

Sail Time

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SailTime the in-house magazine for Thornton Steward Sailing Club

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Thornton Steward Sailing Club.....

WELCOMES
NEW
MEMBERS

After our recent successful TRY OUT SAILING DAY, we're pleased to welcome a number of new members to the club, many new families have joined us along with a few Adult members too.

Although we held 2 x induction sessions for our new guests, not all could attend and so we have published this edition of SailTime, as an "Extra, Extra, Read all about it" issue, bringing everybody up to date with club news.

If you missed our induction session, you can download or watch the presentation [here](#) or from the downloads page of the club website.

First up is the announcement of our Fund Raising project for 2025

"Quest for Quests"

We have been granted a matched funding opportunity by Sport England to purchase 2 x new RS Quest dinghies to add to and enhance the Club's existing fleet of club boats.

These new crafts will be ideal as training boats, allowing up to 4 adults to sail, aiding with training as an instructor can sail with students.

Primarily the Quests will be used in place of our aging 3 x Wanderers....See news of these craft later in this edition.

Our Fund raising goal is £7500, which will be matched by Sport England, providing a total

of £15,000 towards our purchase of 2 new RS Quests.

There is a time limit of 12 weeks to raise our portion of the funds and we can advise that our Crowd Funder account is now open and accepting donations.

The fund has a variety of rewards for supporters to "buy", as well as giving cash donations, rewards range from an afternoon tea to sponsoring a whole boat with corporate logo advertising.

The fund has hit the ground running with a boost from our new members joining and course fees.

.....But of course we need you to help reach our target.

See page 3 for full details.



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We're up and running!

Our Crowd fund account is now open and accepting donations.

Why are we crowdfunding?

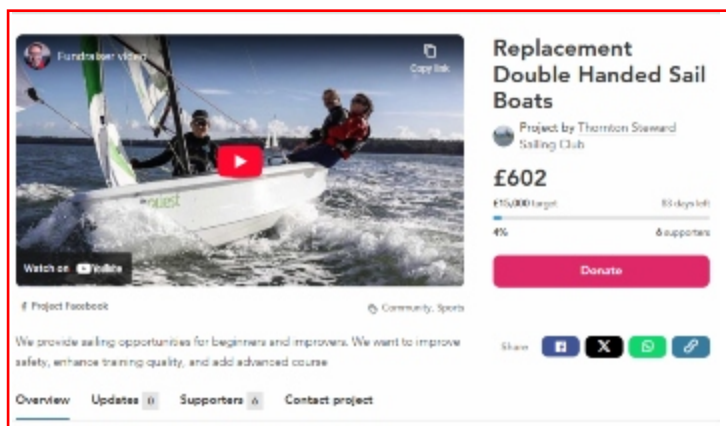
While we have a good small dinghy resource for training and rental, our current larger dinghies are outdated, impractical and fragile; they take ages to drain after capsizes. This limits the quality of instruction and overall experience.

Replacing them will ensure we can continue providing high quality, structured training for years to come. We currently train 20+ students per year, but demand is increasing. We need two modern self draining training dinghies big enough for an instructor and 2 or 3 pupils. They need to be of durable roto-moulded polyethylene construction, provide a stable platform, and also allow spinnaker training.

How we'll spend the money raised

We will increase participation from 20+ to 30+ trainees annually and encourage long-term engagement. Additionally, we want to expand our work with local schools, and youth groups to introduce sailing through half-day experiences. Current members want to stretch and grow in skill, we will introduce RYA Spinnaker courses, expanding training beyond the basics.

We will use the money to buy two modern self-draining training dinghies big enough for an instructor and 2 or 3 pupils. Selected by the UK Sea Cadets to replace their aging fleet, the RS Quest has rapidly become the best-selling dinghy of its type worldwide. It meets all our requirements, and we have enough trained dingy instructors, safety boat crew, and shore teams already volunteered to offer this enhance program with the new boats.



How you can play your part

There are four simple ways to help us reach our target, and make this project a reality.

1. Make a pledge. Don't delay if you're going to support us, because momentum is key to our success! The first 25 donors will become QUEST LAUNCHERS, and have their names immortalised in our clubhouse!*
2. Spread the word. Share our project on your social media pages and tell the world to get behind us! The more people we reach, the more support we will get.
3. Offer rewards. Get involved if you are a local business by donating things we can offer to our supporters. We will give you a shout out!

See some of the great rewards already donated...Can you offer a reward?

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Here's what we're Raising funds for... 2 x new RS Quests, Click to visit RS Quest website >



Our Quest for Quests!



How can you support the club and make a donation or buy a reward?

By visiting our project page and making a donation, you can select any amount to pay into the fund...Every little helps! Follow the link [here](#) or scan the **QR Code** >>>

If you feel like buying a reward as a treat for yourself or to give as a gift, there are some great offers available, generously donated by our supporters..... and we're adding more every day. A few of our rewards on offer are listed below.



If making a donation or purchasing a reward, the Crowdfunder website operates a suggested "Tip" to add to your donation this is set by default to 20%, however, selecting the option to customise your "Tip" you can reduce this down to zero using the slider.

Donate to our RS Quest Fund-raiser:

Donate £10



Donate £20



Donate £50



See other rewards available [Here](#)

£10 or more

Day Ticket to fish the River Ure (rod licence req)

Anglers from around the world come to fish this river because it has one of the most abundant stocks of salmon and trout in Europe. Brown trout, barbel, grayling, eels, roach, dace, chub, pike and perch can be found swimming within its waters. Thorney hall sits in a stunning elevated position in Wensleydale with superb panoramic views over its own land across to Richard III's Middleham castle and enjoying 1/3rd of a mile of river frontage.

Select reward

£25 or more 0 of 5 claimed

Maths Tuition - One hour

GCSE or A level - From a fully qualified maths teacher and A-level exam marker

Select reward

£40 or more

Afternoon Tea for two at Thorney Hall

Join us on the terrace at Thorney Hall for an delicious afternoon tea. Enjoy superb panoramic views across to Richard III's Middleham castle and the hills of the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

Select reward

£50 or more 0 of 2 claimed

A Timeless Drive Through the Yorkshire Dales

Step back in time, experience the thrill of classic motoring with an unforgettable reward! Enjoy a half-day adventure exploring the breathtaking landscapes of the Yorkshire Dales in a legendary car. Choose between the iconic 1976 Porsche 911, or the charming 1966 Fiat 500, a true classic. This journey will take you through winding country roads, past rolling green hills and picturesque villages soaking in the views. Choose dates by arrangement.

Estimated delivery: 1st Sep 2025

Select reward

£49 or more

Aerial photo of your home or business

Capture a stunning aerial photograph of your home with our reward! Receive a high-quality drone shot image showcasing your property from a breathtaking perspective. Perfect for framing or sharing, this unique keepsake helps us raise funds while giving you a one-of-a-kind view. Donate today and let us elevate your home's story! Reward includes a 10"X 8" Glossy print and a copywrite free image file.(No Fly Zones apply if near airspace)

Estimated delivery: 1st Dec 2025

Select reward

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For Sail/Sale

So you've joined the club, sailed a little or booked onto a training course, maybe it's time to think about a starter boat?

Part of our fund raising project is to re-evaluate the craft within the club fleet. In a bid to maintain our boats for all members to enjoy, there comes a time, when a few of our older dinghies reach a stage where they aren't being used as much for training or available as a hire, even though there's plenty of life left in them. So we will be selling off the following boats to make way for our 2 new Quests.

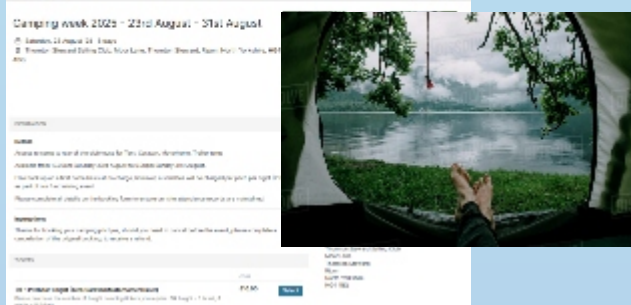
There will be 2 X TOPPERS available for members to purchase, fully rigged and including launching trolleys, dinghy cover and the remaining boat berth rental fee for 2025.

Toppers make an ideal 1st boat, stout but very forgiving and easy to right after a capsize but still offering an exhilarating experience when sailing in stronger winds.

Of course car roof top able, these sturdy craft can be taken anywhere to sail! Make some waves for only £150.00 per topper

Our Wanderer fleet will be making way for the more up to date Quests as the primary boats for training and for those members wanting to hire a larger double hander or to take out up to 4 for an outing. 1 or more Wanderers will become available for sale. All rigging and launching trolley will be included and again the boat berth for this year will become part of the sale.

A Laser will also be for sale, together with our small Blue Training Rigiflex craft, that is now redundant. If these craft are of interest, contact us [here](#) or speak to our Bosuns, who can show you the boats.



Camping week

Each year we are granted permission by Yorkshire Water to camp on site. This year the dates camping will be available is from 10:00am on Saturday 23rd August until 6:00pm on Sunday 31st August.

Bookings to camp can be made through our booking system and to help with our fund raising, we're making a small £10 charge per pitch per night. Electric hook up is available on a first come basis

You can reserve a space by following the booking link [here](#)

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Up and coming dates for your diary

Our series of training courses begin again next week:

On Tuesday 27th May our 3-Day Early Season Starter course begins. Designed for brushing up skills for those that can already sail but maybe need some TLC to get back on the water!

Open to Juniors and Adults (Limited numbers)

3 Days course cost £75.00

Next up will be our:

4-Day Beginners Youth and Adult course commencing:

Tues 22nd July - 25th July 10:00 - 4:00pm

Will suit new and inexperienced sailors

4 Day Course cost £100.00

Our 2 x "All-Comers" courses for mixed ability sailors are scheduled for:

Course 1 - Tues 5th August x 4 Days

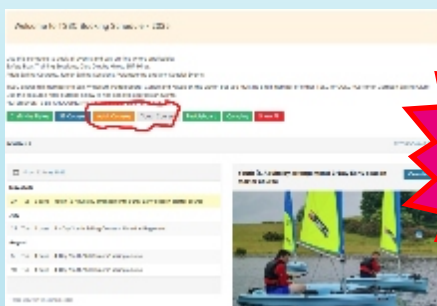
4 Day Course cost £100.00

Course 2 - Tues 19th August x 4 Days

4 Day Course cost £100.00

We will be announcing a new "INTRODUCTION TO SAILING" Event, Follow ing up for members that were unable to book onto our recent RYA 4 day course and want to get a feel for dinghy sailing.

Look out for dates and details on our weekly e-mail news



Last minute Availability
...take advantage of the spring sunshine



Book all courses on line [here](#)

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In other news....

New to the club and unsure of the volunteer system of safety boat duties?

If you have yet to arrange a familiarisation day on the Water with our Bosun - Syd, we have extended our series of day courses for further Saturday dates available throughout June.

The day is for a maximum of 2 members, although availability and weather dependent.

All aspects of the safety boat is covered, preparing the boat, mounting the engine, checking fuel, radio communications and of course handling the boat on the water. Basic rescue techniques are covered.

Any Adult member (Over 18) can book a free SB-FAM day

Click to visit the booking page [here](#)



Ready to choose a safety boat duty?

We will soon be publishing a new 2025 guide to procedures and policies for covering SB duty.

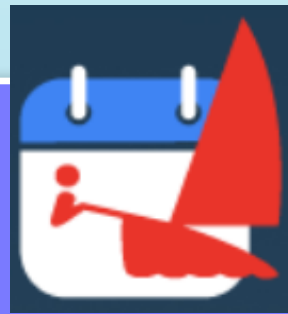
Have you received your user name and password for DUTYMAN?

If not, click to register [here](#)

Duties can be booked for Saturday, Sundays and selected Wednesday evenings during the main racing season.

All adult members and a lead member from a family group are expected to cover a minimum of 2 SB duties per year

Click to visit the DUTYMAN system login page [here](#)



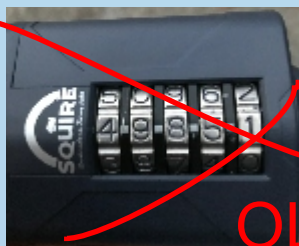
DutyMan

Select dates, make swaps and volunteer for Safety Boat duty and Race Officer through our new on line portal.

Safety Boat Rota

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