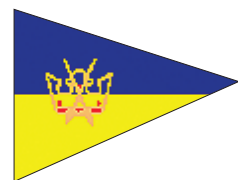


Waldringfield Sailing Club

Newsletter



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Omega and Alpha

The end of a season but my first duty as your new Rear Commodore; to write a few words to introduce this Newsletter. And of course to introduce myself.

I am really pleased to have been asked to join the rank of Flag Officers in our fantastic club. My duties as Rear Commodore appear to be to take responsibility for the buildings and other non-sailing assets of the club, and to arrange a Social programme. No doubt Howard and William will be letting me know shortly all the other items that have to be dealt with by the triumvirate of Flag Officers (so far the urgent items seem to be rabbits and railings).

I am immensely proud of the Club's achievements, as I am sure we all are, - in particular I must congratulate Alan Krailing and Edd McArdle on their outstanding second place (and could almost have been first place) in the Endeavour Trophy - Champion of Champions - this year. They, the Club and the Lark class can all feel lifted by that achievement.

By the time you read this, our boats will all have been taken home for the winter, the working parties will have been completed and the Club will have been put to bed for the winter. It's always worth a trip down to Waldringfield (it used to be called Walders in my family, are we allowed to call it that?) to see the beach and the dinghy parks open and uncluttered. I am sure lots of our members do enjoy those visits.

And the Laying-up Supper has come and gone. You will find a report in this Newsletter - for those of you who were unable to attend. For those who did - didn't we have fun!

I went to my first meeting of the House Committee a short while ago and I have vowed never to be rude about Wayfarer sailors again (sorry Wayfarers, it has happened in the past - well they do have rather big sails which take the wind from our more modest Laser sails). The House Committee which makes sure that the building and all the onshore assets of the Club are in good shape is staffed almost entirely by Wayfarer sailors and they mend things and fix things and build things - and all thoroughly professionally for the benefit of the rest of us. Great guys. Thankyou Terry Watson and your team.

We lost one of our long-standing members, Mervyn Sharman on 31st October 2009. There were many club members at his funeral, and our sympathies go out to Lesley

David Copp Rear Commodore

Yes, it is (was) the Laying-up Supper 2009



The Laying-up Supper has come and gone, so the Christmas season is truly upon us. Last Saturday night, an unusually well-dressed crowd of sailors, usually to be seen in wetsuits or foul weather gear, descended on the Elizabeth Hotel in Felixstowe for another successful evening.

Juliet Dearlove had done a fantastic job in decorating the ballroom with blue and yellow balloons floating above every chair. The room was truly festive, with the tables each identified by one of those places familiar to all of us who sail up and down the Deben. After a suitable pause for the initial intake of alcohol to take effect, cries such as "Methersgate wishes to take wine with Green Point" were to be heard, and one by one the occupants of each table rose to toast their fellow diners.

Tony Carter, on his farewell event as Commodore, introduced the meal by saying grace, while lamenting the fact that others were occasionally ahead of Mars on the racecourse, and we all got on with the first serious part of

the evening, ie the food. The Hotel did us proud.

Having taken time off from his potatoes Geoff Mayhew had penned some anecdotes about on the water activities during the year that some people would perhaps have preferred to have been forgotten. There followed the prizegiving and the raffle. Breaking with tradition (always a good thing, well nearly always) no raffle tickets were sold on the night, but each table had been provided with one ticket per diner. Unfortunately there was something wrong with the tickets on our table. They all seemed to be duds. Can't understand that!

And then, Force 8, our own (almost) home-grown band roared into action, with Claire Nunn on drums, Anne-Marie Cooney on saxophone, Kevin Gosling on guitar augmented by their talented fellow band members, and the dancing proceeded unabated until, sadly, it was time to go home. Another successful evening to round off the season. We have a great Club with a great spirit and it shows!

Welcome to New Members

David & Emma Low with Isabelle, Beatrice & Sebastian – Sail a yacht but the girls want to learn to sail on something smaller

Adam Eaton – has sailed in the past and now has decided to resume his sailing in a Laser

Chris & Jane Spark with Emma & Katie. Chris & Jane sail a Hillyard, but now the girls have a Cadet to sail

Cowan & Jocelyn Jamieson are buying a Squib and are looking forward to joining our Squib Fleet

John & Sallie Oakley sail a Dufour 40, which is kept on the Orwell but they often bring it round to the Deben

Kate Watson. Has been a member from a young child until 3 or 4 years ago, and she has now rejoined so her children can grow up enjoying the fun on and in the water.

500 Club

Do you want the chance each month to win £25 or £50 at the November draw like these members did.?

But you do need to be in it, to win it!!

October: Roy Quantrill

– No.80

November Julia White -

No.106

Interested in finding out more? £12.00 per number to be included in 12 monthly draws. You can have as many numbers as you like please send a cheque, made out to WSC 500 Club, to Norman Glen 12 Windermere Close, Ipswich IP3 0RU Any questions? then ring Norman on 01473 720744

The more participants the bigger the prize fund

Club Calendar

delivery has been delayed and if it misses this pre-Christmas mailing will be included when you pay your subscriptions.

Electronic Communication

Waldringfield Sailing Club, like everywhere else, needs to try and contain its expenses as much as possible. A major cost is that of postage. If you might be interested in receiving some of your correspondence, newsletters etc. by e-mail rather than post please can you e-mail Margaret Lake to let her know – mglake@aol.com.

If there is sufficient interest we will give the matter further thought. She has had very little response (in fact 4) so please if you would like or not like) your newsletters by email please let her know

2009 Bottle Boat Championships

Another super radio sailing event! This was despite a little rain at the start and a light and frustratingly variable westerly breeze blowing square across the river Deben from behind Waldringfield Sailing Club. One spectator commented that “the BOTTLE Boat Championship has become an autumn ritual and today it had a lovely colour and atmosphere.”

21 entries from all over the South and one very enthusiastic competitor who flew in specially from Toulouse enjoyed 17 races sailed in a wonderfully light-hearted, yet competitive atmosphere of fun. This was enjoyed as much by many spectators and family supporters as by the competitors. Despite being a strict one design, the fleet of small high performance radio controlled boats made mainly from recycled parts, presented a colourful sight with sails of different recycled polythene bags and 2 litre bottle hulls decorated in a most artistic and colourful way. It brought the whole beach alive.

This year two new Championship trophies were presented. These were specially designed and made by ace 1960's model yachtsman, Fred Shepherd from walnut that blew down in the 1987 October gale. These were both well received by Bernard and Junior Champion, Paul

Morgan. At the prizegiving the Vice Commodore, Howard Ryan, thanked all those who contributed to running the event.

As this event was enjoyed by lots of WSC members, perhaps more racing could be considered on those beautiful sunny winter days where there is nothing happening on the river and a gentle breeze along an empty beach, providing ideal conditions for lots more sport without getting wet.

Results:

1st Bernard Kufluk
Waldringfield SC 58, 2nd Ian Davidson WSC 61, 3rd Tim Norris WSC 63, 4th Alan Viney Guildford MYC 70, 5th Noel Fraser WSC 76, 6th Stephen Videlo WSC 79, 7th Mike Pert WSC 86, 8th Graham Viney 98, 9th Robert Norris WSC 118, 10th Howard Ryan WSC 125, 11th Paul Morgan Guildford MYC 127, 12th Matthew Lake WSC 134, 13th Dot Fraser WSC 143, 14th John Fish WSC 144, 15th Alan Morgan Guildford MYC 161, 16th Neil Collingridge WSC 162, 17th Simon Kernthaler 192, 18th Tim Elliot WSC 236, 19th Asher Parkinson WSC 251, 20th Malcolm Crawford WSC 299, 21st Howard Kufluk WSC 308.

Junior Champion: Paul Morgan

Best turned out boat: Dot Fraser

The Master Class Quiz

The 2009 MasterClass Quiz evening saw the second string Squib team pick up what might be said to be a lucky wind shift on the final beat to squeeze past the Yacht class crew and retain the trophy for the Squib class. Two teams of Squibs took on the forces of the Larks, Wayfarers, Yachts and Barflies. Some have commented that it seemed like a rerun of the battle of Copenhagen at times.

The evening was thoroughly enjoyable and superbly organised. Our thanks go to the Question Master, David Moon, and his team. David successfully provided timed musical extracts, including what sounded like the original recording of Elgar's Nimrod.

The much appreciated

precision management of the evening was clearly evident in the meticulously timed raising of the shutters and the distribution of food platters to the needy.

Many thanks to everyone who made the evening so memorable.

Jen Greatrex

It's Boat Show time soon!

London Boat Show
(Excel) 8 – 17 January

RYA Dinghy Show
(Alexandra Palace) 6-7 March

Endeavour Trophy- Alan Krailing and Edd McArdle 2nd at the Endeavour.



29 classes were represented by their National Champions at this years Endeavour Trophy. As ever the racing took place in the tidal estuary of the River Crouch and comprised 8 races in winds ranging from 6-16 knots. The event is raced in Topper Xenons, a one-design two-man hiking asymmetric dinghy, to provide a fair platform from which the best-of-the-best can be found.

The event started with a training day on the Friday with coaching from Adam Bowers. I'm sure this would have been really useful but after hurriedly rigging and then launching our Topper Xenon we quickly found all the things we hadn't done and spent the session mostly hove-to and re-rigging.

As would be expected, racing was incredibly tight with the smallest mistakes heavily punished. The best opportunity for passing came downwind and it was not uncommon to see boats rounding the windward in the bottom 5 to be in the top 5 by the leeward (and

vice versa!!), especially with a few asymmetric experts from other classes around!

Edd and I made a really good start with a second in the 1st race behind defending champ (and 4 times winner) Nick Craig and Toby Lewis. We narrowly missed out on a win in race 2 finishing 6 seconds behind the RS 800 reps. Another 2nd place in the 5th and final race of the day was enough for the overnight lead on Saturday.

Unfortunately Sunday didn't go completely to plan, missing the upwind gate in race 6 proved to be a costly mistake and with only an 8th in the next race we went into the final race realistically sailing for 2nd place. 5th in the last race following a close battle with eventual winners and now 5 time Endeavour Champion Geoff Carveth and Emma Clarke proved to be enough for 2nd overall ahead of Fireball National Champions Matt Burge and Richard Wagstaff in 3rd.

Freezer Results

Cadets: 1st Annie Knott & Sammy Jones, 2nd Maddie & Ed Harris, 3rd Charlie Linsell & Alex Eaton

Larks: 1st Harry Pynn & Clare Gosling 2nd Matthew Stearn & Antonia Steer, 3rd Ian & Alyson Videlo

Laser: 1st Tom Chippendale, 2nd Chris Woodard, 3rd Tim Archer

Wayfarer: 1st Roger Challis & Mark Johnston, 2nd Neil Fletcher & Chas Edwards 3rd Neil Collingridge & Anne Spalding

Dragonfly: 1st Richard Smithson & Mick King, 2nd Derek Jacobs

Squibs: 1st William Sudell & Jo McArdle, 2nd Richard Cooke & Jim Davis, 3rd David & Ricky East

Waldringfield Lark Challenge Open Meeting

16 Waldringfield Larks welcomed top visitor teams Steve Hall and Ally Dart and Richard Bennett and Rachael Rhodes to join them for the WSC Lark Open over 7/8 November. Speed Sails kindly provided prize vouchers.

The wind was forecast to back all weekend, which it did, starting with a westerly F2-3 on Saturday. The PRO set a simple triangle-windward-leeward course down river of the island. Harry Pynn/ Kathy Neuteboom took races 1 and 3 convincingly, with Christopher Fish/ Beth Condie second. Ian/ Alyson Videlo benefited from those old "Frensham" shift reading skills to take second equal in Race 1. Fish/ Condie in turn used third place prerogative on the last beat of Race 2 to steal victory on the line from long time race leaders Pynn/ Neuteboom, as they duelled with Bennett/ Rhodes who also stole second place.

In an Open of two halves Sunday's races were all won convincingly by Endeavour Trophy runner up helm Alan Krailing but with top local Cadet helm Emma Knott crewing replacing Edd McArdle for the day. Race four was set around a figure of 8 course, beating against the tide, again down

river of the island. Krailing/ Knott caught up from way back by best using the shifts and pressure differences. Hall/ Dart were second and all could only be impressed at how easy Krailing/ Knott made it look.

Races 5 and 6, after lunch, were sailed with more water and returned to a triangle-windward-leeward course. An interesting dilemma was posed by the light SE wind and flood tide. The choice was to either go hard right close to the Waldringfield bank and out of the worst current or stick it out in the channel hoping for a lift on port to leebow the tide and hope the pressure held good. Many places were changed even though it was predominantly a port tack beat. Fish/Condie picked off rivals in front to take second from Bennett/ Rhodes 3rd in race 5. Going into the final race, Fish/Condie had a narrow lead overall with one discard from Pynn/ Neuteboom and Krailing/Knott. Matthew and Emma White led for much of the race pursued by Krailing/ Knott who eventually won through. However, Fish/Condie recovered from a very poor start to third and win overall by the narrowest of margins again. - Chris Fish

Ex Cadet's success

Ex-Cadeter, Edward Harrison, has been awarded his RYA Yachtmaster offshore certificate at the exceptionally early age of 18 years. This is the minimum age at which it can be awarded.

Whilst his peers were packing their kettles and stereos ready to set off to University for the first time, Edward was delivering a Sigma 33 to Brest in Force 8 winds as preparation for his exam. Just days before going up to Durham to read Physics and Chemistry Edward took his exam and passed, making him one of the youngest RYA Yachtmasters in the country.

Edward has previously been a member of the Cadet National Squad, and enjoyed a number of Cadet Weeks at

Waldringfield in both his Cadet and his Laser. He is also an RYA Senior Dinghy Instructor and Racing Coach.

He may be contacted by email at Spitway@hotmail.co.uk or by telephone on 01787 248039.

East Zone Cadet Squad

Well done to Annie Knott and Sammy Jones, Charlie Linsell and Alex Eaton who have made the East Zone Cadet Squad! Congratulations from us all!

Eric Twiname Junior Team Racing Championships.

Henry Mills, Robert Keen & Cameron Goodhead joined forces with John & Alex Page and Oliver Palierakis of Fishers Green to win the Junior Eric Twiname Junior Team Racing at Grafham in October

Trophy Winners 2009

Kieran Barnes	Heather Cutting Tankard (Laser Personal Handicap)	Matthew & Margaret Lake	Wayfarer Chasers (most turnouts with out any trophy)
Emily Bland & Hattie Collingridge	Dragonfly Cup (Best cadet helm with no other trophy)	Margaret Lake	The Madeleine Plate (most help to the Commodore)
Tom Brazier	Squib Pot (most improved helm)	Charlie Linsell & Alex Eaton	Branton trophy (most promising Cadet novice helm)
Tony Carter	Cannons Trophy (1st WSC yacht in Haven Series)	Heather Mills	Commodores Cup (Laser Radial Spring 1 & 2 Overall)
Roger Challis & Mark Johnston	Autumn Points Picture (Wayfarer Freezer)		Summer Centre Plate (Laser Radial Summer 1)
	Lake Tankard (Wayfarer Spring 2)	Henry Mills & Ollie Jones	Green Cup (best under 16 Cadet helm)
Tom Chippendale	Angela Penn Memorial Cup (Laser Autumn)		Law Cup (Cadet Summer 1)
	John Gilmour Memorial Cup (Laser Summer 2)	Sarah Northey	Katie Archer Trophy (Laser, most improved young helmsperson)
	Mayhew Freezer Trophy (Laser Freezer)	John Palmer	Turner Trophy (1st Dragonfly in Round the Island race)
	Summer Series Tankard (Laser Wednesday 2)	Jonathan & Archie Penn	Clapham Trophy (Squib Spring)
Hattie & Daisy Collingridge	Mossman Trophy (Cadet Personal Handicap)		Jupiter Cup (Squib best 3 out 6 all-in races)
Neil Collingridge & Anne Spalding	Overall Trophy (Wayfarer Spring/Summer overall)		Squib Trophy (Squib Spring/Summer/Autumn overall)
	Summer Series Beaker (Wayfarer Summer 1)		White/Smith (Summer) Cup (Squib Summer 1)
	BT Trophy (Wayfarer Spring 1)		Half Model Trophy (Squib top boat not winning a race)
	Round the Island Cup	Jonathan Penn & Simon Harrington	Jubilee Cup (1st Keelboat in the Victory Plate)
Robert Deaves	Coronation Cup		Wincer Warmer Trophy (Squib Autumn)
Luke Farthing	Wednesday Evening Tankard (Dragonfly Wednesday 1)	Mike & Rani Pert	Quantrill Bowl
Chris & Cathy Fish	The Navigation Race		Autumn Cup (Wayfarer Autumn)
	E11R Jubilee Trophy		Wickman Regatta Cup (Yacht Long Distance Crossing)
	Victory Plate	Harry Pynn & Helen Krailing	Bird Bowle (Lark Summer 1)
Chris Fish & Beth Condie	Palmer Cup (Lark Summer 2)		Challenge Cherub Trophy (Handicap Wednesday evening overall)
Jonathan Fish	Sherwill Trophy (OK Spring)	Harry Pynn & Clare Gosling	Fish Freezer Trophy (Lark Freezer)
Jonathan Fish & Harry Pynn	Trafalgar Trophy	Abigail Ruffles	Radial Tankard (Laser Radial Wednesday evening overall)
Cam & Ali Goodhead	Novices Trophy (best cadet helm not winning a race)	Howard Ryan	Commodore's Gavel
Fiona Gray & Aaron Woolf	Lark Class Trophy (Lark Personal Handicap)	James & Mary Beth Skellorn	Dragonfly Class 'A' Trophy (2nd Dragonfly in Summer 2)
Peter & Jennifer Greatrex	Fraser Trophy (Squib personal Handicap)	John Smith	Venmore-Rowlands - Commodore's Cup (out standing contribution)
Will Howard	Autumn Centre Plate (Laser Radial Autumn)	Richard Smithson & M. King	Maybush Trophy (Dragonfly Summer 1)
Simon Howlett	Wayfarer Cup (Best Crew)	Matthew Stearn & Antonia Steer	Autumn Points Trophy (Lark Autumn)
John Haile & John Parish	Wayfarer Friday Trophy (1st Wayfarer Wednesday 2)	Nigel Steer	Wayfarers Tigers Cup (Wayfarers most improved helm)
	Wayfarer Picture (1st Wayfarer Wednesday 1)	Nigel Steer & Keith Everett	Transom Chasers Trophy (Wayfarer 'B' fleet Spring)
Guy Hacon & Keith Vincett	Wayfarer Class Trophy (Wayfarer Personal Handicap)	Henry Stone & William Everitt	Liddell Trophy (Cadet Most turnouts)
Maddie Harris (share)	Hunt Cup (best Cadet female helm)	William Sudell & Jo McArdle	Cork Plate
Maddie & Ed Harris	Sally Balch Memorial Trophy (Cadet Spring 2)		Mason Cup (Squib Wednesday evenings)
Charlotte Hayward	Laura Cooney Cup (best under 21 Lady)		Medusa Trophy (Squib Summer 2)
Charlotte Hayward & Willow Bland	Parker Cup (Cadet Spring/Summer overall)		Metcalf Cup (1st Squib in Round the Island race)
	Spear Cup (Cadet Spring 1)		Ryder Cup
	The Cutting Trophy (Cadet Autumn)		The Plodwyn Trophy (Squib Freezer)
Colin & Martin Johnson	Wayfarer X2 Trophy (Wayfarer Summer 2)	Roger Thompson & Paul Chippendale	Wayfarers Chasers (Wayfarer 'B' fleet Summer)
Colin Jacobs & Fiona Baker	Minx Challenge Cup (Dragonfly Summer 2)	Ann & Peter Thubron	The Globe -Cruising Log Trophy
	Spear Challenge Cup (Dragonfly Spring/Summer overall)	Phil Unwin	Bottoms up Cup (for most capsizes)
	Dragonfly Class 'A' Trophy (2nd Dragonfly in Summer 1)	Ian & Alyson Videlo	Challenge Trophy (Lark Spring /Summer overall)
	The Bryett Trophy (2nd Dragonfly in Round the Island race)	Stephen & Chris Videlo	WSC Dinghy Club Championship Trophy
	Wickman Challenge Cup (Dragonfly Spring)		Grebe Trophy (Lark Wednesday 2)
Derek Jacobs & Simon Keating	Large Sudell Cup (Dragonfly Wednesday evening 2)		Seamark Nunn Trophy (Lark Spring 1)
	Dragonfly Class 'A' Tankard Trophy (2nd Dragonfly Spring/Summer overall)		Friday Points Overall Trophy (Handicap Wednesday evenings Series 2)
	Dragonfly Picture (Dragonfly Autumn)		RLNI Pennant
	Hardy Annual Bowl (1st Personal Handicap)	Caroline & Angus Wheeler-Rowe	Small Sudell Cup (Dragonfly 2nd in Personal Handicap)
Annie Knott & Sammy Jones	Cathy Fish Cadet Trophy (Cadet Freezer)	Bob Whitehouse	Blotfal Trophy -(Lark wettest season)
Emma Knott (share)	Hunt Cup (best Cadet female helm)	Chris Woodward	Seamark Nunn Laser Centre Trophy (Laser Masters)
Emma Knott & Lulu Knott	Patrick Ogden Junior Trophy (best Cadet in 3 of 5 all-in race)	Richard Woolf	Deacon Laser Class Cup (Laser Spring 1)
	X2 Cup (Cadet Summer 2)		Admirals Cup (Laser Summer 1)
Alan Krailing & Edd McArdle	Bombadier Trophy (Handicap Wednesday evening Series 1)		Archer Trophy (Laser Wednesday 1)
	Lark Plate (Lark Wednesday 1)		