



CALSHOT TIMES

Calshot Sailing Club



Editors Column

Welcome to the first edition of the 2011 Calshot sailing club newsletter the Calshot Times.

We've changed the format a little this year to make it easier to read on line or on a computer as were told this is the way the majority of members read it.

As always if you have anything for inclusion in the newsletter or on the club website please email it to us at the address on the foot of each page.

Membership Renewal

The March 1st deadline for the membership renewal discount has now passed. However members can still rejoin.

If you have lost your membership renewal forms or have not received them through the post please contact membership secretary [Rick Nash Via the website](#).

Sailing Programme

By now all members should have received their copy of the 2011 sailing programme.

We would like to apologise for the quality of some copies which fell short of what we expected due to a problem at the printers.

There is now also a copy on the website for download.

Sailing Season Starts

The 2011 sailing season starts with the first race of the shakedown series on 19th March

2011 Start of Season Social and Prize-giving

The annual start of season social evening and prize-giving is on the evening 18th March at 7:30 at the Ship Inn:

41 Old Redbridge Road,
Southampton,
SO15 0NN



The evening costs £7 per member or £14 per family. Places should be booked in advance with membership secretary Rick.

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OOD Training

We are holding an OOD training day on Saturday 2nd April. Starting at 10:30am the day will be split into two sessions, the morning session covers use of the safety boats and OOD duty on the water and the afternoon session covers the land based side of the duty.

Adult Training Registration

We are holding a registration day for those interested in our adult training on Saturday 23rd April. This is an opportunity to find out what training is on offer for adult members. There will also be assessment and training sessions with club instructors and coaches for those who want it.

Places at the club's adult training are not dependant on attending the registration but those who do will get a better idea of what is on offer and what would benefit them.

Junior Training Registration

Junior training registration is on Friday 29th April.

We have two junior training schemes run by the club: Friday Evening sessions are for novices, beginners and intermediate sailors and Saturday sessions are for those interested in racing. Junior members can sign up to

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either scheme (depending on their ability) but not both and a place on the training scheme is dependant on attendance at the registration session.

Members Boats Blown Around Compound



Fortunately the weather at Calshot has not been as bad as that experience in Queensland (See picture above) but winter winds have still been strong enough to move boats around the compound, tear up tie down ropes and remove covers. We would advise members to check their boats when they next have the opportunity.



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RYA Volvo Dinghy Show 5th & 6th March 2011



Another year begins and our thoughts turn to the next sailing season and to wet your appetite there is the RYA Volvo Dinghy Show at Alexander Palace, London. It is the 60th year of the show and they want to make it special.

At the show, you will be able to view stands containing practically every Class dinghy, all fully rigged so you can see them complete. Each stand is manned, not by salesman but by helms that actually sail the boat. So this is a good opportunity to get tips on tuning and the equipment to buy from those who know. There are, of course, trade stands and many of the chandlers are there with bargains to

be had. There are also talks on sailing techniques from experts.

Further details on the Show can be gained found at:

<http://www.rya.org.uk/programmes/dinghyshow/Pages/RYAVolvoDinghyShow2010.aspx>

or the Alexandra Palace web site

<http://www.alexandrapalace.com/events/the-60th-annual-rya-volvo-dinghy-show/>

The palace stands on the top of a hill and there is a park all round it, which is good for a walk and on a sunny day you can see the buildings of central London.

If you have any questions, about the event, then please phone me (01264 889135), as I have been there many times.

If you would like to go, but want to share a car, then email calshottimes@aol.com and we will join those who want to share the trip, together.

I will be on the OK Dinghy stand most of Sunday, so pop in to see me if you are there.

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Terry Ford steps Down as Treasurer



Calshot Sailing Club said thank-you to its retiring Treasurer at its recent AGM.

The club's longest serving committee member Terry Ford stepped down as Treasurer after 14 years in the role. Terry also served the club as secretary for 29 years from 1980 to 2009!

During Terry's time club the club underwent big changes, for a start in 1980 Calshot had 64 members, in 2010 274 people were members of the club! Terry's time on the committee also saw the refurbishment and extension of the clubhouse after a successful application to the national lottery for a grant. We also purchased a fleet of 11 boats for members to hire, two modern Rigid Inflatable safety boats

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and set up a very successful junior training programme.

At the clubs recent AGM Commodore Dave Poupard thanked Terry on behalf of the club for all his hard work. He also presented Terry with gifts from the membership in recognition of his service, some of the more irreverent gifts included a book of sailing racing rules and a coffee mug marked with Port and Starboard!!



New Slipway Gate Lock

Due to the loss of the slip way gate lock a different lock is temporarily being used on the slipway gate until the new keys are brought in at Easter. The key to this lock is held in the usual place.



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New Door Code

The code for the clubhouse door will be changed on the 1st of March. The new code will be sent out to all members when they rejoin.

Reports

2010 AGM

The club held its annual AGM in November 2010. Amongst the items for discussion were club security and the timing of the membership year. Many clubs have traditionally had a membership year which starts and ends with the calendar year.

The RYA recommends that clubs align their membership year with the sailing season to reduce member turnover. It was agreed to do this at the AGM and hopefully we will be able to announce a record number of rejoining members in the next newsletter.

The AGM also agreed to purchase new locks and keys for the club compound. Nobody can remember when the locks were last changed and as few members ever hand their keys back when they leave there is a very large number of keys un-accounted for.

The new keys will be available to members from the Easter weekend onwards. A returnable deposit of £20 is required for each key and we hope

this is enough to make members return their keys if they leave.

Calshot Sailor comes 4th in 2011 Magic Marine Winter Regatta

Over 200 Topper sailors from around the country made the journey to Datchet water sailing club for the recent regatta. The 6 race regatta in very cold conditions saw Calshot Sailor Dannielle Thomas placed 4th overall.

A full race report and pictures of the event can be found on the Yachts and Yachting website:

<http://www.yachtsandyachting.com/news/?article=155571>

Hythe Marina Boat Jumble

There will be a boat jumble at Hythe Marina on the morning of the 10th or April. The club is looking for volunteers to run a stand there to attract new members.

If anyone is interested please let us know. The club will provide the stand, publicity materials and pay for the volunteer's entry to the boat jumble.

For Sale

Laser dinghy, number 127689
Good cover, trolley, full X-D race pack, racing mainsheet, full and radial rigs. Pale blue hull, very good condition. £1250

Contact Rachel Hughes/ Dave Poupard 07720 626563



Picture of radial rig

