



St. Mawes Sailing Club

NEWSLETTER September 2013

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Working Boats' Harbour Race

Saturday the 7th of Sept

This starts and finishes on the Club line and the whole course is within sight of St Mawes Harbour, making it quite a spectacle. It starts at 2pm.

Refreshments at the St Mawes Hotel afterwards

Philleigh Pot

For Ajaxs and St Mawes One Designs

Sat 21st Sept

From the club start line. Time TBA.

Supper at the Roseland Inn, Philleigh, afterwards

Victory Cups

Sun 22nd Sept

There will be starts for all the Club's normal classes, including Sunbeams and Working Boats

First start at 1245

Refreshments at the Victory Inn afterwards

Thursdays

The last Thursday race will be on the 19th of September, so only three left at the time of writing.

So get out there and make the most of them while you can.

Autumn Pursuit Series

The four-race Sunday series which takes place in October will be a Pursuit Series. The thinking behind this is as follows: firstly, the turnouts tend to be reduced at the ends of the season, so it makes sense for everyone to race in one class rather than in diluted

separate classes; and secondly, it would seem that the majority of people find a pursuit series more interesting and exciting rather than having all boats starting together, after which the biggest and smallest become increasingly separated during the course of the race to the point where they are hardly aware that they are racing against each other.

RECENT EVENTS

Ladies' Race

Although this was open to all ladies, this was a particularly good opportunity for those ladies who don't normally get the chance to helm, to do so in a less pressurised situation. Eleven boats took part – a mixture of dinghies and keelboats – and the winner was Jessica Peel in *Cheeky Monkey*.

Falmouth Week

There isn't enough room here to mention all Falmouth Week results but it is worth recording some of StMSC members' successes, include the following: Bob Edwards won the 18 Footer class in *Magpie*; Nick Leach's *Buccaneer* was second St Mawes One Design, just 2 points behind the winner; in the Shrimper class, John Hindmarsh was second in *Salamanda* and Colin Campbell was third in *Camilla*; Mike Conlin's *Wild Goose* was first IOD; Bridget Macklin won the Marieholm class in *Annika*; Christopher Thomas won the dinghy Division 1 class in his 49er with nine wins in eleven races; and in the biggest keelboat class – the Ajaxs - Roger Wood's *Amalthea* was first followed by David Liddington's *Athena*.

St Mawes Sailing Club Regatta

The weather on “our day” could hardly have been more different to last year when everything (ashore and afloat) had to be cancelled. Warm sunshine and a gentle breeze gave good sailing conditions and great weather for the reinstated entertainments on the quay. Meanwhile Karen Richards and her team provided teas of excellent quality prompting a number of comments that they were the best of the week.

Fowey Week

St MSC members also had a certain amount of success in Fowey Week. Steve Rendle’s *Gorra Knack* did particularly well to win overall in Cruiser Class 2, while in the Working Boat fleet Brian Chenoweth’s *Mabel* won the passage race up from Falmouth and the syndicate-owned *Evelyn* was first in the Wednesday race.

Junior Race Week

Over 120 children and young adults took part in Junior Race Week this year – a record and 20% up on 2012 – and 70-plus boats took to the water each day there was wind. Every year Mark Osborn and his team try something new and this year it was the Youth Section (16-21 years) racing from a Committee Boat start each afternoon. Also for the first time, a parents’ race was held on Monday evening (with 21 boats taking part); and the following evening (for the third year) twenty-something children (and some parents) took part in a “keelboat experience” race. Prizes for the week were generously donated by the Gipsy Moth Trust. All-in-all another great success.

Gipsy Moth IV

Around three dozen people - mostly members of StMSC – took the opportunity to go sailing on *Gipsy Moth IV* during her recent visit to St Mawes. Most seem to have enjoyed themselves hugely, and Trustee Rob Thomson and skipper Simon later reported that

the St Mawes/Falmouth visit was the most successful of all the venues Gipsy Moth has visited in the two seasons that the Trust has owned her.

Helford Cruise

There seems to be no doubt that organised cruising is popular amongst StMSC’s members. On the last day of August, thirty eight people took fifteen boats over to Helford where they had lunch at Helford River Sailing Club. A fresh Northerly wind provided a quick and easy sail over there, but a slightly harder (and, for some, wetter!) sail back.

CATERING IN SEPTEMBER

Thursday nights

5th: Cottage Pie with fresh veg followed by Treacle Pudding

12th: Cod chips and peas followed by lemon bread and butter pudding

19th: Mish Mash Night – will include Westcountry Pork Casserole, Chicken Curry, Chilli, Chicken Leek and Mushroom Pie.....

All at £5 for one course or £8 for two.

Friday nights

Fish and chips or gammon, egg and chips, followed by various desserts, 1 course £7.50, 2 courses £10.50

Saturday nights

Choice of 3 courses, 1 course £7.50, 2 courses £10.50, 3 courses £13.50

Saturday and Sunday lunchtimes

A special menu (see Club website – facilities/clubhouse – catering) from Chandlers will be available. Meals will be delivered to the Club bar.

Please book all evening meals (including the Sunday lunches) by e-mailing stmsc-bar@live.co.uk or phoning 07536 012935 or at the bar with as much notice as possible.