



BABBACOMBE CORINTHIAN SAILING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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GENERAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Club is now registered with the council in respect of Food Safety and Hygiene. Does any member already hold any Level 2, 3 & 4 (Basic, Intermediate & Advanced) Food Hygiene & Health & Safety certificates and would be prepared to be 'named only' for the club going forward?

Is any club member able to assist the club by being an independent auditor of the clubs accounts?

If you are interested in helping your club in the above role(s) please contact any officer of the club to discuss further and thank you.

MEMBERSHIP

We are now at 260 members with 71 new. If you know of anyone who is thinking of joining or would like to try the sailing club activities, including sailing, membership from 1st Aug to end of this year (31st January) is now only £10 for a full member, £7.50 for a senior member (over 65) and £2.50 for juniors so please let all your friends and family know as now is the time to give us a try.

PICO for sale to club members only. Please contact Guy Hester for further information

SAILING

Club sailing sessions are well attended now that summer's here! Still plenty of room on the water for racers, non-racers, beginners and improvers. Meet at 5.30pm Tuesdays and 9.30am Sundays.

We didn't quite get to Redgate last month, but still had a great day. We'll try ODDIGATE again on Sunday 21st August for a watery day out and a picnic lunch. Non-sailors can meet the water taxi at Anstey's Cove.



The club has just acquired another new safety boat to replace Quandril which has been retired after many years' active service. The new boat, a 3.5m inflatable, has been named 'JUNO'. Well done to Ted Hardy for suggesting the winning name.

We are still short of helpers to do registration and beachmaster duties and will provide training and support for any new volunteers

JUNIOR TRAINING

Junior sailing sessions on Friday evenings kicked off in July and are proving popular. Our new Tera dinghies are being put enthusiastically to the test! We have capacity for more youngsters and parents, so with junior membership now £2.50 for the rest of the year please come and join us.



If the Friday sessions continue to be successful, BCSC will support our juniors in a series of winter training weekends held alongside other clubs in the area.

We would like to add more Tera dinghies to the fleet if funds can be raised. To assist fundraising (and to balance the club fleet) we may sell two of our Picos, but only within the club.

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Last month focussed on training and expanding our safety boat team. Six more members gained their Powerboat Level 2 qualification, and 12 of our drivers attended our half-day advanced safety boat training course.

BEACH VOLUNTEERS
We need your help each Sunday and Tuesday evening during August please.
If you can assist with registration, beachmaster duties or in the galley, please say, as we are short of help in these areas.

SOCIAL

Have you a redundant working Slow Cooker or Hot Plate which is gathering dust on your shelves? If so would you consider selling or donating them to the club? If yes could you contact Jan at babbacombe.corinthians@gmail.com as the club would be very interested in acquiring them for the club food nights.

Wow the Greek night and Curry night were great successes!! Thank you all for your support and I hope you had a wonderful time. Sorry for those people we had to turn away on the curry night. Are we a victim of our own success? I hope so!!!

Our next event is on Saturday 13th August when we have the sounds of Colin Reece. He will be starting his session at 8.45pm.

On Monday 15th August we have a Temple Spa evening which will showcase face and body products from this wonderful range which can be tried out by us all.

Our next food event coming up is our Summer BBQ on Saturday 20th August. Richard Hider and Neil Spacagna will once again brave the elements to produce wonderful Paellas and we will also have a selection of burgers/sausages with salads and breads etc. **All for £6 per person.**

STOP PRESS!!!
ANNUAL DINNER AND DANCE
The Annual Dinner and Dance has been booked for Saturday 19th November at the Babbacombe Inn. A poster and menu options will be on our social board in the next few weeks.

The next Social Committee meeting will be on Thursday 25th August at 7.30pm. If you are able to help out on event nights or would like to suggest some new ideas for social events, please come along and join our happy throng of helpers.

BEACH CLUBHOUSE REGENERATION

After what seems a period of inactivity we have been meeting with Torbay Council over the last month or two to discuss and agree a new lease. We are now awaiting a further draft from the Council before checking with the Club's Solicitors to make sure we get the best deal for Babbacombe Corinthians. Both ourselves and

the Council are aiming to get a new 40 year lease in place by around the end of September.

Whilst the lease is being prepared on the basis of the existing footprint or area we are exploring the opportunity of extending the overall size of the current footprint. This is to allow us to have some flexibility with our redevelopment options and to deal with the restrictions the cliff fencing puts on us.

Alongside the lease work we are now actively looking to agree on detailed options for redeveloping the Beach Clubhouse. Ideally, we think we would all like to see a brand new Clubhouse but we recognise we need to agree on what's affordable by considering the scale of a new build or whether an extensive refurbishment is more viable. What we do know is that we have to do something as the current building is nearing the end of its useful life (some of you may say it's already reached that point!). We are expecting to have some exploratory meetings with an architect in the next two weeks or so to sketch out the plans. Many of you will know the Club has had a number of "go's" at this before but with the new lease we have a real opportunity to now do something. We will need to have a design specification, architect plans and engineering surveys before we are able to make any final decisions on what the Club would like to take forward to get Planning permission etc. Importantly the design and plans will help us properly cost the redevelopment and seek grants and funding support.

To help with requests for grants etc. the Club must have a Development Plan and alongside the work above we are now drafting a 5 Year Development Plan for BCSC. Once the General Committee have had the opportunity to input to the draft we will circulate this to you all and arrange some meetings to look at the Plan and the proposed redevelopment in more detail and get all your views before proceeding.

In the meantime if anyone has any views or comments on the Beach Clubhouse Regeneration please talk to Adrian Mark or email him at adrianhmark@yahoo.co.uk

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