

BABBACOMBE CORINTHIAN SAILING CLUB NEWSLETTER MAY 2019



Hello again. Since the last Newsletter despite the adverse weather conditions (those easterlies struck again) we have been able to sail. Ever resourceful, Guy held a couple of promenade-based refresher events before we managed to get on the water over the Easter break in some very warm weather and some of us even braved the elements for our first Tuesday evening race session earlier this week. See below for more sailing info.

## **New Members and Membership Matters**

Can I extend a warm welcome to our new members including those of you who have joined on-line using our new MemberMoio system.

As you know we have now set our membership up on a new online system and for some of you it will have generated a "welcome" email. A couple of things to highlight please. The start date mentioned is the date a record is set up, normally the day someone joins so when we switched you all over some eagle eyes amongst you flagged up you'd been members for years (some almost from before I was born!). MemberMojo also creates a membership number for you which will differ from your BCSC card membership number. Confusing yes, but you do still need your BCSC card to obtain discounted drinks and your discounted cliff railway journey. My thanks go to Andy, Lyn and Marguerite for all their hard work in getting us this far so quickly.

Could I please ask all of you who feel confident to go onto our website and register (it takes no time at all) at <a href="https://babbacombe-sc.com/wp/about/">https://babbacombe-sc.com/wp/about/</a> and check that the details we hold for you are correct and amend where necessary, thank you.

For those few of you who have not renewed yet this is most likely the last Newsletter you will receive unless you renew very quickly. If you do, that would be brilliant, but if you don't my thanks for your support and I hope we will see you back again in the future. Can I ask you to please return your old membership card (just pop them through the top club house letter box) when you are next passing.

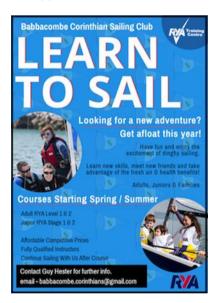
As previously advised, unfortunately, due to our Insurance, unless you have renewed you are unable to sail with us or receive the reduced prices at the bar.

Lastly, at our recent General Committee meeting it was agreed that we should charge a small admin fee for any replacement BCSC cards (many other sailing clubs etc. already do this). So I would like to inform you that as

from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019 any replacement cards will carry a charge of £2.00. If you know you have lost or mislaid your card please let us know by 31<sup>st</sup> May to avoid incurring this additional cost.

### Sailing

As well as actually getting on the water a few times we've also started some RYA Level 1 / 2 training for a few intrepid early season trainees, my thanks to Guy, the other Instructors and the volunteers for making this happen.



This will be the last Newsletter before our annual Push The Boat Out day which is being held on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May. It's a great day and an opportunity for us to welcome even more new members and sailors to BCSC. If you've got time to help on the day or have family and friends who want to try sailing please let Jan know.



As well as PTBO our junior OnBoard training programme starts again on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May.

Some of you may like to know we have waved goodbye to one of our older boats, the red Kestral. We also have a number of other club boats for sale including the other Kestral and a Taser. If these do not suit you but you do fancy owning your own boat please talk to Jan or Guy as we may still be able to help you.

And don't forget our Regatta in June. This will also include my Reception in the evening, more details next month but please save the date in your diary



## **Top Club House**

We had a great St Georges Night / English meal last Saturday with the new kitchen being used again. If you've not sampled the fare please come along to one of our future meal nights. My thanks to Sheila, Karin, Lyn and Helen to date for putting on these meals.

Our next event will be a Thai night on 8th June – more details to follow.

We have installed the new projector and subject to working out a couple of connections its working fine – even I can see the picture quality is better! So come along to one of the film nights and see for yourself and of course we will be showing the FA Cup Final on the big screen on 18<sup>th</sup> May ko 5 pm.

We have also recovered the pool table for all you budding Ronnie O'Sullivans and its definitely being used on a Friday night.

Our apologies but we have experienced some issues with keeping and serving the draught Thatchers cider and have had to withdraw it for the time being. In essence we are not selling enough of it and the cider is becoming very gassy in keg. I'd ask you to please bear with us whilst we try and sort out the problem and try our other draught beers and lager or our bottled cider.

And please don't forget our <u>new</u> Saturday evening bar opening hours. We are now open 5 pm until 9 pm or longer where there is an event on. So please come along and keep the bar volunteer company. Saying this could I please ask if there are any new members or existing members who would like to assist the club by helping out by maybe doing a bar volunteer session even if its only once a month

We are struggling with finding a bar volunteer for Sunday lunch time 12-3pm and are very reluctant to close the club so if you could assist it would be very appreciated.

# BAR VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REOUIRED - (full training given)

I realise it is now some weeks ago but can I please thank those members who represented BCSC at the Royal Torbay and Paignton At Homes. Our next invitation is to Shaldon on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June with a Beach BBQ at 5pm, please let me know by 21<sup>st</sup> May if you would like to attend.

#### **Events on the horizon**

4<sup>th</sup> May 7pm Film – A Star is Born (with Lady Gaga) 18<sup>th</sup> May 5pm FA Cup Final 25<sup>th</sup> May 8pm Colin Reece after PTBO 1st June 7pm Film – Bohemian Rapsody 8<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm Thai Night 15/16<sup>th</sup> June BCSC Regatta supported by our Sponsor Moatt Sails and in the evening the Commodores Reception (Bring a Plate) 22<sup>nd</sup> June Blue Cross Quiz

### **Fundraising**

Please help us by using Easy Fundraising. https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/babbacombecsc/

We have to date raised £2,011.47 with our top 3 members raising £573.40/£326.05/£312.95 respectively, but we could still do better. Thank you to those of our membership who have helped us to achieve this and thank you to those who will help us in the future.

This along with Torbay Lottery https://www.torbaylottery.co.uk/

helps to raise valuable funds for the club at no additional cost to yourselves so please consider either or both.

That's all folks and here's to a great sailing season see you all down on the Beach.

Thanks

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