

LYMPSTONE SAILING CLUB

March 2017 Newsletter

Safety Boat Refresher Courses

Do you hold PB2 and plan to helm a safety boat (or any power boat) this summer? Come on one of our FREE refresher courses and get your skills back up to Mach One. Max 2 hours long. Includes boat handling, MOB and recovery, manoeuvring in tight places, towing. Dates: 5th March, 22nd April. Book through the website, spaces limited.

RYA Level 2 training for adults

We are considering putting on a 2 day sailing course at RYA Level 2. To take part, you would either need RYA level 1 OR be able to demonstrate that you can sail a triangular course and name parts of the boat. We need to know how much interest there is! Please email events@lympstonesailingclub.co.uk ASAP. The going rate is £200 approx so we'd hope to offer it for less if there is sufficient demand.

From our own correspondent

Ian Scholefield sent me the photograph shown below with the comment "This made me smile when I came across it whilst on holiday" in Rockingham, Australia



Harbour News

Invoices have been sent to all LFHA Members for the year ahead. Half have responded promptly - thank you. If you have not received an expected invoice, please e-mail lfhamemsec@gmail.com. Please pay before the deadline of 19th March after which a 20% mark-up will apply. Further information concerning the timing of the opening of the harbour to dinghies etc in mid-April, will be e-mailed and posted on the LFHA website & Noticeboard
[Http://www.lympstoneharbour.org.uk](http://www.lympstoneharbour.org.uk)

Richard Crisp

Friday evening talks

Respect the Water: Friday 17th March

Charles McLennan-Wiggin will lead a practical and interesting session based on the RNLI's "Respect The Water" campaign and their focus points for 2017. Bring your own experiences, good or bad, to discuss and share good practice. Topics include 'unexpectedly entering the water', 'the effects of cold water', 'rip tides' and 'life jackets'. Bring your life jackets or buoyancy aids for a check up!

Flags and race sequence: Friday 24th March

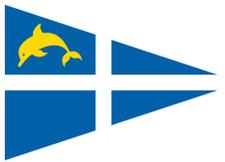
Talk and practical session by George Collett and Jim Trice - a great way to start preparing for the sailing season. Informal session and a good reminder for those who haven't raced much (and probably also for those who have!)

2017 Sailing Programme

The 2017 sailing programme has been finalised and gone to print. Thank you to David and George Collett for their hard work in preparing this. Please look out for the final version appearing on the website shortly. Hardcopies will be available from the sailing club later in March. **Please remember to check your duties as these may have changed since the draft was circulated.** Here's to a great season.....

Charlie Pilling

(Ooh only 43 sleeps...Ed)



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Commodore	Judith Carter
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Fun Sailing

As part of LSC efforts to get more of our members onto the water and taking part in races, regattas and just generally being supported to enjoy sailing, we are organising various fun sailing events this summer for any members in a club boat or their own boat - with safety boat cover. The plan is to have a team of competent sailing members who, between them, provide 2 people to run and supervise these sessions so that people taking part can receive some informal coaching and help on the water. There are 5 sessions planned, all on Saturdays. We would ask people to book into the sessions, so we know in advance who is coming. The events would be open to youngsters but we would need to agree a minimum age and level of parental supervision required. **First date now available for booking on website.**

Fun sail 1: May 6th 1600

Fun sail 2: June 24th 1815

Fun sail 3: Aug 5th 1700 - includes beginner race

Fun sail 4: Aug 19th - 1630 (may include trip to Exe café?)

Fun sail 5: Sept 2nd 1600

Lesley

Mariners' Munches

Don't forget our delicious lunches every Friday until March 24th.

Judith Carter

DIARY DATES

Fri	17 Mar	19:30	Respect the Water
Sun	19 Mar	10:00	Winter Walk, Chagford
Fri	24 Mar	12:00	Final Mariners' Munch
Fri	24 Mar	19:30	Flags and Race sequence
Thur	13 Apr		Craning afloat

Skittles

Dolphins continue to have variable results, with a recent loss against Starcross Ladies and a narrow win against Topsham. With two matches left to the end of the season we have won six and lost six, and will end the season in a mid position in the league. However, The Lypets are in a good position to win the league and their next match is against us. Dolphins won the first encounter so the return match will be crucial for both teams. The positions of all teams in the league are on www.exeskittles.co.uk.

Don Govan

Parking on the slipway

LFHA have asked me to remind members that parking on the slipway is only allowed when loading and unloading, or for occasions when a member is working on their boat in the Harbour. Apart from these occasions the slipway is not a parking area - it is a boat launching area! Thanks for your cooperation.

Judith Carter

Winter Walks: Sunday 19th March

A walk in the Chagford area starting at 10am. The Hurrells are organising a lovely four and a half mile walk around Chagford, with optional lunch at the Three Crowns Hotel in Chagford. If anyone is interested in joining the walk, please contact Adrian and Frances on 01395 489133, by Sunday 12th March.

Anne Crisp

PS Remember Anne is still looking for someone to take on the mantle of coordinating these walks - she assures me it is not an arduous task (Ed)

I now have a new stock of club burgees. If anyone wants to purchase one please contact me judith_carter@hotmail.com