

CLYWEDOG SAILING CLUB NEWSLETTER



March 2018

It's Spring and the sailing club is opening up for the season with the traditional "working Party Weekend" on March 17/18. Please can every one make a big effort to help on at least one of these days, starting at 10am. Mick E and Keith have ventured to the club when weather permits, (the access is currently very dangerous and not to be advised) and have been keeping everything shipshape. One rib is currently away being serviced. They will have a big list of vital jobs for the working party.

The website now has a list of events for the forthcoming season. Our membership secretary Tracey looks forward to receiving your subscriptions which are now due (use the online form on the website). There's also a members [Facebook page](#) with all the most up to date information.

Staylitttle Outdoor Centre

We have to note that sadly the Staylitttle Outdoor Centre has now been closed by the County Council, the various actions to make alternative provision having failed. This brings an end to a long association and we wish the staff all well for the future. For the Club, the closure will mean a loss of income and expertise which in turn will present significant challenges to be addressed.

March	Whats on this month	Who's on duty
Sat & Sun 17/18	Working Party Weekend. From 10am, bring rough work clothes and favourite shovel, brush, bucket, etc.	Mick has the list, everyone is needed.
Sunday 25 March	Sailing and racing, weather permitting, safety boat cover 10am - 4pm. First race 11am. Plenty of warm clothing and lots of hot drinks needed.	OD: TBA Rescue: TBA Assistant: TBA

Useful Links and emails:	
Club Website	https://clywedogsailing.org.uk
Clywedog Sailing Club Members Facebook 2018	https://www.facebook.com/groups/CSC2017
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Winter takes its toll..

In early January Severn Trent alerted us regarding the SOC O'boat which had broken free of its mooring and was aground. Paul Sherman and Stef Feely were able to effect a rescue and bring it back to shore. Just a few weeks later a cruiser broke free of its mooring and eventually sank just off Bwlch y Gle. The mast can be seen in the photo. Bad weather has prevented divers checking the wreck to see if flotation tubes can be fitted, we hope a salvage operation can be put into effect during March.



Courses for members.

Last year we received a Powys Community Chest grant to support club training. We have been able to run two of the three planned courses over the winter period-in December three members completed their safety boat course with SOC, and in February nine members completed a two day outdoor first aid course run by CRT Medical from Carno. The third course- PB2- had to be cancelled due to bad weather. Well done to everyone who attended - it all contributes to a safer club.

Talisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge

In December 2018 Kelda

aims to become the first ever adaptive person to single handed row the Atlantic. Her purpose is to inspire others who have been through a life changing injury or illness. She is using the lake as part of her preparation and as a thank you the club logo now features prominently on her boat.

