

SAILTIME NO 4

MARCH 2020



We're off and ~~running~~ sailing again!

The club re-opened on Sat 29th Feb, an earlier start date than in previous years, reflecting the full programme of events planned for 2020.



Club News

See a summary of our recent AGM held on 26th Feb, a discussion about technical changes to our club constitution, news of plans for the coming year, voting for existing and new committee members.



Membership

Keeping the records straight
Membership is now fully on-line and through the system, member's communication is proving useful



2019 Awards

Have you won a trophy?
Check the gallery of winners



DutyMan goes Live

Our on line duty rosta is now fully operational, allowing members to select safety boat duties, arrange swaps and to volunteer for additional duties.



Event planning

Our calendar of events has now been published and is being updated, added to and changed on the fly! Check website events page for [more.....](#)
It's looking to be a busy time again in 2020!



Housekeeping work

Our Bosuns Syd & Bob have been working hard to organise the club ready for the start of the season and have introduced some great ideas to help with the smooth running of the club on a daily basis.



Smarten up for 2020!

Introducing a range of branded leisure and sail wear, the club now offers for Sail or Sale (sorry couldn't resist the pun!) A collection of Logo branded Hoodies, Sweatshirts and Sailing Caps. Items can be ordered on line and delivered free to the club or home delivery for a small fee.

<http://www.thornton-steward-sailingclub.co.uk/tssclogoshop.html>



Committee team 2020

AGM confirmed appointments of officers and committee members for 2020



Secretary
Nick Hatch



Chairman
Phil Gamlen



Treasurer
Rob Wyatt



Sailing Sec
Annabelle
LePage



Membership
Mike
Smith



Committee
Eddie
Fearnside



Safeguarding
Jonathan
Stephenson



Committee
Trevor
Birkbeck

CLUB NEWS FROM THE COMMODORE

Phil reminds us all.....

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The calendar ticks remorselessly on; Work Day, AGM, and an early start to the season with the first Regatta on 01 MAR 20. Unfortunately no one told the Weather Gods ! There were 50 mph gales, snow, rain and frost. It can only get better – please.

Appropriately enough the coming weekends in March are dedicated to safety boat training/refresher courses. If you haven't signed on, please do take advantage of the opportunity.

At the start of the season I would like to remind everybody about the need for attention to bio-security, specifically the danger of cross contamination when boats have been to other waters. There is the chance they could carry malign aquatic life back to our reservoir so a good wash down of trailers, boats, canoes, paddle boards, and model boats before they go back into the water at TSSC is very important.

There have now been visits to the site by two architects to help the Club Committee assess practical options for improving the Club facilities (Phase 2), seeking planning consent, and preparing a full proposal for funding by the Army Welfare Fund. Phase 1, the improved access to the Clubhouse from the road and a hard path down to the boat park is funded, and Yorkshire Water are currently progressing the planning for the work.

The existing buildings nonetheless continue to require upkeep. Eddie Fearnside has speedily dealt with the leaking roof, and he

and Dave Oldacres are now considering how to address the painting of the building exterior.

The Open Day/RYA Discover Sailing Day is 03 MAY 20 and there will be a Work Day on the preceding Saturday to clean and prepare the Clubhouse and Boats. It is an important showcase for the Club so please put these dates in your diary. Your help is what makes the difference.

Let's not forget though, that all this work is to enable us to enjoy being on the water. The days will get longer and the water will get warmer, and I have to make sure somebody else gets the Torpedo Trophy next year !



Contact a committee member:

- Chairman
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Sailing Secretary
- Membership
- Committee group



PLANS FOR 2020

Open Day
3rd May



Our Annual Open Day in conjunction with the RYA's "Discover Sailing" event will take place on Sunday 3rd May. We hope to welcome as many visitors to the club as we did in 2019. Any help to make the event a success will be welcomed and further details will follow soon!

Bart's Bash
13th Sept



Billed as the largest sailing event in the world... Bart's Bash is the flagship event of the Andrew Simpson Foundation, inspired by Olympic Gold and Silver medalist 'Bart' Simpson MBE who passionately believed that everyone should have the chance to try sailing.

Camping Weeks
23/05 & 22/08



2020 Camping weeks are again a feature of our programme planned for the following dates:
23rd May - 1st June
21st - 31st Aug
Members may camp on site by agreement with Yorkshire water.

Commodore's
Cup 23rd Aug



The Commodore's Cup and the Junior's commodore Cup version is open to all sailors, no matter their ability or experience and is a great event to get involved in.
This year scheduled for 23rd August.

The highlighted events above are just a few of the regular racing, training and fun days planned for 2020. Our Sunset Racing series held on Wednesday evenings start on 29th April and again will be hotly contested

As you will have seen, our Safety Boat training sessions, planned for early and late season are recommended for all members to familiarise themselves with the use and operation of our 2 safety boats, the sessions will also be a great grounding for qualifications leading towards the more advanced Powerboat certificate courses offered by the RYA. The more members we are able to train up....The more flexibility we'll have in covering the safety boat duties required during the sailing season.

 We have adopted DutyMan, an online system to facilitate the booking and maintaining of our safety boat duties, allowing members to Select, Swap and Volunteer for duties interactively. Featuring reminders and e-mail responses to swap requests. Have you selected your preferred dates yet?

The system is open until 20th March for you to choose dates that suit you so please, please take advantage of this opportunity. You should have received an email from DutyMan with a link that logs you in without needing to enter a password, so a good one to save for future reference! If you haven't received an email please check your Spam folder. Or check in and see how the system works.>>> [here](#)



We have two RYA courses planned at weekends for adults wanting to learn to sail. The first will run in mid May, two weeks after the Open Day as this often attracts people new to the sport.

For members with a few nautical miles under their keels, can we tempt you with an RYA Level 3 Better Sailing or Advanced Seasmanship course?

There are plans afoot to lay on a Level 3 course on Wednesday afternoons in April taught by a very experienced Coach from the RAF. Learn to handle a boat in a range of conditions, sail different boats (have a go with spinnakers!), sail better and faster, man overboard recovery and so on.....

It promises to be fun and not too scary at all, I promise. If you're interested please contact the [Sailing Secretary](#) for further details.

Kickstart sessions

Aimed at encouraging both juniors and adults to become involved in our active racing scene, 'Kickstart Racing' sessions will run on Regatta days from April to September. Starting before the first race of the day, the sessions will provide a welcoming environment for newcomers to racing through providing guidance, tips and opportunities for practice before joining in the first race of the day.

If you can already sail independently and get around a triangular course why not give racing a go? Its the best way to hone your skills, challenge yourself (and hopefully other racers!) and you'll find the racing scene at TSSC is friendly, welcoming and not at all intimidating. Topics will include starts, tactics, boat handling and rules. Sessions will be available throughout the sailing season....Check the event [calendar](#) for specific dates.



Start Line ready for the off!



Pre-Race briefing

Junior courses

Due to a change in the availability of Senior Instructors we will now be running sessions for Juniors during the school holidays and in conjunction with Catterick Garrison Sailing Club. Courses will be available for complete beginners through to improvers and advanced sailing, offering a full range of top-class training and coaching for youngsters of all abilities.

We continue to welcome Aysgarth School and Carmel College on Wednesdays and Saturdays during term time for training sessions run by our RYA qualified instructors

Spaces on courses will be limited please book for any training course or Kickstart Racing session via the Booking system [here](#)

MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to all of our members who have embraced our new on-line membership portal @ membermojo. The system is now fully operational and members can also make good use of the extra facilities MOJO can offer, including our new TSSC Store offering a range of branded sailing goods.



Need to Contact another member?

Membermojo allows registered paid-up members to access the membership list and make contact through the internal email system.

Use your e mail address to log in and to view and search the members list.

Are your details up to date?

Have we got all of your details correct?

Please take the time to ensure your membership records including: mobile and land-line phone numbers, e-mail and postal addresses are up to date and correct.

We rely on this information when sending out communications to the membership.

Is your boat berthed at the club?

As part of our maintenance plans for keeping the boat park tidy, we are in the process of renumbering and updating the berth numbers to ensure all boats have been registered against the member and their numbered berth.

We will also be asking members to confirm that their public liability and/or dinghy sailing insurance is up to date, by requesting the Insurer's name, policy number and expiry date is recorded on their personal Member mojo page.

As from 15th March, the membership system will allow you to enter the following data against your membership record.

- Boat Park Berth Number/s of your boat/s
- Sailing Insurance company
- Policy No
- Expiry date

If you are a model boat member, your association's insurance details will also be required.

New for 2020 - Logo branded Sail-wear Sweatshirts, Hoodies and Caps are available to order on-line now at the TSSC MemberMojo Store.



Log into your members page, Select "Store Purchase" and choose your branded item with TSSC Logo, order size, colour and pay through our Pay Pal facility..... and the goods will be delivered to the club for collection.

Support the club..... and look good too!

- We have partnered with Ribble Valley Signatures to produce a range of branded club Sail/leisure wear.
- Sweatshirts • Hoodies • Sailing Caps
- Each item has a woven Club Logo and is available in selected sizes and colours, orders can be placed by visiting the TSSC Store on your membermojo page or by downloading an order form [here](#)
- Orders are delivered to the club for free, or home address for a small P&P charge. All profits go to club funds.



[Visit TSSC Store on membermojo](#)

[or Download order form on our website.....](#)

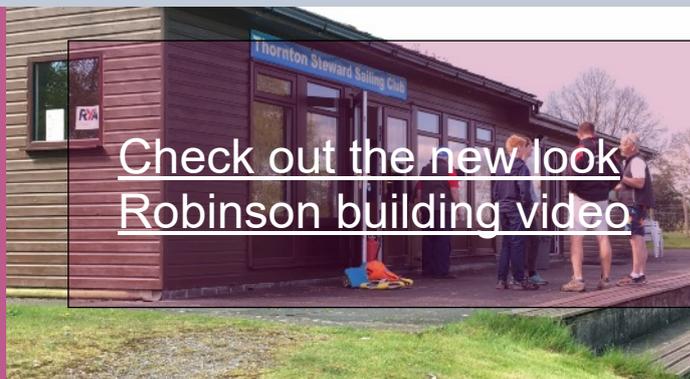
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OPENING DAY FEB 29TH 2020

With an earlier start to the season, the Club needed to be prepared and although a cold and windy day, much was achieved, with our Bosuns leading the set-up team.

Robinson Building

Now well organised and tidied to within an inch of it's life, everything has a place and it is now much easier to access the club equipment. Please help to keep it that way if you use any club equipment!



Check out the new look Robinson building video

Some changes in the clubhouse

We have introduced a day book for members, instructors and water users to note any event or activity taking place at the club, with the object of making sure any routine job or maintenance item is highlighted and doesn't go un-noticed.



Captions please....Answers on a Postcard!

- The wheels of industry?
- 1 wheel on my Wagon?
- Wheel soon be finished here?
- Is that a sneaky biscuit tin?



How many does it take to move a Trimaran?

Apparently 9 and 1 watching!

After a good tidy up, we will shortly be re-numbering the boat berths to update the boat park board located in the Clubhouse Store Room. Have you updated your details on the membership portal?





Our annual prize giving at the AGM allowed us to celebrate the success of sailors in 2019 and say thank you to several individuals for their magnificent work for the club. It's the only time of year when the impressive collection of club trophies and awards are all on display together and a wonderful reminder of the club's heritage. Congratulations to all the recipients listed here.

<p>Regatta Sailing Overall 1st Paul Bernard - Laser 2nd Trevor Bradley- 2000 3rd Bob Scorer - Laser</p>	<p>Morgan Cup Regatta Sailing enthusiast Nick Hatch Laser</p>	<p>Commodore's Cup 1st Jon Stephenson - Laser 2nd Trevor Bradley - 2000 3rd Nick Hatch - Laser</p>	<p>Endeavour Cup Best newcomer to Racing Mark Bradbury Judith Cup Most improved Sailor Martha Mahon</p>
<p>Brian Hall Trophy Charlotte Ingram Youth/Junior CGSC</p>	<p>Summer Handicap Cup 1st Paul Bernard - Laser 2nd Trevor Bradley- 2000 3rd Bob Scorer - Laser</p>	<p>Torpedo / Fishes Trophy Most spectacular and painful event! Phil Gamlen</p>	<p>Crookston Sunset Cup 1st Trevor Bradley - 2000 2nd Maureen Ayre - RS300 3rd Bob Scorer - Laser</p>
<p>Sunset Handicap Plaque 1st Trevor Bradley- 2000 2nd Paul Bernard Laser 3rd Maureen Ayre- RS300</p>	<p>Tortoise Trophy Points x Races Entered Bob Scorer 2700 points Nick Hatch 1638 points Trevor Bradley 1058 points</p>	<p>Martin Burgess Trophy 1st Bob Scorer 2nd Nick Hatch 3rd Dave Oldacres</p>	<p>Kay Cup Nominated by committee for services to club as a thank you to Bob Scorer & Syd Nye for their work as Bosuns'</p>
<p>Sir Timothy Kitson Trophy Services to the Club Mike Smith</p>	<p>Veterans Cup Most Successful over 55 years Paul Bernard Anderson Trophy Most successful Miracle Ken & Gillan Gibson</p>	<p>Could this be you next season? Why not try out Racing or enter an event, even if it's for the submarine trophy in 2020!</p>	<p>Ladies Rose Bowl Most Successful Lady Annabelle LePage Q'ba</p>

HOUSEKEEPING



Our Safeguarding Officer, Jonathan handed out a useful guide at our AGM.

During our recent AGM in February, Jonathan Stephenson provided the meeting with a handy guide on essential safeguarding information.

Useful to keep with you if you're involved in any event at the club, a copy can be downloaded below, or paper copies will also be available in the clubhouse to refer to.



Let's keep the club a safe environment at all times.



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In further moves to streamline the running of courses.....

All events, courses and sessions can now be reserved and paid for on line.

Our website has links from sail training pages and RYA courses to our club booking system
"Bookwhen"

Successfully introduced last year for our Junior sessions, we have opened up course bookings to all members, starting off with our Free Powerboat and Safety Boat training courses. Click links from our website or visit....

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DutyMan

Safety Boat duties are now on line.....We're trialling the highly successful DutyMan system, used in many sailing clubs across the UK.

Allowing members to book and swap duties automatically on line.

[Log in](#) to the system and check your duty, arrange for another member to cover your "shift" if you can't make the date, or even volunteer for additional duties!

All duties are confirmed by e mail and you can see at a glance if it's your turn for safety boat!



WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY JOINED MODEL BOAT MEMBERS

We now have members of a model boat group joining us in 2020, hopefully sailing a range of small powered and sailing craft. Our member - Christopher Houseman Says:

“ We are definitely hoping to do scale yachting and scale vintage 1950's power boating as well with some other models we have in our collection, the weather has not been it's best over the last couple of weeks but hopefully improving as the days become longer. ”



