



CLUB NEWS

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Don't forget to check out the NYC web site
<http://www.newhavenyc.org.uk>

Commodores report

Did you know that there is a yellow buoy just off Seaford beach and south east of the Newhaven harbour entrance? I nearly hit it on Saturday. It is likely to be there for four years along with seventeen others along the south coast - a Hydrographic Office wave survey apparently. A Notice to Mariners requests a 200 metre clearance. Thanks to Mike Price for finding out about it and bringing it to my attention. Should pay more attention to the Notices to Mariners !

I would like to welcome the following new members to the club. They are Steve Atkinson, Jan Sampson and Colm McDermott.

We have quite a few members who are intent of sailing further than Seaford bay. A good example of this is shown under "From the Waterfront" and it is the log of GANNET V, of the sail to Southern Ireland by Graham Jones, and his crew, Barbara Brooks and Ann Headon. Apparently Graham kissed the Blarney stone. Considered a little unnecessary by those who have heard him talk, but more to the point is; who did he trust to prevent him falling?

Looking forward we have the Solent Rally on 12th to 19th July. For anyone not yet booked in please contact me as soon as possible.

Good Sailing Nigel

From the Waterfront

Notice to Mariners

The following is an extract from the Notice to Mariners referred to in the commodores report above.

Notices to Mariners for chart for Selsy Bill to Beachy Head area
L1487/08 ENGLAND — South Coast — Approaches to Newhaven — Seaford Road
South-westwards — Buoy.

Source: Channel Coast Observatory

Chart: SC1652 ETRS89 DATUM

Insert FI(5)Y.20s at position 50° 45' 92N. , 00° 04' 40E

I have received the following which may interest local sailors – Can anyone help?

I am trying to track down some details of a yacht that is here at Lihir Island in Papua New Guinea. It is a fiberglass sloop, about 30' – 35' long, and appears to have been named "Camas". On its stern, it is possible to make out that it has carried homeport names of "Newhaven" and "Kerteminde" (which is in Denmark). I am guessing that "Newhaven" may refer to Newhaven Yacht Club (I've already tried the Newhaven Yacht Squadron in Victoria, Australia). Does anyone have any recollection of this yacht? I am hoping to find the legitimate owner of this boat. Thanks and regards, Eoin Christie, Washingtons Drilling (International) Limited +675 9 865 409 _____

Buddy sailing in the bay.

On Saturday 7th June our Buddy sailing with two of our new members was very successful. The scheme provides a useful way of giving experience to new crew so that they can later join in with the rallies and provide crewing for those skippers who are short of crew.

Newhaven Fish Festival.

This took place on Saturday 7th June on the West Quay. There was a "Dieppe Market" and representation from Coastwatch and others connected with the harbour. The NYC was represented on a stand with tombola. There were also photographs of club activities, and brochures which received much interest from visitors. A number of enquiries have been received from potential new members and are being followed up.

MENCAP Quiz Night.

This took place on Saturday 14th June with the hall open from 1900 for a 2000 start. As there was no bar licence for this night everyone had brought food and drinks and in effect picnicked while competing. Our team at a cost of £1.00 per member comprised TT,NC,GS,AS, DB,LW,AKB, We were team five of the six teams competing and the Quiz master was excellent with a great variety of question types and a good sense of humour when announcing.

The MENCAP people were delighted that we attended and although we felt we should be helping our partners of the hall it did not stop us winning. The prize was four bottles of wine of which one was shared at the upriver mid summer BBQ and the remaining three will be prizes at our own events.

Team six of four ladies were last, got the booby prize which they gave to the Quiz master and were well cheered for their sporting effort of taking part against teams averaging six.

Midsummer BBQ.

The midsummer BBQ on 22nd went surprisingly well following a dismal weather forecast which had us all doubting that it would take place. The rain held off, and apart from gusty conditions making lighting of the BBQs a bit of a frustrating job the whole event was a great success as always and enjoyed by over 20 members and families.



Ancient mariner Jack showed how to cook really crisp (hard) sausages black right through and out the other side. We should make it a competitive event for all future BBQ's

Neal with son Thomas arrived very late in his open fishing boat and showed us all how to do a smart mast drop to get under the bridge. The boat is a clinker built round stern "Newhaven Lower Boat" made in 1956 by the now gone local firm "Lower".

There were a total of about 27 attending, seven disposable BBQ's were used and three dinghies braved the strong cross wind to make it by river. The dinghies were those of Capricia (Linda and Mel), Polygarter, (Gerald and Angela) and Kittiwake (Mark, Cheryl and James).

RYA Radar Certificate Course.

The RYA radar course was held at the lifeboat station on June 28th. It was attended by six people and is considered as a successful venture. The NYC made a donation to the RNLI for the use of their premises. The instructor was excellent and it is proposed that he is asked to run further courses. It is intended that the course be repeated this winter as there are three who could not make the last course. There is now need for Day Skipper and Yachtmaster theory courses some time from September onwards and we are negotiating to run practical courses next year.

Buddy Sailing to Brighton 28th June

Once again the weather messed up the planned sailing. Winds SW and gusting 26 knots caused us to stay in port. So instead three boats, Zeta, Mani (Peter Butler) and Beaumaris (Maurice Elford) provided the buddy sailors Colm McDermott, Steve Atkinson, Sheila Jalie, Nina Heaton, and Jerry Ashplant with practice in some useful essentials – bowlines and other knots, using VHF, and some basics of navigation. At least the day was not wasted. On Tuesday Sheila and Colm followed up with a morning sail in Zeta in much improved conditions in Seaford Bay.

I am pleased to see that we are now building a team of skippers willing to take on buddy sailing, and I thank the skippers involved in this. It seems to be the way to develop interest in our sport. Once a level of experience has been gained, buddy sailors can look forward to joining in with rallies or having the confidence to become boat owners themselves.

Nigel

Voyage to Eire.

The following is the log of GANNET V with a crew comprising Graham Jones, Barbara Brooks and Ann Headon

Gannet V Log of Passage to Eire 2008

29th May Departed Brighton 06.30 motored all the way to Cowes Yacht Haven 47.4 miles arrived 16.00 wind F4 last few miles wrong direction very sunny and hot but poured hard directly we got in.

30th May Departed Cowes 07.30 motored yet again all the way to Weymouth 37.7 miles arrived 16.00 not enough wind to sail hot and sunny some of the way rafted up - on north side of river fish and chips for supper.

31st May Departed Weymouth 06.00 lovely sunrise still no wind so motored across Lyme Bay 58.7 miles arrived Salcombe 16.30 pleasant stay on visitors buoy in fairway lots of activity on the water and land.

1st June Left Salcombe 0600 actually sailed for 20 minutes sunny weather lots of gannets and some dolphins. 50 miles to Falmouth arrived at marina 15.30 only got mooring because someone was leaving - preparation for tomorrows crossing to Ireland.

2nd June Woke up to thick fog and F7 winds on weather forecast so aborted trip. Went shopping for supplies and cleaned teak decks - good results. Good forecast for tomorrow so hopefully will be away.

3rd June Departed Falmouth 09.00 wind NW 5-6 good sail for two hours then motor sailed as wind on the nose very sunny lumpy seas, could still see Lands End when we arrived in the Scillies, picked up mooring buoy at St. Mary's 1900 after .62.2 miles - had a good view of Wolf Rock on the way. and made our way over to Sherkin Island 1 mile away to a very quiet mooring although still moored to a barge and cleats on pontoon very loose but not much wind and sheltered so though we would risk it. Went for a walk round the island it has an abundance of flowers and fauna only five miles of what they call roads the ruins of a Franciscan Friary had a drink at the local pub. Filled up with water by containers. Talked to friendly crews from several other yachts.

4th June Went ashore in dinghy collected water and fuel in containers, used showers had good fish and chip lunch, returned to Gannet before rain and wind set in for the evening

5th June Departed for Tresco 10.15 sunny 21 knots head wind very rough round islands and headlands 8.20 miles arrived 13.00 moored in lovely calm creek on Tresco. Went ashore explored Island too late to visit gardens, but did circular walk round island visited Cromwell's castle and King Charles castle spectacular views of all the islands - noisy night as boat was hitting the buoy at times.

6th - 7th June Left Tresco for Ireland 10.15 wind NW 14-22 knots on nose but just managed to motor sail 147miles sunny but wind cold saw six boats and dolphins, arrived Royal Cork Yacht Club (oldest yacht club in the world) 13.00 met by staff who took our lines got provisions fish and chips for supper and my first Guinness at YC on the way back to Gannet.



8th June Caught bus to Blarney visited castle and kissed the Blarney Stone lovely scenery and walks around castle took some good photos visited local shops bought a few souvenirs, bus back to Cork looked round for about an hour lots of celebrating as Tipperary had beaten Cork at hurling for the first time in 83 years then back to Crosshaven and another taste of Guinness.

9th June Departed Cork 11.00 saw very big dolphins on way motor sailed yet again to Kinsale sunny arrived 16.00 - 15.1 miles moored in Kinsale Yacht club lines taken by staff that were very helpful very pleasant place.

10th June Walked two miles to Charles Fort a star shape castle on the side of the bay, as you sail in that's where the leading mark is.. Had lunch in local pub went back in the evening to listen to local music being played - got the green off the rest of the teak decking.

11th June Departed for Kinsale 10.00 surprise head wind again sunny pleasant trip arrived 16hours in Glandore Bay 30 miles later interesting entrance dodging islands and rocks picked up mooring buoy.

12th June Went ashore lovely walked through country lanes smothered in wild flowers accompanied by local westie dog. Visited local church had coffee overlooking bay with superb views, brand new yacht club had opened the previous weekend. Dinghied over to the other two villages in bay Unihall that had a fishing fleet and Leap where we had a good lunch and got some supplies and fresh fish for dinner. On return to Gannet crew proceeded to clean rest of teak do some polishing and remove algae from water line.

13th June Left Glandore 08.00 motor sailed to Balimore 14.7 miles arrived 11.20 understood from pilot book there was a pontoon there but it turned out to be a barge filled with concrete open to the elements and ferries departing and arriving near by so got new gas bottle and two cans of diesel, had a look round village visited some pretty gardens

14th June Departed Sherkin Island 10.00 no wind but only 5 miles to Cape Clear Island Ireland's most southernmost inhabited island arrived 12.00 pleasant anchorage in South Harbour only yacht there. Went ashore walked up very steep hill to local church and Heritage Centre which had very interesting facts about the islands history . Had some lunch on quay side then went to cemetery and 12th century church remains , the island also has a 14th century O'Driscoll castle a 5,000 year old passage tomb and bird observatory which was just the hall of a local house. Caught a mini bus 5 euros fare for a ride round the island with lots of information, back to anchorage for peaceful evening.

15th June Departed Clear Island 07.30 actually sailed, passed the Fasnet Rock then on to Laurence Cove in Bantry Bay, small marina on Bere Island but had all facilities except internet and mobile connection. Walked round part of the island seemed more prosperous than previous two islands with lots of new buildings and an army camp. had a dinner in a local restaurant nearly had to wash up !

16th June Left Laurence Cove 10.00 for Glengarriff 12.5 miles, sunny weather but not enough wind to sail, saw seals and dolphins one injured seal was resting on the bottom of a red mark had wounds round his neck, arrived 15.00 took a long time because Graham was fishing but no supper caught. Picked up mooring buoy in the most beautiful scenery yet surrounded by hills islands rocks and forests. Went ashore first to

Garinish Island to see the gardens of Innacollin which is almost sub tropical and had interesting shrubs and trees from all over the world, lovely viewing points originally created by Annan Bryce and Harold Peto bequeathed to the Irish people in 1953 looked now after by the Commissioners of Public Works. Got very close view of some seals basking on the rocks. Collected some supplies from town and had a look round sampled local brew then back to Gannet.

17th June Early trip ashore to catch 0800 bus to Bantry ticket machine not working so free ride. Lovely cooked breakfast at the Bakehouse. Walked round the front to Bantry House and gardens now home of Egerton and Bridgette Shelswell-White and their four children, the original owner was the Earl of Bantry who lived on Whiddy Island but moved to the mainland opposite and built this lovely house overlooking the bay. It has seven terraces with a hundred steps to reach the top of them to compliment the bay with fantastic views. Inside there are many fine paintings and pieces of furniture collected by previous owners. Back to Bantry to explore the town which had a watermill feature right in the middle lunch at the Bakehouse bus ride home and just got back to Gannet before heavy rain and strong winds set in for the evening.

18th June After hearing there were gales due later in the day left Glengarriff at 08.30 to head back to Laurence marina, it took us six hours to do the 12.5 miles because the bad weather came in sooner than expected, we had winds up to 34 knots on the nose and rough. Arrived 14.30. It was nice to see a crowded marina with everyone taking shelter and catching up on news with several yachts we had previously met on our route up the coast. Good evening at local pub with own entertainment, everyone there.

19th June Went to Castletown by ferry and a local lady gave us a lift for the three miles into town. Large fishing harbour with big fleet of boats, they do not make visiting yachts very welcome we were told. Looked round town very small and quaint shops like we had back home fifty years ago. Had lunch and local brew, got more supplies and taxi and ferry back to boat. Went for evening stroll. This island seems to have a better standard of living with better houses. There is an army camp here and lots of healthy looking cattle where the grass is so lush. Met some locals who had moved from England.

20th June 07.30 start for Dingle, sea lumpy from previous winds had to motor except for good sail across Dingle Bay 46.5 miles met by resident dolphin Fungi who has been around this area for about 20 years and bought tourist fame to Dingle local boats take out trips morning and evening to see him. On our way in met marine master sailing who shouted to us where to moor turned out to be quite a character and very helpful, most modern marina since Cork but fuel still delivered by containers arrives 18.00 hours. Plenty of interesting shops and fifty-two pubs. It's traditional music evening on Fridays when all of the locals meet sing and play at the pubs and we went to one called "The Marina". Young and the old entertained us at what was a good evening. Several yachts from Laurence Cove also here so we caught up with old friends.

21st June Haven't moved far yet. Gales and pouring rain.

Power Boats

Peter is still available to talk about suitable events and of his new 2007 boat. Peter would like a trip to the Solent to coincide with a rally for the sailing yachts. I think it is worth repeating that power boats and any other boats used for pleasure are strictly speaking yachts and they are what a yacht club is for. With co-operation from other motor yacht owners planned events when finalised it will appear under our calendar of events. Please come forward now with your preferred dates, destinations or any suggestions and especially enquiries. Your editor would be pleased to publish ideas and comments you may wish to make under this heading. Peter Lewellyn will be pleased to hear from you on telephone 01323 897339.

Racing and Buddy Sailing

NYC RACE RULES.

We see our races as competitive cruises to be run under safe conditions for skippers more interested in cruising than in the more risky true racing.

The NYC conditions under which a race is to be postponed is a forecast of winds greater than force five and/or a sea state of moderate to rough. Postponement will of course also apply if there are no competitors.

BUDDY SAILING.

This is a part of the clubs objectives. Which is –

A scheme to promote an interest in and to teach the rudiments of sailing to those interested but without experience. They will later be invited to join the NYC and to have the opportunity to crew on rallies and races.

See under "Membership" for joining details

Forthcoming buddy sailings are shown under calendar of events.

Skippers please note that we need more boats to provide day sailing at these events.

Sailing & Events Diary

Saturday 12th Saturday 19th July Solent Rally

Low water Newhaven (12th) BST 1208 hours 2.13m.

Organizer Nigel Cooper on 01273 302846, 07836 739501, or coopernp@hotmail.com,

Saturday 2nd August Eastbourne Rally

This was planned for the 24th to 26th of May but postponed due to bad weather.

Low water Newhaven BST 0640 hours 0.68m.

Organizer Nigel Cooper on 01273 302846, 07836 739501, or coopernp@hotmail.com,

Sunday 3rd August Sovereign Tower Race

Event originally planned for the 25th of May but postponed due to bad weather.

Low water Newhaven BST 0725 hours 0.60m.

Organizer Nigel Cooper on 01273 302846, 07836 739501, or coopernp@hotmail.com,

Sunday 10th August Sea based practical 1000

Low water Newhaven BST 1210 hours 2.37m.

Test your man overboard skills. An interesting exercise at sea.

Organizer Nigel Cooper on 01273 302846, 07836 739501, or coopernp@hotmail.com,

Sunday 10th August NSSC last cruiser race of this season

Low water Newhaven BST 1210 hours 2.37m.

Thursday 14th to Sunday 17th August Eastbourne Air Show

Low water Newhaven on Saturday BST 1811 hours 1.25m.

A chance to drift about off Eastbourne and dodge the aircraft.

Sunday 16th August Rally to France via Eastbourne air show. (Sovereign marina)

Low water Newhaven BST 0553 hours 1.20m.

Organizer Nigel Cooper on 01273 302846, 07836 739501, or coopernp@hotmail.com,

Monday 25th August Bank Holiday

Saturday 6th to Monday 8th September Littlehampton Rally Low

water Newhaven on Saturday BST 0944 hours 1.68m.

Organizer Ann Headon on 01273 885952

Saturday 20th September Harvest Supper BBQ. 1900

ANNUAL EVENTS for which claims must be made prior to each AGM. Full details are shown on the website.

THE KITTIWAKE CHALLENGE PRIZE to encourage a spirit of adventure, personal challenge, club pride, safety and consideration. The prize is £250 to the skipper who sails further than Kittiwake's 10,500 miles in a 13-month period, Challenge ends July 1st 2012.

THE SPIRIT OF KITTIWAKE CUP for the most audacious cruise by a NYC Club member in the past year/cruising season. This is for members whose voyage is a personal special major achievement although it may not be so to others.

SEVEN PORTS The skipper to first visit in the year the ports of Bembridge, Dover, Ramsgate, Eastbourne, Littlehampton, Shoreham and Rye or Chichester.

ALL PORTS Skipper visiting most ports in the year.

RYA Courses

Last month we said that one of the NYC members, Jane Twyman had just qualified as an RYA instructor to teach theory courses. We are delighted to say that she has since qualified to teach practical courses. We are equally delighted that the NYC will benefit from more frequent courses than we have had in the past. Details will appear under calendar of events. The course principal Tony Titchener 07784 713612 or tonytitch@aol.com will be pleased to give further detail and should you wish for a particular course will arrange for it to take place subject to there being sufficient numbers.

Club Shop

NYC sweaters and rugby style shirts are available at £16.60. There is a choice of colours and the NYC logo and your boat name can be added for an additional £1.60. Available via Ann Headon on 01273 885952

NYC Burgees. These are now in stock. They differ from the originals in that they still have the Newhaven logo but not the words NYC - £15.00 each and can be obtained from Peter Llewellyn 01323 897339

Small Advertisements

**Note 1. Advertisements are run for only one issue after which it is necessary to re-apply.
2. As the newsletter is shown on the website there is a wide distribution.**

For Sale

Westerly Fulmar – ZETA. 32 ft. of cruising comfort! Contact Nigel cooper
coopernp@hotmail.com or phone 07836 739501 – Full specification and photographs on
<http://www.npcweb.co.uk/zeta/index.htm> |

For Sale

Wet suit full length with adaptable sleeves that can be long or short and is in VGC. Also a Buoyancy aid in VGC. Size small ladies approx 12. £20
Wet shoes size 7 VGC £5
Ann Headon 01273885952

For Sale

Small craft additions of Admiralty charts,
1. SC5600. The Solent and its approaches, 10 charts. £20-00
2. SC5601. East Devon and Dorset coast 10 charts £20-00 Imray
Mediterranean Almanac,
3. Covers over 400 Harbours in the Mediterranean. £20-00
Contact Graham Jones 07900386274, 01273 569849, najadatsea@gmail.com

For Sale

Silhouette S/L MK 111 Boat - £1,750
A two-birth cabin - ideal starter boat for river and coastal cruising. Ready to sail. Price negotiable. A tough little GRP seagoing yacht built by Hurley Marine Plymouth with very high manufacturing standards hence the Lloyds Production Certificate Sea keeping qualities. Full set of sails. New Engine plus reserve Johnson Seahorse 4 outboard.
For viewing or more information telephone 0781 461 0587

Free to Collector

Four fenders – size 7.5 inch by 26 inch. Contact Ingvar Svenson on 01825 740467 or email
ingvar@jupitersecurity.co.uk

For Sale

Waterproof jacket and trousers. XM Almost new, size XL. Also new Lifejacket. Offers around £100 to Peter Rovey-Gray – tel 01273 502850

Membership

NEW MEMBERS.

The following has been accepted for full membership of the NYC

Colm McDermott. Account Manager LTSB
Pilsey, Framfield road, Buxted, East Sussex, TN22 4LE
Proposed by Nigel Cooper, seconded by Graham Irving.

The following has applied for membership of the NYC

Sheila Jalie Retired – Volunteer National Coastwatch
2 Fort Gate, Newhaven, BN9 9DR.
Proposed by Nigel Cooper, seconded by Tony Titchener.

Please note that we are at last complying with the constitution in accordance with Section 3 Paragraph 13 by displaying names of proposed members in the clubroom and in the newsletter for fourteen days prior to them being accepted as members. This is to give existing members the opportunity to object to their being accepted. This is a perfectly normal procedure common to most clubs.

It is important that all members should have access to the club constitution. Most members will have used the club website to download or read it but for those members offline a copy can be obtained from Nigel

Cooper on 01273 302846, 07836 739501. All new members will receive a copy on joining.

Application forms are available from the membership secretary and membership applications and renewal fees should be sent to; NYC Membership Secretary, 20 Hawth Hill, Seaford, East Sussex, BN25 2RW – 01323 897659 – a.cranmer@tesco.net The entrance and subscription fees are as follows;
Full member £45.00 Family member £50.00 Joining fee for new members - £20.00
A£5.00 discount on the above membership figures is given if paid with standing order by mid January.
Standing orders will substantially reduce the membership secretary's time and the expense of collecting fees.
Renewal is due on the 1st of January each year.

Editors Note

All contributions for the next issue must be received by the first Monday of the month and should be sent to the Club Secretary

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