



Fife Regatta 12/13 July - Chic Medley

Dalgety Bay Sailing Club's own yacht regatta has evolved from a previous incarnation, the East Fife Regatta, which some years ago was considered the 'problem child' of the FYCA event calendar. Since DBSC took over stewardship and with support from PEYC it has come a long way from its rocky beginnings. Last year saw some close and competitive racing between boats from many of the local Forth clubs and we hope to capitalise on last year's success to make DBSC's own yacht regatta an eagerly anticipated event.



Photo - PEYC

This year we have developed it further by proposing some exciting, longer courses in addition to the traditional windward/ leeward ones to put further emphasis on tactical ability, and there is an active campaign to call individual boat owners from all local clubs to persuade them to take part.

Cruisers have their own courses with one three-hour race per day, and for Saturday night we'll host our first 'Curry Night' for Club members, racers, visitors and their respective families. The food is being provided by Edinburgh's legendary 'Kebab Mahal', and meal tickets will be available at £8 per head. Where else but DBSC could you get an authentic curry for this price? Where else could you enjoy curry for this price without flock wallpaper?



Photo - Jim Scott

In order for visiting boats to enjoy the Fife Regatta hospitality I'm hoping that we can make available a few overnight moorings for Saturday - if you can offer one that would be a real help.

Yacht regattas are a little less labour-intensive than dinghy regattas but as a volunteer-run club we'll always need your help - committee boat, mark RIBs and results are just a few jobs that come to mind. I'll be extremely grateful for any offer of assistance. chic@onetel.com



Curry Night 12 July 2008

**£8.00 per person
All welcome**

**Tickets from Aileen Denholm
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Dates for your diary

12/13 July
Fife Regatta

12 July
Curry Night

28 July - 1 August
Youth Week

3 August
Inchcolm Picnic

9/10 August
Anstruther Muster

17 August
Dinghy Summer pursuit race
Keelboat BAD Cup

24 August
Two bridges race (Dinghy /
Keelboat)

August (TBC)
Famous Cocktail Night
returns

21 November
Prize giving dinner dance

Family fun weekend - Sheila Herron

Friday night was a time socialising in the bar and generally having a chilled time – chilled being the operative word. Some hardy souls put tents up – but whether they actually slept in them or not is open to debate..... We had asked for someone to volunteer as the weekend "Weather Fairy" with Hugh sportingly taking up this challenge. Eagerly waiting in the wings was Stewart keen to show us how to do the rain dance.

On Saturday it looked like Stewart had performed a more convincing dance to the rain god, than Hugh had to the sun god. It started grey, windy, raining and generally not very pleasant.

Even so heaps of folk turned up and lots of sailors took to the water in oppies, toppers and picos all having a blast in the windy conditions while keelboats were made use of by families wanting a slightly more comfortable sail together. In the Clubhouse, toys were set out upstairs so that younger children (and those who really just wanted to shelter!) could have a play and spend time with parents and friends.

The Honda Rib Challenge had the maximum number of participants that we could manage and the standard shown this year was superb. Well done to Fraser Melville winning the Boys 13-16 age group and Louis Clark coming a very close 2nd. Excellent work from Mark Spacey who, for the second year running, won the Boys 8-12 age group and Emily Herron winning the Girls 8-12 age group.



Saturday evening saw a Treasure Hunt set underway for the younger members of the weekend. Finding some holly proved to be a bit of a challenge for all, though the best solution, and one that got a point, was Holly's socks! The Treasure Hunt was won very convincingly by the youngest member of the Taylor Family. Well done.

The evening continued with a great BBQ and the Table Top Quiz with the usual rammy over who had the best answers: what was that song that started "Over the sea to Jura..." whose knots were really the sheepshank and whose were granny knots. I'm sure you get the general picture. Congratulations to the Taylors (Mharie's family) for winning this year's TTQ.



Sunday started a bit warmer, slightly less wind and much more sun. Lots of boats on the water, lots of energetic games of Pirate and a topper going for a sail by itself. A race then commenced between a swimmer, an oppy and another topper to catch the runaway topper. It was clearly having a great time and was sailing really well on its own thank-you. It was caught eventually!

A massive thank you to all who helped make the weekend such a success. Everyone who said they were going to do something, did it. All who said they would bring something, brought it. All who said they were going to come along, came along. Brilliant, who could ask for more!

Training

Youth Week dates are 28 July - 1 August. From 8yrs if non-sailing family, 7yrs if sailing family, up to 16yrs. A range of levels aimed at different ages and ability. A week filled with sailing and theory all with qualified instructors. Certificates awarded at the end of the week for competency levels. £100 first child/ £96 second and subsequent children, lunch included. To register please contact Peter Taylor at peter@wavelets.co.uk



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Hond RIB Challenge

Congratulations to Louis Clark who came 3rd in the Scottish Regional Finals.

Oppie Kit

Some gear has gone missing from the training room. If you know where it is please contact Cheryl on 01383 825698.

Next issue

If you can spare a bit of time to write a short piece for the Main Sheet or have some photos that could be used I would be delighted to hear from you. Contact me at TeamLBN@freeuk.com

The next issue of the Main Sheet will be distributed in late August. The closing date for copy is 8 August.

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Club branded clothing

We now have a new supplier for clothing with the club logo. The catalogue can be viewed on-line at www.logoxpres.co.uk

As well as the DBSC logo, items can be personalised with boat names, sail numbers etc.

Contact Gill Wright
wright2gill@hotmail.com
 or 07760 262914

Shopkeepers of the Club unite!

The wonderful Club Chandlery needs a shop manager to keep it active and working for the Club!

This fantastic asset to the Club needs a little tender loving care to fulfil its potential.

Can you spare a little time to build up a team of volunteers to staff the shop on active Club days, keep the stock up to date, promote and grow the capabilities?

If so, then you're just who we're looking for!!

Please get in touch with Kirsty Brunton kirstybrunton@btinternet.com or David Burnett independent_installations@msn.com for full details!

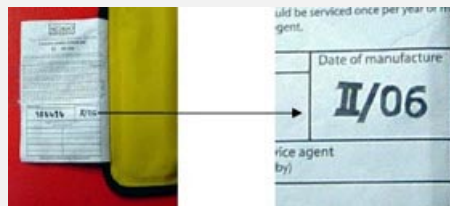


Life jacket recall

Seago Yachting have released the following statement regarding a potential defect in their 150 and 175 Newton Lifejackets.

"We have become aware that some Seago 150 and 175 Newton Lifejackets including Junior Lifejackets may have a defect which could result in serious injury. The lifejackets are marked with a manufacture date in roman numerals, for instance the last quarter of 2005 is shown IV/05. The quarters concerned are:

IV/05 I/06 II/06 III/06 IV/06 I/07



If you own a Seago 150 or 175 Newton Lifejacket including Junior Lifejackets then please check the manufacture date. The lifejackets in question were sold in chandlery shops, marine retail outlets & marine web sites throughout the United Kingdom.

If you have an affected lifejacket then **PLEASE STOP USING IT IMMEDIATELY** and return it to Seago Yachting Ltd, Mullany Business Park, Golden Cross, Hailsham, East Sussex, BN27 3RP with your full contact details. A replacement lifejacket will be issued.

If you have any queries then please do not hesitate to contact Seago Yachting Ltd on 01825 873632"

Unused boats at DBSC

Calling all boat owners.....It has not gone un-noticed that there are a large number of boats not being used at Dalgety Bay Sailing Club. Some are clearly still cared for but others seem to have been left for a considerable time without any obvious attention.

May we take this opportunity to remind all members to contact the Harbour Master to discuss your plans with regard to launching yachts or just using dinghies so that records can be kept up to date. It would be unfortunate to have to instigate the storage policy penalties without the chance to chat.

If you have not been afloat yet this year then you have missed some great sailing days, there are still plenty of opportunities to get some more so please remember to use your boat or discuss your reasons for not using your boats with the Harbour Master.

Please contact Andy on : Andy@kymak.co.uk



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BAD Cup

The BAD Cup was a great success in 2007 will take place again on 17 August 2008.

Relaxed racing in good company with a few beers to round off.

This is an inter Club event and is white sail only so every entry counts.

DBSC have a title to defend. Details on the Club website in due course.

DBSC Dinghy Regatta

This year's regatta was a huge success with a good number of competitors travelling from all over to come to DBSC.

Conditions on Saturday gave great racing for everyone and some high speed tumbles in the gybes. Sunday was an altogether different scene with strong easterly winds gusting to F6 and a swell big enough to swallow an oppie in the troughs. Racing was postponed and ultimately abandoned.

Well done to everyone on the Regatta Team and again a grateful thank you to everyone who gave their time to support this event.

A quick mention for John Spruce who gallantly volunteered at the last minute to help with safety cover. Unfortunately an awkward slip left him with a broken ankle right at the beginning of the weekend. John is on the mend and not at all down hearted, in his own words, 'I had a 'cracking' time and got 'plastered' that evening.' John asked that we pass on his thanks to everyone who helped him out and kept him comfortable while the ambulance arrived.

Also a mention to Dairy Milk who was holed and all but sank in the shallows. She is in the *cowshed*, *milking* the attention while she recovers. She says she'll be on the *moo-ve* again soon.



A full report on the racing and numerous images of dinghies in full flight can be found on the [FYCA website](#)

Commodore's Message - Kirsty Brunton

The sailing season is now in full flow. Thank you to all the people who volunteered their help for the Family Fun Weekend and our Regatta. Both events where are great success. Although the weather was not always in our favour the turnout for both weekends was great.



Our Committee has had a few changes over the last month due to various reasons four members have decided to step down. I thank them for their time they have given to the Club. I also thank those members that have stepped in to help us. Please see below for contact details.

We are still looking for a Marketing officer, Sailing Secretary & Social Secretary. If any members would like to help out on the committee please contact me.

It's nice to see the Club so busy with members and I hope you all have a good summer. Please remember your Club is run by volunteers so please help out.

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Keelboat News

Could everyone who has a mooring please ensure the marker buoy is clearly identifiable with the owners name and a contact number on it. We are currently removing old moorings to create space for new arrivals. If we do not know the origins of a mooring and cannot identify a mooring from the marker, it is likely to get lifted.

A number of yachts have taken part on other Club events putting in some good results. Most notably, Seeaway (Roger Harvey-Jamieson) wiped the board at the East Lothain Yacht Club Regatta beating off stiff competition from the local Medinas. Well done Roger!

Clive Franks has stood down from the position of Keelboat Rep which means this position is now vacant.