



Newsletter September 2010

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Sailing then Cruising

Wednesday 22nd
September Fun Quiz starts

News

Torbay Week 2010

First of all it was rough for Torbay Week, except Sunday when BYC PY, Sonatas etc had to wait for 2 hours for a bit of air to give us a very gentle 2 lap race in the shadow of Berry Head. The other BYC entrants in IRC did not even get a single race in. Monday back to 20 knots plus with gale force gusts. We made our best ever recorded Sonata speed of just over 8 knots under white sails on the reach to the wing mark. John's RIB carries out its first "rescue" by towing in Sonata G-String with broken rudder during roughest part of Torbay week. New club cannons in full use for Torbay Week involving club sec Graham Bestley as chief gunner on the committee boats for all 5 days and having to watch his 1/2 share of Simply Alto sail past with various scratch crew to replace him! Commiserations to Martins Dale and Jefferies for damage to their well known boat Arabella during pre-start manoeuvres for Torbay Week race. Rough weather has caused a toll of damage, Anna Figgs well known Gibsea 30 "Ragdoll" retires from Dartmouth after passage race and discovery of ingress of water and internal bulkhead damage due to excessive rig strains. Passage race held in awful visibility and strong Easterly wind, point team could not see far end of start line 650 metres away and had to rely on "Shuttle" spotting for them at that end.

Apology

There is a quote in the Mainsheet (which went out in April as a PDF and a physical copy is available in the bar now) on page 18, claiming that work is to start this month on the deck. This is inaccurate, at the time of going to press, we believed it would be, but due to issues with the Architect, this is not the case. The quote was also attributed to Lynne Fisher, inaccurately, it was actually a tag line for the article, not a quote from Lynne. For more up-to-date information on the deck, please keep an eye on the noticeboard and the bulk email.

Race Manager Vacancy

at 20:00

Saturday 25th
September Torbay Autumn
Regatta

Saturday 25th
September Dartmouth
Cruise Info under Sailing then
Cruising

Sunday 3rd October
Weekend Series 2 Race 5

Saturday 9th October
Crane Out

Please see the website for
more details and for the most
up-to-date calendar of events.

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This autumn, Robin Meads will be standing down as Racing Manager, having dealt with this aspect for 4 to 5 years. Time for a change. The Sailing Committee would like to hear from members who would be interested in taking on all or part of this task. It would suit effective friendly managers & communicators. Racing and sailing experience is not as important as management skills, but members with some racing or sailing experience would find the task easier to start with. The person will be ex officio on the Sailing Committee, if not already a member of it. For more details on what is involved, please contact Robin on 01803-855401. To apply, please contact the Sailing Secretary, Chris Coote at chris.coote@talktalk.net.

Balcony Update

Last month we received a communication from the Planning Department at Torbay Council to say that we should know by 8th September if we have been granted planning permission for the new balcony. If we have not heard by that date then they recommend we call them. Hopefully we will have the information by the end of this week and a notice will be put on the board as soon as possible.

Boats & Crew

Boats for sale on BYC notices include Foxhound 24, Jaguar 27 and 1/4 share in 38ft steel Bruce Roberts Spray cruiser. See web site for details. We have over 25 people registered as wanting to crew, many wanting to learn. So we are looking for more experienced yacht owners to volunteer a little of their time and boats to take crew out. We are looking to establish a list of volunteer skippers and boats for next season, please contact Chris Coote

Cruising Suppers

Our first cruising supper of the winter will be on Wednesday 13th October at 1930 and our speaker for the evening will be our Commodore Jon Welch. Following the successes of last year's photo competition we will be holding another this year, the closing date will be Wednesday 6th October. There will be three categories, NAUTICAL, WILDLIFE, and HUMOUROUS, so please send lots of photos as these will be displayed on the screens in the club as well as being judged for the competition. Subsequent cruising suppers will be the second Wednesday of the month through to March.

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www.brixhamyachtclub.com