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This 'n That

- Don't forget that vehicular access will be denied to the harbour at some stages over the next few weeks and pedestrian access will be diverted. See Notice board or the website for latest - if you can get to it!
- It may be a tall order to expect a similar turn-out for our Regatta compared with the VE Day celebrations but hopefully with more seasonal weather you never know. Unfortunately the day clashes with Lympstone Twinning with our hosts in Biéville-Beuville, France, so I will be absent.
- Have you seen the current applications for membership on the Noticeboard? Membership is on the up! We'll have to rethink boat storage soon. I cannot even walk around my dinghy in the park!
- Question: what term is used for the length of a tenth of a nautical mile?
- We are less than a month away from the longest day!

Diary Dates

Mon	31May	5 wks	Limited access to harbour -
Sun	5 Jun	pm	Lympstone SC Regatta
Sun	12 Jun	1000	Squires Trophy (hosted by LSC)
Sat	25 Jun	0930	Try Sailing Day
Friday Nights - Bar Roster from original plan			
Fri	27May	1925	Michael Gall
Fri	3 Jun	1925	Roger Howell
Fri	10 Jun	1925	Jason Ingham
Fri	17 Jun	1925	David Livingstone
Fri	24 Jun	1925	Tim Mitchell
Fri	1st July	1925	Brian Ridge

Free Ads for members

Considering the paraphernalia of boating, I'm surprised that members don't take greater advantage of the opportunity of using this space.... Contact the Editor

Traditional Sailing

Opportunity to sail this summer in the West of Scotland on a 1908 sailing Oyster Smack - active, informal, the owner is a friend of mine. Contact Jenny Moon - 01395-276569




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Lympstone Sailing Club Regatta 5 June

- 2:00 Treasure Hunt pirate clues will be around the lower end of the village and ending up in the harbour
3:30 Punch and Judy show and cream tea
4:30 Crabbing and boat preparation for sailing
5:45 Rowing Race in tenders around Darling rock
7:00 Pirate Parade pass the Admiral's boat prize for the best dressed boat
8:00 B.B.Q. bring your own meat/fish, salad bread and sweet to be provided.

Tickets £5:00 for all activities and food provided [including cream tea] £15:00 for a family ticket from Jenny Charles, Nicky Musgrove or at the bar at the Club.

VE Day Celebrations in Lympstone

The spirit of VE Day was certainly rekindled in the Club on 7th May (the eve of the 60th anniversary) largely due to the vision and efforts of Stan Parker.

Twenty three Veterans and twelve Guests enjoyed the spirited hospitality of Club members. All the armed forces were represented (did you know that Lympstone hides a clutch of WRNS?). The afternoon began with traditional children's fun and games followed by a 'Street party' on the hard. Afternoon tea was served in the Clubroom. A 90+ Veteran met one of his instructors from Bomber command!

A goodly crowd of Veterans braved the blustery conditions on the end of the Harbour Wall to take the Salute from a fine selection of craft at the Sail-past. The dipping of the 'bridge' ensign in response to each craft dipping theirs, is an acknowledgement of our gratitude to the Veterans. The evening entertainment kicked off with live music from John Whipp's 'Midnight Ramblers' followed by Wartime fare (corned beef hot pot or pie, rice pudding with tinned fruit). More music followed with a nostalgic singalong of war-time favourites, courtesy of Doc. Livingstone. Finally, a slide show of images of WW2 posters interspersed with some Churchillian quotations was presented. The atmosphere and excitement in the Clubroom mirrored the celebrations of sixty years ago. The success of the event was mirrored by responses from the Veterans. "The memories came flooding back, many happy times - but some very very sad times too, it makes us feel very lucky to be able to enjoy days like Saturday".

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Commodore's Signal

Most of the Lymptone fleet seems to be biding its time before breaking out onto the high seas, or even the estuary, this year though, some dayboats must be congratulated for their voyage to Teignmouth – or was it the New Quay Inn!

Ashore, we had hugely successful VE day celebrations on Saturday 7 May. Thank you so much Stan for chivvying us all over the last year or so, and a huge thank you to the army of helpers who worked so hard in teams from dawn to dusk. An excellent afternoon tea party for all generations, a sail past in bright sunshine and a strong northerly, an awesome supper party culminating in a sing along to wartime favourites such as *Show me the Way to Go Home* and *We'll Meet Again*. It was a pleasure and a privilege to meet so many village veterans and, as a club, we can be proud of the hospitality we provided to them. Our guests certainly seemed to have a most enjoyable time.

The next big bash is the Regatta on Sunday 5 June. More details elsewhere in this newsletter; lets hope for kind weather.

On the water we host the Squires Trophy. (The Cup has been found after being AWOL for some years!) The start's 1000 on Sunday 12 June, so lets get as many dinghies out as possible. That's followed by the Try Sailing day on Saturday 25 June, for members and non-members. All virgin sailors are welcome – so spread the word.

Finally some housekeeping. A few members have returned subscription forms without signing to confirm insurance is in hand for their craft. These days we require third party cover for a minimum of £2 million. The premium is actually quite cheap, and a requirement before you can take part in any club activities. Reminder forms are being issued to the guilty few; please deal with them promptly. See you on the water for the Regatta, if not before!

Chris Cooke

Junior Sailing

As part of the programme for this season we have built in a number of junior sailing events and described these as 'Junior Racing'. The dates are. Saturday 4th June Friday 24th June Friday 8th July Saturday 23rd July

These will be run on a fairly informal basis and are intended to provide youngsters with help in gaining general sailing and race skills. In order to make this work we need the support of interested parties - that is parents, carers, and any others who would like to assist with the supply of their time or equipment, as well as the youngsters themselves. LSC are hosting the last of the Exe Junior Series in September and we are keen that a good number of our own youngsters will take part in that event. Tim Mitchell and I are keen to make this work and would like to hear from you as soon as possible and in the first place would draw your attention to the first event on the 4th June.

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Editor's Perch

Great! Due to contributions of others on events past & future my slot is confined to three lines! Bravo! Better still, I have been to Teignmouth in the Pilot!

This issue is out early to promote our **Regatta on 5th June** - please support

Dayboats Sail to Teignmouth

Two dayboats, Yolanta (Jan Greig-Gran) and Pula (John Bennett), with Plymouth Pilot Curlew (Richard Crisp) as 'mother ship', enjoyed an absolutely superb early season day out to Teignmouth - calm seas in the fresh offshore NW'ly (Force 4, frequently gusting 5) and sunshine (most of the time) to counteract the cool wind. Yolanta had Scott Cochrane on board as crew and Pula (or more strictly her helm!) benefited from the experience and advice of Charles McLennan-Wiggin, who kindly gave up the delights of his Hunter to accompany me.

The mini flotilla departed at about 1030hrs, on the strong ebb and were approaching East Exe Cardinal an hour later, then sheets were hardened for a reach to Dawlish and on to Teignmouth. An unexpected surging swell, a (very!) narrow channel at near low tide, and into the wind against the last of the ebb involved much close tacking (too many to remember but we made it!), leaving some pretty inconspicuous buoys to port (and a prominent yellow conical mark closer to the point being left to starboard), before rounding the corner and heading for the beach at the New Quay Inn, where beers in the sun went down a treat!

Reinvigorated, a 1500hrs departure and another good reach back to Exmouth via the 'Western Way, Yolanta diverting slightly to squeeze through the narrow gap in the rocks at the Parson and Clerk and . Entering the main channel and heading up-river the full force of the wind against tide was felt and it was pretty well close-hauled and hard sailing in the steep chop all the way back to the moorings at about 1800hrs. (Conditions were much more pleasant at sea!). Jan and Scott then showed up for the evening racing - highly commendable (I was knackered and didn't!)

. A great day out, more are planned, consult your programme and come along!
John Bennett Dayboat Captain

RYA Racing Charter Co-ordinator

Our most recent ex-Commodore, Martin Hebdige, in order to minimise his organising withdrawal symptoms has taken on the role of RYA Racing Charter Co-ordinator.



The Charter promotes good rule observance, encourages good sportsmanship, and good communication between competitors and organisers. The RYA believes that these basic principles will lead to bigger and better racing at clubs and in the classes and if competitors and race organisers understand what is expected of each other, it will promote high quality, accessible and enjoyable racing for everybody.

I'm not sure about most of our intentions concerning high quality racing, but good sportsmanship, boating etiquette and communications can all benefit from his style and input .