



The Nickey Summer 2010

The newsletter of the Peel Sailing and Cruising Club

Looking Back

Peel Regatta was held on Sunday 16th May was a very good day!! in fact it was an excellent day!! the fact that I came 3rd out of 15, and the first of the Peel boats has nothing to do with it!!! Eauvation from Douglas that literally does win everything did indeed win! Congratulations to Debbie and Jason Corlett and their crew, Shellan from Port St. Mary came 2nd, considering it is a Dehler 36 and manned by only 2 think it did exceedingly well ! so congratulations to Richard Baker and his sister.

We had a total of 7 visiting boats for the cruiser race which was great, we of course invited to their Regattas, it would be lovely if some boats did attend, I am hoping to, details in the Forthcoming events.

There wasn't so many dinghies this year, only 8 I think but congratulations to everyone who took part. If anyone has the details of the results please send to Ruth and we'll add the results to the website.

Thank you to everyone who laid on the lovely Regatta tea, with soup as well, everyone is still talking about Roses' Cheese scones!

It was great fun in the Rocket House with all the camaraderie between the clubs as they awaited the results, and enjoyed a few scoops. We even had several visitors on boats who were not competing, just came to join in the fun! A true Regatta Day!

'Come dine with me'

We have had 3 to date, all very good - I was lucky enough to be at all 3!!

First by Georgie Birchenough, who set the bar very high, a lovely 3 course meal, assisted by waitress Martin, how did he do it in that starched white apron, over a tight fitting black pencil skirt, complete with high heels!!!

Just like the TV programme we are having a 'secret' scoring on each meal, (my informant says she faired very well indeed!!)

Second meal was by Andy Ferris and was an Indian theme, same format of 3 courses, all again very high quality, he was ably assisted by Julie Marshall, as Maitre'd, I hear scoring was again high!

Third meal by our own Commodore..... what's his name..... Andy Hall! Ably assisted by Isabel, his was a more localised theme, despite being capped at 18, he managed to squeeze in 24 I think!! Probably thought would help with the voting!!

We are awaiting meal number 4, I have promised to do one in the winter, or autumn. There are rumblings that one is afoot!!!

The reason we're holding the 'Come Dine With Me' evenings is to celebrate our lovely new cooker, and raise some funds for the club.



For those that may be new, the 'Come Dine With Me' evenings are usually held on a Saturday night, when the club would normally be closed. The evening starts off in the bar, with pre-dinner drinks and purchasing our wine to take upstairs where the host serves a three course dinner. The evening finishes off back in the bar with liquors and drinks and the secret voting. One forgets just what a stunning view is to be had from upstairs!! So if you fancy your chance at being the next Nigella, or Marco Pierre White, just let the Committee know!!

You won't be left with the 'washing-up' either, as there appears to be washing up fairies to hand! (don't know that young Marc would like this classification!!!).



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Traditional Boat Weekend

The Traditional boat weekend is Friday 30th July to Sunday 1st Aug



At last count entries are 27 Trad boats, and 5 Associates, but always a lot of late entries! In the Rocket House window will be mobile numbers for visiting Trad boaters, so that they can have a point of contact, at all times, (nothing worse than a 'lost' Trad boater losing his/her bearings!!)

The format is to be the same as last few years:

Friday evening - complimentary supper in the Rocket House for the Trad boaters and local musicians, swapping of sailing experiences! The bar will be open as usual to our members, do come down and soak up the atmosphere, maybe put your bunting out on your boats, enjoy the spectacle!!

Saturday on the water - Skippers briefing in the Rocket house 11am with the parade of sail 2pm.

Saturday on land - The 'Quick and Dirty' boat building competition, again sponsored by Davisons Ice-cream starts at 9.30am on the Tongue, £25 per entry, You can download entry forms from the Trad Boat website - <http://www.peeltraditionalboat.org> or contact Scutch 482982 for more details. Last year there were 6 entries, and all very unique, and most importantly they all made it across the harbour!! Wonderful designs too!! Prize money in the universal currency of beers and money donated to the Charity of your choice!!

There is also a 'Heaving Line' competition; there are to be 3 classes Men, Women and Children with prizes for each class. Contact Nigel Burden - 480621 - for details on this.

Saturday evening for the Trad boat crew there will be a BBQ in the yard. The Prize Presentation is scheduled for 8pm ish, always entertaining!! Always good to hear who made what gaff!! And there may be another treat..... wait and see!! There will be the auction of Nicola Dixons painting which of course, is the design on each year's t-shirt. Always lovely, how clever is that girl, and living right here in Peel! Nic is a good supporter of the Trad weekend - www.nicoladixon.com



Sunday day - Parade of Sail at 2pm, not to be confused with PSCC race, We will have a different course, as these lovely boats cannot move as niftily as our little plastic boats!! Don't forget its Carnival day too in Peel, how good can a day get?! With the Purple Helmets too!!

Sunday night is Survivors night, for those that don't head off after the Parade of Sail, with luck a bit of a sing song may occur!!

This year 'Pride of Man 2' is going to be round in Peel and is the 'charity' there will be buckets going around, please do help support this worthy charity, and let others enjoy our wonderful sport!

Mike Clark is the person to contact with your offers of help; contact Mike on 450146 or mclark@manx.net This may be to assist with the serving of food, gathering up the dishes or selling the Trad boat products.

There are a good selection of Trad boat products which will be on a table outside the Sailing Club if the weather is good! There will be boat Pennants too at £12, you can pre order these.



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The Club bar is likely to be busy and again offers of help there will be greatly appreciated, as we all want to enjoy the weekend, PLEASE Don't leave it to others to muck in, as the saying goes, you get out of life what you put in!!!

There is of course a great Website 'Peel Trad Boat' and a 'Facebook' site too! There are links from Peel Sailing Club website - click on Links - so no excuse.

Other Dates for Your Diary

Saturday 17th July Viking Long Boat Races, PSCC are putting in a team, called appropriately '3 sheets to the wind' with our very own dashing polo shirts, team of 5 male and 5 female rowers, Andy Hall is the man to see if you want to be on the team or be a reserve, so it will be "yoho ho and a bottle of rum" then!! It's always a good laugh (altho when actually busting a gut on the oar one tends to forget this bit!) and trying to row in unison with the others, and keeping those noisy coxon's sweet maybe not everyone's cup of tea!!

Can you guess where the signing in is and the prize giving?!?!?!? Yes at our very own club, again volunteers for bar duty would be made most welcome!!

Sunday 1st August Peel Carnival Day

Peel Town Commissioners supply a great cup for the event (that would look sooooo good in my house!!)

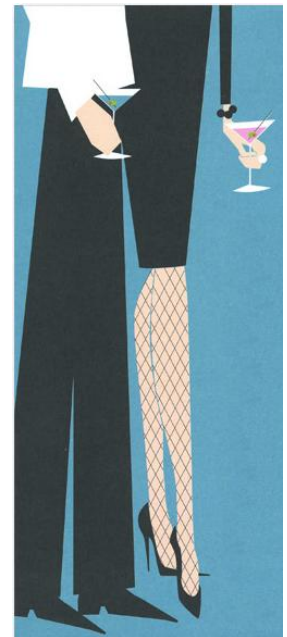


Racing starts at 2pm, and on land the parade, stalls, and a steel band make it a good day out!! It's great that we keep these Manx Traditional days out. Like 'Peel Day' in TT week, which sees hundreds if not thousands visit, and enjoy Peels Great Hospitality!

Saturday 30th October 2010 - The Annual Prize-giving and Dinner Dance

We are, dare I say it, not only trying a new venue, but also a new format!! Oh no, some of you shout!! Well oh yes, and further more bring it on!!! The other clubs have 'black tie' and posh frock affairs, and very good they are too!!

We are not going as far as that but would like suits, or at least jacket, shirt and tie, and ladies in their bestest outfits!!



Long or cocktail length, low fronts are not compulsory but are generally well received!! Isn't it nice to make an effort, and dress up? Come on now be honest!! I don't mean to discriminate, of course you men too may wear dresses if you wish, but again..... smart!!! (In fact there is a dress code anyway for golf clubs, of I think no jeans, trainers, or T-shirts!)

We also have a change of entertainment so get the date in your diary & no swanning of to Brazil like last year!!

Racing & Thank You's

The racing season is well under way, with a very good turn out of boats at these times.

There are still a few boats who may want to try racing, but haven't, give it a go! Trust me it's all



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very friendly, and a lot of fun (in my case often frustration as the bigger boats overtake me)!!



A big Thank You to Scutch our Race Officer of the Day who sends us an email with the results. If you can't open the results in the email attachment you can look on the Peel Sailing Club Website for results – click on Racing then Results. Ruth very kindly puts them on for us, in addition to her formatting this Nickey, and sailing on Diatus Aire and doing the Parish Walk, is there no end to that girls talent?!?!)

Other big Thank You's must go to Dave Warrilow, for his wonderful handy work in the club, for painting, joinery in the Rocket House.

His wife Ruth too for the very successful 50/50 draw; winners to date are Georgie Birchenough, 1st and last draw, and Robin Rose!! Please don't forget to buy your 'numbers' for a £1, as the name suggests 50% to the winner and 50% to the club!

Another big thank you goes to Martin Birchenough who really has done an excellent job on the tiling of the new ladies shower/toilet, that's the walls and floor. Hopefully this will be fully functioning again soon, please do stop and admire his handy work, (gosh if you weren't married, I'd coax you to my house to have a night on the tiles with me!!!) now there's a thought to make you heave a sigh of relief!!!

Rose Blackwell has been doing more than her fair share of the bar, we do appreciate it. A few new faces to be seen there are Jill Bloom and Wendy Skit, to name a few. The rota for July is now out and a few blank slots are waiting for you!!

Thanks to Robin Rose who not only sorts out the bar, and doing the rota but mans it too!! Not to forget that Robin sends out the interim notices of events, and looks after the club membership too!! A big Thank You to him too, for all his time and effort!

Rocket House

There have been a few events held in the Rocket House of late including a wedding and a christening. Guests have commented on the good venue and wonderful views. Please do promote the club for events such as these, or for meetings, celebrations etc. It's all welcome revenue which in turn gets ploughed back into the club for us all to benefit from. You would be surprised who holds what in there (that has you all intrigued now doesn't it?!)

Have you been upstairs to admire not only our fabulous cooker (it really does make you want to cook!!) but also our fabulous new flooring, Wow!! Can't mention that it's that fabulous Karn dean stuff, but it looks a treat!!!! We also have a radiator in the corridor to make it cosy in the winter!!

Just hope you are all enjoying our great weather, and getting out on your boats as much as possible, PJ2 (that's Pamela Jane 2nd!!) says she is really enjoying the sun and loves being on the pontoons!! This has been reflected in her doing quite well in some of the races, Two 3rds, a 4th and a 5th!! Was it mentioned that she was 3rd overall, and she was the first Peel boat in the Regatta out of 15 yes, 15!!!! Well it would be rude not to mention it!!!

Have yourself a great summer with great sailing!!!

Anything you want including in the Nickey send to me valquayle2@manx.net or 675083 or 462347

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