

May 2008

ELTON SAILING CLUB NEWS CIRCULAR

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THIS YEAR IS A SPECIAL ONE AT ELTON SAILING CLUB AS IT CELEBRATES 150 YEARS. WE HAVE SOME EXCITING EVENTS PLANNED AND HOPEFULLY YOU WILL ATTEND AND JOIN IN YOUR CLUBS CELEBRATIONS.

Up and coming events

I just wanted to draw everyone's attention to the following events. We need your help & support to promote the club & encourage participation in our sport. The first two events are this Saturday & Sunday

Saturday 10th May 2008 – RYA ONBOARD DAY

This is the day we invite students from local schools down to the club & take them out on the water. This year we have 25 confirmed, who will also be accompanied by parents (who may also want to have a go). We need help in all areas, safety, sailing, onshore support. If you are available contact adamsavage@savagehome.plus.com
The day starts at 10.00 - 17.00



Sunday 11th May 2008 – Elton SC Open Day

We open the club facilities to the local community, again we need help in all areas. Remember you can also bring family & friends down to have a go.
The day starts at 12.00 - 17.00

**WE NEED TO RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS FROM BOTH THE ABOVE EVENTS.
PLEASE COME DOWN & HELP PROMOTE YOUR SAILING CLUB**

Saturday 7th June 2008 – Elton SC Nostalgia Day

Carol & Gill are organizing a nostalgia day, celebrating the past. We are hoping that many members & former members will turn up to catch up & reminisce with old acquaintances, look at memorabilia. This promises to be a pleasant day all round.

Saturday 14th June – Commodore's Community Day

Every year we usually organize a charity event. This year we have invited the **BURY YOUNG CARERS** to enjoy our facilities. About 16 youngsters will be coming down, enjoying some lunch & going out sailing for the afternoon. If you can spare some time to help on the day it would be very much appreciated for this very deserving devoted group of children. Again help is needed in all areas, sorting lunch, shore support & taking out sailing, etc.
The day starts at 11.00 – 17.00
If you can spare some time on the day, please contact me.
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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Remember membership fees are now due. Please pay promptly as this brings much needed funds into the club. Please pay your fees at the club or by post for the attention of Brian Taylor.

Many thanks.

HOUSE COMMITTEE PROPOSED DATES FOR THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CLUB

- ❖ Open Day - 11 May – Publicity in the Bury Times – Come along and help to promote your club and sailing
- ❖ Nostalgia Day - 7 June - Please see the flyer at the end of this circular – and also the link on the Club Website
- ❖ Car Treasure Hunt - Friday 20 June
- ❖ BBQ - 12 July
- ❖ Bonfire Night - 1 November
- ❖ Dinner Dance - 8 November (note earlier date)
- ❖ Laying up supper – 18 November
- ❖ Under 8s Christmas party - 6 December
- ❖ Brass Band night - 10 December
- ❖ Over 8s Christmas party - 13 December
- ❖ Log Fire and Nibbles - 21 December

Please bring along family and friends to any of the events

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Friday evening sailing

I am trying to get the club active on Friday evenings. Fancy some training? Single handed improver, Junior training, double handed sailing, improver racing. If I can spark enough interest from both sailors & members / coaches prepared to help out, then this could be a regular.

I intend to kick off this **Friday 9th May** at about 6.30. **But I need feedback from members**, if it takes off & we have enough support, I am also hoping that we could run some beginner courses & taster sessions as well.

This will also hopefully lead to more interest in weekend sailing, encouraging members out.

Let me know if you are interested or available to offer support.

Adrian ajbrooks@btinternet.com



Congratulations to Jak Cornthwaite for his success at the recent Youth Laser world championships in New Zealand. Jak finished a very creditable 19th overall & is rewarded for all the effort he has put in & family support received over the last few years.

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LASER NEWS

Hi All - 12Hr Laser Event Report – West Lancs Yacht Club 26th April 08



4 Elton teams entered this years event, the boats were picked up from Elton SC on Friday afternoon and with a bit of help from Dave Moore we managed to get 4 boats on 4 trailers. Tents were roughly pitched and all retired to the bar.

Four teams had been entered with the Captains named, but the who sailed with who was agreed in the bar without any beer spilt. Bar shut at 11pm for our own safety.

Richard Marsh's team (Elton Shake n'bake) included Jak Cornthwaite & Adam Savage.

Peter Finney's team (Elton Classics) Ian Binns & Mike Segar.

Rob Gascoigne's team (The old codgers of Elton), John O'Brien, Steve Simper & Dave Gascoigne.

David Gamble's team (Elton come in your time is up) Chris Cox and John Marsh.

Racing started at 8am, with the team captain's leading from the front in 15mph winds. Rob gave the rest of the fleet a chance by claiming the first penalty of the day (quarter lap) when OCS by around 20m at the gun. Richard and Peter made good starts and were in 4th & 5th positions respectively at the first mark. Richard suffered a traveller failure and handed over to Jak after 2 hrs in 9th position.

Peter and Dave ended their sessions together battling for 12th position before handing over to Ian and Chris respectively. Rob despite the penalty battled with the fleet to handover in a steady 21st place to JOB.

Jak sailed on for a very long time, to pick up 8th position, Ian and Chris swapped positions and kept the battle for 12th close. By noon the winds were beginning to drop but with strong gusts which give Steve S a swim, however continued to keep 21st place safe. John Marsh took over from Chris and kept Mike in his sights with 12th still in dispute. With the fleet now starting to spread out Adam consolidated 8th place and closed the gap to 7th.

The wind dropped for the last 4 hrs, this enabled the Classics to take out a convincing lead over "Come in you time is up", as lap times dropped from 11 minutes to 45 minutes so credit due to the final helms for keeping their patience in frustratingly light airs.

The final positions ended with :-

Elton Shake n'bake 7th, Elton Classics 12th, Elton come in your time is up 14th and The old codgers of Elton 21st.

To round off, Elton Classics were the leading over 40's team.

In the link below "The Classics" show their team work & professionalism in the change over area (play with the sound high for the running commentary!)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4FOA9cppnzA>

This was the second year of the event and Elton have won something in each year (first juniors last year). Many thanks to all who sailed and volunteered their boats to be used. Next years event is already set for 25th April 2009, see you there.
Regards, Dave

One for the diary - **Elton Laser Open 6th July** - Please keep this date free, Laser training is being organised for the Saturday 5th.

Could all laser sailors (or members who would like to be copied in) email me so I can send you updates or any info I receive throughout the year.

Best Regards, David Gamble davidbgamble@hotmail.com



We would like current members to know of and to attend this event and to tell their ex-sailing friends about it:

Calling all former members of Elton Sailing Club

Did you realise that 2008 sees the 150th anniversary of the foundation of Bury Angling Association and Elton Sailing Club? To celebrate this anniversary, the Club is putting on a series of events of which a Nostalgia Day is one.

You may remember the Nostalgia Day that we ran approximately 10 years ago, and the pleasure with which we met our friends from past years, caught up on their news and reminisced as we looked at old photos, films and newspaper clippings.

We are now planning to repeat the event, on Saturday, 7th June, and we are trying to get in touch with as many ex-members as we can. We found you, and you undoubtedly know the addresses and phone numbers of your friends from your sailing days. Is there any chance of you passing on the news to them? We have already contacted some people, but others could well have moved since last we contacted them, ten years ago, so please, if you are still in touch with anyone, give them a ring to be sure they know about the event.

The day is expected to start about 2.00pm and, in the evening, supper will be available. It would help us to estimate catering requirements if you could fill out the form at the end of the letter and send it back/or email Tina – our House Committee Chairman - at the Club to let us know whether you intend to stay.

Alternatively, e-mail Carol: chaines@tinyworld.co.uk or me: gill_little@btopenworld.com Do bring memorabilia, marked with your name. There will be tables and – all being well - stands for photos and clippings, and a screen for films (bring your own projector if necessary) and expect to meet all your rivals of yesteryear!

We look forward to seeing you in June on a warm, sunny day!

Gill & Carol

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I/we intend to come to Nostalgia Day on Saturday, 7th June to help celebrate ESC's 150th Birthday.

I/we shall/shall not want supper.

Name plus others.