



SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE SAILING CLUB

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Good News Friday - 14th August



HEADLINES

- No galley on Sunday - teas only
- Am Am Race 1st September, race for Learn to Sailors, social for all
- Sign up now for Comedy Hypnotist night 20th October, places limited
- GP14 Open 5th September, let Mark know if you need crew/helm/boat



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FULL SAILING CALENDAR



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IN ADDITION TO THE FACEBOOK PAGE, WE HAVE A MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK GROUP FOR POSTING PICS, CREWS & HELMS NEEDED, ASK QUESTIONS etc.

WEATHER FORECAST



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Duties this weekend

Event	OOD	Assistant OOD	Safety Boat Driver	Safety Crew
Sunday Summer (9)	Keith Macauley	Alistair Macauley	Tim Coleshaw	Chloe Macauley
Tuesday Tuesday (18)	Terry Edwards	Darren Heath	Adrian Walker	Garry Bryan
Galley Supervisor	Galley Assistant	Galley Assistant	Bar Duty	Bar Duty
Sunday No Galley - Teas Only	Colin Slevin	----	Graham Jones	Sue Jones
Tuesday ----	-----	----	Graham Jones	Sue Jones

Lee Shore Landing (a.k.a. aren't you glad we have jetties!)

One of the exercises the newbies get to do on the Level 2 course is to bring the boat to a lee shore landing with no jetty and launch it again. With the luxury of jetties at South Staffs it's not something we have to do unless at events elsewhere. Pictured below, the group listened intently to instructions given by Connie (and drawn on the floor in chalk) before handling the task with ease. For Instructor Mark Nichols it was an excuse to get out of the boat and into the water where he is at his most comfortable!



To read the latest Beginner's Blog entries by **Chloe Dawson** and **Mike Bradley** from the course [HERE](#).

Am Am Race and Social - 1st September, 7pm

The race is open to all new sailors (and the social is open to all!)

We hope you've enjoyed your sailing course. It's now time to put your new found skills to the test in a competitive race. Believe me, it's an event not to be missed and great fun!! Just decide whether you want to crew or helm, add your name to the list on the board or ['Join' the event on Facebook](#) and add a comment as to whether you want to crew or helm and we will team you up with a fellow sailor to pit your skills against each other.

After all that hard work enjoy a BBQ followed by drinks at the bar, where you can share your tales with your fellow sailors.

There will be a BBQ afterwards open to all, £5 for the food, please add your name to the list at the club or email: social@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk

Comedy Hypnotist Night Social - 20th October, 8pm

Minimum number needed so please book now!

The social team are planning a Comedy Hypnotist night on Tuesday 20th October. There has been a lot of interest already but payment in advance is needed to ensure the night can run.

The cost is only £10 for a 90 minute show followed by drinks and rib tickling of the contestants! The show will be performed by Grant Saunders:

Comedy hypnotist Grant Saunders offers a fast paced, roller coaster of a modern stage hypnotist show that will have audiences from all walks of life laughing and talking about it for years.

Grant Saunders is a professional stage hypnotist and is considered to be one of the UK's top stage hypnotists and has spent years perfecting his technique to HYPNOTISE, MESMERISE, ENTERTAIN and AMAZE as he guides you into a world where dreams become reality.

Grant Saunders comedy hypnotist uses the power we all have locked in our minds to create a fun filled, action

packed hilarious stage hypnosis show where almost anything is possible.

There is an event on Facebook you can Join to add it to your diary and get updates [HERE](#). To book your place you can give your cash to Lisa or Clare at the Club or pay your £10 directly into the bank account using the following details:

- Account Number: 20022357
- Sort code: 40-10-41

Please make sure there is reference to Hypnotist night on the payment as it makes life easier!

GP14 Training - Date for your diary



The GP14 Association is running a weekend of race training at Llandudno Sailing Club on 24th and 25th October.

The cost for this two day event is only £40 per boat and there is a discount for youth boats.

Get in touch with Fleet Captain **Mark Fleming** via Facebook or email: gp14@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk if you want more information or to book your place please contact the GP14 office on admin@gp14.org or call **01204 590325**.

South Staffs on Tour

Following on from her success at the 420 Worlds **Sarah Norbury** and her crew Mari Davies have been at the **420 Europeans** this week. With a tricky few races at the time of publication they were up to 29th (combined mens and womens) you can view the latest results [HERE](#).

Good luck to **Mike Owen** (and his crew!) who will be taking part in the **Hornet Nationals** in Brixham starting this weekend.

The **Lark Nationals** took place last week at Saundersfoot, you can read the final round-up about the event [HERE](#). Well done again to **Ross** and **Jane Kearney**, **James Goss**, **Nic Booth**, **Chris White** and **Chris Warburton**.

GP14 Nationals took place last week in Brixham. South Staffs was represented in 13 boats (and with an even larger support crew) so it was inevitable that as well as the individual trophies South Staffs also won the award for most boats from the same Club again beating off competition from Poole YC. Yeay, go us!

As part of the coverage daily video updates were trialled for the first time with South Staffs sailors **Sam Watson**, **Lewis Coppinger**, **Meg Hicklin** and **Hayley Ramadhar** were gently coerced into taking part by GP14 Association president **Duncan Greenhalgh** (thanks guys!). You can view the clips below and read a final round-up of the event [HERE](#). If anyone has any suggestions for what they would like to see as part of the GP14 Worlds coverage next year please let Michelle know via the SSSC publicity email.



Best of the Web

Yachts and Yachting have a special offer on running until 30th August with 5 issues for £9.99. To redeem the offer click [HERE](#).

What, I'm sure, many of us value about being a part of a Club like South Staffs is how we are all so supportive of each other. This certainly rang true at the GP14 Nationals last week and as such has led to this week's support awards.

Given the supportive community we have created you certainly wouldn't see your helm (**Nick Brandon**) laughing heartily if you were struggling to get into the boat and your friend (**John Edge**) whip out his camera, take a picture and then send it in to publicity! You also definitely wouldn't find your helm (**Mark Nichols**) telling half of the boat park that your crew (**Martin Lichfield**) won't hike and you have to do all the work. And as a crew (**Annette Fitzpatrick**) you would never nominate your helm (**Pete Fairhurst**) for a Naff Award for not being able to tell if he had just completed a line or gate start.



If you ever have anything you want to share with other Club members or the world at large you can post directly [Facebook](#) page, [Group](#), tweet [@SSSCTweet](#) or email: publicity@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk

GP14 Open - 5th September



Our GP14 Open is fast approaching, if anyone wants to take part but hasn't got a crew, helm or boat get in touch with Fleet Captain **Mark Fleming** via Facebook or email:

gp14@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk Or you can post a comment in the event on the Facebook

Page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/376205849255035/>

There is a social in the evening that is open to all not just the GP14s, the list is on the board at the Club. It should be a cracking event to watch so even if you aren't sailing why not pop down, grab a tippie and enjoy the show!

Sunday 16th August

	Race No	Start Time
AM Race Series	9	11:30am
A Series Race	9	1.45pm
B Series Race	7	3:30pm

For more information on Club racing, click the following:

[Summer Series](#)

[Beginners Guide to Racing](#)

Good News Friday Submission Deadline

If you have anything for inclusion in Good News Friday **please submit it to publicity@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk** (this goes to Neil Hawkins and Michelle Evans) by 9pm the day before (e.g. **for next week, submission deadline is 9pm 20th August** for 21st August's newsletter), we cannot guarantee any items submitted after this will make that week's GNF. There is a publicity schedule so if you have anything you want adding on for promotion in the press, GNF or social media please let us know.

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