

AQUILA

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CADETS ENJOY A GREAT WEEKEND AT PEVENSEY

The Cadet class brought its World Selector Series to Pevensey over the Bank Holiday weekend. This was a spectacular success, with nearly 40 dinghies enjoying two days of exciting racing. Thanks to the organisation and planning from both sides and the commitment from club members who worked tirelessly throughout the weekend the event ran seamlessly and a good time was had by all. We enjoyed true Pevensey sunshine and good winds and special thanks go to everyone who lent a hand, but particularly to Gordon Bishop, for organising the safety boats, Dot in the galley, Elaine Fowler in the galley and the bar, Peter White as race officer and Tim Humphries for his very well executed launching and recovery. Thanks also to Roger McAll for supporting the Cadet class at this event and loan of his Cadet dinghies to the sailing school over the past couple of years.



Commodore's Column

It's been a busy time since we started sailing a long time ago on Easter Sunday. We have generally enjoyed lighter winds so far this season.

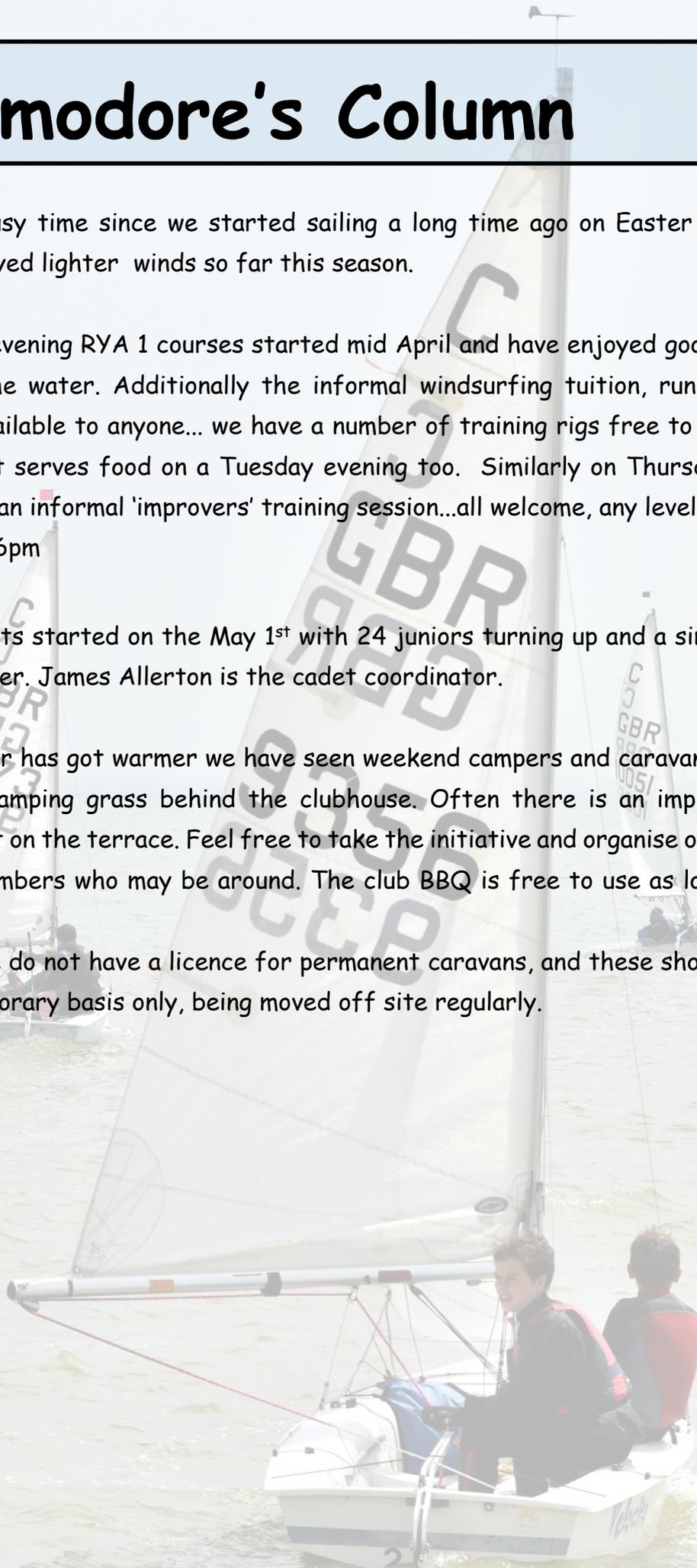
The Tuesday evening RYA 1 courses started mid April and have enjoyed good support with 10 dinghies on the water. Additionally the informal windsurfing tuition, run by Nick Thorpe-Beeston, is available to anyone... we have a number of training rigs free to use....all welcome, no charge. Dot serves food on a Tuesday evening too. Similarly on Thursday evenings Dave Boniface runs an informal 'improvers' training session...all welcome, any level as long as you can sail! Arrive c 6pm

Saturday cadets started on the May 1st with 24 juniors turning up and a similar number each week thereafter. James Allerton is the cadet coordinator.

As the weather has got warmer we have seen weekend campers and caravanners enjoying the free to use camping grass behind the clubhouse. Often there is an impromptu BBQ on a Saturday night on the terrace. Feel free to take the initiative and organise one yourselves with other club members who may be around. The club BBQ is free to use as long as you clean it afterwards!

Please note we do not have a licence for permanent caravans, and these should remain at the club on a temporary basis only, being moved off site regularly.

Adrian



Membership Matters

Thank you to everyone who gave their time to help showcase the club on our 'Push the Boat Out' open day - and who gave people a chance to see what sailing is all about by taking them out on the water.

Despite a damp start the weather picked up during the day and by early afternoon we were busy taking out sailors for a trial sail. A good number of visitors joined up that day, so please do welcome our new members when you see them around the club.

New members - Dot Krzyzan and Wimto, Justin and Matthew Pollard, Anthony and Rachel Mechan and family, Henry Thar, Leslie and Patricia Cox, Roger and Jo Brightiff and family, Mark Brightiff, Simon Lyle, Tony Anderson, Lucy Jenks, Jessica Cox and Jack Futter, Rebecca and Daniel Taylor-Matter and family.

Looking forward to seeing you at the club and on the water,

Mike Chapman membership@pbsc.eu

House

We spent much of the winter, as usual, touching up the clubhouse, painting the walls, benches, and undertaking general repairs. We have also purchased a new engine for the small black RIB, which is now running perfectly.

The 30 year old main sea facing windows are to be replaced in the next few weeks, bringing a fresh new look to the clubhouse.

What is this Cadet thing about?

From Roger McAll

Are there not enough choices of boat and why introduce another one?

The Cadet first came on the sailing scene in 1947 designed by Jack Holt as a scaled down children's boat, so it was very much part of the sailing club dinghy scene from the beginning. *Pepito* C1056, (picture over the stairs to the clubroom), was there at the beginning of Pevensey Bay Sailing Club and my own *Tempest* C2298 took to the water in 1958.

The numbers of Cadets are now over 10,000. There have been about 10 new Cadets put on the water each month for the last 71 years which means that boatbuilders and parts suppliers have a steady market for their products.

The Cadet is a children's racing boat and makes no pretence of being for another purpose. It is weight sensitive to the crew size and has a natural sell-by date when the crew grows too big which in these days of heavier children is at about age 16 years.

One important fact and an anomaly is that the Cadet is an RYA pathway class that does not fit the RYA training & learning to sail proforma. The gender participation in the Cadet is



over 60% girls; a situation that does not occur anywhere else in RYA sponsored activity. The RYA's funding is sensitive to promoting & providing access to sailing for many, so the gender balance that the Cadet provides locks in support for this boat. The RYA has work to do to solve this conundrum.

Pevensey is very light on teenage sailors taking part in ordinary club racing. A personal view that has gained wide traction over the past years is reliance on single handed sailing is not good for sailing clubs. Single handed sailing is something I undertook for many years; it did not require any pre-organising, you turn up just in time, sail & leave. If the weather conditions are not good no need to turn up; if the racing is not going well the commitment is not there. This applies to adults as well as children. The two-handed Cadet replaces the lone activity with teamwork, you have to organize to be there, co-operate in the boat and you have a social partner when you are finished.

The ideal combination in a Cadet is a young crew 7 - 11 and an older helm 12 - 15 this is a very good learning situation for the younger member. After 3 years and a couple of goes at the Nationals the helm moves on and the crew is well equipped to move up and train their own crew. This is not some fantasy, it is a process that has been going on for over 60 years.

In the past the Pevensey Club's Cadet fleet has included Philip Morrison C1308, Andrew Street C6622 & Peter Marchant C6312 (Cadet 1971 World Champion). All our older members will remember C2377 Chris which expired due to old age in the 1980's after about 25 years of club service.

We are giving the Cadet a re-try in the hope it may find resonance with our younger members and any help with the project is most welcome.

A number of very affordable Cadets have been found to kick-start the fleet, these boats are available for initial introduction to the Cadet class and are for sale to club members. The boats are insured and registered so were able to participate in the Clements Nautilus weekend.

Roger McAll

Ben and Nikki team up in foiling Nacra 17

Nacra 17 world champion Ben Saxton has announced a new partnership with Nikki Boniface for a tilt at Tokyo 2020. The pair have sailed together at the last two international regattas after Nikki stepped in for the injured Katie Dabson – and have come away with silver medals both times.

They have now decided to continue their partnership towards Tokyo 2020.

Forthcoming Duties

Sun, 03 Jun Summer Series

OOD Geoff Ball
Safety Boat Crew 1 Gary Brocklehurst
Safety Boat Crew 2 Lyn Brocklehurst
Time keeper Steve Terry
Safety Boat helm 1 Andrew Hebron
Safety boat helm 2 Volunteer Required
Lock up Andrew Hebron

Sun, 10 Jun Summer Series off Langley Pt + ESSC

Safety Boat helm 2 Allen Hare
safety boat helm 1 Gordon Bishop
Safety boat crew 1 Charlie Buckland
Time keeper - Seahorse Volunteer Required
Safety Boat Crew 2 Fiona Balkham

Sun, 17 Jun Mens Tankard

safety boat helm 1 Chris Clarke
Safety Boat Crew 1 Alan Bickell
OOD Adrian Peckham
Timekeeper Andrew Hebron
Safety Boat Crew 2 Gary Stevens
Safety boat helm 2 John Males

Sun, 24 Jun Summer Series

OOD Ronnie Hall
Safety Boat helm 1 Keith Ashcroft
Safety Boat Crew 1 Gary Bannister
Time Keeper Frede Ashby
Safety Boat helm 2 Gary Kinch
Safety boat crew 2 Jackie Kinch

Sat, 30 Jun Club Championship

OOD Volunteer Required
Time keeper Volunteer Required
Safety Boat helm 1 Steve Jobling
Safety boat crew 1 Andy Cumming
Safety Boat Crew 2 Gary Stevens
Safety boat helm 2 Paul Holloway

Sun, 01 Jul Club Championship

Safety Boat helm 1 Philip Leyland
OOD Elaine Fowler
Time keeper Sally Clarke
Safety Boat helm 2 Allen Hare
Safety Boat crew 2 Andy Cumming
Safety Boat crew 2 Dave King

Sun, 08 Jul Summer Series Sprint race to ESSC

Safety boat crew 1 Michael McDaniel
OOD Volunteer Required

Time keeper Volunteer Required

Safety boat helm1 Lee Potterton
safety boat helm 2 Charlie Buckland
Safety Boat Crew 2 Volunteer Required

Sun, 15 Jul Federation Cup Bexhill

Safety boat helm1 Dave Watson
Safety boat crew 1 Charlie Buckland

Sun, 22 Jul Summer Series

OOD Roger McAll
Safety boat helm 1 Steve Green
Safety Boat helm 2 James Whitcher
Safety boat crew 1 Kenneth Hammond
Safety Boat Crew 2 Adam Harwin
Time keeper Pat O'Leary

Sun, 29 Jul Summer Series

OOD James O'Leary
Safety boat helm 1 Jeremy Collier
Safety Boat helm 2 Colin Coard
Safety boat crew 1 Harry Pearson
Safety Boat Crew 2 Stuart Cox
Time keeper Ray Wood

Sun, 05 Aug Cock O'Bay Pursuit Race

OOD Tony Richards
TimeKeeper AM only Barbara Howell
Safety Boat helm 1 Jay McNally
Safety Boat Crew 1 Tim Mottram
Safety Boat helm 2 Owen Poplett
Safety boat crew 2 Mark Noble

Sat, 11 Aug Tornado to ESSC Moth Open

Safety boat helm1 Charlie Buckland
Safety boat crew 1 Adrian Peckham

Sun, 12 Aug Ladies Bowl

Safety Boat Crew 1 Steve Wallace
Safety Boat Crew 2 Jeff Middleton
OOD Richard Thomas
Time Keeper Lucy Potterton
Safety Boat helm 1 David Bracey
Safety Boat Helm 2 Steve Terry

Tornado to ESSC Moth Open

Safety boat helm1 Dave Watson
Safety boat crew 1 Charlie Buckland

Wed, 15 Aug Sprint Race to ESSC (18:30)

OOD Volunteer Required
Timekeeper Volunteer Required
Safety Boat helm 1 Volunteer Required
Safety Boat crew 1 Volunteer Required
Safety Boat helm 1 Volunteer Required
Safety boat helm 2 Volunteer Required
Safety Boat crew 2 Volunteer Required

Sat, 18 Aug Martello Race

OOD Elaine Fowler
Safety Boat Helm 1 Gordon Bishop
Safety Boat Crew 1 Charlie Buckland
Safety Boat Helm 2 Keith Ashcroft
Safety Boat Crew 2 Gary Bannister
Black Rib helm Volunteer Required
Orange Rib helm Volunteer Required
Orange Rib Crew Volunteer Required
Time Keeper Sally Clarke
Black rib crew Volunteer Required

Sun, 19 Aug Summer Series

TimeKeeper Steve Wallace
Safety Boat Crew 2 Jeff Middleton
safety boat helm 1 John Oastler
Safety boat crew 1 Andy Fisher
OOD Paul Holloway

Sun, 26 Aug Summer Series

TimeKeeper Tom O'Leary
Safety Boat Crew 2 Gary Brocklehurst

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