



# Notts County Sailing Club

## Newsletter August 2025

### Commodore

It's great to see Keith Windle back at the club and looking so well. So many people have extended a warm welcome to Keith and his partner Carol who will be providing simple meals and sandwiches, both on Saturday and on Sunday. Keith is signed up to all of the legal catering requirements necessary for us to operate as a Food Business and is responsible for keeping the kitchen at the required standard.

Last month I spoke about courtesy between members. There is one area – duties – which I feel I must mention again. Existing members have the opportunity to choose duty dates to suit their own diary. Those who don't, and new members, may be allocated duties by Kev Clark, our Duty Secretary. A couple of weeks before the duty date, the Race Officer will contact you to confirm attendance. Please show courtesy to the Race Officer in responding and please turn up on the day. There have been a number of occasions this year when people just have not arrived for their duty. This means that either, someone else has to stand in, or if no one can be found, the club activity might be cancelled for all the other members.

This is the time of year when people go on holiday! Already the club has been represented in International Events: Kat Gunn 45<sup>th</sup> (from 100) at the ILCA 4 Worlds in California and James Burton 54<sup>th</sup> (from 131) at the Topper Worlds in Holland. Our best wishes now go to the large group of travellers heading for the Fireball Worlds on Lake Garda. It will be windy!

Best Wishes and safe travels, whether you are sailing or just on holiday.

Ken

*Information day, on Saturday poster enclosed (pdf) please post or email to friends or put on your social media feed (jpg for social media). Thankyou*

### August

#### **2 Public information day**

4/6 RYA Youth Courses Dinghy & Windsurfing (spaces available)

5 & 19 Inclusive Sailing

7/8 RYA Powerboat 2

11/13 RYA Adult Dinghy Courses

18/20 RYA Dinghy Youth Courses

21/22 RYA Adult Windsurfing course



*Above: Adrian (Training Principal) and Viv in action at the Regatta*

### September

6/7 RS400 Open

15/16 Wing Course (members add your name to waiting list)

21/22, 27/28 Dinghy Assistant Instructor course - contact Principal

27/28 Aero Women's coaching and Championship

30 Last day of summer



**Interested in sailing or wind/wing surfing**

**This Saturday 1030-1400**

**Notts County Sailing Club**  
12 miles east of Nottingham

**Have an Information day**  
**This Saturday 2nd August**  
1030 to 1400  
Come down to find out more  
See [www.ncsc.org.uk](http://www.ncsc.org.uk)

## Notices - SCM is Sailing Club Manager

**BBQ:** The BBQ and microwave are available for use in the evenings. It is the responsibility of the users to clean the equipment and wash up everything they use. We also have a sink with hot and cold water outside the car park door. This can be used to obtain hot water to clean the BBQ or for washing up but please do not put solids into the drain.

**2nd August:** We are organising an Information Day to attract new members and create interest in our courses on Saturday 2nd August between 1030 to 1400. We are planning a display of boats and craft but we won't be offering boat trips or time on the water. We are looking for volunteers to help. Please speak to Kathryn Ryan even if you can only manage a couple of hours. A poster is enclosed, please distribute copies if you can.

**Keys:** Please ensure you bring your key down when visiting the club. If you think you may be last to leave, you should turn off all the lights, close the clubhouse windows, make sure the doors are locked and then lock both gates as you leave. All legitimate users have been issued keys. Spare ones are available (for a small charge) behind the bar.

**Boat park:** A reminder that Phil and Sue North are now the new Boat Park Managers. The email is unchanged, for any berth requests or queries contact [boatpark@ncsc.org.uk](mailto:boatpark@ncsc.org.uk)

**Sailability Tuesday Sessions** - August 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> from 3.30 to 5.30. If you or anyone you know would like to try our boats this is an exceptional opportunity. There are only a few slots available. Please contact [sailability@ncsc.org.uk](mailto:sailability@ncsc.org.uk) to book. **Volunteers:** we welcome support and we need Instructors, PB2 drivers, trained hoist operators, help on the pontoon and on shore. Again, if you can spare a couple of hours, contact: [sailability@ncsc.org.uk](mailto:sailability@ncsc.org.uk)

**Berths - A Polite Reminder:** It is the berth holder's responsibility to maintain their berth on a regular basis (not the Boat Park Manager or other volunteers). The grass around a large number of berths has not been cut this year so they are looking like a jungle. A lawn mower for use by members is located under the club house. Many berths are now so bad, the berth holder should bring a strimmer or loppers. If you have not cut the grass around your berth, please do so as a matter of urgency. In many cases the foliage is encroaching onto neighbouring berths. Thank you

**Junior Open:** The Sailing Committee will announce a new date for the Junior Open soon. The original event was cancelled following a yellow weather warning.



*Above: Top: A successful Laser Open in early July, followed by a busy and successful Regatta (bottom), a popular bat talk and walk by Barry Collins took place in the evening. (below)*



*Above: This month two local primaries each had a half day sailing. Thanks to all the volunteers.*

*Below: our first RYA Wing Course in progress.*



## Training

We have space on windsurfing and dinghy courses in August. There is still time to book [here](#) or express an interest for next year.

We ran a very successful RYA Wing Course. Regarding future courses, at present we are prioritising members who are on the waiting list, so put your name down if you are interested [here](#). We hope to run a second midweek course 15/16 September 9.30 to 1.30 and will be approaching those on the waiting list.

As always we rely on the support of our volunteer instructors and helpers to be able to run our courses and visits so please sign up via SCM, talk to Adrian or contact him at [Principal@ncsc.org.uk](mailto:Principal@ncsc.org.uk)