



## Bartley SC Newsletter - April 2006

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### *Commodore's Notes*

The past year has seen much hard work by your committee and other active members. I hope that this has manifested itself in the way that the club serves its members. The AGM is coming up; this is a very important opportunity for the committee to report on progress and the state of the club. It is also a good time for the membership to raise questions and make suggestions. Please do take this opportunity. The success of the club depends heavily on too small a number of very hard working and committed members. Please give some serious thought as to how you might serve the club either on the main committee or by helping the 'unsung heroes' on one of the various working groups that are now in place. A lot of people making just a small effort will make a successful club.

### *What's been happening?*

- **Supernova Winter Champs 12<sup>th</sup> Feb** - 19 helms entered with boats from as far away as Southampton and Bolton. Winner was Steve Broom who is in the Olympic squad; first Bartley boat was Neil Boneham.
- **Annual Prize Giving 7<sup>th</sup> Apr** - Over 40 sailors, members and guests enjoyed supper followed by the prize giving ceremony. 31 sailors received reward vouchers for their efforts covering the 2005 Spring/Summer series and Winter sailing for 2005 and start of 2006. Special congratulations go to Mark Walker and Steve Box For winning both the Sunday series Mucklow Cup and Asterix Cup whilst Ian Capener won the Saturday Stronghold Trophy and Vic Lewis Cup. Dave Brand was the top point scorer over all and won in his own right the Saturday Series Burnham Cup. Thanks to John Wilson for preparing all the cups and prizes thanks to Ann Kelly for organising the evening including the quiz. - Full list of winners on the Results notice board & website.
- **RNLI Regatta 8<sup>th</sup> Apr** - it was good to see this event back on the calendar. Conditions on the day were very difficult, with lots of thrills and spills, with plenty of shifts and gusts up to force 6. Ian Capener in a Solo won the first race. In the second race the weather worsened but Jeremy Shinton relished the conditions to come first in Fred Needler's Solo, which together with a second from race one gave him an overall win. Thanks to generous sponsorship it was possible for the Commodore to present the RNLI with a cheque for £190. Well done to Neil Boneham for organising the day. Full results on the website.
- **Training** - congratulations to Neil Thornton for getting his Senior Instructor qualification and agreeing to become our Chief Instructor. Our RYA certification has now been re-instated and the first level 1&2 course starts on 22<sup>nd</sup> April. Well done to Luke Turnbull and everyone else for all their hard work who helped to get training back into the club. Please be aware that training is for existing club members as well as people from outside wanting to learn to sail - contact [luke.turnbull@virgin.net](mailto:luke.turnbull@virgin.net)

**\*\*\*Note: 1st Mirror race on 5<sup>th</sup> May will start at 6.30pm as the AGM is also on that night\*\*\***

### *Forthcoming Events - next ones in detail - full list on the Club notice board/OoD hut/website*

- Junior & Novice Race Training 26<sup>th</sup> Apr - meet at 6.30pm - contact John Taylor 0121 550 3295
- Annual General Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> May - see Commodore's note - we need your input and support.
- Club Open Day 7<sup>th</sup> May - contact Dorian Roe
- Free Race Training for Novices 13<sup>th</sup> May - training & race prep starts 9.00am. Mini novice series will be run on the following 5 Saturdays- contact Mandy Adams
- Family Fun Sailing Afternoons 14<sup>th</sup> May, 11<sup>th</sup> June, 9<sup>th</sup> July, 13<sup>th</sup> Aug, 10<sup>th</sup> Sept - Contact Mandy Adams 01562 885735 - helpers needed!
- Club Barbecue 10<sup>th</sup> June - details later
- Mirror Midland Open 25<sup>th</sup> June - contact Mandy Adams 01562 885735
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### *Help - Your club needs you!*

- We need more new members if you have any ideas or can help please contact [dave.watton@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:dave.watton@tiscali.co.uk) .

*What do you think?- Lets have your feedback to [dave.watton@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:dave.watton@tiscali.co.uk)*