



Lympstone Sailing Club

September 2015 Newsletter

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FEES

Alas, the end of the season is growing ever closer, with LFHA's Craning Ashore set firm for 3 October and the inevitable need to clear the boat park the previous weekend. Time, therefore, to look forward to 2016 and the next season 'just around the corner'! Membership Renewal forms for 2015-16 will be issued as usual in September-October. The fees will remain pegged at the 2014-15 level and, as previously, a prompt payment discount will apply. The Committee has, however, had to give careful attention during the year to the costs of maintaining and supporting the Club's on-the-water activities, taking note also of the reasonable cost and overall value for money of membership in comparison with the fees charged by the other clubs on the Estuary. It also takes note of the fact that some members no longer participate actively on the water as there have been different interpretations over the previous 'Racing and Helming Fee'. For the coming year, therefore, an 'On the Water' supplement of £10 per Adult, Couple and Family membership will be levied in place of the previous fee. (The latter had been maintained at £5 for many years and was applicable to all those members who sailed under the aegis of the Club.) The supplement will help defray the increasing costs of maintaining, fuelling and replacing the Safety Boats and their outboard motors, maintaining, deploying and replacing marks, assisting with moorings and, thankfully only occasionally, rescuing drifting boats. Members who genuinely do not engage in any activity afloat, or who choose not to do so, will be able to opt-out of the supplement on the renewal form should they so wish. The fees for 2015-16 for adult members including the supplement will be: Single £52; Joint £69. No supplement will be levied on the fees for Student and Junior members, which will remain as for 2014-15 (£10 and £5 respectively). The cooperation of all members, whatever your particular interests, will be greatly appreciated. Thank you,
The Committee

WINTER WALKING GROUP

There will be a meeting in the Sailing Club on TUESDAY 13th OCTOBER at 7.30pm to discuss our walks for the next few months. Francis and Adrian Hurrell are planning a walk for October, date to be confirmed. If anyone is interested in joining this friendly group, just come along to the meeting or get in touch with me on 01395273211 or email: anne.crisp@gmail.com. Walks take place each month on a Sunday during the winter. They are relatively easy, 4 - 5 miles, finishing with an optional pub lunch.

Anne Crisp

DINGHY RACES—CHANGED TIMES

Due to rapidly reducing daylight hours, we have made some changes to the scheduled race times.

Sat 5th September—1130 (no change)

Sun 6th September—1215 (no change)

Fri 11th September - 1800 to 1715

Sat 12th September - 1830 to 1730

Sun 13th September - 1900 to 1745

Mon 14th September - 1900 to 1800

Sat 19th, Sun 20th, Sat 26th (no change)

Dave Collett

DAYBOAT DOINGS

An up and down sort of holiday month but a variety of DBs have taken advantage of the nicer days: Luggers of various parentage, Devon Yawls and Dayboats, a Pica-rooner and not forgetting the Flat-bottomed spritsail Dory (based on the Newfoundland Banks fishing dories (John Spree, pers.comm. -thank you!), the gaff-rigged Pilot cutter, the Norfolk Oyster, the Devon Potter, the Loch Broome Post boat, and Paul Sauven's smart clinker boat, perhaps more strictly classed as a dinghy in the traditional style? Apologies if I have overlooked anybody (please let me know!) - but an impressive range of craft, nonetheless. Sadly, September will be upon us by the time you receive the newsletter; the season is rushing by. Please try to take part in the Commodore's Cup race on Sat. 5 September, 11.00 hours start, together with the cruisers who will be sailing for the President's Cup. Based on previous experience the DBs may sail a shorter course, all on handicap and offering a chance for any participant to lift the trophy! All this of course made possible by Don Govan who will consult the oracles and wave his magic wand over the elapsed times. Thank you, Don!

John Bennett

SKITTLES

The Beachcombers skittles team are the hosts for this year's annual presentation of the Exe Estuary trophy on Tuesday evening, 15th September at the Police Social Club, Exmouth. The Dolphins are the runners-up for the award, followed closely by the Lympets. Both our teams look forward to another good season which will start in October.

Diana de la Rue

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WORKING PARTY—13TH SEPTEMBER

There will be a working party Sunday 13th September 10am at the Boat park to check over the club boats before the winter and also tidy, clean and paint in the club house. All hands very welcome. **Judith Carter**

DIARY DATES

Sat	5 Sept	1100	President's/Commodore's cup
Sun	13 Sept	1000	Dinghy park clear up
Sat	19 Sept	1000	ESC Champagne challenge to Brix-
Sat	26 sept	tbc	BYO BBQ
Sun	27 Sept		Dinghies to be removed
Sat	3 Oct	0830	Craning ashore—bacon butties in the morning—supper in evening
Fri	6 Nov	1930	Spuddle and prize giving

To mark the departure of the dinghies there will be a BYO BBQ in the evening of Saturday 26th September. Bring salad and pudding to share—more details to follow.

COMMODORE'S CORNER

A lot of sailing adventures have taken place over the peak summer months, including of course the club trip to Turf, one of the biggest so far. Must say a big thank you to Tom Clow who organised the evening. For the girls of the Mermaid Sea Rangers Unit, the annual trip to Lymptstone is also one of their main sailing adventures and I'm handing over to them to tell you about it:

Further to our visit early in August, here is a brief report from SRS Mermaid Sea Ranger Crew who enjoyed a further year sailing with members at Lymptstone Sailing Club. This year we bought two Laser 2000's and our usual Polly, a Miracle, to add to the four club boats. In addition to the 15 members of SRS Mermaid, Lucia and Megan Ellis from LSC joined the crew to enjoy three days of sailing. Sophie Candy also joined in on a visit to the Naval College in Dartmouth on the Monday which we managed to fit in before sailing as the high tides were so late this year. Some great fun was had by the girls in the Pico and upon reflection we think this was the best year's sailing conditions we have ever had. We also swam in Topsham and took the younger cadets to the Donkey Sanctuary, whilst staying as usual in the Church Hall in Woodbury Salterton next door to Skipper Anne Baker's house. A huge thank you to all who helped, especially Alan, Ian and Bob who manned the safety boats on the Monday to give the girls a further day of sailing. You all help give opportunities to children to sail! And enjoy this magical part of the world. We hope this relationship can continue for future years with LSC.

