



# SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE SAILING CLUB

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## Good News Friday - 27th November



### HEADLINES

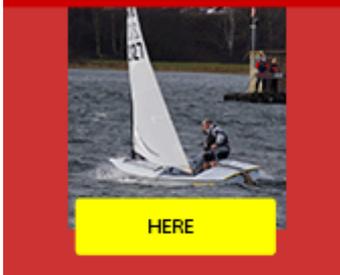
- Book onto the Junior Christmas party with Tim by the end of November
- Junior Christmas Party 5th December
- Only 14 spaces left for Christmas Dinner on 20th
- Wine tasting THIS Friday - fully booked
- Second Blithfield Barrel this weekend
- Musicians needed for Carol Singing



#### RACE RESULTS



#### FULL SAILING CALENDAR



#### JOIN THE FORUM



#### WEATHER FORECAST



### Duties this weekend -

	Event	OOD	Assistant OOD	Safety Boat Driver	Safety Crew
Sunday	Frostbite Race 11	Clive Williams	Neil Hawkins	Richard Booth	Volunteer Required
	<b>Galley Supervisor</b>	<b>Galley Assistant</b>	<b>Galley Assistant</b>	<b>Bar Duty</b>	<b>Bar Duty</b>
Sunday	Corrie Williams	Simon Scott-Brown	John Fergusson-Cooper	Terry Edwards	Darren Heath
Tuesday	-----	----	-----	Terry Edwards	Darren Heath

### Junior Christmas Party - 5th December, 3pm

2015 has been a bumper year for Junior training and the fun hasn't ended yet!

Come along on Saturday 5th December, catch up with friends and enjoy party games, party tea and a special (seasonal) guest.

This is your end of terms party so it would be great to see the Club house packed. It's only £3 per child plus a contribution to the tea.

To book your place please contact **Tim Coleshaw** (07817 154910) by 30th November at the latest.

## South Staffs Social

The list for Christmas dinner went up last weekend, and as of Tuesday there were only 14 spaces free so if you want to go get your name down fast! If you aren't down at the Club and want your name adding get in touch via the publicity email or Club Facebook. It's £12.50 for the meal and the menu is below.



## Musicians Needed for Martin's Musical Masterpiece!

The annual South Staffs Carol Singing and Mince Pie night is fast upon us so I hope you are all practicing your vocal exercises in preparation?!

As usual we need as many musicians as possible to help out by with the music. No matter what you play, or what your standard is, you will be welcomed into the fold by band conductor Martin Evans. Ideally you will need to be able to come along to a practice session or two before the main event (20th December) but we understand that these are pretty relaxed affairs and the bar usually gets opened!

So, whether you bang the drums or blow your own trumpet we need you!

All sheet music will be provided and it will be a lot of fun, promise. If you're interested collar Martin at the Club for more info or you can [email](#).

## 2016 Membership Renewals - New Annual Direct Debit Option

As the nights have drawn in and the weather is turning miserable, we are coming to the end of another fantastic year at South Staffs. As I am sure you are aware, entering a new calendar year also signifies that the membership fees for 2016 will soon be due. In addition to a one-off online payment, and the good old fashioned cheque, the General Committee have decided to introduce an annual direct debit option for payment of the membership fee.

I strongly encourage members to consider this payment option as it is simple, safe, and means one less thing to worry about during the aftermath of Christmas. Payment would be taken on 31st January however your official renewal date would be 1st January meaning a seamless membership and the ability to count all your January race results! This will also dramatically reduce paperwork and admin for both members and club officials so would be greatly appreciated.

Find out more about paying by direct debit [HERE](#).

**James Croxford**  
Membership Secretary

## South Staffs on Tour

It's the second round of the Blithfield Barrel this weekend, good luck to all South Staffs members who will be taking part.

Other local winter events:

- Blithfield Barrel: 6th Dec 2015, 10th Jan, 14th Feb 2016
- Steve Nicholson Trophy (Northampton): 30th Jan 2016
- Tiger Trophy (Rutland): 6th & 7th Feb 2016

Don't forget, if you're taking part in any open events and want to let everyone know how you got on, email us at: [publicity@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk](mailto:publicity@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk)

## Best of the Web

Great 5 minute feature on the Mirror Dinghy starting at 24:10 on the One Show this week, you can view it on the iPlayer: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b06pwc18/the-one-show-24112015> ...

Gill Beddow picked up here RYA Volunteer Award this week (congrats Gill) and looked as glamorous as usual. In honour of this we have complied some handy tips for looking stylish this winter. You can read the full article about Gill's award [HERE](#).

### Gill Beddow Fashion Special

**If forced to wear PPE, ensure you still look glam by adding a nice scarf and positioning hard hat at a jaunty angle**

**Know how to use props and always team up with a winning smile**

**Always colour co-ordinate your outfit with royalty! If you can match it at a pantone level event better!**



## *And finally...*

It's been soooooo long since one member of the GNF editorial team took his boat out on the water that Charlotte and her entire family had moved into the boat which was covered in webs!



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](mailto:publicity@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk)

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### Autumn & Winter Social Programme

- Fri 27th Nov - Wine Tasting - Price £9
- Sat 5th Dec - Junior Christmas Party - Price £3 plus a buffet item
- Tue 8th Dec - Tuesday Night Dancing - FREE
- Sun 20th Dec - Christmas Dinner - Price £12.50
- Tue 22nd Dec - Carol Singing & Mince Pies - FREE

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### Frostbite Series Details

	Total Races in Series	Races to Qualify
AM Race Series	12	6
A Series Race	14	7
B Series Race	14	7

### Sunday 22nd November

	Race No	Start Time
AM Race Series	9	11:00
A Series Race	11	1:15
B Series Pursuit	11	2:45

For more information click the following:

[Frostbite Series](#)

[Pursuit Race information](#)

[Beginners Guide to Racing](#)

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### Good News Friday Submission Deadline

If you have anything for inclusion in Good News Friday **please submit it to [publicity@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk](mailto: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 3rd December** for 4th December'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.