



BABBACOMBE CORINTHIAN SAILING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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GENERAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

It was a relatively quiet GC meeting with much of the discussion covered under the various headings below.

We are still looking for a Hon Sec. Could you help out?

MEMBERSHIP

Our membership renewal by the end of January is up 50% on last year so thank you to all those who have renewed. However, there are still many of you who have still to do so including many sailors and those who have boats/kayaks in the boat park. Forms are available at the top clubhouse or on the website.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

The tidying up continues along with putting together the gallery of photographs which have been very well received. For February we are tidying up and redecorating the back cellar/office space. We have obtained a new under the counter fridge/freezer and are now looking at the purchase of some bain maries and a warming cupboard. If anyone knows of a hotel or catering organisation that have this type of equipment for sale please let us know.

We will be continuing the Wednesday Film/Music Nights as follows:

- 8th Feb (tonight) – Alfie Boe in Concert
- 15th Feb – Music: Tommy
- 1st March – Manic Street
- Preachers/Stereophonics with Hot Dogs
- 8th March – Rolling Stones at Glastonbury
- 15th March – The Commitments
- 29th March – Brassed Off with Fish & Chip supper

Saturday 18th February
- FILM: LOVE ACTUALLY

With a Fish & Chip Supper £5

Please let us have your names and payment by Thursday 16th Feb

SIX NATIONS

After a great first weekend the Club will continue to be open for all the Six Nation rugby games with Ham and Cheese rolls available to keep you going!

Please keep an eye on the Website for further information.

25th February BCSC at Home

Come along and meet sailors from other clubs around the area. We've already represented the Club at Royal Torbay and Brixham Yacht Club's. Our At Home is a 'Bring a Plate' event so it would be appreciated if you could let us know your contribution by filling in the list on the board at the top club house, thank you

CLUB DEVELOPMENT PLAN

As reported last month the Committees have now had the chance to review the draft Development Plan and we have reviewed this with the Officers. We are now starting work on the next draft which we will then share with you all for a wider review and consultation.

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We have now agreed the last minute amendments to ensure access from the boat park to the slipway and after final discussions over other aspects are now waiting the Council's final draft for signature. Look out for a more detailed note on the new lease in due course. In the meantime if you have any questions please talk to Adrian Mark or email him on

adrianhmark@yahoo.co.uk

BOTTOM CLUB HOUSE IMPROVEMNTS

The VCs approved the work to install a hot water heater in the Galley area and we are expecting to complete this by the end of this month.

We have had discussions with the Council engineers over the cliff rock catch fencing which has informed our thinking and plans for the re development. These have been fed back to the Architects and we are now looking at other

aspects before finalising the sketch proposals. Once these are in place we can consider more of the detail including costings and engineering aspects.

4th March - Race Night
We are holding another of our successful Race Nights and Race Cards will be available to purchase in a couple of weeks

WEBSITE

The Website continues to go from strength to strength and holds all the information you require so please pay it a visit

Can I also ask that if you are a Facebook user that you become a 'Friend'
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/621981744540253/>
This way you will be kept up to date with both social and sailing news

SAILING AND TRAINING

After our short winter break we're pleased to be kicking off the season with a series of Tuesday talks. These are refresher sessions for existing helpers and sailors, and also introductory sessions for new members who may be interested in getting involved with us on the beach or the water.

Dave Homer kindly kicked off the series with his talk on the art of being a club race officer followed last night by Ted Hardy on VHF Radios. The next few are:

- Tue 14th Feb: how to be a beachmaster
- Tue 21st Feb: sailing and safety procedures
- Tue 28th Feb: the basics of dinghy sailing
- Tue 7th Mar: intro to racing and rules of the road

Also on Wednesday 22nd February at 6.30-7.30pm, before the sailing committee meeting, there will be an hour's open discussion on how to:

*keep our existing sailors interested in sailing with us in 2017

*enthusiasm for our improver and new sailors to sail with us regularly

*increase our numbers of volunteers on the water and on the beach.

This is all to reinforce our aspirations for this year's targets within our draft club development plan – pop along to listen or contribute to our discussions.

For those interested in helping out on safety boats this year we may be running 2-day RYA powerboat level 2 courses in February and/or March subject to demand. Please contact Guy for more details.

Looking forward to the sailing season, we will start up on the water at the end of March with some early refresher/improver training, and will offer opportunities and training to beginners later in April and May.

For boat and kayak owners, your sailing and parking fees will be due for renewal in March, but please book early to secure a place as there is limited space in the boat park this season. There are forms on the website now.

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MEMBERSHIP
Please renew your membership now.
Forms are available on the website and at the top clubhouse.
Full £20
Senior (in receipt of OAP) £15
Junior £5