Annual General Meeting

The AGM is being held on Thursday 6th November in the Clubhouse.

We have two members of the Committee standing down this year. Nick Marlow who has done a great job as Hon. Treasurer and Rob Corner our current Membership Secretary. We have also worked with a slightly reduced committee from what is allowed under the club rules.

The strength of any club often relies upon the volunteer efforts put in by the membership and our club is no different. We do need to fill the two important positions mentioned above but would benefit from having a full committee number which is the five Officers of the club, Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Rear Commodore (Sailing), Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer plus the outgoing Commodore in those years after a change, and a maximum of six committee members.

If you can give the club one evening a month why not put your name forward? You can sign up on the sheet within the clubhouse or give your name to Paul Cater (secretary@attenboroughsc.org.uk). The cut off date for nominations is October 9th.

ASC is your club and as such you may wish to put forward ideas for consideration at the AGM. To do so please forward your ideas to the Paul before October 1st which is just a few days away.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

5th October
Autumn series starts, races at 14:00 and 16:00

2nd November
Pursuit race starting at 13:45

6th November
Annual General Meeting, 19:30 hrs in Clubhouse

9th November
Frostbite series starts, races at 12:30 and 14:00

21st November
Prize giving and supper, Canal House, Canal Street, Nottm.
Cygnet Series

Jill Reid

The first race of the Cygnet series kicked off on an extremely windy day, which resulted in only four people starting and three finishing. The three who finished were Ethan Shepherd (1st), Jill Reid (2nd) and Martin Atkinson (3rd). Rhys Lewis (4th) got a DNF and Reuben Tendler (5th), Dulcie Motteram (5th) and Iona Reid (5th) got a DNS.

The second race got everyone thinking that Ethan was going to win again this year with his second win in the series, with Jill Reid in close second and Reuben Tendler coming in 3rd, 3 seconds in front of Martin! Was the podium going to be the same this year? Martin Atkinson came in 4th with Reuben in 3rd and Iona in 5th. After the race, because it was a hot and pretty much windless day (which explained the fact that everyone did 1 lap), the juniors were sent out for a sail around the lake.

On the date for the 7th race, the parents involved cancelled it because there wasn’t a drop of wind anywhere. So the juniors enjoyed the day jumping in, playing games like ‘how many capsizes in a minute’ and ‘walking round the boat on the whistle’.

On the last race, Ethan won by 19 seconds! Sadly for him it didn’t make a dent in Jill’s reign but at least he ended the series on a happy note. Jill came in on a close second with Martin right behind her in 3rd. Reuben came in 4th, Rhys in 5th, Iona in 7th, Dulcie in 8th and Alasdair in 9th. After the race, the juniors decided to have a go at backwards sailing, tacking and gybing.

After their boats had been put away, the juniors had their yearly party. Everyone had fun and some took part in a game of tag before going home.

In the series, the most popular boats were the Topper and the Optimist, with 4 of each being sailed. Next it was the Topper 4.2, with 2 people sailing that.

Overall it was a great year for the juniors and everyone had fun.

After the tragic death of Andrew “Bart” Simpson whilst sailing an AC72 at just 36 years of age Ben Ainsley, Ian Percy and Andrew’s wife founded a trust to help young people to develop their talents and help them get jobs in the marine sector.

To raise funds they came up with the idea of organising the largest sailing event in the world and give an opportunity for sailors of all abilities to participate in
Guiness Book of World Records event.

43 of our boats participated on Sunday 21st September. This is the highest number of club boats starting a single race at the club only surpassed by 55 boats at a tripartite event.

The weather was very kind to us with a good wind, clear sky and sunshine.

The start was delayed a short while to allow everyone to launch and get to the start but the fleet got away first time with just an individual recall necessary.

Our own results are on the club web site and have been submitted to the Bart’s Bash admin team. The full set of results can be found at http://www.bartsbash.co.uk/results

I am writing this the day after the event and so we have not loaded all of the photographs and video to the web. Links will be added to our web site and Facebook page in the next week or so.

Clubhouse painting

The clubhouse has had a few coats of paint applied and is now resplendent in Moss Green. There is still a little finishing off to do but thanks to everyone who has helped to undertake this necessary maintenance. We have found some significant corrosion during this work and showed that periodic inspection and attention to the paintwork is needed on a regular basis. Don’t ask what the waterline condition is. The barge hasn’t been out of the water in over thirty years.

Start of Bart’s Bash

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