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Dates for your Diary

Sat 8th Aug	Heron Traveller Open Meeting at PSC
Sun 9th Aug	PSC Open day: taster sessions for the public 10:00-16:00
Mon 10th - Fri 14th Aug	PSC Dinghy Junior Course 09.30 to 16.30 Monday to Friday
Sat 15th Aug	PSC Topper Event
BH Mon 25th Aug	Members Come and Try/Taster Session 14.00, BBQ from 16:30
Sat & Sun 12th & 13th Sep	RYA Start Windsurfing Course
Sun 13th Sep	PSC Junior Regatta 14.00
Sun 20th Sep	BARTS BASH

Last Sun of month "Lazy Sunday" races for all including novices & juniors, 14:00 for 14:15 start
BBQ from 16:30

Wednesdays Wednesdays on the Water run every week through the summer: safety cover & friendly advice available from 17:30 on (and often from earlier)

Deadline for next Telltales Sun 27th Sep

Junior Dinghy Week

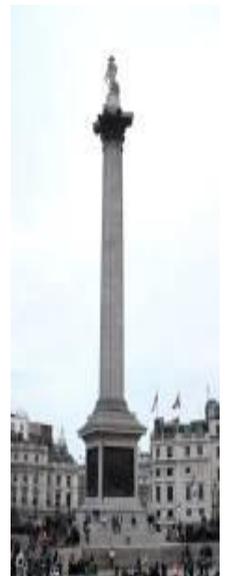
The club's Junior Dinghy Week for club members runs from Mon 10th August, 9.30-16:30. All junior Topper sailors can participate if they can usually recover from a capsize unaided. They will then learn about sailing a range of boats including Picos, Herons, Wanderers and Omegas, as well as learning more about racing. Depending on the weather there may also be opportunities to try trapezing and sailing with a spinnaker.

If you would like to participate, call Tony on 01234 708010 to book your place!

Tony Ogborn, Heron 10,300

Commodore's Column July 2015

It's been another busy start to our summer at PSC! Our Open Weekend in May was as busy as ever with literally hundreds of our local community getting on the water during our 'Push the Boat Out' weekend. It was hard work but was a great team effort to promote our sport and our club. Our volunteer coaching team have been very busy recently with Pirates, Buccaneers and adult dinghy training and mentoring, as well as with our windsurfing sessions for club



members, and with club racing on Sunday morning it has meant that there has been activity on the water all weekend since the beginning of May. Please don't forget that the club is also open on Wednesday evenings.

Our annual RNLI Regatta last month proved to be a popular event again this year with some 20 boats taking part. Participants enjoyed sailing together, having lunch together and raising money together – in total we raised £121 for this worthwhile charity.

Congratulations to Owen Hewett, who retained the trophy and to Sonia Evans for the best U13 performance. Thanks to the team that ran the event and particularly to Tony Ogborn for making sure that everyone who took part received a prize (a spanner!).

All this activity has been threatened by the return of Canadian pond weed to our lake; thanks go to the members who have spent time helping to keep it under control by driving our 'weed boats' and lifting large quantities of weed from the water. The sharp eyed will have spotted several large piles of weed on the bank! It looks like we may have to continue this process throughout the summer, so if any of our experienced safety boat drivers would like training on how to drive these boats please contact me.

A small group of PSC members ventured further afield earlier this month taking their boats to Poole Harbour for the weekend to sail together on a bigger expanse of water. The five boat fleet were able to practice their seamanship



Lifeboats



skills whilst day sailing at this great venue; the weather was kind to us, there being a good breeze all weekend and generally blue skies. Stopping off for lunch on Brownsea Island, having ice creams at the harbour mouth and a beat home against the tide made for an eventful Saturday with over twenty

miles sailed! Our Sunday sail was a little more conservative, but we still found time to visit Rockley Park, have our picnic on a beach and make it back upstream for a celebratory end

of cruise drink at waterside pub in Wareham. It was great fun sailing in company and everyone is keen to repeat the experience. Perhaps you will join us next time.

Dinghy storage space remains at a premium at our club. We have disposed of abandoned boats and now have an up to date record of all boats in our dinghy park.

The last area to clear is at the far end of our compound where there are several old trailers and trolleys. If one of these belongs to you please could you claim it, as we want to clear this area to store additional dinghies.

We continue to try and upgrade our facilities at our club, the gents changing room had a makeover earlier in the summer with a coat of paint, new flooring, including better drains and retiled showers. All very smart, thanks to the efforts of some volunteer painters!



Looking ahead to August, we will be holding another Open Day on August the 9th, when once again we will be offering our local community the chance to 'have a go' at sailing at PSC. Please promote the event if you get the opportunity and ready yourself to come along and help!

That weekend it is going to be busy with a Heron Open meeting on the 8th. Heron sailors do come and join in, everyone is welcome.

Another date for your diaries - 20th September – the date of this year's Bart's Bash. We hope to make it a fun event for all the family, with plans for live music on the balcony to accompany our participation in the world's largest sailing race!

As always, please don't hesitate to pass on your ideas for club events, or suggestions for club developments, to any committee member in person, or by email



(commodore@priorysc.org.uk). Your committee would be particularly interested to hear your ideas regarding potential club social events.

Hope to see you on the water soon.

Tim Hewett, PSC Commodore, Laser



Priory Junior Sailing Photo Competition!

Two photos maximum per entrant!

The subject must be connected with sailing at Priory. You must pass a hard copy onto the Commodore before the 31st October. The winner of the U13 and the U18 will be announced at the November AGM - prizes will be given!

Priory Hoodies and Polo Shirts

If you are a new member or an existing member who is interested, we can do another order for polo shirts and hoodies printed with the Priory logo. As modelled in the photos, the hoodies are printed with a large logo on the back and the polo shirts have an embroidered logo



on the front. The cost of the hoodies is £16.50 and polo shirts are £12.00.

The clothing is printed by a Bedford company, Sportsform, who can provide a wide range of garments and colours. In the first instance we would like to restrict the polo shirts to Burgundy, all of your PSC committee have this colour. The hoodies look great in Oxford Navy, but if you, or your junior sailor, would like an alternative colour then please see the Sportsform website for their offerings. Their site is at - <http://www.sportsform.co.uk>



If you would like to place an order, please visit the Sportsform website to choose your size / colour. You will need to work your way through their website thus - First, under 'Categories' click on 'Clothing' and then click on 'Schools and Colleges', then - Hoodies can be found under:- Hoodies, then College, then JH001 - College Hoodie; Polo shirts can be found under:- Polo shirts, then Heavy Weight, then SS204.

You can email your order to pascale.hewett@ntlworld.com - please make sure that you include the size and colour, payment needs to be by cheque made payable to Priory Sailing Club.

We will be placing orders when there is demand. If you have any questions, feel free to send me an email or speak to Tim or me at the club

Pascale Hewett (Laser)

Editor's Plea

Please submit articles of interest to club members for inclusion in Telltales, as well as pictures. They can be short or long. Both wind-surfing and dinghy sailing pieces welcomed obviously. You might consider:

- Opinion pieces or hints and tips articles
- Reports from going to open meetings
- Sailing holiday reports, any other sailing experiences
- Information on club members, current and former

Feel free to make other suggestions to make Telltales as relevant, informative and entertaining as possible. Telltales is much enlivened by some sailing related pictures, so please help by submitting your pictures to the current Editor (milldick@btinternet.com) with a bit of text to say what is going on in the picture, who, where etc, or else post onto the Photo Gallery (see p2 above).

Telltales comes out quarterly so please submit anything by the end of September for this, via myself (milldick@btinternet.com, Mill House, Mill Lane, Langford Beds SG18 9LZ) or any PSC committee member, and by email, hand-written note, phone call, carrier pigeon, whatever!

Dick Knowles (Editor, Vago XD 669)

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