



South Staffordshire Sailing Club

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Good News Friday - 5th December



Headlines

- Most Improved Sailor Award
- Light Wind Sailing Videos
- Clubhouse telephone Out of Order
- Christmas dinner bookings now being taken

Upcoming Racing and Social Events

Upcoming Events & Socials

7 Dec	Frostbite Series Race 12
14 Dec	Frostbite Series Race 13
21 Dec	Social Event - Christmas Dinner
21 Dec	Frostbite Series Race 14
23 Dec	Social Event - Carol Singing & Mince Pie Evening
26 Dec	Boxing Day Race 1 Race
28 Dec	Frostbite Series Race 15

Full Sailing Calendar - [HERE](#)

Event Details and race timings - [HERE](#)

Duties this weekend.....

Event	OOD	Assistant OOD	Safety Boat Driver	Safety Crew
Frostbite (12)	Martin Evans	Holly Evans	Dave Perrins	Michelle Evans
Galley Supervisor	Galley Assistant	Galley Assistant	Bar Duty	Bar Duty
Roger Evans	James Nixon	Jean Nixon	Vicky Ford	Cobby Johnson

Recent News

Most Improved Sailor

The Sailing Committee's review of the handicap improvements resulted in this month's nomination for the Most Improved Sailor to be **John Blocksidge**!

Well done John - a new burgee to be received.

Telephone

The Club phone is out of order. If you ring in there will be a ringing tone but no one will answer. Sometimes it will ring at the club but when answered there is no one there. You cannot dial out. It should be fixed early next week
Clive

Future Events

Carol Singing and Mince Pie Night - 23rd December, 8pm

Bring your best singing voice for carols and plenty of festive fun. As one of the last chances to catch up with everyone before Christmas it's always busy and a great night!

No tickets for this event but please bring along some mince pies.

Thanks

Holly (and the Ivy)

Christmas Dinner - 21st December, 6pm

The list for the above that will take place on Sunday 21st Dec (6.00pm) at the club is up on the club notice board. For new members, please note you need to sign up early to avoid disappointment, we can only cater for a limited number for what is always a very enjoyable event. Cost will be £12.50/head. Hope to see you there.

Martin Warburton

Commodore

Blithfield Barrel - 14th December

Round 2 of the ever popular open winter racing series at Blithfield Sailing Club takes place on 14th December - A preview of the Barrel can be found [here](#).

RYA Yachtmaster Theory Course - Starts 10th January

There will be a RYA Yachtmaster Theory course running at the club starting after Christmas taking place over 6 Saturdays: 10th, 17th, 24th January, 14th, 21st February & 7th March. The whole course costs just £230 and there are still a few places left if you are looking for ideas for Christmas presents!

For more information contact: Neill Chipping, email: info@splashadventure.co.uk or call: 07868 845039.

Best of the Web

If you have any amusing photographs that can be used for 'What happened next' please send them in, I am looking for good before and after photos.

Christmas Present ?

Yachts and Yachting - Subscription info [HERE](#)

Light Wind Sailing

We have had a lot of challenging light wind sailing conditions recently at the club so here are a few short videos that give a good reminder of some top tips for roll tacking and a masterclass on light wind sailing from Mike Senior.



Please share any pictures - you can post to Facebook, tweet or email Michelle: publicity@southstaffsailingclub.co.uk

Duties for Next Year

It's that time of year again when I am going to start reminding (or relentlessly nagging depending on how you see it!) you all to sign up for your duties for next year. A hardcopy of the list will go up at the club on the notice board at the Christmas meal or you can sign up online on Dutyman. You will have until the end of March to sign up (Dutyman or at Club) and after that date, duties will be allocated as they were this year.

Martin Lichfield

Duties Co-ordinator

Boat Park

Please do not bring boats to the club and place them in a random empty space in the boat park. There have been a number of instances over the last few weeks where members who have temporarily removed their boats for maintenance or repair, have returned to find their space has been filled. If you are planning to bring a boat to the club, please email boatpark@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk or discuss it with me before turning up with it.

A map of the boat park showing space allocation, is displayed on the notice board near the race results and duty list. If anyone would like to come clean regarding boats that may be stored in spaces which were not allocated to them, now is the time to do so! As part of the membership renewal in January, numbered tags will be given out which members will be asked to attach to their launching trollies, hopefully reducing the confusion surrounding where boats should be parked.

James Croxford

Membership Secretary

Social Dates

- Christmas Meal - Sunday 21st December 2014
 - Mince Pies and Carols - Tuesday 23rd December 2014
 - Dinner Dance - 28th February 2015 (to be held at the Mount Hotel)
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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

For information on other club events held during the frostbite series click [HERE](#)

Sunday 7th December

	Race No	Start Time
AM Race Series	10	11:00
A Series Race	12	1:15
B Series Pursuit	12	2:45

For more information click the following:

[Frostbite Series](#)

[Pursuit Race information](#)

[Beginners Guide to Racing](#)

Weather Check

Check out the forecasts for SSSC [Metcheck](#) or [XC Weather](#)

Newsletter Stories

Thanks to all of you who responded to our call for content last week, keep on sending stories in. This week's call is for your winter sailing and rigging tips so if you have a top tip remember, sharing is caring!

If you have any comments or information to include in this newsletter e-mail publicity@southstaffssailingclub.co.uk

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