



The MainSheet

Spring 2017

Dear Members

We have a very interesting and packed calendar this year.

Date	Event details
23 rd April	<p>BoASC are hosting the Avon Triangle on Sunday 23rd April. The format is Teams of 3 from BoASC, Saltford and Baltic Wharf. The event comprises 3 Races starting at 11am, 1 before Lunch and 2 after. We will have at least 2 Teams, presently comprising Tim, Mark, Simon, Paul, Andrew Pick and Barry and could well field a 3rd or help making a 2nd Team from one of the other clubs if they come up short on numbers.</p> <p>If you can help on the day then please let Brian Oliver know ASAP with what you can offer. We need help with Teas & Coffee on arrival, OOD Duties, Cake baking and Help with preparing Lunch.</p> <p>If you cannot help then please come along and support our Sailors for part or all of the day. Donations of cake particularly welcome!</p> <p><i>Brian: brian.oliver@talktalk.net</i></p> 
6 th May	 <p>Improvers Session – following on from the success of last year’s event, a Saturday training session aimed at improving your confidence and performance – we plan to cover boat handling skills, racing hints and tips. No cost to members, £25 non-members.</p> <p>Please bring a packed lunch. If you are able to help on the day or wish to take part please contact Marion (admin@boasailing.co.uk)</p>
13 th May	<p>RYA Push The Boat Out – we will have an RS Aero on display in Lambs Yard, BOA, volunteers to help publicise the club would be very welcome. Can you spare an hour? 11am – 3pm</p>

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14 th May	<p>Open Day – All Hands on Deck! The Club will be open to visitors from 11am-4pm, please come along a little earlier (10.30) to help rig the Visions & get the clubhouse ready for our visitors. As in previous years we will be offering dinghy rides (subject to weather conditions) and chatting to visitors about the club. This will be a good chance to sign people up for the Try Sailing course, and hopefully recruit some more experienced members too.</p> <p>Please bring a contribution of cake ☺</p>
26 th - 29 th May	<p>Club trip to Studland, with camping at Acton Field, Langton Matravers.</p> <p>All welcome. Organiser – Ella (elanorpick@googlemail.com)</p>
10 th & 11 th June	<div data-bbox="336 882 528 1160" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Try Sailing Course. All offers of help whether on the water or shoreside very welcome. We expect this course to be very popular!</p> <p>There will be camping for those who wish on the Saturday night and a BBQ on Sunday lunchtime.</p> <p>Organiser – Marion (admin@boasailing.co.uk)</p>
1 st July	<div data-bbox="379 1211 544 1261" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="770 1211 943 1261" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="1145 1211 1326 1261" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>BoASC are hosting an RS Aero event for the 1st time on Saturday 1st July 2017. This event forms part of the RS Aero Southern Circuit so we may have visiting sailors from a wide area.</p> <p>The format is a 4 race series, 3 counting races, each about 45minutes. The first race is at 11am and entry is £15 to include lunch. We plan overnight camping on Friday and/or Saturday night depending upon uptake.</p> <p>If you fancy giving it a go then RS have a limited number of charter RS Aeros available at £30 for the day, enquiries to Ben Rolfe (RS Sailing); ben.rolfe@rssailing.com , 07814634892.</p> <p>If you can help on the day then please let Brian Oliver know ASAP with what you can offer; we need help with Teas & Coffee on arrival, OOD Duties, Cake baking and Help with preparing Lunch. If you cannot enter or help then come along and support our Sailors: Marion and Mark.</p> <p>Brian: brian.oliver@talktalk.net</p>

Date	Event details
25 th - 28 th August	<p>Club trip to Llangorse Lake, Brecon. The largest natural lake in S Wales & a new venue for us. The campsite is a short distance from the sailing club.</p> <p>Organiser – Ella (elanorpick@googlemail.com)</p>

I hope everyone has a great summer of sailing!! Marion

Changes to club boats

You might have noticed some changes in the boat park. Over the last few months we have

- Received donations of 2 used RIBs, and have sold one, also sold our old rescue boat
- Sold one Topaz (which was rarely used)
- Purchased a Mirror dinghy which is now ready to sail
- The second Optimist also ready to sail
- Purchased new covers for several club boats

A huge thanks to Lew (and Michael) for keeping our club boats in such good condition. Please support them by a) taking good care of club boats, b) putting all equipment away after use, and c) reporting any issues in the log book.

Pursuit races

There is some confusion in the finish sequence of Pursuit Races so it's worth just clarifying it. When the race ends the boat order is as it appears on the water at that time, taking note of completed laps; importantly it is not the order they last passed the start line i.e. the time written on the Race Sheet's lap recorder. In many cases it is easy to record the boat order but for close quarter sailing at the top buoy it is not so easy to see, so a tip is to just ask those involved. It happened to me last year where I was marginally ahead of Paul for all the run up to the top mark which I took wide to get a good tack back. Paul, turning on the buoy just when the hooter sounded, was a few feet in front of me in that instant in time and consequently beat me, this would not have been recorded had we not seen the sheet and been asked. Brian (Sailing Sec)

OOD Duties – Extra duties called for.

Unfortunately, since drawing up the Programme some members have either not re-joined this year or are leaving so we have some gaps to fill. We are 1 person short on the following Sunday's 21st May, 9th July, 23rd July, 13th August & 3rd September. If you are willing to volunteer an extra duty then it would be grand, please let Brian know which date ASAP. If we are not able to fill the gaps than I'll have to do a random draw and fill it that way. Brian



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<https://www.sailingsw.co.uk/> web based gazetteer of sailing clubs in the South West, also has an events listing.

FROM TIME TO TIME THE CLUB RECEIVES INFORMATION ABOUT HOLIDAYS, LOCAL EVENTS, AND SAILING RELATED SERVICES. INCLUSION IN THE NEWSLETTER DOES NOT CONSTITUTE ANY ENDORSEMENT!

Local Event

We just wanted to let your members know about our forthcoming gin festival, in St Margaret's Hall, 20th may, 7-11pm.
We really would like to make it a local community event.

The fifteen pound tickets includes a balloon gin glass and a complimentary G&T.
We have a number of local and artisan gin companies present giving tastings and guidance.

G&Ts will also be served form our converted rickshaw bar.

For further info:

For further information contact becakbar@gmail.com

Tickets available on EVENT BRITE

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/becak-bar-gin-festival-bradford-on-avon-20-may-17-tickets-31149845025>

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Thanks for your support.

My name is Carl, principal and chief instructor at Thessalia School of sailing in Volos, Greece.

We are a British-owned, RYA-recognised training centre offering sailing courses from Competent Crew to Yachtmaster Offshore.

In May, I will be running a Mile-Building Trip, covering approximately 350 miles in 1 week, circumnavigating the north Aegean.

<http://www.thessaliasailing.co.uk/mile-building-trips>

For a short time, we can offer a 5% discount on all courses for members of UK sailing clubs.

Kind regards

Carl Derham

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We are in the process of refitting a beautiful 1972 S&S Swan 55 yawl, "Kira", with a view to offering ocean racing, adventure sails and charter. While Kira is based in Lymington we will be offering start points around the UK and Europe.

Julie Gaukroger

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Mystery Corner

Can any member shed light on this picture?

