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Commodore's Report

At last the cold snap seems to be ending with (at the time of writing) only two weeks to go before the season starts.

Work parties have been busy on Sundays over the last two months putting in a new concrete path to the clubhouse and carrying out various refurbishments. The changing rooms will acquire their new ceilings during the season and heating is to be installed around the same time, hopefully making early and late season Sunday mornings a less Spartan experience.

New engines have been fitted to the two main safety boats and some improvements are being made to keep wiring and fuel lines out of the way of feet and tackle when the boats are in use.

This year it is our turn to host the joint regatta with Pentewan Sailing Club so both the sailing and evening social will be at Porthpean. The years open meetings for Contender, Laser and Enterprise classes have been organised so as not to disrupt club sailing at all. The major event we are running this year is of course the 70th anniversary championships of the National 12 class in August. The class stand was attracting plenty of interest at the Dinghy Show last weekend and I think we can look forward to an excellent turnout. Our future as a championship venue is looking promising as we have been asked to run the 50th anniversary championships of the Osprey class next year. The Ospreys are starting an ambitious revival with a new builder and lots of new boats on order. The class is very strong locally with a big fleet at Mount's Bay which should mean another profitable championship for us in 2008.

Thank you to all those on and off the committee for all the work done during the winter and I hope to see you all soon.

Ken Fobbester

Training courses & qualifications:

Are you interested in getting a qualification?

Do you already hold a qualification?

At the February committee meeting, it was suggested that the Club could organise some training for members in areas such as:

First Aid training Safety Boat training Food Hygiene

Additionally we know that some members may already hold these qualifications and it would be useful to have a record of who has what for future reference.

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So if you are either interested in attending at event or already have a qualification that you are happy to use for the benefit of the Club, please let Kay know (01276 69951) or kfecc@aol.com).

Membership Renewals

These were due on 31st January so if you have yet to renew, your subscriptions would be gratefully received. Attached is another Renewal Form in case you have mislaid yours! Please send your completed renewal form, with your subscription, to Craig Varley.

Just a reminder that if you fail to renew by 31st March, your renewal will be treated as a new application and will, therefore, result in you having to pay the joining fee of £15 again. If anyone has any difficulty in paying by this date, please speak to a member of the committee.

Fitting Out Supper Saturday 18th March

Chicken Curry & Rice £5 per person 7.30pm for 8pm

Fancy Dress theme of Gangsters & Molls First draw of 100 Club.

Please contact Tony Dunn in the Clubhouse on Wednesday evenings to book your place and pay your money!

Attachments:

If you are receiving this newsletter by e-mail, then you will also receive separately copies of the 2006 sailing programme (which includes the duty rota), the updated Duties booklet, the Sailing Instructions and an updated version of the Club Rules. If you received this by post, in the interests of the environment, I have only included the sailing programme. Copies of all other documents are available in print format at the Club, so please just ask! *Kay Ecclestone*

Dates for the Diary

Fitting Out Supper -"Gangsters & Molls Curry Night" 7.30pm 18th March Icebreaker Race 11.00 19th March 26th March **Spring Series starts** 15th & 16th April **Easter Cup Spring Wednesdays starts** 19th April 6th - 7th May Contender Open Laser Open - Saturday 24th June Porthpean & Pentewan Regatta 22nd & 23rd July 19th - 25th August National 12s Burton Week 9th September Penpean Challenge