

# **Notts County SC**

# News - September 2023

#### **Commodore's Briefing**

Despite a very mixed bag of weather during August, the club has hosted a great number of successful activities. Thanks must go to all our training team who have been busy providing RYA level 2 Power Boat and Club Safety Boat courses together with RYA Youth and Adult Dinghy courses.

On 23 August, the RAF provided us with an excellent air display which was enjoyed by many club members. We were also able to provide facilities, at very short notice, to accommodate water-based activities for the Trent Wing of the RAF Cadets. This was greatly appreciated due an unforeseen loss of water that had been previously booked.

The month ended with our NCSC Games. A fun filled day of land and water-based family activities. A full report can be found <u>here</u>. Thanks to all those who chipped in and helped run the event on the day.

A number of club members have travelled far and wide, competing in various national and regional events, including the RS400 Nationals at Mounts Bay Marazion, the UKLA Nationals on Hayling Island and the Scorpion Nationals at Eastbourne. Well done for flying the NCSC flag.

As the nights draw in we have now seen the last of the Tuesday and Thursday evening race series and the last of Saturday club for 2023 following another highly successful year. Our Saturday and Sunday race series will continue until 21/22 October.

It is now time to start preparing for next year. Part of this procedure includes our AGM to be held towards the end November, when <u>all</u> posts on our <u>Executive Committee</u> are open for election – it is not a closed shop. Some of our existing committee members are willing to stand for reelection, but we are very keen to have candidates, to provide new blood on the Exec, in the role of Rear Commodore and also help in managing

works and ways at the club and developing an environmental policy. Please contact me, or any other flag officer, if you are interested in filling a role on the executive committee, our <u>Governance policy</u> also explains the roles. Help with running the club can be extremely rewarding, without this input the club would not exist.

There are two work party days planned for Saturday 9 September and 7 October. Please book these dates in your diary and come and help for a few hours. Many hands make light work! We will start at 9.00am. Bacon butties will be available for the workers! See website for details of jobs to be completed.

On a final note please be aware that repairs to the main clubhouse roof start in September. Please take great care when entering the clubhouse and negotiating access scaffolding. Under no circumstances must members attempt to access the roof.

Martin Hart - Commodore





Above: Red arrows and Typhoon

thanks to RAF Syerston.

Below: The Commodore being water

bombed at the games.



## **Key dates - See SCM for full calendar**

#### **September**

2,3	RS 400 open
9	Work party

9 onwards RYA Adult dinghy course

16 Junior open

23 YRS autumn training starts

30 University taster day30 Single handed open

## October

1 University taster day

7 YRS start8 UoN Trials

14/15 RYA PB2 course

29 Frostbite starts (visitors welcome)

#### **Notices**

**9th Sept Work party** full list on website here. Lots of general tidying and other works to do, so please come if you can.

**This weekend is the RS400 Open** so no club racing Sat/ Sun. The Junior Open is in 2 weeks – normal club racing will still take place.

**Entrance Barrier** The entrance barrier has been hit once again, this time beyond repair and therefore needs replacement at significant cost. Please avoid tailgating and immediately report any damage to prevent further deterioration.

The Exec is preparing for the **AGM in November.** We wish to ask members their preferred method of holding the AGM, in person or online. **Please vote** Link to poll (also on Portal when you log in). You will need to sign in and only members who can vote at AGM can fill it in. Deadline is officially today, but we will be taking votes till Monday 4th sept 7am. Thanks to those who have already voted.

**Committee posts**: All executive committee posts are up for election at our AGM in November. The position of Rear Commodore is available after the AGM, please see flag officers for information. Martin Read has said he will stay on for Duty Sec for another year so we can ease another volunteer in over the year, so please volunteer. We also need a Trophy Steward to take over from Kathryn Hinsliff-Smith.

Coaching session: There is a change to the SI to allow Coaching in the Stanier races on September 9th & 23rd. The amendment to the Club Sailing Instructions is to cover the plan to coach sailors taking part. Those that would like coaching please register an interest on the online form (on scm) for the dates you would like. The full notice is on the Race Notice board. The club recently delivered our first RYA Club Race course a report is here.





Above & Below: Sailability stall raised £115 for Sailability and the Games in progress.



Below: one of the August courses in progress.



**Training**: If anyone has any courses that they would like to take part in please go on the <u>booking area</u> (SCM – members area) and put yourself down on a waiting list, ignore the dummy date (31/12/23) we have to have a date for SCM. This will help us plan next year and put you first in the queue.