

Notts County SC

News - October 2023

Commodore's Briefing

September has seen much activity at the club, some good and some not so good.

The good includes highly successful RS400, Junior and Single handed open meetings, together with RYA adult dinghy courses, youth and junior race training sessions and a University taster day. Many thanks to all who organised and helped run these events.

On 9 September we had a very productive work party when over 30 club members turned out to tackle a long list of tasks. However, there is still plenty to do so another work party is scheduled for Saturday 7 October. Please attend if you can, 9.00am start, complimentary bacon butties as usual, further details of tasks will be available <a href="https://example.com/hem-example.com/

I'd also like to make members aware that our neighbours Creagh Concrete have generously provided and delivered, free of charge, 40 meters of concrete kerb and a substantial amount of concrete to bed in the kerbs on the perimeter of the new hard standing berths. Many thanks to club members who gave up their time to lay the kerbs.

On the not so good front, and as I'm sure many of you are aware, we had unwelcome visitors to the club resulting in the theft of our red Pioneer safety boat. There have also been further break-ins to some of our storage containers. The police are actively involved and making progress but please be on your guard. Increased security measures are in progress but please ensure the club house and access drive are secured if you are one of the last to leave.

October sees the last of the main series racing and the start of the Oakleaf and Frostbite series on Sunday 29. So it will soon be time to get out your winter woollies and enjoy racing up to 17 December. Please note that, under the terms of our lease, in October the use of the water is only permitted on Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday.

Now for the really important bit, your club's AGM will take place, in person, in the clubhouse at 16.00hrs on Sunday 12th November. We look forward to a good turnout of members both new and old.

In accordance with our Constitution <u>linked here (sign in required)</u> positions on the executive committee are elected annually at the AGM, so this is your opportunity to get involved and benefit from a greater degree of involvement with the club and the camaraderie that this offers. In particular this year we are looking for a member to join the exec to help manage our works and ways team, please get in touch with me directly if you could help.

Nominations for election to the executive committee, and any proposed motions, must be submitted to our Honorary Secretary (secretary@ncsc.org.uk) at least 3 weeks before the AGM (i.e. by Sunday 22 October 2023). The formal notice of the AGM, complete with associated reports, motions and nominations for election, will be issued 2 weeks before the AGM, they will also be on the members area of the website.

Looking forward to your support. Enjoy your autumn sailing.

Martin



Work party 7th October lots to do, complimentary bacon butties.



AGM 12th Nov, 4pm at club, any nominations, proposals (constitutional) etc to be with Hon Sec by 22nd Oct (in writing)



Key dates - See SCM for full calendar

October

- Co-ordination meeting training and similar uses at club
 - Work party 9am
- 7 on YRS contact YRS for details
 University Taster and training
 sessions will take place most
 weekends
- 14/15 RYA Level 2 Powerboat
- 21 RYA First Aid Course (instructors please book now)
- 29 Oakleaf & Frostbite series begins (open to visitors)

Nov

- 4/11 RYA First Aid Course (instructors please book now)
- 12 AGM at club (see Commodore's Briefing)

Notices

RYA First Aid courses 21 Oct, 4 Nov and 11 Nov. Instructors, you have been sent an email, please book one of these courses now, they are currently the only ones before Oct 2024. Any other members are very welcome to book. Cost to club members for the book and certificate (£10), non-members £50. Instructors who need first aid training should book immediately.

Please register interest for 2024 courses as soon as possible, no need to pay, but it allows us to assess demand and puts you on the waiting list, we can then contact you with dates etc. <u>Link to booking page</u>, registering interest is under each heading. (PS ignore the date)

New barrier: Please only drive through when the barrier lights are a **steady green**. If the lights are flashing it will start moving – quickly. Those organising opens etc must not block the sensors, talk to a flag officer about access. Under no circumstances must the membership code be given out (the visitors code is on the members area of the website when signed in, and is changed regularly)

Windsurf container: anyone who has kit in the container must label up their shelves by 1 November 2023. Unlabelled shelves will be emptied, and contents left outside. If you can't get down to do this please email info@ncsc.org.uk so we can identify you. Labels are inside the container on the right with pens, more labels are available on the boat park notice board in the corridor.

Boat park reminders: Dinghies, windsurfer boards and windsurfer trailers only may be stored in designated club berths upon payment of a berth fee. Note: members are not permitted to store SUPs (stand up paddle boards), or any other craft (kayaks or canoes) on site, or within any allocated boat berths, as they could increase the risk of theft (it is an existing <u>club rule</u>). To enable the boat park to function correctly the following guidelines must be adhered to. Your cooperation is appreciated:-

- 1. All members requiring a boat berth must contact the boat park manager by email: boatpark@ncsc.org.uk
- 2. Do not put a boat into a berth that is not assigned to you. The Boat Park team have authority to remove it.
- 3. The Boat Park team have a list of those who have paid their boat berth fee each year. The spaces in the boat park are numbered and they record which members they are allocated to. Members who already have berths, and renew in successive years, will normally retain those berths.
- 4. Members who have not renewed their membership by 1st March will have their dinghies moved to a holding area. They will be advised of this, and a monthly fee will be applied, in addition to their outstanding membership & berthing fees, as detailed in the NCSC Constitution.



The Autumn RYA adult course in progress, please register interest for any of the RYA courses for 2024

Youth Race
Training, if you are
interested in trying
racing please talk to
a flag officer, or the
Gunns.



Sailing committee

The 2024 Frostbite series will have a revised start sequence to accommodate Topper and Feva starts. This will be published on the Race Office notice board and in the revised Sailing instructions (SI). The Sailing Committee will review the success of this change at the end of the series.

The Sailing committee are asking permission to sail on the lake for a significant number of additional days over winter and details will be published on the website.

Coaching support, provided for juniors coming out of Saturday club and YRS, on Saturdays in September, has been a success with noticeable improvements in individual sailors ability. The sailing instructions for Saturdays will be modified to allow back marker coaching throughout the season, from 2024.

Race teams please note: The Menagerie results have been difficult to work out because some results sheets, compiled on the water, have confusing and missing information. Please can Race Officers check the sheets at the time they are compiled and try to rectify any mistakes etc.

The provisional calendar for 2024 is now up on SCM, Open meetings and other dates to be finalised.



RS400 open A good turnout, even though winds were light

Club race series

Still a few weeks to get those last results in for the main series. Frostbite starts on 29th Oct



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