



ANNANDALE SAILING CLUB NEWSLETTER



Lochmaben

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The 2005 sailing season is drawing to a close, but there is still the Winter Cup series to go. The format of this has been slightly altered and I do hope you will all come along and help us finish the season in style. Although it can be cold at this time of year, regular winds tend to prevail making the sailing even better. The races will be short and snappy because of the loss of daylight, but the social lunch break will get us warmed up with homemade soup and other goodies. I must express my sincere thanks to Shirley Greenhalgh and Moira Campbell who have worked so hard to make these lunch breaks such an entertaining and valuable aspect of our Sunday afternoon.

Eventually, several months behind schedule our boat house is nearly complete. This will be a great asset to the club and its members for many years into the future. Members available through the week have completed a large proportion of the work on this fantastic facility; many of these are retired, two in their seventieth year. I'm sure that they are contemplating returning to work for a break as some have been at the club Monday to Friday with weekend and evening overtime thrown in - all the effort has been voluntary.

My thanks go to Colin Midgley who has loaned the club much equipment and expertise throughout the project and to all the members who have supported work parties. Special thanks to Jim Campbell, Greg Thomson, Ernie Turpie, Mark Greenhalgh, Alan Thomson, Shirley Greenhalgh, Ian Beveridge and Alan Barrie who have given up so much time during the week recently. The club owes a particular debt of gratitude to Duncan Greenhalgh and John Hugo who have been involved in this pro-

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Annandale Sailing Club's unmissable autumn social:

Fun Night

Come to the Royal Four Towns Hall,
Hightae on
November 12th, 7.30pm

for a night of **FUN** and **GAMES** for all
ages.

Tickets, on sale at the club now,
priced £5 adults; £3 school age children
(includes finger buffet)

**Also: Licensed bar, tombola and plenty
more...**

**All proceeds to Annandale Sailing Club Development
Fund**

BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given of the club's Annual General Meeting to be held in the Clubhouse on Saturday 10th December 2005 at 14:00

All members are encouraged to attend.

The agenda for the meeting will include: receiving reports, appointing office bearers and committee members, confirming subscriptions etc. and a good turnout is essential.

The constitution requires that "notice of any alteration or addition to the constitution or rules to be proposed.....shall be given to the Honorary Secretary in writing in sufficient time to permit its inclusion in the agenda". The Committee has made no such proposals.

The sharper-eyed among you will note that that AGM has been moved to a Saturday. Rather than take up both days, the AGM will follow the morning's big job—the lifting of the jetty. This is always well attended and it is hoped that as many as possible will manage to come to help and then stay for the AGM. This meeting is the chance for all members to make their views known and to hear what has occupied the committees time over the last year.

PRIZE-GIVING SUPPER

Just to remind you; the Prize-Giving Supper is on the Friday night 9th December at 19:30.



PLEASE RETURN ANY TROPHIES YOU HAVE TO THE CLUB AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

CHANGE TO SAILING PROGRAMME

From Sunday 6th November to the end of the season on 4th December, the Winter Cup will be raced as a ten-race series with two races every Sunday; the first at 12:30 and the second after a lunch break

ject since its conception and who have donated more time and effort than anyone realises.

Looking ahead, there is still a great deal of work ahead before we can relax and enjoy the club's 50th anniversary season. The Development Committee is working on a new project for improved changing facilities. The new jetty has been ordered and work will be required on a substantial section of this. The loss of car parking on the neighbouring site means that significant alterations will have to be made to our boat park over the winter. All of these entail a great deal of effort from club members and I urge you all to support work parties in anyway that you are able. 2005 has been the year of the volunteer and our club is entirely dependent upon its members giving some of their time.

Included in this newsletter is your official notice of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, part of a busy weekend at the club. There was a tremendous turnout at last years prize giving and I do hope you will all come along and make this another night to remember. For the final time, the heavy wooden pontoons that form our jetty will be removed from the loch. This requires every available muscle. The AGM is a key opportunity for you to let us have your opinions on the club. It is our policy not to pounce on you and force you onto a committee without warning so don't be frightened to come along.

Finally, the fun night is certain to be a highlight of the year and I urge you all to come and enjoy a fantastic evening. Carol Beattie and her team are working very hard to make this a truly memorable event for young and old alike.

Andrew Greenhalgh
Commodore