



Notts County Sailing Club

Newsletter August 2024

Commodore's Briefing August 24

Its all about people this month !

Many have heard that Pauline has decided to retire from catering at the end of this month. Pauline has been looking after the galley for longer than anyone can remember and has a fantastic reputation throughout the sailing community. Pauline's last day will be Sunday 1st September. We have opened a collection for Pauline. Contributions can be made in cash or by card at the bar. The last day for contributions will be Monday 26th August and we will make the presentation on Sunday 1st. We wish Pauline every happiness in her retirement

The search has begun for a new catering provider. We are very open minded about how this might be done. It could be someone like Pauline who does it as their main job or it could be someone who already has a catering business. If there is a member interested, or you know someone who might be interested please contact me: commodore@ncsc.org.uk .

It is almost inevitable we will have a period without a caterer. The exec will update on interim arrangements in due course.

Tim has agreed to remain as bosun in the medium term on condition we take from him some of the routine work, such as buoy lifting, the fuel run and loading boats onto the trailer when they need to go away for maintenance. Gerry Ball will coordinate this. If you can help please contact him via rearcommodore@ncsc.org.uk .

Finally, Kevin Spencer is moving away from the area and will stand down as Social Chair and Trophy Steward at the end of the year. If you are interested in either of these roles please contact either myself or Kathryn Ryan: membership@ncsc.org.uk . We wish Kevin well as he begins his new adventure.

Ken

August

- 1/ 2 RYA Powerboat 2 course
- 5 RYA First Aid course
- 6 Inclusive sailing
- 7/8/9 RYA Summer courses
- 12/13 RYA Powerboat Level 2 course
- 17 No Electricity at club
- 19/21 RYA Summer courses
- 26 Monday bank holiday
family fun event



Above: Saturday Club, below: ILCA open



September

- 3 Inclusive sailing
- 7/8 RS 400 Open
- 7/8/14 RYA Adult Dinghy courses
(Also 15/21/22)
- 14 Junior Open (normal racing)
- 27 Solo Class training
- 28/29 Single hander Open (Sun
2 class races @ 13:15)

Notices - SCM is Sailing Club Manager

Thankyou to all the instructors and helpers who facilitated 90 local youngsters from two local Primary Schools (Bingham and Bleasby) getting on the water in June/July, and Anne Clark for organising the days.

We would ask all members to familiarise themselves with the Policy Statement within the Safeguarding Policy which applies to everyone using the club. We have also updated the CCTV policy. You can find both these documents here: <https://www.ncsc.org.uk/members/policy-documents/>

There is a lot of clothing being left at the club, some can be seen here, <https://www.ncsc.org.uk/lost-property-july-24/>. Please recover anything which is yours before Saturday 10th August.

Sat 17th August: National Grid has informed us there will be no power at the club on Saturday, 17th August 2024 from 07:00 until: 18:00. This means there will be no showers, food or cooking facilities, lighting or bar. The internet and phone will also be down.

Monday 26th August: Bank holiday Monday a day of family fun activities including 6 hour race, art, etc. Family and friends welcome. See here for information which will be updated as we get closer to the day. Volunteers needed as well for safety, organising, recording etc. Contact the Vice Commodore, Neil Chadburn. <https://www.ncsc.org.uk/aug-bank-holiday-monday-24-info/>

Notts County SC Monday 26th August bank holiday event Family fun activities

- Camping permitted (all weekend)
- Club gas BBQ available
- Open to family and friends (please sign friends in)
- Bar open (Nottingham 'casik' a/c hopefully)



Hour of proposed events and activities - subject to volunteers and change (volunteers and booking in necessary) - volunteers needed

6 Hour race (using own boats on handicap, details on race page)

We also hope to have a visit with Sailability Club by the Lake, open water swimming

Events theme of Paris:
Paddle boarding in front of clubhouse
Art - conservation; design a new Youth Pathway logo
Ropes - learn 2 knots to make olympic sign
In boats - Stratos and Coble races from pier
Sailability/Windsurfing - taster sessions on shore and on water



Follow QR code for more details (page will be added to as we get nearer the event) or look on website www.ncsc.org.uk



Left Bank Holiday Monday information, press for the detail (which will be updated)

Above: the Carnarvon school visit, 90 Children experienced sailing thanks to a large team of volunteers.

Training:

The August courses for youths and adults start next week. As ever shore helpers are always welcome (catching boats etc). For the second course(19/20/21st) more instructors will allow us to accommodate people on the waiting list. The adult September course has very few instructors or other helpers. It would be fantastic if anyone who can help would let us know so that we can decide if the course is viable.

Most of the first August course (next week) is overbooked with a waiting list, but Youth Stage 2 has some space.

Sailing Committee

Welcome to Gordon Burton & John Gathergood who have taken over running the **Youth Racing Squad (YRS)** and other **Junior Pathway events** from Stephanie Gunn. Big thanks to Stephanie for running the squad for many years.

Thanks to Ken, Susan, Debs and the Race teams running the sailing on both days of the Regatta. Particularly to those who volunteered to do safety duty at the last minute. Also well done to Neil Chadborn and family who rescued the Pizza evening after the van broke down and a big thankyou to Pauline, Colin and Keith who stood in to help at the last minute.

Please would Race Clerks use the standard recording sheets available in bulk in the Race Office pigeon holes.

Please would competitors sign on with their full names so there is no ambiguity about who the results should be given too.

Jake Willars has been given permission to practise for the Worlds in his Musto Skiff when other events are not taking place and the water is clear. He will not race.

Matlock Air Cadets have asked to use the small lake for water activities during 18th – 25th August. This took place last year with minimal disturbance. They will not use it on Wednesday and will avoid the Open Water Swimming times. (PS on 21st it looks as though some air activity is happening at air base – members only at club on the Wednesday)

Duties: Just a quick reminder to those members that are water users but still haven't volunteered to do any duties this year. You should sign up via SCM in order secure the dates which are most convenient to you. Instructions can be found here: <https://www.ncsc.org.uk/members/duties-information/>

We still require 2 rib drivers and 2 safety crews for the August bank holiday 6hr race, as well as drivers, crew and race clerks for race series during October, to December. At the end of August the Duty Secretary will allocate the remaining duties until the end of the year to people who have volunteered for less than three duties. Please acknowledge the duty as soon as possible and if you need to swap use the online swap system on SCM and let Duty Sec & Race Officer know. Not showing up causes huge problems.

Sailability: The Sailability group is organising inclusive sailing sessions The next one is on 6th Aug. The idea being to provide an opportunity to try sailing for potential HANSA sailors. Please contact Anne Clark on sailability@ncsc.org.uk for information. July's session saw three potential members have a go.