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In many ways I dread the December edition of Mainsheet. Everything's going in the wrong direction. The weather's getting worse and sailing is restricted to a Sunday morning at Piddinghoe where the die-hards struggle against wind and cold to get their fix. This year it's been particularly bad with excessive wind causing racing to be restricted to the "enthusiasts" only. And we've months of this to go. Let's hope for some more benign conditions in the new year. We tend to get one good series out of the two either side of the New Year.

But there are things to look forward to. The days start to lengthen within the week, the sailing calendar for next year has been published (see later in Mainsheet), and it must be near the turn of the year if Terry is



hidden away with a laptop organising membership renewals for 2019. The details of these will be announced soon via the weekly e-mail bulletin, but I can reveal some things now. The biggest difference is that we will be implementing an easy-payment system for memberships, allowing members to pay their annual fee through monthly direct debit instalments. There's still a commitment to pay for the year but you can spread the payments. The additional admin charge for this will be a few pounds over the year. This should suit those who really could do without an annual membership fee just as the Christmas bills hit the credit card statement. The club has always had a policy of helping members who have difficulties with their payments and this will continue. If you find yourself in difficulties, talk to Terry (membershipnssc@nssc.org.uk) who might be able to help. Membership fees will not be increasing this year, but there will be a couple of increases in some of the one-off charges. The board has decided that from 2020 the charges will rise at least with inflation so that there will be small increases each year rather than a larger one every few years.

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Sailing might be tricky in our northern latitudes at this time of year (at least we have some opportunity with Piddinghoe) but we do have the chance to enjoy ourselves in other ways. Our social events seem to have to compete with so many others at this time of year but things are picking-up. We now have a social committee organising events. They're starting from a very-low low after months when we've not really done much in this area. It'll take time to get members back into the swing of things, but I'd like to encourage you to do so. Friday's Bingo night was well run by Craig and Sam and those there had a good time but it really could have done with another twenty there. Most disappointing was the complete lack of children (those of you who know my views on children might be surprised to hear me say that).

We have a Christmas-oriented Quiz this Friday, from our quiz-masters Dick and Brian, so do try to come along. The new social committee are working hard getting things ready for the New Year's Eve party as well. It's a fairly simple affair: there's

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no charge and there'll be a DJ. All we ask is that people bring along a plate of food to help things along. If you know of any barriers to increasing attendance at social events, let us know.

"Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All of You"

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CHRISTMAS QUIZ FRIDAY 21ST. DECEMBER

COME ALONG TO BRIAN AND DICK'S QUIZ

REGISTRATION 6.30 P.M. STARTING 7.00 P.M.

5 PERSONS MAXIMUM PER TEAM

ENTRY £1.00 PER PERSON WINNING TEAM
TAKES THE POT

GALLEY WILL BE SERVING FOOD IN THE INTERVAL

Newhaven and Seaford Sailing Club Members and Guests New Years Eve Party 2018



Mon 31st December 2018
7pm-1am
The Galley bar will be open until 12.30am
Please bring along a dish for the buffet...

Poor, Sad, Grumpy, Little Elf



New Lock on Seaford Five-Bar Gate

There's a new lock on the gate at Seaford, put a zero in-front of the code as there are now five dials. It also has a push button on the bottom to open .



Hard Copies of Mainsheet

There are about ten members who still receive Mainsheet in paper form. We also like to pin the latest Mainsheet on the wall at Seaford and Piddinghoe. Up until now a member has used their print facilities at work to do the photocopying. Unfortunately (for us), they have now retired so we're looking for help. We're after a monthly A4 double-sided colour printing run of about twelve copies of about twenty pages from a PDF. Do you know anyone who'd do this for free for us? We'd put a half-page advert for them in Mainsheet each month. Alternatively, do you know anyone who'd be prepared to sponsor the commercial reproduction costs at a local print shop? Again, we'd offer a monthly half-page advert if required.

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Prizegiving Dinner

A good time was had by all at the Prizegiving Dinner recently. There was a slight mix-up with numbers who had booked. Did I really end-up asking all "carnivorous children" to put their hands-up at one stage? Once that had been surmounted we all enjoyed a tasty meal and cheered all the winners. It was good to see some non-sailing prizes being awarded along with the traditional cups.

Thanks are due to Michelle Smith for the photos.













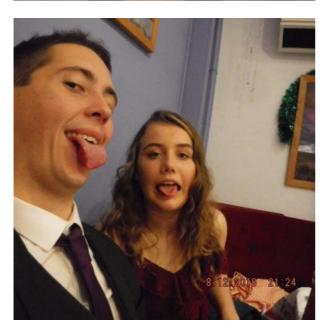
Prizegiving (continued)













New Social Committee

There's an exciting new initiative afoot within the club. A group of like-minded individuals have got together and are trying to kick-start the social scene.

I asked their co-ordinator (Adele Long, who many of you will know as a club member and an employee in the Galley) how it started: "The newly formed social committee of Marie, Angela, Julie, me, Di, Penny, Mike and David met for the first time at the end of November for a drink and a chat about our plans for some great club events for 2019. We'd love more people to join the social committee or if you would just like to volunteer yourself to help with the organisation of a particular event we would be delighted to hear from you".

When asked what their first venture would be, she said: "Our first event will be the New Years Eve Party and we all really hope that you will all come along and join us with your families and guests, to see in the New Year. The bar will be open 7pm-12.30am, there will be dancing tunes with our DJ Wayne and the pot -luck buffet with all the lovely dishes that you bring along."

And what about future events? "The next event is planned for the last Friday in February (a family horse-race night) and Sam and Craig have also volunteered to do another BINGO!! night on the last Friday in March. We hope to continue with at least one monthly event and plan to try to tie this in with the last member's Friday night of each month. Any requests/suggestions for events you would like to see organised will be gratefully received."



The new social group van be contacted on socialsecnssc@nssc.org.uk.

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Sponsoring Cups

Each year we like to present our cup winners with a small gift such as an inscribed mug or monogrammed T-shirt. It would be good if we could get some local firms to sponsor these small prizes. They would get their name assigned to the prize, and get a free small-ad in Mainsheet for six months (reaching 500 local readers per month). To kick this off, Mainsheet itself will be sponsoring one of our cup race series, awarding a couple of bottles of wine (or non-alcoholic beverage) to the winner. The Galley is also going to chip-in with a cup named after them and they have generously offered a couple of main dishes off the specials board to the winners. Do you own or work for a local company that would like to sponsor a small prize in 2019? We don't need companies to supply silverware (we have enough of that). Let me know.

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Introducing the new NSSC Cadet Co-Ordinator: Andy Hamilton

I would like to introduce myself and give a little background to me taking on the NSSC cadets as the new co-ordinator. I have been working with young people for various organisations and clubs over the years which I feel fits well with this important club role. I am truly passionate about teaching sailing at all levels and currently manage the Adventure Education and Sport Division at Plumpton College, am an RYA Coach/Assessor delivering a number of instructor and an Assistant Instructor courses supporting our upand-coming coaches and have been an active instructor for the NSSC cadets (race topper squad) for the last 3 years.

Seeing the progression of every cadet over the years has strengthened my belief in the NSSC programme and proved its importance in developing young sailors through fun and structured sessions. It must be acknowledged that the outstanding work that Zoe McCaig and Jo West completed over the years has given me very big shoes to fill and I am very much looking forward to furthering to their work to reach the next generation of our members.

Important notice

With a new coordinator comes a little change which I hope you will all be able to accommodate for the 10 week programme. We are taking soundings on moving the cadet evening to **Tuesday evenings**. Unfortunately, my work commitments do not allow the flexibility to continue with Mondays. I will however be continuing the Saturday pm training for the slightly more experienced cadets.

Over the next few weeks I plan to prepare the sign up process (through Webcollect) for the New Year and draw together the 2019 instructors, galley staff and shore crew to ensure a slick operation keeping the focus firmly on a positive sailing experience for our aspiring sailors. If you can be available for any of these roles on a Tuesday 17:00 – 19:30 ish I would very much like to hear from you via the cadet email – cadetnssc@nssc.org.uk

I'm very much looking forward to the summer and getting the cadets afloat for 2019.



See you on the water

Andy Hamilton

NSSC CALENDAR 2019								
draft version 1c amended 7.12.18		Sunday Races. note unless otherwise specified - Catamarans start @ 10.30 and all other boats start @ 10.36. The 2nd race start approx @ 11.30 for cats & others boats 6 mins later Key to colours			GMT BST			
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SPECIAL EVENTS		CADETS	WORK PARTY		Y			
Day	Date	EVENT	Time	Tide				
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Tuesday Sunday	01-Jan 06-Jan	New Years Day Race Elford Numbum series 1 & 2	14.00 10.30	}				
Sunday	13-Jan	Elford Numbum series 3 & 4	10.30	t				
Sunday	20-Jan	Elford Numbum series 5 & 6	10.30	Piddinghoe				
Sunday Sunday	27-Jan 03-Feb	Elford Numbum series 7 & 8 Elford Numbum series 9 & 10	10.30 10.30					
Sunday	10-Feb	Elford Numburn series 11 & 12	10.30	ł				
Sunday	17-Feb	Elford Numbum series 13 & 14	10.30					
Friday	22-Feb	Race Officer ARO & Safety Boat Workshop	19.00	Seaford				
Saturday	23-Feb 24-Feb	Sea Safety Boat - Refresher/Upskill Training Elford Numbum series 15 (one race)	10.00	Newh				
Sunday Saturday	24-Feb 02-Mar	2019 RYA Dinghy Show - Coach trom Seatord	11.00 8.15	Piddinghoe Coach Seaford				
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Saturday	30-Mar	Sea Safety Boat - Refresher/Upskill Training	10.00	Newh				
Sunday	31-Mar	Cadet Training	10.30	Seaf				
Sunday Saturday	31-Mar 06-Apr	Commodores Cup Race Sea Safety Boat - Refresher/Upskill Training	10.30 10.00	HT 8:55 Newh	5.04m aven			
		Spring Class Series Race 1	10.30					
Sunday	07-Apr	Spring Class Series Race 2		HT 13:18				
Saturday	13-Apr	NSSC - Open Day	10.00	Piddinghoe				
Saturday Sunday	13-Apr 14-Apr	Family Weekend Fun Races Family Weekend Fun Races	10.30 10.30	Piddinghoe				
		Spring Class Series Race 3	10.30					
Sunday	14-Apr	Spring Class Series Race 4		LT 13:25	1.85m			
Easter	21-Apr	Easter Series - Bosuns Cup 1	10.30	HT 13:21	6.92m			
Sunday Easter		Easter Series - Bosuns Cup 2 Easter Series - Bosuns Cup 3	10.30					
Monday	22-Apr	Easter Series - Bosuns Cup 4	10.30	HT 14:01	6.77m			
Saturday	27-Apr	Family Weekend Fun Races	10.30	Piddin	ahoe			
Sunday	28-Apr	Family Weekend Fun Races Pre-Cadet Training	10.30	Piddinghoe				
	-	Spring Class Series Race 5	14.00 10.30					
Sunday	28-Apr	Spring Class Series Race 6	10.50	LT 13:10	2.34m			
Saturday	04-May	Sea Safety Boat - Refresher/Upskill Training	10.00	Newh	aven			
Sunday	05-May	Tufton Beamish 1	10.30	HT 12:19	6.50m			
May B/H	,	Tufton Beamish 2 Tufton Beamish 3	10.30					
Monday	06-May	Tufton Beamish 4	10.50	HT 12:54	6.57m			
Saturday	11-May	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING		Sea	ord			
Sunday	12-May	Spring Class Series Race 7 Spring Class Series Race 8	10.30	LT 11:44	1.62m			
Monday	13-May	Cadets 1 (Induction/Training)	17.30	Piddin	ghoe			
Wednesday	15-May	Wednesday Series 1. Race 1	19.15	HT 21:33	6.3m			
Sunday	19-May	Birling Gap (Fast Fleet) L/M Dist R1	10.30	HT 12:18	6.68m			
Monday	20-May	Cuckmere Haven (Slow Fleet PYs 1078 or over) Cadets 2	10.36 17.30	Piddin				
Monday Wednesday	20-May 22-May	Wednesday Series 1. Race 2	17.30	LT 20:35	gnoe 1.16m			
Sunday	26-May	Sussex Express Cup 1	10.30	LT 11:06	2.03m			
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Spring B/H Monday	27-May	Sussex Express Cup 3 Sussex Express Cup 4	10.30	LT 12:15	2.2m			
Wednesday	29-May	Wednesday Series 1. Race 3	19.15	HT 20:43	5.46m			
Saturday	01-Jun	Sea Safety Boat - Refresher/Upskill Training	10.00	Newh				
Saturday	01-Jun	Family Weekend Fun Races	10.30	Seaf	ord			
Sunday	02-Jun	Family Weekend Fun Races Seatord Regatta 1 (3 short races) Open	10.30 10.30	Joanord				
Sunday	02-Jun	Seaford Regatta 2 Open	10.30 11.15 apx	HT 11:11	6.28m			
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-	09-Jun	Friars Bay Buoy (L/M Distance R2)	10.30	LT 10:32 1.15m	
Monday	10-Jun	Cadets 4	17.30	Piddinghoe	
Wednesday	12-Jun	Wednesday Series 1. Race 5	19.15	HT 20:05 6.0m	
Saturday	15-Jun	Endurance Race	10.30	111 20.00 0.011	
	16-Jun	Family Weekend Fun Races		Piddinghoe	
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Sunday	16-Jun	Summer Class Series Race 1	10.30	HT 11:14 6.31m	
		Summer Class Series Race 2		D: I F	
Monday	17-Jun	Cadets 5	17.30	Piddinghoe	
Wednesday	19-Jun	Wednesday Series 1. Race 6	19.15	LT 19:38 1.13m	
Sunday	23-Jun	Summer Class Series Race 3	10.30	LT 9:49 1.53m	
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Monday	24-Jun	Cadets 6	17.30	Piddinghoe	
Wednesday	26-Jun	Wednesday Series 1. Race 8	19.15	HT 18:27 5.28m	
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Sunday		Junior Federation Event	TBA	Hastings S C	
		Impromptu Race Seaford	10.30 apx	Seaford	
Monday	15-Jul	Cadets 9	17.30	Piddinghoe	
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•		Splashpoint Tidemills			
Sunday	21-Jul		10.30	HT 14:47 6.23m	
_		L/M Distance R3			
Monday	22-Jul	L/M Distance R3 Cadets 10	17.30	Piddinghoe	
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Monday	12-Aug	Cadet Week Piddinghoe 1	11.50			
Tuesday	13-Aug	Cadet Week Piddinghoe 2	10.30	Piddinghoe		
Wednesday	14-Aug	Cadet Week Piddinghoe 3	10.00	. radingrioc		
Wednesday	14-Aug	Wednesday Series 2. Race 6	19.15	LT 17:49 1.36m		
Thursday	15-Aug	Cadet Week Piddinghoe 4				
Friday	16-Aug	Cadet Week Piddinghoe 5	10.30	Piddinghoe		
		Seaford Games Tourney 1	10.30	LIT 40-40		
Sunday	18-Aug	Seaford Games Tourney 2		HT 13:48	6.48m	
Wednesday	21-Aug	Wednesday Series 2. Race 7	19.15	LT 21:39	1.52m	
Sunday		Portobello/Peacehaven & Back L/M	11.00	LT 12:46	2.24m	
Sunday	25-Aug	Distance R4	11.00	L1 12.40	2.24m	
BH Monday	26-Aug	Seaford Games Tourney 3	10.30	LT 14:17	2.1m	
		Seaford Games Tourney 4				
Wednesday	28-Aug	Wednesday Series 2. Race 8 (Last in Series)	19.00	LT 16:31	1.3m	
Sunday	01-Sep	Seahaven Cup 1 (3 short races)	10.30	HT 13:28	7.2m	
		Seahaven Cup 2	11.15 apx			
		Seahaven Cup 3	12.00 apx			
Saturday	07-Sep	Sea Safety Boat - Refresher/Upskill Training	10.00	Newh		
	о. оор	Cadet Pond Series R1 & 2	14.00	Piddin	ghoe	
Sunday	08-Sep	Splashpoint Tidemills	10.30	LT 13:38	2.32m	
		L/M Distance R5				
Saturday	14-Sep	Cadet Pond Series R3 & 4 Autumn Series 1/ Bart's Bash	14.00	Piddin	gnoe	
Sunday	15-Sep	Autumn Series 2	10.30	HT 12:50	6.6m	
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Saturday	21-Sep	Autumn Series 3	14.00	Piddin	gnoe	
Sunday	22-Sep	Autumn Series 3 Autumn Series 4	10.30	LT 10:57	2.1m	
Saturday	28-Sep	Cadet Pond Series R7 & 8	14.00	Piddin	ahoe	
Saturday		Autumn Series 5	10.30		ngnoe	
Sunday	29-Sep	Autumn Series 6	10.30	HT 12:19	7.24m	
		Sea Safety Boat - Refresher/Upskill Training	10.00	Newhaven		
Saturday	05-Oct	Cadet Pond Series R9 & 10	14.00	Piddin		
	06-Oct	Splashpoint Tidemills				
Sunday		L/M Distance R6	10.30	LT 11.31	2.3m	
Saturday	12-Oct	Cadet Pond Series R9 & 10	14.00	Piddin	ghoe	
		Autumn Series 7	10.30	UT 44 40	0.50	
Sunday	13-Oct	Autumn Series 8		HT 11:49	6.58m	
Saturday	19-Oct	Cadet Pond Series R11 & 12	14.00	Piddin	ahoe	
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Sunday	20-Oct	1 7	10.30	HT 15:36	5.84m	
		Cup Winners Cup	10.36			
	26-Oct	Work Party - Seaford	10.00	Seaf	ord	
Saturday		Work Party- Piddinghoe	10.00	Piddin	ahoe	
Sunday	27-Oct	Last Sea Race - Autumn Series 9 or Re-Sail	10.30	HT 10:09	7.04m	
Sunday	03-Nov	Freeman Iceberg 1 & 2	10.30	10.00	7.0411	
		Remembrance	11.00			
Sunday	10-Nov	Freeman Iceberg 3 & 4	11.10	Piddinghoe		
Sunday	17-Nov	Freeman Iceberg 5 & 6	10.30			
Sunday	24-Nov	Freeman Iceberg 7 & 8	10.30			
Sunday	01-Dec	Freeman Iceberg 9 & 10	10.30			
Saturday	07-Dec	Christmas Party & Annual Prize Giving	19.00	Seaford		
Sunday	08-Dec	Freeman Iceberg 11 & 12	10.30			
Sunday	15-Dec	Freeman Iceberg 13 & 14	10.30	Piddinghoe		
Sunday	22-Dec	Freeman Iceberg 15 & 16	10.30			
Thursday	26-Dec	Freman Iceberg 17 (one & final race) Prize Giving mulled wine & mince pies	10.30	Piddinghoe		
Wednesday	01-Jan	New Years Day Race	14.00	Piddin		

Stats from the Training School for 2018

Dinghy training. 20 people came to learn how to sail at Piddinghoe and gained their RYA Level 2 certificate, and 18 became members as a result of enjoying their experience.

First Aid. We now have 16 more people able to stick a plaster on a cut, or breathe life into the club, have attended the two courses we ran. We have planned a course next February specially for the youngsters due to do their Dinghy Instructors course, and another later in the year for adults.

Powerboat. 25 people came to do the PB2 course, mostly club members wanting to help with patrol boats supporting racing, but a few who found us on the internet, choosing us to do their training with us. Again, we are planning on doing a youngsters course next season.

Tasters. At Piddinghoe, 222 youngsters from local schools and community groups came to get on or in the water, enjoying sailing and powerboat rides, but the greatest fun seems to be swimming and paddling on the redundant windsurf boards, re-named fun boards. The giant paddleboard we have, nicknamed 'the Pancake' provides the most laughs.

Childrens taster sessions on Saturdays. These proved to be a good move for the club, introducing 36 youngsters to the delights of sailing and being on the water, ready to join Cadets and become members next season, with the aim of working towards their level 1 to 4 certificates.

Cadets. 72 youngsters came for the Monday evening and Saturday Coaching sessions to learn to sail or develop their expertise in racing, culminating in Cadet Week camping at the Pond.

Assistant Instructors programme of developing our senior Cadets into Instructors is on the way. Six made the grade and next summer should see them helping with Adult, Children and Cadet training.

We look forward to increasing the flow of people using the pond next year, contacting local schools and colleges and other communities, to share our wonderful facilities, and gaining water confidence and competence, especially during the week, hopefully developing an income stream to plough back into our tired facilities, and being able to update equipment.

Thursdays through the light summer evenings, have rung to the laughter generated by the fun during Women on Water, (WOW) giving newly qualified sailors and those just wanting time to relax on the water, followed by the after party of WOWOW, women on water on wine! Silver Sailors on a Friday was less well attended, but having moved to Saturday mornings to become, Assisted Saturday Sailing (ASS), interest has lifted, and we look to helping more sailors onto the water.

All of these visitors and members, that have come to the Pond have been looked after by members volunteering their time, and the club would not be as well known without the consistent presence of the volunteers that help run the events for the benefit of members and visitors alike. So, to all of you, that put so much of your time in, you are much appreciated, well done, and if, you as a Member, have some time to spare and would like to join in, welcome.



Simon Suter

Are you good at filing and sorting?



Are you tidy? Are you constantly getting the urge to sort your CD collection by length of bass guitarist's hair? Is your sock-draw colour coordinated?

Do you want to help out at the club but can't find any duties that suit? We are looking for someone to help keep the office and noticeboards tidy and in order.

If you are interested then contact either secretarynssc@nssc.org.uk or treasurernssc@nssc.org.uk



A Public Letter From George Cork

Dear Members,

Firstly I'd like to thank you for putting me on the board of directors.

After deep thought I have decided not to renew my Full Sailing Membership in 2019.

Therefore at the 13th November 2018 Board Meeting I gave my resignation of one calendar month. This will run from 1st December to 31st December 2018.

Again I'd like to thank you all for giving me the opportunity for the past year as Seaford rear-commodore.

George Cork

Rear-Commodore, Seaford