



TCSC SIGNAL SPRING 2020

Hello

Welcome to Spring,

The Flood water has finally gone down after what seems like forever, hopefully that is it now and we are going to have a lovely season. Its been a really long winter and I cant wait to get back down the club and start sailing again

The committee have been working hard during the close season and one of the hard decision's was to delay the start of the season,.

We have altered the start date by two weeks to allow the site some time to recover.

The traditional fitting out party, with a great spread laid on by the Galley and donations of food from members, will be followed by live music once the catching up has been done, so what a great start to the season, two social events in one.

Spring Clean, has also been pushed back and we really need members support to get the club clean and tidy after a very wet winter, please see Geoff's article for more details but all help will be appreciated.

A few highlights to look forward to this season are the 60th Anniversary Ball, an open day, training along with plenty of sailing and social events.

I look forward to seeing you all soon

Debbie

Flood News – the Flood water has finally gone so no doubt many of you will be keen to go down and check on your boats. If you do go to the site then please LEAVE YOUR CAR AT THE GATE. Ground conditions are extremely soft. You may be only one vehicle but so is everyone else! All it takes is 2 or 3 cars at the same time and someone will end up stuck. There is no need to bring your car on site for any reason at present.

COMMITTEE 2020

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WEBSITE:

There is an area in the website where the Club will advertise boat related items for sale on behalf of its members.

Also make sure you join the Facebook Group

If you have any items you wish to advertise please email

SIGNAL@TC-SC.CO.UK , with the Item for sale, price , and your contact details..

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FROM THE SAILING SECRETARY

Cruiser Handicaps

The 2020 Season PY Cruiser Handicaps are below. In general the changes made in 2019 produced more competitive race series and (with one exception) we are maintaining last season's ratings.

Squib:1180

First 18: 1260

Leisure 17: 1540

Sea Lord: 1540

Shrimper: 1525

Sonata: 1240 (was 1220)

You should have received an email from the club's DutyMan system giving you the opportunity to pick your TCSC duty for the season.

As you know, the club operates because we all do our turn in keeping the sailing, galley and bar going. The email contained a link that takes you to our DutyMan webpage and allows you to volunteer for a specific duty.

Volunteering really helps the committee in arranging the season, and should make it easier for you to select a preferred date, or make sure you are not given a duty on a day you cannot do.

If at a later date you find that you need to swap your duty at a later date, you still can.

If you find that you need to change a duty, it is your responsibility to find a substitute. We do not do this. You can arrange a swap through the DutyMan system, but please think ahead and leave enough time for a replacement to be found – do not leave this until the last moment! Until a swap is confirmed, you are not relieved from your duty.

We look forward to seeing you during the season – and thank you in advance for your help!

DISCOVER SAILING Open Day 9th May

On Saturday the 9th of May the club will be holding an open day to showcase our club to potential new members, It will be a Discover Sailing Day as that is the RYA branding for their open day initiative this year. We are looking for volunteers to help organise and run the day

Prior to the day

We need to advertise the event, using traditional methods and Social Media could you get the message out to the public in Tewkesbury, Cheltenham, Glos, Malvern and surrounding areas ?

On the day

Meet & Greet: We require members to welcome people to the club show them around and answer basic questions about the club

Galley & Bar staff: a few people are required to serve tea, coffee, cakes, and drinks to visitors and helpers

Safety boat: Is anybody willing to provide safety boat cover to allow visitors to be taken out for a sail

Instructors and competent sailors: to take visitors out in the club sailing boats.

Members to just make it an enjoyable day, so come along and help and please share the information about the day, even if the person you talk to about the open day isn't interested, they may well know somebody who is

We will be rounding off the day with a social event in the evening

If you feel you can help out in anyway please email your offer of help to discoversailing@tc-sc.co.uk

Many thanks

Debbie

TRAINING AT TCSC

Hi All

We have some specific training dates in the diary for training this year, they are 14th June, 28th June, 12th July, 19th July and 26th of July please make a note of these dates in the diary, We plan to run some RYA courses YSS1,2 & 3 which are suitable from age 7 up and NSS 1 & 2 from the age of 16. A parent or responsible adult for all children will need to be on site at all times during the training.

More information about RYA Dinghy sailing courses are available at

<https://www.rya.org.uk/courses-training/courses/dinghy-multi-keel/Pages/hub.aspx>

We will also be looking to run some RYA powerboat courses over the season, these would be Level 1 & 2 courses and Safety Boat course, dates for these courses will be based on the demand as they will be 2 students to 1 instructor so we can be more flexible.

More information about the RYA powerboat courses can be found at

<https://www.rya.org.uk/courses-training/courses/dinghy-multi-keel/Pages/hub.aspx>

There will be a small fee for the all RYA courses to cover the expenses of being able to provide these qualifications along with Logbooks and certificates.

Please email us to let us know your training requirements so we can arrange suitable training. If you could state age and experience, and what you would like to achieve it would be very helpful, please also include if you own a boat that is suitable for training in or if you would like to use a club boat for training.

More dates may be added depending on requirements.

If you feel you would like to help with the training, in anyway please let us know.

If you have any questions about this email or training in general please email training@tc-sc.so.uk

Regards
Stuart Bailey
Training Officer

Development work.

Unfortunately, the weather has contributed to quite a substantial amount of damage, creating work that needs to be undertaken this year. Apart from the list of maintenance tasks that will continue throughout the year, there are three major projects that we will be undertaking when the weather permits. These are:

1. Replacing the planking on the right hand side of the cruiser slipway. Adding steps to both sides of the cruiser slipway.
2. Making the cruiser moorings structurally safe where the weather has dislodged uprights and other parts.
3. Replacing 30metres (half) of the dinghy staging. This will include:
 - a. Replacing/improving the structure.
 - b. Levelling the staging
 - c. Sinking crash barriers to support the bank and reduce erosion.
 - d. Backfilling and seeding the new bank.
 - e. Re planking

We will also be cleaning the silt from the cruiser slipway and increasing the depth of water next to the “blue” dinghy staging. (The blue dinghy staging will be used for all dinghies during the construction phase)

I will also inspect the balcony to assess if some of the planks need repair urgently or if this can wait until next year.

Because the flooding has remained longer than anticipated and we have not been able to start any work, we have decided to sequence the order in which the works will take place. This will keep the disruption to sailing as minimal as possible and ensure safe working.

The priorities are:

1. To make safe the cruiser slipway by replacing unsafe planks and installing steps
2. To replace the damage the cruiser moorings. (Some will require considerable rebuilding because boats were left attached during the major weather conditions)
3. Making safe the dinghy staging.

Further along in the season, when the land dries out sufficiently and there is a gap in the calendar, we will embark on the major rebuild of the dinghy staging and the cruiser slipway.

Please let me know if there has been any other weather-related damage that requires attention.

Other Jobs still to do:

- Clubhouse chairs will be sprayed on a nice day.
- Area under balcony to be sorted.
- Disabled parking sign to be replaced.
- Create a support to hold the hose next to the cruiser slipway
- Main gate extension to prevent people crawling under.
- Club sign wooden backboard to be replaced and fixed lower down to enhance spectating from the balcony.

If there is any other development work that you feel is important for the club, please let me know via e mail.

Please note the change in Spring Clean dates.

The **new** dates for spring clean are:
Sunday 29th March and
Sunday 5th April

Many of you generously give your time and expertise to the Spring Clean every year, maintaining specific parts of the club and grounds.

We need you this year even more! I will contact you nearer the time to give more details of the sort of tasks we need, but everyone can contribute.

Geoff King

Development Chairman.

FROM THE MOORINGS OFFICER

I am in the process of allocating moorings and dinghy parks.

The lists will be up at the second spring clean. Please check the list to make sure you are putting your boat in the right place as some cruisers have been allocated a different mooring to accommodate the range of boats we have this year. Please also check the dinghy list as it is very inconvenient if you put your boat in somebody else's place.

A reminder that Dinghies and kayaks should be removed from the triangle by April the 15th April **but** because of the extremely soft ground at this moment in time the deadline has been extended to the 30th April. **PLEASE DO NOT** use cars to tow boats around and try to avoid churning up the site by allowing it to dry out before moving them. There is no plan to extend the deadline for Cruiser's so they must be launched or removed from site by the end of May.

Please can you make sure once moved, your boats are secured correctly to prevent damage to not only your boat but to moorings and boats around it. Please also make sure road trailers are left tidy and in the appropriate place, all boats, trailers & trollies must have a TCSC sticker on them that has a readable membership number written on it, and you need to check that the number is still readable, Failure to do so may see it removed as abandoned when we tidy up the site

Regards

Debbie

FROM THE GALLEY

SPRING CLEAN

The new season is almost upon us and hopefully the floods will have receded and the weather will be kind to us .

The Spring clean weekends are on the 29th March and 5th April .

The Galley will need to be thoroughly cleaned as will the clubhouse .

Cleaning products will be provided as well as coffee tea and biscuits but the more club members and elbow grease we have the quicker the jobs will get done ..

Look forward to seeing you all .

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FITTING OUT PARTY

The Fitting Out Party will take place on Saturday April 11th

The first event of the season and a great way to catch up with old friends and to make new ones .

The Galley will provide some food for the buffet but any donations of food by members will be much appreciated .

PLEA FROM THE GALLEY

The Galley is desperately in need of help for it to continue to run as it has over the past years. We really do need to find more volunteers to help or become part of the galley committee .

Becoming a member of the Committee involves opening the galley on a number of occasions throughout the season .The more members we have the fewer times this will be needed .

Shopping for fresh foods will need to be done milk bread ham etc but the majority of food will be stocked in the galley .

You would need to be at the club from approximately 10.30am to 3-4 pm depending on how busy club is. There will be one or two members of the club to help make the usual sandwiches toasties etc.

If you feel you can help on the Committee or even if you would be happy to shop and open up just on the days you have elected to do your galley duty PLEASE CONTACT

ANGELA on 07368 488718

MARGARET on 07710475681

Many thanks

The Galley

Social Diary Dates 2020

- April 11th Saturday** ~ **Fitting out Party 7.30pm, folowed by Live music from Sax Appeal Duo starting 8.30pm** a dynamic, versitile and talented female duo, gusty vocals from Deb and rocky, soulful sax from Julie.
- May 9th Saturday** **VE Day celebrations, DTF but includes Disco on Saturday.**
- June 20th** **BBQ and fun for All , inc Cadets, Younger sailors families andFriends, details TBC.**
- July 4th Saturday** ~ **60th Summer Ball at the Sailing Club**
- August (Date TBC)** ~ **Summer Games Evening weather dependant.**
- Sept 11th Friday** ~ **Regatta Wine and Cheese evening.**
7.30pm at the Clubhouse
- Sept 12th Saturday** ~ **Commodores Themed Party.**
- October 31th Saturday** ~ **TBC Prize Giving and Halloween**
7.30pm at the Clubhouse
- November 21st Saturday** ~ **Novak and Goode**
- December 6st Sunday** ~ **AGM 2.00pm**
- December 13th Sunday** ~ **Chilli Special, Lunch**
Lunch time at the Clubhouse

TCSC at 60 ~ Summer Ball 4th July 2020

In 1960, the first Commodore of Tewkesbury Cruising and Sailing Club was recorded as E.Mc.L Duncan. The club was originally started by four cruising friends in Tewkesbury town at the back of Avon in a conservatory/shed in the garden which ran down to the river. The first social events and meetings were held in a local pub. In Autumn 1962, the club was offered the tenancy of an area of land beside the River Avon for use as a dinghy park, subject to planning. By Christmas 1963 discussions on a proposed clubhouse were under way. Committee members purchased a 70' narrowboat from British Waterways and arranged to have it towed from Saul on the Berkeley and Sharpness Canal on May 10th 1964 to use as a temporary Club House and Base.

The official opening of the new permanent clubhouse was on Sunday 24th March 1968.

On July 4th 2020 we are celebrating 60 years of Tewkesbury Cruising and Sailing Club with a Summer Ball in a Marquee on that same area of land, now owned by the club.

It would be lovely if you could attend, current and past members, bringing your memories, family & friends with you.

Tickets are £35.00 each. Please email the number of tickets required and each person's name clearly printed (this will be used for the table plan). Include your contact details, including mobile number to SummerBall@tc-sc.co.uk If you wish, please attach any memories/pictures we can use at the event.

Payment: Reference with your Surname, please.

Tickets will be issued after your payment is received.

Transfer money for the tickets to: TCSC, Sort Code 40-44-10 Account 00800449

Or send a cheque payable to TCSC and

Post to Mr. M Thompson, TCSC Summer Ball, 5 Manor Park, Mitton, Tewkesbury.
GL20 8BQ

Menu Three course Summer Buffet of whole, poached salmon. Whole ham cooked in orange juice and mixed spices. Roasted rare beef. Mediterranean filo parcel. Mixed green salad, Rice with sundried tomato and fresh mixed herbs, curried coleslaw, Tomato, olive & mozzarella salad with balsamic dressing
Hot, buttered new potatoes

Included: Starter, Dessert, Coffee, Tea and mints

If you or your guests have, any special dietary requirements please email SummerBall@tc-sc.co.uk making the requirements clear so I can discuss with the caterers in advance.

Looking forward to seeing you at the 60th Anniversary Summer Ball.

Lynda Howard ~ TSCS Social Secretary

Email: ~ SummerBall@tc-sc.co.uk