



JUNE 2015 NEWSLETTER

Into Full Swing!

The June calendar is bursting at the seams! Club racing, COGS racing, Working Boat racing, dinghy racing are all up to max revs. And out in the Bay there are no less than 3 major events; all of them on-the-water spectacles not to be missed this month. Read on!

The Azores and Back Yacht Race

As we go to press some 67 boats will cross the start line between Pendennis Point and Black Rock on Saturday 6 June. Amongst them is our own **Charles Emmett** sailing the Sigma 36, *British Beagle*, in which he competed in the solo trans-Atlantic race in 2013. Forty years on from the first 2,400 mile AZAB in 1975 this will be the 11th edition of this gruelling solo and two-handed race. Check out the web site at azab.co.uk

There's even a site for youngsters at kids.azab.co.uk run by 16 year-old Lucy Campbell, the race's youngest competitor .

The Falmouth Classics

Out on the water or from a viewpoint at St Mawes Castle at 1000 on Saturday 13 June the parade of maritime history is a spectacle not to be missed. Falmouth Classics 2015 is a 3-day rally of all sorts of historic craft with 'gentle but competitive racing.' And there's no shortage of real ale and sea shanties, too. Full details can be found on the web at falmouthclassics.org.uk

The J Class Regatta

The third spectacular this month is the return of the J Class leviathans to Falmouth between 23 and 27 June. The J Class has its roots in the oldest international sporting race in the world, the America's Cup. This international event was born from a race around the Isle of Wight, hosted by the Royal Yacht Squadron and called the '100 Guinea Cup'. News has it that Lionheart, Ranger and Velsheda will all be based at Pendennis Marina. Definitely worth getting out on the water to watch these beasts and their crews at full throttle! You'll find full details on their website at: jclassyachts.com/events/j-class-regatta-falmouth-uk

...now on to where it all starts - JST

"By the time you read this we will have completed Week 1," writes JST Coordinator **Mark Osborn**. "It is good to hear that the online booking system meets parents' approval and is working well. Online booking for Junior Racing Week is now live. It would be helpful if you could all decide who you are going to crew with so that the vast majority of sail numbers are correct at the time of entry. As well as the Saturday Squad, Team Feva, and JST Laser Squad - all for locals - demand for the after-school sail training has been huge and we are now running two groups. This is great news for the future."



The month of May got off to a great start when 25 of our new members were given their official welcome by Commodore Nigel Sharp, the Flag Officers and members of the Main Committee. The Clubhouse was soon packed out when 80 old hands then arrived to enjoy the Fitting Out Party on 2 May with its magnificent spread laid on by Chef Cherry Ferris and her able assistants, Natalie and Kim.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 6 June: COGS Plymouth to Fowey Race

Can StMSC boats continue to deliver outstanding results?

Sat 6 June: Start of the Azores & Back Race

Be there to cheer on Club member Charles Emmett!

Sat 6 to Fri 12 June: Shrimper Fun Week

A packed week of, er..., fun. Why not try out a Shrimper?

Fri 12 June: Three Peaks Race Starts

The third running of this now-established St Mawes event.

Fri 12 to Sun 14 June: The Falmouth Classics

The second of this month's on-the-water spectacles.

Sat 13 to Sun 14 June: COGS Eddystone Race

The best of all the COGS races! Run by StMSC, of course.

Thu 18 June: Start of Summer Thursday Series

It's also the first of our Working Boat & Sunbeams events.

Sat 20 June: Loe Beach Regatta

First of the season's village regattas. On and off-water fun.

Sun 21 June: Start of Summer Sunday Series

Sunday mornings don't get much better than this!

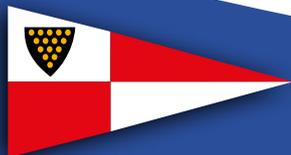
Tue 23 to Sat 27 June: J Class Regatta

Leviathans battle it out in mega-buck 5-day contest.

Shrimper Fun Week

Class Captain **Derek Holman** has sent us the programme for the Shrimper Owners' Association Fun Week. Phew! Every day has a packed schedule for you Shrimper owners. It begins on 6 June with a Noon Rally at Mylor before lunch at Castaways and finishes on the 14th with the Prize Giving at the Maritime Museum and the Sea Shanty Festival in Falmouth. "We very much welcome new hands," said Derek, "so if you'd like to know more do get in touch." All registrations need to be made with Derek at...

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Latest from the Marieholm Class

Class Captain **Ian Eborall** has just mailed us this news: "I can at last confirm that the Nordic Folkboats are to be the 4th Class included in the championship weekend on 18 & 19 July. Miles Carden has informed me that their class championship is to be called The Nordic Folkboat Cornwall Championship. Great news for the event to now have four different classes racing over the weekend. He at present expects to get 3 confirmed entries for the class and would like a call put out for any other Nordic owners who may be interested. If they could contact me by e-mail to register their interest I can ensure that they receive the Notice Of Race & Entry Form by return." Sounds good to us. The more the merrier say we! You can contact Ian on ianeborall@hotmail.co.uk

St Mawes Beach Landing for Heroes

Club member **Pat Howard** got in contact to tell us of an event in June that you will want to know about. "At approximately 1230 on Wednesday 3 June, the Help for Heroes Gig Team will arrive in St. Mawes from Falmouth for the first of many Activity Days," he wrote. "These days are part of the 'Epic Row' project to build a Cornish Gig with Disabled Veterans to compete in the 2016 World Championships on the Isles of Scilly. You can follow the progress of the project at the National Maritime Museum in Falmouth but in the meantime come along on the 3rd to watch the Landing and welcome them in." Members will be glad to know that the Club is helping out with hospitality arranged for the rowers in the Clubhouse after they've hit the beach.

Cruising and Raiding in May

One of the Club's two Cruising Coordinators, **Julian Davy**, emailed us this report for the Newsletter. "The cruise to Helford on May 16/17 was blessed with beautiful weather and a perfect nor'westerly breeze. Six yachts and twelve crew enjoyed the idyllic conditions and hospitality at Helford River Sailing Club and the new HRSC Steward & Chef, Chris Conboye, catered for us in some style. Those who took breakfast on Sunday lingered rather too long and were somewhat embarrassed by the tide leaving the club pontoon much quicker than they thought. No names, no pack drill!" If you'd like more info on Club cruising contact Julian on **01326 270591** or at juliandavy@aol.com

7 RIBs and 18 Raiders blasted off at 1000 on 25 May for their assaults on both Charlestown and Fowey. A flat sea made for a fast ride to Charlestown where there was enough water for a run ashore before the main attack on Fowey. The Charlestown raid tho' did produce a casualty. The steering's hydraulic hose blew up on Chris Cooper's big 9m RIB Mac3 but that was easily sorted with a tow from Magellan Zulu to Fowey and an RV with a SeaStart mechanic from Plymouth. After a BBQ feast at the Gallants SC all 7 Raiding Ships made it easily back to St Mawes by 1600 as planned. If you've got a RIB and would like to join in next time contact **Mike Garside** on MVGarside@aol.com



A raft of 6 RIBs in Charlestown while the seventh lies leaking oil. But we won't make a drama out of a crisis! Mag Z tows Mac3 to Fowey for an RV with the SeaStart mechanic.



June Menus from the galley

Thursday 4 June: Sailors' Supper

Fish pie with Fresh seasonal Vegetables followed by Lemon Bread and Butter Pudding

Thursday 11 June: Sailors' Supper

Lasagne and Salad followed by Sticky Toffee Pudding

Thursday 18 June: Sailors' Supper

Beef Casserole with New Potatoes and Fresh Vegetables followed by Chocolate Fudge Cake and Ice Cream

Thursday 25 June: Sailors' Supper

Chicken Curry with Rice and Poppadum followed by Treacle Pudding

Every Friday Night...

Choice of Fish & Chips or Gammon & Chips. A must for every diary!

Every Saturday Night...

Book in for regular Sailing Season Saturday Suppers

And finally a few words from Franchisee **John Howard**... "Cherry's assistant Natalie is soon leaving us to manage the deli. As a result we are going to be holding back on any further steak nights and lobster nights for a while until I can recruit a trained replacement for Nat."

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Circumnavigator Extraordinaire!

The Club's Social Secretary **Christopher Durnford** came across one of life's great characters last month and on Friday 15 May this led to a hastily planned event for members. "It turned out to be one of our most eccentric evening talks ever," said Christopher. "It was given by Paddy Macklin, aka 'Captain Bungle.' His presentation described his attempt in his six and a half ton Buchanan designed 27 ft boat to beat Sir Robin Knox-Johnston's single-handed non-stop voyage around the world. It was an extraordinary story of an adventure which only failed as a non-stop circumnavigation when he was twice rolled through 360 degrees in the Southern Ocean West of New Zealand and had to seek refuge in the South Island. I think all who were there appreciated his self-effacing but fascinating account of his voyage round the world from Falmouth, so much so that when it came to the book-signing after the talk he sold every copy!" You're right Chris, it was memorable. Your Newsletter editor sat through Captain Bungle's talk both impressed and bemused.

BATS from the Belfry

The 18 May visit of the Blind at Sea sailors was postponed because it was blowin'ol'boots. Their visit is rescheduled for 14 September.

Clubhouse Update

Rear Commodore (House) **Rob Bowden** reports that decoration of the outside of the Clubhouse is now finished. "And sparkingly bright it looks, too," he said proudly. He also asks us to tell you that due to a total fall off in numbers the Coffee Mornings in the Clubhouse have been abandoned for the time being.