



## Aberdeen and Stonehaven Yacht Club

### **Newsletter No 4 for 2004 Season and Notification of AGM**

For the latest information remember to check the ASYC website at [www.asyc.org.uk](http://www.asyc.org.uk). Please note the important information regarding the AGM.

#### Commodores Comment

From a sailing point of view our Summer Regatta, held over the weekend 21 and 22 August, was a great success. There is a report later in this Newsletter and some pretty good photos on the website. Many thanks to all those that turned up to help: on the beach helping competitors launch and recover, in the galley keeping everyone fuelled and refreshed, and out on the water on the Committee and rescue boats. We could have used some more help, particularly with the catering and rescue boats. We rely on members volunteering, or at least being willing to help when asked. So for future regattas please lend a hand, even if it is only for a few hours on one of the days.

I would like to take this opportunity to have a few words about Junior sailing, prompted by an incident at Stonehaven during the regatta. The club is very keen that junior sailors make the most of every possible opportunity to have fun sailing and to develop their skills and are delighted to see the club boats used for this. However, the club cannot take over the parent's responsibility for the safety and welfare of juniors – we do not provide a child minding service. I raise this because there was an incident at the regatta where a couple of junior members were left at the club to go sailing with no parental supervision. They had some little difficulties, fortunately resolved with no injuries. Can I ask you all to consider how you might have felt if your child was to be hurt in similar circumstances?

Later in this Newsletter there is information about the Club AGM. In particular this is an opportunity to nominate people to serve on the Committee. Please think about volunteering yourself or nominating another (with their agreement!) – some of the existing Committee are prepared to soldier on, but others would be pleased to be relieved by some new blood! This is your opportunity to influence and contribute to the running of the club – please take it.

Finally, unfortunately the sailing season is nearing its end. We need some willing helpers at the workparty on 10<sup>th</sup> October (it's in your Programme!) to winterise the club and boats. On a more enjoyable topic and End-of-Season social has been organised more information later in this Newsletter, I hope to see you there (and I have heard that there may be a "wake" to mourn the passing of another season of Wednesday evening sailing).

Keith Lewis

Commodore

### Regatta

The Open regatta had 70 boats attending with 41 visiting boats; the full results are on the website, in summary the results are as follows:

- Fireballs:
1. Donald Smith and Matt Richardson (ASYC)
  2. Peter Hay and Richard Harper (RTYC)
  3. Euan Seller and Matt Summers (ASYC)
- Lasers:
1. Peter Malcom (ASYC)
  2. Thomas Hepburn (Largs SC)
  3. Steven Forteith (Oban SC)
- Laser Radials
1. L Doig (ELYC)
  2. K Ross (SVSC)
  3. G Carrick (LLSC)
- Laser 4000
1. Mike McMillan and Angus Cooper (ASYC)
  2. Merv New and A Mauzitzen (ASYC)
  3. Richard Brooker and Tracy Flynn (ASYC)
- Finn
1. M Andrews (Largs SC)
  2. D Harcourt (DBSC)
  3. C Farrell (DBSC)
- Handicap
1. John Styles and Alex Taylor, Wayfarer (ASYC)
  2. A Grant, RS300 (PFYC)
  3. David and Duncan Sherrard Laser, 2000 (ASYC)

Thank you to all the helpers who made this event possible.

### End of Season Social

An end of season social has been booked at the Heugh Hotel, Westfield Road, in Stonehaven on Saturday 30 Oct 7 for 7.30pm. This will be a 3 course meal and the cost is £18 per person. The numbers are limited so please complete the slip at the back of this newsletter and return this, along with your cheque payable to ASYC, to John Colegrave by 16 Oct 04. The Hotel has special room rates available if anyone wishes to stay overnight.

### Prizegiving

The series prizegiving will be after the winter workparty in the Stonehaven clubhouse on 10 Oct. The trophy prizegiving will be after the AGM at the Stonehaven clubhouse on 28 Nov 04. Could all trophy holders please return their trophies to the Sailing Secretary, John Styles

by 10 Oct, they can be left in the club room on the ground floor of the clubhouse for John to collect.

## AGM

The AGM will be held at 1500 hrs on Sunday 28 November 2004 in the Stonehaven clubhouse, Shorehead, Stonehaven. Brian Fraser as the current Vice Commodore will be the Commodore of the Sailing Club for the next season. Nominations are sought to the Committee, in particular for the posts of:

Vice Commodore (who would become the Commodore in 2006)

Catering

Ordinary Committee members for: House and Grounds, Publicity, Bosun for club boats.

Nominations need to be submitted, with a proposer and seconder to:

Lucy Linguard, Hon Secretary, 55B Barclay Street, Stonehaven, AB39 2GN

A nomination form is attached at the back of this newsletter and the Hon Secretary must be in receipt of nominations by 30 September 2004.

## Winter Boat Storage

There are limited spaces available for members to store their boats over the winter in one of the club buildings at Stonehaven. At the back of this newsletter there is a form to complete and return to David Sinclair if you would like to put your boat into the draw for a space. These forms must be with David by 25 Sep 04. The boats will be stored during the workparty on 10 Oct and if you are successful you must attend (or have a nominated representative) at the workparty to store your boat, otherwise the space will be reallocated.

## Catering

Thanks to all those who helped with the catering at the Regatta especially the stalwarts who helped in the galley. A special thanks to Jane Cruikshank, Hilary Lewis and Shelia Legg (a new club member) who worked so hard on the MRI day on 29 Aug with the teas and raised £453 for the MRI funds. Unfortunately, again there was apathy among club members to provide help.

## Club Boats

The club has a 420, 2 Lasers and 6 toppers that club members can hire. Please be aware that to comply with our insurance policy the club boats cannot be taken out unless the club rescue boat is on duty.

## Wanted – old PC

Does anyone have an old PC they would be willing to donate to the club? This could be used for helping the race officer complete the results sheets (and making them easier to read by removing all the scoring's out) It could also possibly be used to provide a webcam showing the weather conditions at Stonehaven from the clubhouse. If you do please contact Keith Stewart: [keith.stewart@ntl.com](mailto:keith.stewart@ntl.com)