



# ANNANDALE SAILING CLUB NEWSLETTER



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THE 2005 SEASON IS ABSOLUTELY FLYING BY, BUT THERE IS STILL SOME GREAT SAILING AHEAD OF US. SOME HIGHLIGHTS SO FAR HAVE INCLUDED THE ROSEBOWL REGATTA AT SOLWAY YC WHERE MARK & DUNCAN GREENHALGH WERE VICTORIOUS IN ALL THREE RACES AND THE CLUB SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED THE TEAM ROSEBOWL. THE JUNIOR TEAM DID THE CLUB PROUD IN THE MOST CHALLENGING CONDITIONS AND ARE SURE TO DO WELL AGAIN AT FUTURE EVENTS.

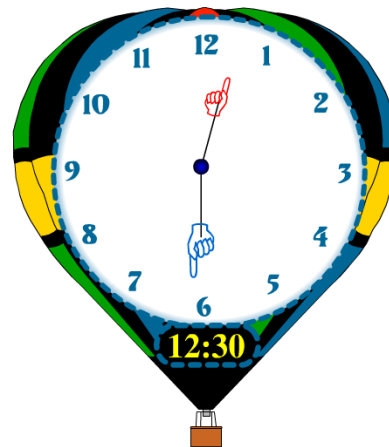
THE SCHOOLS REGATTA WAS ONCE AGAIN A RESOUNDING SUCCESS UNDER THE SKILFUL COORDINATION OF WILLIE PATTERSON. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SAILORS ON THE WINNING TEAM FROM LOCKERBIE ACADEMY WHO ARE ALL MEMBERS OF ANNANDALE AND WON CONVINCINGLY. A YOUNG TEAM, THEY WILL DOUBTLESS BE A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH FOR MANY YEARS TO COME.

A GREAT NIGHT WAS ENJOYED BY MANY MEMBERS AT THE BEACH PARTY. THIS EVENT WAS SUCCESSFUL IN RAISING FUNDS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CLUB. I WAS THRILLED TO SEE SO MANY JUNIOR MEMBERS ENJOYING THEIR CLUB. MANY THANKS TO CAROL BEATTIE AND HER TEAM FOR ORGANISING SUCH A GREAT EVENING.

ON THE TRAINING FRONT, DUNCAN GREENHALGH AND HIS TEAM OF INSTRUCTORS HAVE ALREADY RUN TWO BUSY TRAINING WEEKS WITH ANOTHER FULLY SUBSCRIBED WEEK JUST AROUND THE CORNER. THE JUNIORS INTRODUCED TO SAILING DURING THESE WEEKS ARE DEVELOPING THEIR SKILLS, MANY ENJOYING MIRROR SAILING. MY THANKS GO TO ERNIE

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## Yon Time



**No it's not the time for you to get up on Sunday! It's the start of the first race from 21st August. The big advantage is that it gives the early bird three races right through until October. There's time to have a quick bite of lunch before the second race at 14:30. If you really really can't make the early start, just come for the later races.**

**To get the ball rolling, the Cadet, Novice and Ladies Regatta starts on 14th August starts at the same time. By novices, we mean novices - nobody with more than a couple of seasons allowed so, if you're not too sure about racing, this is the ideal chance to have a go without some hotshot whizzy boat sailor disappearing into the far distance. We seem to have plenty of ladies and youngsters as well as the novices so come on down - it's a fun-filled day.**

# New Boatshed off the Ground



Despite the delays mentioned by the Commodore, the shape and size of the new shed is now readily apparent with the walls up to their full height and the lintels on. While there's still a fair bit to do, it's now quite obvious what a boost it's going to be to the storage facilities not to mention the ability to have a small workshop area. It's even big enough to have a decent eightsome reel some night if anyone's got a fiddle or a squeeze box. The picture above shows the current state of play with the project ready for the

roof trusses to go on. To the left is one of the the exquisite drawings done for the plans by John Hugo whose background in town planning has been turned to the club's great advantage. He's not just a great sailor.



## YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!

As you'll know, there's a training course running from 15th to 19th August. It's well filled and, as you'll also know, that's the way we get many of our new members.

The difficulty is always to get the "staffing" in place and Duncan Greenhalgh would be really grateful for any help you can give. It doesn't matter whether you have any formal qualifications, there's plenty for everyone to do. You don't need to commit to the whole week; even one day would be much ap-

preciated. Give Duncan a ring on 01461 40581 if you can help.

TURPIE, DUNCAN GREENHALGH AND JOHN HUGO FOR LOANING BOATS TO ALLOW THIS TO PROCEED. WE HAVE SEEN AS MANY AS EIGHT MIRRORS RACING ON THURSDAY EVENINGS RECENTLY.

LOOKING AHEAD, WE ARE APPROACHING TRADITIONALLY THE BUSIEST PART OF THE SEASON WHEN ATTENDANCE IN CLUB RACES PEAKS. THIS YEAR WE HAVE ADDED A THIRD RACE TO SUNDAY AFTERNOON SAILING. THIS WILL START AT 1230 TO ALLOW AMPLE TIME FOR A SOCIAL LUNCH BREAK BEFORE THE SECOND RACE STARTS AT 2:30PM. I URGE YOU ALL TO COME ALONG AND SUPPORT YOUR CLUB.

PROGRESS ON THE NEW BOATSHED HAS BEEN PAINFULLY SLOW. THIS IS MAINLY DUE TO AN EXCEPTIONALLY BUSY SPRING FOR THE BUILDING TRADE. THE CLUB IS INDEBTED TO JOHN HUGO AND DUNCAN GREENHALGH WHO HAVE NOW TAKEN ON MUCH OF THE BUILDING WORK, HOWEVER A FINAL COMPLETION DATE CANNOT YET BE SET DUE TO DELAYS IN THE DELIVERY OF ROOF TRUSSES AND DOORS

THE FUNDS ARE NOW IN PLACE TO ALLOW US TO REPLACE OUR JETTY FOR THE 2006 SAILING SEASON AS WELL AS IMPROVE OUR BEACH LAUNCH. IT WILL BE GREAT TO SEE THESE NEW FACILITIES IN PLACE FOR THE CLUBS 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY. WE WANT THE CLUB TO BE AT ITS BEST FOR THIS IMPORTANT YEAR. IMPROVEMENTS IN THE PIPELINE INCLUDE THE RE-DECORATION OF THE CLUBROOM. I ASK ALL MEMBERS TO SUPPORT WORK PARTIES TO ACHIEVE THIS.

PLANS ARE STILL TO BE MADE FOR THE CELEBRATION OF OUR CLUBS GOLDEN JUBILEE. ANY MEMBER WHO IS INTERESTED IN RE-SEARCHING THE CLUBS HISTORY OR WITH IDEAS FOR CELEBRATIONS SHOULD CONTACT ME.

ANDREW GREENHALGH