



Notts County SC News - November 2022

Commodore's Briefing

Before I comment on the events of last Sunday I'd like to thank all those members that turned up to the work party on Saturday. A band of over 30 willing volunteers rapidly consumed a long list of essential pre-winter maintenance tasks. This included the installation of the long awaited kissing gate which now provides safe access to the footpaths to the south of the club grounds.



October saw the end of the main sailing series, so congratulations to those at the top of the leader boards and also to those who took part in racing, perhaps for the first time and were able to enjoy our great facilities and the blue waters of the NCSC lake.

Now to Sunday 30th October – the start of the Oakleaf and Frostbite winter series. An excellent course was set by Nicola and Jon Willars. This provided some great racing in the morning Oakleaf series with over forty competitors. The weather over lunch was mild with a fair wind, so many set off to sail the afternoon Frostbite Pursuit. Black clouds gathered and soon the lake was hit by one of the strongest maelstroms witnessed at the club.

With torrential rain and gusts reaching almost 40mph it only took a few minutes to see 16 boats flattened and six on the lee shore. I would like to congratulate the duty race and safety teams plus our Bosun and many other club members who rapidly organised themselves into a highly efficient and effective rescue and support team for those on, in and off the water in recovery mode. Another example of the great camaraderie we have at the club.

On a similar note, it was good to see the compassionate support given to Laura Ryan, the late Keith Burgess's daughter, during his recent funeral and to see six of our club members, including four past commodores, acting as pallbearers.

Finally, I would like to remind all members about your club's AGM. This will take place, via a TEAMS link, at 19.00hrs on Monday 21st November. Please attend and support this meeting to learn what we've all been up to and to hear about future plans for the club. It also gives you the opportunity to put forward your views and have your say on the future running of the club.

Formal notice of the AGM together with reports from the various sections of the club will be sent to all members via email by the end of this week, please keep an eye on your inbox, the papers will also be on the members area, sign in required.

Looking forward to seeing you all virtually on the 21 November.

Martin - Commodore



Key dates - See SCM for full calendar

November

Sailing only permitted Wednesday and Sunday (till Feb 2nd) plus specific dates see members area. The Frostbite and Oakleaf started on 30th Oct, visitors welcome.

5 RYA First Aid course

12 YRS (sailing permitted)

14 AGM practise session 1900 -1915

19/20 Topper RTG regional training event (sailing permitted)

21 AGM – details to be emailed

26/27 RYA Safety boat course (paid for with pre-requisites) & YRS (sailing permitted)

December

3 YRS (Sailing permitted)

10 Topper Traveller - Provisional date (awaiting landlord approval)

17 YRS (Sailing permitted)

January

1 First of Year Race - NOR & SI on opens page
28/29 County Cooler

Exec Notices

Welcome to all our new members this month.

Reminder that any boat/equipment on site should be insured even if not used on the water this is a condition of storage at the Club. As we move into winter please check your boat is securely tied down.

If you are intending to release a berth or looking to sell a boat please do contact boatpark@ncsc.org.uk to advise as we prepare for renewals.

Bar

We are looking for someone to volunteer to manage the bar, and volunteers to open and shut the bar. Managing the bar involves restocking (ie ordering etc), cashing up as necessary (most sales are now on card) and managing a rota. If no one is prepared to step forward we may have to close the bar, which is not ideal. Please talk to Ken Twemlow or Martin Hart to find out more.

AGM

You will have received an email about the AGM, we are having a practise session for anyone who isn't familiar with Teams so as you can check your setting etc on [14th November at 1900](#) (press underlined text for link) the link is also in your email. Please note : It wasn't 14th Oct as in email sent on 19th Oct, apologies also it is the Rear Commodore post which is vacant.

The AGM itself is on a Monday 21st November at 1900 prompt. Follow the link that will be sent in your email with the documents and you will be let in between 1850 and 1910. We hope as many members, young and old can join us. Papers will be available [here](#) at the end of this week. (Sign in required)

Part B of the AGM is an opportunity to bring up anything about the club you wish, we like to keep this relatively short, so submitting your thoughts before hand will speed this up.

Duties

As some on-the-ball members have spotted already, the [Duty Roster for 2023](#) is now open for volunteering. So to book your preferred dates please start booking now, particularly for the early season dates: the First of The Year, the County Cooler on 28/29 January and the Black and White series which commences on 5th March.

Training

We are preparing for the 2023 season. Early in the year we intend to run a Dinghy Instructor course, we expect there will be 2 or 3 places available, please let us know if you are interested.

Sailing Committee

Volunteer Race Clerks, Safety Drivers & Crews needed for the First of the Year race and the County Cooler (both days) Please sign up on SCM (Members area) for these duties (and the rest of the 2023 season).

All users of safety boats must use kill cords in accordance with [club rules](#).

Please remember that wing boarding & foiling should only take place when there is no race in progress.

Thanks to Nigel Lindley, Paul Reynolds, Ian Firth and Ben Paling who have retired as Class reps on the Sailing Committee. We need volunteers to represent the Solos and the Lasers.



Top: The yawl enjoying a late afternoon cruise on a Sunday.

Above: The scorpion Open saw a good turnout

Below: close racing in the final of the main series, a windsurfer enjoying autumn winds.



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