



Commodore's Corner

We had a good number for the Christmas Lunch and Prizegiving, 46 people in all. I would like to say a big thank you to all the "helpers". I could not have managed without the team, WELL DONE.

Prizegiving was successful as most winners were at the lunch, TOP STAR was Paul Hills, he won five trophies last year. Well done Paul. We are hoping to see a few more boats on the water after the New Year, when it warms up a little. We have a good stock of club boats which are available for all club members to borrow if they would like to. Only £5 for single handed; £10 for double handed for the day.

I would like to wish you all a Very Happy and Healthy 2018.



Ann
Commodore

communicate with you from the Club and to keep your membership details current and circulate information from the Club from time to time.

What you will have to consent to individually will be on three points. Previously this has been assumed to be granted unless you opted **OUT**; now it is the reverse, you have to positively opt **IN**. This has got to be renewed annually when you renew your subscription which will have to be done on line. If you have difficulty doing this, then you can return a paper form which we will then update for you. You can change your mind at any time but this will not be applied retrospectively with regards to printed matter that has already been published.

You will, during the next few weeks, be asked to confirm your agreement to the following points, which are in line with our current practices and should not be of concern. As previously mentioned this information is already in the public domain and can be found with a Google search, 192.com or other similar sites:

1. Publication of your name, address, telephone number and email address in the Club Handbook.

Note: we may not be printing the addresses in the handbook as these do change and the up to date details will be maintained on the web site. This will obviate the need to send out monthly errata slips and will also include those who join throughout the year.

2. Publication of the same in the private Members' only section of the web site which has password protection.
3. The right to publish photographs which we take which may include your image or your boat and to publish these in the Troy Times or the Troy Bulletin and, if you are lucky enough, in the handbook.

This needs to be completed by the 31st January 2018 so that we can print the 2018 Handbook during February.

Please do this as soon as you have the request to do so, which will be early in January.

If you have any questions, please contact Martin Smethers or email

dataprotection@rscsailing.org



Some of you may already have heard of the new **General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)** which is coming into force on the 25th May 2018. We are affected as are most organisations or anyone who holds personal information.

Currently we are carrying out a review of where and how we use personal data. We **DO NOT** hold any personal financial data and any personal data we hold can be found in the public domain and has previously been declared to the Club as part of your membership process. We do not have to have your permission to hold the data we have such as your name, address, telephone and email details; the Legal Basis for holding this information is that it is 'necessary for the performance of the contract with the data subject (ie: you)'. In simple terms, we need this information to



New Year's Bracer

A breezy warm Sunday morning, the OOD was spotted making coffee in the galley. The duty team and spectators waited in anticipation as the three hardened sailors rigged their boats. The OOD in his own words set a "Superb" course with a tight starting line. The sailing sec calculated the start times for the pursuit race. Mr Wilson (Laser) started at 0 mins, 4 minutes later Mr Hills (Aero 7) bisected the start line closely followed 1 minute later by Mr Carter (Vortex). The race administrator brought the race sheet and time keeping equipment to the bar leaving the OOD and support team in the cold, ready to leap into the safety boat.



As the clock approached 41 minutes the fleet was closely bunched. The Laser leading the Aero with the Vortex bringing up the rear. The

spectators in the bar cheering for their noble steed. The clock hit 45 minutes, the hooter was hooted, Wilson and Hills had sneaked past Horseshoe and the race was on. Who would get to the next mark first? Alastair had led from the start. Would he end December with yet more silverware after winning the Christmas Lunch race, alas no. Paul Hills had leapt ahead to the lead, the crowd shouting from the club veranda. The race was over.



1st Paul Hills, 2nd Alastair Wilson,
3rd Jonathan Carter
with Commodore Ann

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



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Sunday 13th May



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Sunday
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Laying up Supper

By the end of the night most people were lying down! It all started on Friday 17th November, with Madelyn Turffrey preparing the Club with the help of Ann Allen and Janis Dowling.

One could hear the 'giggling' from the other side of the lake. A free pint for the best guess about their conversation.



Saturday night at 7pm the bar was full with members (mainly men) 'scrambling' for a pint of Rebellion. Whilst the red and white wine was flowing fast and furious in the delicate hands of our lady members.

The aroma from the kitchen was creating hunger pains. At last the bell rang for all to take their seats. The menu changed at the last moment with Wendy Barns providing some of her famous home made soups.

Well the star of the show went to Madelyn's main dish of hot pot with a vast selection of vegetables. Prior to dessert, our retiring leader Ian Turffrey thanked all for coming. In particular he acknowledged our new members, who thought the evening was fantastic value for £10.

Whilst everyone was sitting around chatting our secret washer upper Alastair Wilson got stuck in to the pile of dishes. It's been noted that Alastair is always the first person in the 'race' to wash up. No doubt he deserves the rubber glove award.

The bells tolled twelve midnight and carriages arrived to take home the revellers.

Roll on the next bash.



Martin Smethers (RYA First Aid Instructor)

will be running a

RYA FIRST AID course on Saturday 17 February



This is a full day from 9am until 5pm, with breaks for tea/coffee and a break for lunch (*bring your own lunch; tea and coffee will be provided*).

This is an interactive session which at the end of it qualifies you for the RYA First Aid Certificate, which is valid for three years. Essential for instructors.

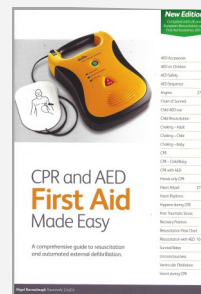


The cost for the course is **£50** each, which includes the RYA First Aid Manual and CPR and AED Made Easy Handbook.

Places are limited to six people with only a few places remaining. please email Graham Smith at training@rscsailing.org as soon as possible.

First come, first booked!

If oversubscribed, a further course will be arranged.



Christmas Lunch and Prize Giving

HO HO HO to you and all!

It started on a cold and frosty morning. Saturday the 16th December the Clubhouse was alive with the 'busy bee's' dressing the table and finishing off the decorations. Ian Turffrey was told off for folding the napkin the wrong way whilst Sue Davis and Madelyn Turffrey were chatting away whilst automatically dressing the tables. Meanwhile, Mrs Christmas (our lovely Commodore, Ann Allen) was supervising the team and discussing the menu.

Sunday morning Martin Smethers got to the club early to switch on the heaters. Yes it was cold! Martin was in charge of the Racing. Meanwhile the team of chefs were working hard in the kitchen. At one point Paul Knight came in to help. He certainly knew what it was all about.

Over forty two people started to 'flood' into the bar. Peter Tobin was acting door man, checking that one was allowed in. The Rebellion beer was having a problem keeping up with the demand. Gallant Paul Hills grabbed another barrel and was pulling them fast and furious. I hear a cry; "who knows how to work the slicing machine"? Our David Hurst pops into the kitchen with a pint in his hands and says leave it to me. Amy was watching ready to save his life! Meanwhile in came Ian Gadget with a ton of roast potatoes. "Where are these going?" he cries out aloud.

The bell was sounded. It was prize giving time; a mad dash to the bar for more booze.

David Hurst assisted by Amy called the winners in turn. Each were given a cup and were photographed with Madam Commodore, who was wearing a trendy top with the words 'limited edition'.

Following the awards Christmas Lunch commenced. Yes, roast turkey, haggis and roast parsnips, the full works, followed by dessert then cheese and biscuits. What a great start to the festive season. We had quite a few new members attending. All reported that it was great to be part of a real family. Indeed this is what RSC is all about.

There was a sudden rush to the kitchen. First in was Paul Johnson followed by his lovely wife Sue, out came the rubber gloves. Like a true washing up professional the team got stuck into a ton of washing up.

Liam Dowling gave the acknowledgement of thanks to the Commodore and her team for organising the event. Each received flowers.

Christmas Lunch and Prize Giving





Trophy Winners 2016 / 2017



Series	Trophy	Winner	2nd place	3rd place
2016-2017 WINTER SERIES				
Winter 2016	Spartan	Paul Hills	Gavin Hall	Paul Knight
Frostbite 2016 Handicap	Frostbite Tankard	Paul Hills	Jonathan Carter	Paul Johnson
2017 SUMMER SERIES				
Spring Trophy 1	Beale	Alastair Wilson	Wendy Barnes	Caroline Webb
Spring Trophy 2	Bury Tankard	Paul Hills (Int. 14)	Wendy Barnes	Alastair Wilson
Spring Pursuit	Moth Cup	Alastair Wilson	Wendy Barnes	Paul Johnson
Afternoon Trophy 1	A Class	Jonathan Baggott	Caroline Webb	Paul Johnson and Wendy Barnes
Early Summer Trophy 1	La Riviere	Nick Wheeler	Wendy Barnes	Alastair Wilson
Early Summer Trophy 2	Lacewing	Jonathan Carter	Steve Swinchatt	David Matthews
Early Summer Pursuit	Leigh Grundy	Paul Hills	Wendy Barnes	Alastair Wilson
Late Summer Trophy 1	Gammage Cup	Paul Hills	Nigel Heeler	Caroline Webb
Late Summer Trophy 2	Mat Tankard	Paul Johnson	Chris Milner	Jonathan Carter
Late Summer Pursuit	Imp Tankard	Paul Hills	Richard Webb	Paul Johnson
Pursuit run as Handicap	Strathyre Cup	Louise Bond	Jonathan Carter	Paul Knight
Solo Mini Series	Esox Lucius	Judith Young	Paul Johnson	
Autumn Trophy	Herouncroft	Jonathan Carter	Wendy Barnes	Jonathan Baggott
Wednesday Evening	Bosun's Pipe	Ian Turffrey	Mike Herman	Paul Knight
EVENTS				
Ricky Chase 2016		Jonathan Carter		
New Year Bracer 2017				
6 Hour Race	Mars Bar Trophy	Thomas de Schulthess and Danny Vega		
Bonfire Cup	Golden Jubilee Cup	Paul Johnson		
Club Trophy	<i>Not sailed in 2017</i>			
Ricky Chase (Turkey Trot)		Alastair and Claudia Wilson		
INDIVIDUAL				
Crew	Crew's Cup	Sue Davies		
Away	Away Cup	Jonathan Carter		
Most Improved Adult	Red Sails	Tomasz Klosko		
Most Improved Junior	Junior Trophy	Miles and Rory Mitchell		
Sportsmanship	Rob Atkins Trophy	Graham Smith and John Ashton		
OPEN MEETINGS				
14 Open	Rickmansworth Trophy	James and Erica Bradbury		
	The Ricky Transom	Alastair Wilson and John Watling		
Firefly Open	Firefly Trophy	Steve Greaves and his children		
Comet Standard Comet Versa		Bob Dodds (CMYC) Jamie Smith	Michael Etternshank	Annette Walker

2017 marked the second year of our sea sailing activities. Our UK trips included day sails, centred mainly in the Solent, plus some longer cruises extending further along the south coast lasting several days, with crew sleeping on board overnight. Similar to last year, a few of us spent a week in early October warm-water sailing in Spain.

Over the year, 23 people participated (many on more than one trip) amounting to 70 person-days of sailing. In the UK, we organised four day sails and eight days cruising (three trips) plus six shore-based days in Spain.

Details of our UK trips appeared in earlier additions of Troy Times and a small selection of the photos taken can be seen if you [Click here](#) These are best viewed as a full-screen slide show.



In the Costa Blanca region of Spain, we sailed on the Mar Menor, a sheltered inland sea, situated right next to the Mediterranean. It is approximately 25 by 10 kilometres in size, and provides ideal sailing conditions. Our over-night accommodation was ashore in a local hotel.

There is a selection of photos if you [Click here](#)



We sailed each day from a small marina located in Mar de Cristal, which is a small village situated at the southern end of the Mar Menor (a map is included in the above link). We had the use of two very stable craft, a Weta Trimaran and an unsinkable weighted-keel dinghy, called a Wood 152.

Plans are currently in progress to book a very similar diary for 2018. On our UK trips, we charter yachts from several sailing charities that include a skipper, qualified to professional standards. Our charter fees help to support these charities in their mission to assist sailors of all abilities to participate in recreational sailing. We welcome applications from RSC and U3A members and also friends and relatives. Emails about these will be circulated in the coming weeks.

Please direct any enquiries to Martin Rogers at MartinR@gmx.co.uk



Range of Club Clothing



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RSC Website above the adjusting strap on back of cap

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With only a very small number of subscriptions remaining to be paid, the new scheme has worked extremely well and we have collected most of the subscriptions already. The Committee would like to thank everyone who responded to the request to pay via the web site, as this makes the whole process much easier. There were a few who 'bucked' the system requiring manual intervention, hopefully next time, most will succeed in doing it the correct way.

Have you signed up yet?

If not, please do so now, click on the logo which will take you to where you can find all the information and a form to fill in.



"Great racing today. I really had to work hard after Jonathan pushed me back to 3rd place, halfway through the race. Thanks to everyone who ran today's event."

Paul Hills

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