gone very well with two fantastic dinghy regattas and the support of everyone for these events is always appreciated.

Junior sailing has also been well attended and no junior sailings sessions were cancelled due to the weather. Thanks must go to our fantastic Dinghy Instructors who give their time each week to teach the future Members of the Club.

I have to remind you all of the damage to the pontoon after the afore mentioned Beast from the East. Although repairs were done in a remarkably quick time the cost is not so easy to recoup. The crowd funding letter we sent out with the Spring Newsletter and Yearbook did return a certain amount of revenue for the repairs but not what we were hoping for. To those who have contributed thank you so much and some gave well over the suggested £30. For those who haven't yet done so I ask again to please contribute to this fund as our two most amazing features, the clubhouse and the pontoon, are our greatest assets at HRSC.

We look forward to seeing many of you over the winter months at our various social events and next year again on the water.

Chris Hosken - Rear Commodore Sailing



PLEASE LET US HAVE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS SO WE CAN KEEP YOU
UPDATED WITH ALL CLUB NEWS OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE
www.helfordriversc.co.uk

2019 MEMBERSHIP FEES

	Entrance	Annual
Joint	£ 11.00	£225.00
Single	£ 11.00	£145.00
Family Junior (18 and under whose parents are Members)	£ nil	£ 19.00
Junior (18 and under whose parents are not Members)	£ nil	£ 42.00
Cadet (Over 18 under 25 and in full time education)	£ nil	£ 42.00
Children under 5 are free		
Holiday Membership £50.00 per fortnight (2 adults plus 2 children - maximum 2 weeks per year).		

DINGHY NEWS

WANTED: Captain Dinghies

No – he hasn't run off with the silver – which reminds me - it's the combined Dinghies and Yachts Prize Giving Night on Friday 7th December at 18:30. Everyone is welcome to the final fun event of the Racing Calendar. We'll be swapping tall tales, downright lies and prizes a plenty.

WANTED: Captain Dinghies

Yes, we need one! Actually, the position doesn't require that you sail, but does require that you can drive a safety boat, understand racing and have raced, keep racers informed, and are sensitive to their needs. The present incumbent will, if mildly pressed, help out with admin etc. So, if fit, and you fancy Thursday evenings and Sundays upon the water give me a call. Successful candidate(s) will be made very welcome and given every assistance from a happy team of racers and support - a finer bunch of human beings you could never wish to meet! The last three years have been entertaining, fun, rewarding AND it got sunnier every year! It's just such a pleasure to be out on the water, being thrashed by an eclectic bunch of club and former and current nationally competitive racers.

Racing has been organised to be very flexible and inclusive of a wide range of conditions, talent and craft both young and forever young. If on the day juniors or adult sailors come out, we'll do average lap scoring whereby everyone races for about an hour or indeed less if blowing, A Topper may only do a couple of laps whilst a Laser might manage 3 or 4 and the Cat does its own thing!

Our Donate a Laser campaign has produced the goods - 3 out of a target of 4, the most recent from Chris Vickery of Azores & Back fame www.pbo.co.uk/news/through-hell-and-high-water-azab-sailors-return-13118. These will have full radial and 4.7 sails for junior and adult racing. Any Laser spares, spars, etc will be gratefully received.

Finally thank you to everyone for the generous and unswerving support in making racing a pleasure and a success these last 3 years.

Stephen Brooks - Captain Dinghies

WATER ACTIVITIES

Winter is usually - and in many ways - a quiet time.

So how about changing that and joining in with the social events being organised by the Club?

The adult sailing group still meets on a Tuesday evening at local pubs for a pint and a chat. If you would like to join them drop an email to the Honorary Secretary, Peter Lethfead Currie on peterlcurrie@gmail.com. He is co-ordinating this in the absence of Captain Adult Sailing who has gone to Australia for a few months holiday.

When he returns we are hoping to arrange some theory sessions for inexperienced sailors to help give them more confidence once we are able to start sailing again.

I am hoping to further promote kayaking and paddle boarding next year and would like to hear from you with ideas or wishes as to how we might make this into a friendly group activity. Also how we might attract new Members to the Club.

Let's make next year time for fun together!

Daniella Wilson - Captain Water Activities



Merry Christmas

