



ANNANDALE SAILING CLUB NEWSLETTER



Lochmaben

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Those of you that have been down to the club recently will have noticed a major change. An extension has been built to the ground floor of the clubhouse. The improvements to our changing rooms and toilets are significant and we will enjoy vastly improved comfort for many years to come. There is still a fair bit of work to do finishing and decorating the interior and I urge you all to support work parties.

We have been able to complete this project partly because of the generous donations we have received from many members and I thank those of you that contributed.

On behalf of all the present and future members I must thank all those who have been working on this development. Several members have supported work parties both during the week and at weekends and I am most grateful. However a small team of members have completed the vast majority of the work. I usually avoid thanking individuals for risk of missing someone. However the following members have made such outstanding contributions that I must make an exception.

John Hugo

The brains behind the concept of the project, John designed and planned the building. He has spent a considerable time negotiating with the local authority and dealing with the planning application. He has also devoted many hours of his time to the building work.

Duncan Greenhalgh

Duncan literally devoted his life to the club during February. As a member of the Development Committee he was involved from the planning stages. He has spent time at the club virtually every day and has completed much of the plumbing and electrical work.

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Fitting Out Supper and Quiz Night Friday 31st March at 19:30 Clubhouse

Bring and Share
(bring a main dish and pudding and we all share round)

Work Party/Jetty In Last ever big effort so don't miss it!

Preparatory Work Party Sunday 26th March 10:00
Jetty-In Saturday 1st April 10:00

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If you haven't been down to see the dramatic changes to the clubhouse, have a wee look at the club website www.annansail.co.uk and follow the Breaking News link on the right hand side.
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RYA Dayskipper and Yachtmaster, fast track, shorebased courses.

These courses will run over two long weekends and are aimed at those people who wish to gain the shorebased qualifications before the sailing season really gets going.

RYA Dayskipper

This is the introductory course for those wishing to have some knowledge of navigation theory. It covers basic chartwork and pilotage, simple meteorology and the basic collision regulations. It is assessed by two end of course tests.

Dates are to be arranged but will be this spring.

RYA Yachtmaster

This advanced navigation course provides sufficient theory for those wishing to take a boat offshore in any conditions. It covers advanced chartwork and pilotage, meteorology and an in depth understanding of the collision regulations. It is assessed by three end of course tests.

Dates are to be arranged but will be this spring.

The cost of each course, inclusive of training materials and exam fees, is £150.

To book contact

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Mar	Sun	26 th	1000	Jetty Preparatory Work Party		
	Fri	31 st	1930	Fitting Out Supper & Quiz Night		
Apr	Sat	1 st	1000	Jetty In		
	Sun	2 nd	1400	Topper Team Racing		
	Sun	9 th	1400	Early Bird 1 (H)	N Smith I Rosindell	A Smith A Richards
			1530	Early Bird 2 (H)		
		10 – 14th		Easter Training Week		
	Sun	16 th	1400	Early Bird 3 (H)	L Tosh R Beeby	K Wilson N Beeby
			1530	Early Bird 4 (H)		
	Sun	23 rd	1400	Boat Pursuit 1	C Beattie P Beardon	C Midgley R & J Beardon
	Thu	27 th	1900	Spring Handicap 1 (H)		
	Sun	30 th	1100	National 12 Open	D Greenhalgh A Barrie	M Greenhalgh E Woodman
1400			Early Bird 5 (H)			
TBA			Early Bird 6 (H)			
May	Tue	2 nd	1830	Training		
	Thu	4 th	1900	Spring Handicap 2 (H)	D Greenhalgh A Barrie	M Greenhalgh E Woodman
	Sun	7 th	1200	Open Day		

Ian Beveridge

Brimming with enthusiasm as well as knowledge, Ian has been key in fine tuning the design of the internal layout. His experience has been invaluable in successfully erecting the building as well as dealing with the intricacies of the internal structure.

Mark Greenhalgh

Mark is another member who has spent more time at the club than anywhere else over this last month. He has been influential in completing many tasks particularly building the framework of the internal walls.

Greg Thomson

Greg has also spent numerous days continually at the club working quietly away. He has completed much of the plumbing and electrical work.

Shirley Greenhalgh

Shirley has contributed a great amount of unseen time keeping all the workers well fed with hearty home made soup.

Another great development to be completed for the new season is the replacement of our jetty; this grant funded project is in two sections. Lightweight plastic pontoons have been ordered to form most of the structure; these will be removed from the water every winter. The section closest to the land will be a substantially built steel jetty which will be left in the loch throughout the year. Thanks go to Duncan Greenhalgh and Alan Thomson who designed the jetty and to Eddie Woodman who is manufacturing the steel section.

Finally on the development front, the boat park is to be tidied and slightly re-designed to create an adequate car park at the north end of the site. Work has already begun including some drainage, however further work parties will be organised in March and April to lay new tie downs and complete the work. Members will then be allocated boat park spaces to suit their class, I hope you will accept this as it is essential to maximise our limited space and ensure that no boats are stored in the park that shouldn't be. My thanks go to Alan Barrie and Eddie Woodman who are co-ordinating this work.

2006 is a very important year for the club as we celebrate our 50th Anniversary. The key weekend will be 17th & 18th June. Please make a note of this in your diary as this is a weekend not to be missed. There will be a sailing pageant on Saturday afternoon, an evening of fine food and dancing to Two Left Feet in a marquee on Saturday evening and a Regatta on Sunday. We hope to welcome back many former members as well as produce a photographic history of the club. This will be a weekend for all and I hope you will join us to make it a memorable event. My thanks go to those working on these plans.

Andrew Greenhalgh
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