

## Diary dates

- 25-27 June—weekend to Plas Menai
- Saturday 10 July—junior coaching day. Contact Mike Pritchard or Roger Day to register your interest.
- Sunday 11 July—juniors, masters and novices regatta.
- Sunday 15 August—Team racing. Arrive at 9.30am; first race 10.30am.
- Saturday 28 August—fun day and campover. From 11am.

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## Open day smiles

About 70 people came along to the Open Day on 5 June to enjoy the sunshine and experience life on the water.

Thank you to Steve Boon and to Roy Clarke who helped to get the club ready and to Gillian Day for manning the BBQ, to Dennis Bell for keeping the drinks coming in the bar and everyone else who helped by taking visitors out for sailing trips or simply by making visitors feel welcome.

We had some positive feedback and a good time was had by all. Here's to next year!



Members and visitors try out the model boats (right)



Family day out above and the Sea Cadets below



### Changing rooms

What would you do to improve the clubhouse? What would you want to keep exactly as it is?

The clubhouse is being refurbished during the working parties in January and February and planning is underway to ensure we make the most of this opportunity.

So unless you want to see it covered in polka dots with fluffy pink cushions or gothic arches, make sure you have your say by emailing [communications@attenboroughsc.org.uk](mailto:communications@attenboroughsc.org.uk)



# Sailing update

## Summer series 1—good rookie numbers

Summer Series 1 has started and Rookie numbers are strong with seven less experienced sailors joining in the racing on the second weekend. Overall about 15 boats take part in each race on a Wednesday and Sunday. Rookies have a separate start time for the first race on Sundays during the summer, so make the most of it and come and have a go!

A number of new boats are racing and Lasers seem to be making a comeback.

## Northern tripartite

An excellent Northern Tripartite was held at Swarkestone at short notice due to triffid infestation at Sutton-in-Ashfield.

28 boats took part and Attenborough came second overall.

## Plas menai weekend

14 members will be attending the Plas Menai, Wales away weekend on 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> June. Therefore, will be no racing on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June at Attenborough.

## Team racing

**Team racing is a different style of racing—two teams, spread across four boats race against each other.**

**If you come last, your team scores no points. The team with the most points at the end of the day wins. Simples! ...Or it will be once we get going...**

**The event will take place on Sunday 15 August. Sixteen members will be needed (four teams of four), first come, first served. We'll have a reserve list if necessary.**

**Mick Adams, Paul Warren, Lou Davensac and Brendan McGrath hold the title from last year—let the challenge commence!**

**Sign up for this year's team racing event in the clubhouse or contact [communications@attenboroughsc.org.uk](mailto:communications@attenboroughsc.org.uk)**

*Fun*

**How much fun can be had in a boat? That's what we will aim to find out on 28 August at our annual fun day!**

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A flash back to school day games could see us playing tag in our boats or going on a treasure hunt collecting ducks (plastic ones!)

One suggestion could see some of our 'larger' members racing our smallest boats in our 'big bug race' (could be a very long race if the wind is light).

LaserPerformance will also be coming along for the day with boats for us all to have a play in. They will bring Pico, Bahia and a Vago – So feel free to come and try your hand at something different.

The day wraps up round a bonfire, with the traditional BBQ and beer—with the added benefit of being able to crawl into your tent at the end of the night.

Let's just hope it doesn't rain.

**Shore duty? It's just as important as the other duties!**

Some would say, it's the most important!

While you're waiting for sailors to come off the water for a beer, please have a look round the clubhouse and changing rooms to see if the hoover needs running round or whether the loo rolls need re-stocking.

Tell Julie or Paul Warren (or another committee member) if any supplies are getting low.

**Are you signing in?**

A reminder to all club members to sign their guests in — even if they are not sailing.

This is to comply with our insurance and licensing requirements.

The visitors' book is on the bar in the clubhouse.

**Community support — spreading the love!**

Attenborough Sailing Club is sharing the love of being out on the water with several community groups — the Sea Scouts and Cadets continue to sail on a Monday night, a local school will sail at the club on Wednesday afternoons and a taster session will be held with a local brownie group next month.