



Notts County SC News - April 2022



Commodore's Briefing

Having been out of the country for nearly four of the last six weeks I must first express my thanks to Ken, our Vice Commodore, for stepping in to cover my responsibilities whilst away.

On my return I see the club starting to thrive after the winter break. Training has commenced in earnest with a host of events including: Youth Squad, RYA regional groups, ITCA topper, Club safety boat, RYA power boat, RYA Senior Instructor and last but not least a very informative RYA Disability Awareness Course. It is this intense activity that makes NCSC such a great training centre to learn and improve your sailing. Many thanks to David Eberlin, his team and all volunteer instructors that are making this possible. We don't stop here, a we hope that high level specialist race coaching will soon be available ([see here](#))

In addition to training it's fantastic to see such a high level of participation in the Black and White race series that started at the beginning of March. Nearly 80 members have competed so far with an average of 25 boats on the water for each race. We've had 8 races to date with 4 to go, so there's still a chance for those that haven't ventured out yet to get in some practice before the start of the main season later this month.

I'd also like to sincerely thank Lindsay Ogden for all her hard work on the Exec Committee as our Honorary Secretary. Lindsay has recently stood down from the position so the Exec Committee is now looking for members who would like to be considered for the role and be co-opted to serve in line with the clubs constitution. If you would like to engage with this great opportunity to help with the running of your club please get in touch with me at commodore@ncsc.org.uk by Wednesday 20 April.

Finally I'm pleased to announce that development of our new web site is nearing completion and we hope to launch just before Easter.

Martin Hart, Commodore



*Coming ashore (above)
RYA Regional Senior Instructor course (below)*



Key dates - [See SCM for full calendar](#)

April

- 2/16/17/18 Powerboat instructor Course (full)
- 11-14 [Adult and Junior Courses](#) spaces available [book here](#) Youth stage 2 and above
- 16 Saturday Stanier starts
- 17 Main Series Starts
- 19/20/21 Evening racing starts
- 23/24/30/1 Assistant instructor course
- 30/1 RYA Powerboat 2 course (e: ryapowerboat@ncsc.org.uk)
- 30 New Members evening

May:

- 13-15 Social weekend, incorporating new members
- 14 2021 Awards Event
- 21 **Discover Sailing**

June

- 2-5 Celebration of the Platinum Jubilee 'Street Party' and on and off the water entertainment for all.

Exec Notices

Membership and Boat park: Members are reminded a green tag is required on any trailer in the woods, containing their name or membership number (available in conservatory). Please also check any requirements on your insurance policy. Boats or launching trailers in the boat park must not be resting on the fence, this causes them to break. Thank you.

A warm welcome to our **10 new memberships in March:** Brian Hopkinson (bird watcher), Katy/Richard Morris (family), Michael & Cheryl Mosley (social), Graham Young (Hadron), Victoria & Alex (Junior sailor), Rob Cartwright, Liz Laine & Brad (Sailability), Michael, Dominic Evans & Lorraine (Sailability), Fiona Crabtree (Laser), Heather, Mark, Hannah Whitaker (Junior), John Harlow (Scorpion).

New members social, we invite any new member (2021/22) to join us to get to know more about your club on Saturday 30th April. Email Invite to follow. Camping permitted.

We have received an email from the RYA Development manager "I have just been looking through the Youth Nationals entries and really impressed to see so many Notts County sailors in 29ers and 420s. Brilliant work to get these sailors into these classes. Please pass on best wishes to all sailors from the club and I look forward to seeing them in Pwllheli. Good luck all" – We think Ross and Kathryn are helping on the race boat.

The bar requires volunteers, if it is to be opened, this involves opening up after sailing (keys will be provided), being around to 'supervise' (ie visual contact) and wash glasses and close up, checking clubhouse is secure (or ensuring a responsible person will lock up) when you are ready to finish. Volunteers needed as in the yellow boxes below for next month, no volunteers, no bar. Volunteers also required during the rest of the season contact vicecommodore@ncsc.org.uk

NCSC Bar Rota

Sunday	Sunday, 3 April 2022		
Club Racing	Ken Twemlow		
Sunday	Sunday, 10 April 2022		
Club Racing	Martin H		
Sunday	Sunday, 17 April 2022	Thursday	Thursday, 21 April 2022
Club Racing	Volunteer required	Club Racing	Ken Twemlow
Sunday	Sunday, 24 April 2022	Thursday	Thursday, 28 April 2022
Club Racing	The Logans	Club Racing	Martin H
Sunday	Sunday, 1 May 2022	Thursday	Thursday, 5 May 2022
Club Racing	Volunteer required	Club Racing	Volunteer required
Sunday	Sunday, 8 May 2022	Thursday	Thursday, 12 May 2022
Club Racing	Volunteer required	Club Racing	Volunteer required

Sailing Committee

Discover Sailing is on 21st May. We aim to build on the success of last year's event in attracting so many visitors and potential new members. Please come down and help some or all of the day. There are numerous tasks for volunteers, from issuing and collecting buoyancy aids to selling cakes. Invite your friends and neighbours to come down to the club for a fun day and the opportunity to go sailing. A poster is enclosed please print and put up wherever you can legally ! (After asking)

Wing Sailing is allowed on the lake for a trial period until a review by the Sailing Committee in June. "Wingers" are asked to only sail when there is no racing or other organised activity on the main lake and to keep clear of other casual sailors in the same way foiling boards do now. For the uninitiated a wing sail is a form of kite (link to RYA description) which is held directly by a board sailor, rather than one allowed to fly freely at the end of a line.

Green Safety is off to Hull to be fitted with new tubes so that we have our full complement of Safety boats ready for the busy summer period. A new Rigiflex is also on order.

Annemarie Thomas is doing a fantastic job compiling the Black & White series results. She thanks everyone who has been signing on for the races making it easier to keep track of the entries.

Tuesday evening coaching & race team training: Ian Firth is coordinating Tuesday evening racing which will be a great opportunity to receive race coaching and also gain experience as a Race Officer. We are planning a "Rusty Sailors" session on one or two evenings to help those who have been away from sailing rig their boats and get back on the water. Talk to John Sears or Alison Goodall if you want to join a session.



Racing in Spring series (above and below), Youth Race Squad about to start (top right)



Training

- Easter Course still spaces available, this link takes you [link to bookings](#).
- Fiona Grayton is working through Sailing club Manager to take payments and allow online booking for courses. Most courses are now live, all who expressed an interest should have an email. Easter youth is stage 2 and above due to potential for cold weather. Please contact us if you are unsure which course you need.
- The race Coach course at the club in May is now full.
- An assistant Instructor Course is scheduled in April, if anyone is interested and hasn't been contacted please contact info@ncsc.org.uk

Congratulations to Stephanie Gunn and Glyn Ritchie who are now senior instructors.

Please note that everything [underlined links](#) to more information. Please like our Facebook & Twitter page for latest news [Twitter link](#) [Facebook link](#) . The News page (linked from www.ncsc.org.uk) has events and photos.