



# ANNANDALE SAILING CLUB NEWSLETTER



Lochmaben

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HELLO TEAM ASC

ARE YOU PREPARING YOUR BOATS AND MINDS FOR THIS YEAR'S SAILING? IT WILL BE HERE BEFORE YOU KNOW, BECAUSE THE ASC JETTY IN DAY IS SATURDAY 7TH MARCH (PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR THIS WORK PARTY) AND TEAM RACING STARTS OUR RACING SEASON ON SUNDAY 8TH. TEAM RACING IS GREAT FUN, A TEST OF TACTICS, SKILL AND BRINKMANSHIP.

THERE WILL BE TOPPER TRAINING ON THE WEEKEND 28TH FEBRUARY / 1ST MARCH WHICH IS OPEN TO ANYONE SAILING A TOPPER AND DON'T FORGET THERE ARE 10 CLUB BOATS AVAILABLE FOR HIRE. ANDREW GREENHALGH IS COORDINATING THIS EVENT, SO PLEASE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR SOME GREAT TRAINING. FOR OUR YOUNGEST SAILORS, RICHARD BRYANT WILL BE RUNNING EARLY SEASON FUN RACES AND THESE WILL BE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO PRACTICE FOR THE TOPPER & OPTIMIST OPEN, WHEN THERE WILL BE A REGATTA FLEET JUST FOR THOSE WHO ARE NEW TO RACING.

FOLK ARE FRIENDLY AT ASC AND THE SOCIAL SCENE IS MATCHING THE SAILING SCENE FOR ACTIVITY. WATCH OUT FOR NEWS ON A BURNT SUPPER 7 PM AT THE ASC CLUBHOUSE, FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY, IF YOU DARE! ANNUAL DINNER BEING ARRANGED FOR MARCH 14TH AND A FITTING OUT SUPPER FOR APRIL 25TH, DETAILS TO FOLLOW FROM CAROL BEATTIE.

WE HAVE PLANNED REGULAR WORK PARTIES THIS YEAR TO SHARE THE FUN OF MAINTAINING OUR CLUB, WHICH ALSO HELPS US TO REDUCE RUNNING

## WINTER WORK

You won't recognise the place. Over the winter, gangs of members have been busily beavering away on a variety of vital jobs including getting the clubhouse up to the required standard for disabled access, rebuilding the drains/septic tank and relaying a large chunk of the boat park. Our intrepid photographer braved the hostile elements and the scurry-ing workforce to snatch these candid photos.



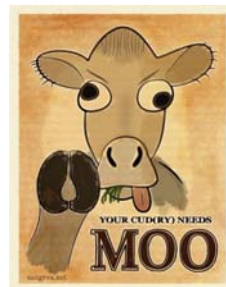
Mark smiled knowing that they had only 7925 miles further to dig to get to Melbourne



The lads were happy that the Great Pyramid was finally started but wondered if there were any Pharaohs left to bury in Lochmaben

# JETTY IN

Unusually among sailing clubs, ASC can sail happily for most of the year with dry feet unlike other poor wretches who have to wet launch and spend the day with sodden feet. The downside is that we have to get the jetty in and out for the winter. A glance at the programme below will show that Saturday 7th March is the big day this year. With a decent gang, it's a dawdle; with just a few, it's back-breaking stuff. It's always good fun though and, with all sorts of start-of-season tasks to be got through, your club needs you!



## NEW SEASON PROGRAMME

Are you ready? Are you on duty? Now's the time to check.

Day	Date	Time	Event	Committee Boat	Safety Boat
MARCH					
Sun	1 <sup>st</sup>	1000	Topper Training & Winter Series		
Sat	7 <sup>th</sup>	1000	Jetty In and Work Party		
Sun	8 <sup>th</sup>	1400	Team Racing		
Sat	14 <sup>th</sup>	1930	Annual Dinner <b>Cancelled</b>		
Sun	15 <sup>th</sup>	1200	Train to Race 1		
		1400	Early Bird 1 (H)	C Beattie J Dobbie	R Bryant R Bryant
		TBA	Early Bird 2 (H)		
Sun	22 <sup>nd</sup>	1200	Train to Race 2		
		1400	Early Bird 3 (H)	D Richardson S Marshall	E Ross C Ross
		TBA	Early Bird 4 (H)		
Sun	29 <sup>th</sup>	1200	Train to Race 3		
		1400	Boat Pursuit 1	J Hugo K Trott	E Trott C Trott
		1430	Optimist Championship 1		
APRIL					
Sat	4 <sup>th</sup>	1155	Topper & Optimist Open Meeting	D Greenhalgh R Bryant	A Barrie I Murgatroyd T Bamforth F Ritchie
Sun	5 <sup>th</sup>	1030	Topper & Optimist Open Meeting	D Greenhalgh R Bryant	M Joseph M Johnstone G Thomson M Brann
Thu 9 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 10 <sup>th</sup>			Easter Training		

Full programme at <http://www.annansail.co.uk/program.htm>

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COSTS, TWO GOOD REASONS TO HELP! GETTING INVOLVED REALLY MAKES YOU FEEL THAT ASC IS YOUR CLUB AND WE HAVE A NUMBER OF JOBS THAT MEMBERS CAN LEAD AS INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS. PLEASE CONTACT ALAN BARRIE AND COLIN QUINT WHO LEAD BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE.

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