



LYMPSTONE SAILING CLUB

November 2021 Newsletter

Nominations for committee posts – we can't do it without you!

Many thanks to those people who have already put themselves forward for next year's committee. We still need volunteers for the following posts:

Rear Commodore - this is an important role on the committee as the person is the driving force behind our social activities. This role oversees and coordinates our land-based activities including having oversight of all our "not on the water" activities including co-ordinating an informal social committee and overseeing house matters. We do not expect this person to organise everything themselves, but we hope they will keep an eye on our diary, coordinate volunteers to organise all the regular events that we enjoy and collate ideas for new events. Judith Carter has been filling this role and will be staying on the committee to provide support for anyone that steps into the role, so there will be plenty of help from all of us. Judith (Judith_carter@hotmail.com) will be happy to chat you through what is involved if you are considering standing.

General Committee roles - we have general committee members who help to broaden representation on the committee. We would particularly be interested in welcoming people on to the committee to represent the interests of families, motor boaters and paddle sport activities or who have specific expertise in communications. Please contact any of the existing committee members, myself (cheryl.scudamore@lympstonesailingclub.co.uk) or (peter.turgoose@lympstonesailingclub.co.uk) if you would like to know more about what these important roles entail.

Cheryl

Commodore's Corner

What a difference a month makes! After a successful craning with a welcome return of the bacon butties (thanks Ali and Anna) the river suddenly looks empty. No doubt there will be a few hardy souls paddling and sailing through the winter along with the redoubtable swimmers! We kicked off our winter programme with an informal new members' evening which was well attended by new members and old hands. It was lovely to put faces to some of the names that I hadn't met during the season. You will see more details of our winter plans elsewhere in the Newsletter but as Covid numbers start to rise significantly again we will be carefully monitoring what activities are safe and practical. As I have said before none of these events happen without the hard work of members and our committee. We are still looking for nominees for the Committee and there is still time to volunteer - closing date for nominations is 5th November. In particular, we urgently need to replace our Hon Secretary and Rear Commodore which are key roles for the Club. Don't be put off by the titles, you do not need experience to take on these roles, just a willingness to help out with administration and organisation. The Committee works as a team and will support anyone taking on these roles. We have almost 300 members currently and we only need a couple of people to stand forward to help make the Club work for everyone - please contact me if you want more details or would like to put your name forward. **Cheryl**

Harbour update

The transition to winter mode at the Harbour went smoothly, thanks to all involved, especially those who helped with the tidy-up before craning, some on three days, and those on the refurbishment of the derrick. Craning itself was completed without drama, in ideal conditions. The difference this year is that nearly half of the winter dry-berthed vessels were not craned on the day, but were to be brought ashore by owners themselves subsequently. The confident expectation of accommodating all requests was only made possible by an unexpected (!) cancellation of one craned vessel on the day. The current empty spaces on the hardstanding are earmarked for boats, so will be occupied in time.

Richard Crisp, LF&HA membership secretary

Arts and Craft Fair

A team of sailing club members are pulling their Arty skills together to host a Winter Arts and Crafts Fair. Feel free to drop by for a browse or save the trek to the shops in search of unique Christmas gifts on the 13th-14th November, Brookend Studio, EX8 5EX (next to the fish shed). There'll be all sorts on offer from Christmas cards, pottery, decorations, original works of arts and prints. All sustainable and made by LSC members! **Claire**



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LSC Contacts

Commodore Cheryl Scudamore

Vice Commodore Claire Belcher

Membership Fiona Archer

Secretary Peter Turgoose

Rear Commodore. Judith Carter

Treasurer Adam Rejzl

Newsletter Margaret Turgoose

Website: lympstonesailingclub.co.uk

DIARY DATES

Fri 29 Oct 19:30 Spuddle and Prize Giving

Fri 12 Nov 19:30 AGM

Fri 19 Nov 19:30 Quiz

Fri 3 Dec 19:30 Commodore's Drinks

Sun 26 Dec 10:30 Boxing Day Swim

Fri 7 Jan 12.00 1st Mariners' Munch

Fri 7 Jan 19:30 Talk: Katie McCabe sailing "Falanda", single handedly round GB.

Fri 21 Jan 19:30 Talk: Jenny Moon, Fishing links with Newfoundland

Social Activities

We had a great end of season supper delivered by Krispies on Saturday 9th October. This supper is a longstanding tradition to celebrate the end of the sailing season and the completion of the Craning Ashore for the winter. It was so good to have a sociable group down at the club enjoying an evening as we used to pre-covid. The day had started with the welcome return of Ali Lawry and Anna Streather serving teas and coffees and bacon butties to crews and members during craning. The New Members' Evening on the 15th October was well attended and was a chance for people to meet others and ask questions about the club. Remember the club is always open on a Friday evening from 7.30pm so come down and meet other members any Friday. You are allowed to bring up to 3 guests if you wish. You just need to sign them in on arrival. We do also have various events running on Friday nights through the winter such as short talks, to allow time to have a drink and socialise, and other event such a Quizzes which are always popular. Events in the calendar so far are listed below.

Friday 12th November is the **AGM**.

Friday 19th November is our **First Quiz** of the season run by Sophie Cocks. Details of how to book a place or team will be circulated at the beginning of November.

Friday 3rd December is **Commodore's Drinks** - free glass of mulled wine served by the Commodore followed by **Karaoke**. 7.30pm for drinks followed by Karaoke till 11pm. As we need to predict numbers we would like you to book on the website if you plan to come. There is no charge.

Sunday 26th December BOXING DAY SWIM. This will be at 10.30am from the slip way. Everyone invited, fancy dress optional, for a quick dip in the sea followed by hot drinks. We will be holding a collection for our local RNLI.

Fridays: 7th January to 25th March: Mariners Munch 12 to 1pm- Lunches of soup and a sandwich, sometimes pud provided by different helpers each week. **Please let me know if you are willing to help one week. Teams of 2 or 3 needed** and if you are new to this, I will put you with someone with previous experience. Judith_carter@hotmail.com

Friday 7th January. Our first evening talk, 7.30 for 8pm start, is by 14 year old **Katie McCabe on sailing "Falanda", single handed round Britain.**

Friday 21st January Talk: Lymptone fishing links with Newfoundland by Jenny Moon.

We are arranging other events through the rest of the winter which will be published in the newsletter, by email and on the website.

Hope to see you in the club, **Judith Carter**

Lymptone Sailing Club actively encourage members to take a Lateral Flow Test before attending club events.



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Carry on Cruising

Well there we go. Another successful craning ashore under our belts and everyone safely chocked and blocked on the hard, or securely tied in their allotted spots in the wet harbour for the winter. Even Moana has taken her place in the wet harbour, despite Rory stretching his sailing season for that much envied 'one more weekend'. Thanks must go to the harbour board team for organising it all once again and all those willing hands on the day for their part in making it work so seamlessly and getting our nautical charges safely from wet to dry. From the crane crew, safety boat crew, strop handlers, block shifters, guide line handlers to the all important galley crew turning out the traditional teas and bacon rolls. Mention must also be made of the dinghy sailors who have, as always, ended their season and vacated the harbour to make way for us to take up residence for the winter. Now ashore that gentle hum of activity has been seen around the boats as they have been or are being set fair for their winter ashore. Decks washed, bottoms pressure washed, barnacles scraped off (in Skara Brae's case that's was akin to a muscle farm, eagerly scooped up by Jason and whisked off to his fish store). Then comes the removal of soft furnishings, surplus galley stores and a variety of other odds and ends from the inner depths before the covers go on to make a dry working environment for all those refitting jobs both little and large. Some boats will be covered and left untouched until the spring, whilst others will take on a life of their own as owners escape to them to fettle over the winter months. Whichever hat fits you I'm sure you, like me, will also be indulging in the occasional dreams of what sailing adventures next season afloat will bring. In the meantime I'm sure the club will have its winter social programme to tempt us and attract us down to the club house over the coming months. After a timely suggestion from one of our fellow sailors it is hoped one of those evenings will be earmarked for the cruiser fleet to get together to share salty tales from past seasons and ambitions for the future. Watch this space and come and join us once we've set a date. Fair winds everyone. **Chas**

Training Opportunities

Starcross Fishing & Cruising Club are organising the following training, please contact Dan Tucker if you are interested.

RYA Day Skipper Theory - Eight Day Course - £200 per person, Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th October 2021, Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th November 2021, Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st November 2021, Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th December 2021

RYA Yachtmaster Coastal/Offshore Theory - Eight Day Course - £200 per person, Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th January 2022, Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th January 2022, Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th February 2022, Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th February 2022

RYA SRC Course and Exam - One Day Course - £50 (+£60 RYA exam fee) per person Saturday 12th March 2022 Sunday 13th March 2022

RYA First Aid - One Day Course - £50 per person Saturday 19th March 2022

RYA Diesel Engine Maintenance - One Day Course - £40 per person Sunday 20th March 2022

Contact: Dan Tucker, Training Coordinator, RYA Centre Principal & Chief Instructor training@starcross-fcc.com, 07792 885 161



A beautiful day for craning ashore this year.



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2021 Season's Winners

Dinghy cups

Moore Cup: 1st: Chris Atkins, 2nd: Dave Collett

Peters Cup: 1st: Dave Collett, 2nd: Chris Atkins

Horn Cup: 1st: Ian Smith, 2nd: Dave Collett

Short Courses 1: 1st: Rory McDougal, 2nd: Margaret Turgoose

Short Courses 2: 1st: Margaret Turgoose, 2nd: Simon Adams

Short Courses 3: 1st: Dave Collett, 2nd: George Collett

LSC Regatta: 1st: Helen Scott, 2nd: Simon Adams

Pursuit: 1st: Dave Collett, 2nd: Margaret Turgoose

Key Connor Cup: Best Newcomer to the dinghy fleet: Steve Walton

Best Junior Sailor: Polly Scott (Polly did 4 races in three different boats - Tera, National 12 and a Laser Radial).

Special mention to Isaac Whiter who sailed three races this year. Nice to see more juniors taking part in racing

Tony Clark Cup - Best Contribution by a Junior: Primrose Hawes for the effort she made to paddle 20 litres of fuel out to a stranded safety boat during a race earlier in the season! The juniors looking after the safety boat!

Best overall handicap. Best performing boat/helm combination on handicap over the season: Helen Scott who won 16 out of the 18 races she took part in.

Cruiser cups

Chandis Bell race to Brixham: 1st Chas McLennan-Wiggin, 2nd: Richard de la Rue 3rd: Claire Belcher

Cruiser sailor of the year: John Baynes

Darling Rock trophy: Simon Pryor

Alan Dixon Award 2021: Alan Dixon was a well-loved member of LSC who sadly passed away unexpectedly in 2020. He was an active member of the club serving as Bosun on the committee for many years, but we all remember him most for always being there to help out, rescuing many of us from various scrapes on and off the water and mending, literally, anything with his vast array of tools. With this in mind, the Committee now presents an annual trophy to the member who is recognised to have contributed most to the club during the year. The recipient nominated by club members this year is a skilled and experienced sailor in his own right, and a trained and professional boat builder and repairer. He always seems to have time to carry out repairs and maintenance to member's boats often with helpful, imaginative and cost-effective solutions. He also never fails to have time to stop and freely offer advice and help on all boat matters, always with a friendly manner. The winner of the 2021 Alan Dixon Award is **Rory McDougal**