

May 2009

**DHEKELIA
SAILING
CLUB
NEWSLETTER**



Rear Commodore' Report

SAILS

Would all members please take note that any sails left hanging to dry are to be removed by the person hanging them as soon as possible and not later than 7 days after hanging.

WHAT TO DO WHEN RIGGING

When hoisting sails, the dinghies should always be facing into wind. I have noticed that some people seem to be unaware of where the wind is coming from and this has resulted in an L2K mainsail being torn. Due to this, 22032 is now not to be used until the Regatta, as the sail has now got a very limited life. The club is not in a position to replace these sails yet so if they are damaged beyond use, the L2Ks will be out of service. Be warned those of you that use the club boats or you may not have a boat to sail. Please take care with all the club equipment.

RACE SHEETS

When signing on for races, please fill the race sheet in fully and legibly, if we can't read it or if information is missing you won't get a result and at the end of the year you might just have missed out on a trophy because of it. Race results for trophies will be worked out on personal handicaps, so if you don't enter yours, you won't get a result.

REGATTA

As most of you are probably aware, our Regatta is at the end of this month, 29/30/31 May. Help is always needed for these events and we are having our last regatta meeting this Sunday (10th May) after sailing. Please come along and offer your support and assistance.

Wednesday 26th May is a work afternoon to get the club ready for the Regatta, *please come along and help.*

NEW LASERS

The new lasers are up and running but at the moment are restricted to people racing and preparing for the Regatta, please treat them with respect. They are not to be used for casual sailing.

I hope to have the rest of the sails numbered this week. Anyone wishing to use one for the Regatta needs to speak to Andy Cherry and get a specific boat allocated then you can make sure that all the controls are operating to your satisfaction.

See you on the water.

Chris Dodds

REGATTA PARTY

Saturday 30th May - 7pm until midnight

€10 including Disco and Meze Dinner

Tickets available from the Club Bar or Dave Jackson.

DSC REGATTA 29th-31st May 2009

This is the biggest event of the year and there are lots of ways that members can help with the organization and running of the Regatta - even if you are racing!

- **Bar** - volunteers are needed to do 2 hour shifts on the Saturday and Sunday. Please add your name and contact number in the appropriate area on the rota , which will be on the club notice board from Saturday 9th.
- **Cakes** - We need all you bakers to make cakes to sell over the bar, the response last year was brilliant! Please bring them along on the day.
- **Rescue Boat** - if you are qualified, please contact **Pete Whiting** vern3449@yahoo.co.uk

Bosun's Report

BATTLEBACK

The club has been asked to provide some sailing helms on Monday morning May 25th to take no more than 8 disabled soldiers sailing. Anyone interested in helping please contact me.

SCOUT WEEK, JULY 4TH - 11TH

The club has also been asked to give 65 Cypriot Scouts a tri-sail, during this week. I have suggested Mon., Wed., and Friday but I need help from sailors and rescue boat drivers. Please email me if you are available any of those days. They are willing to pay 5 euros a scout, which means income for the club. They also allow us to use Scout Wood for camping, when we have Regattas or Team Racing so some reciprocation is good.

NOVICE TROPHY, Sun 26th April

5 sailors entered this race: Stacey, Andrea, Ben, Lynn and Paul. Congratulations to Ben Tatem and his crew Steve Kimberley for winning.

SERIES RACING

The new Series starts on Sunday, May 3rd. Results from the last series will be published asap

RESCUE BOATS

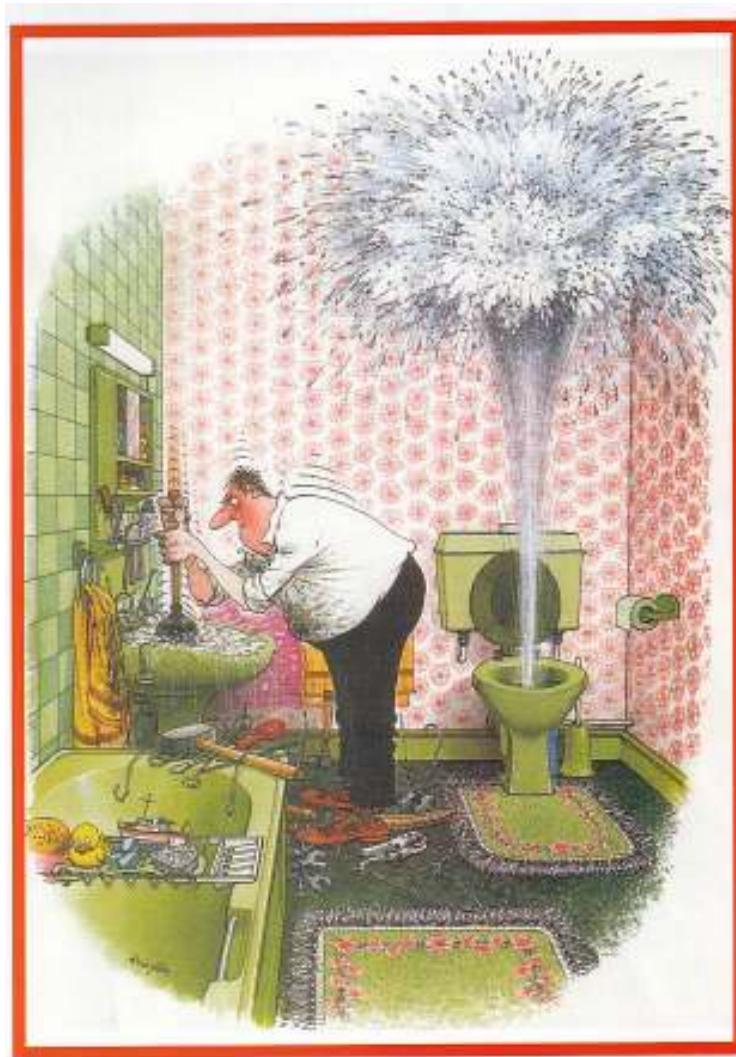
As I am always asked which boat should be used, I think it is time we had a roster as the UN will not be using any in the near future.

I suggest Wed duty people bring down the suggested boat and leave it on the hard with its cover on ready for use on the following Sat and Sun. As Sunday is the most popular sailing day Sunday sailors could haul that boat back up and then the next boat on the roster could be pulled down on the following Wed. *Anyone any other ideas?*

NB PLEASE PUT AWAY ANYTHING YOU GET OUT, be it a sunbed or a boat!

PS My personal thanks go to Pete Whiting and Alan Gaddass for spending a whole morning clearing a way to the Ladies.

Iris. **thorcor@cytanet.com.cy**



**Please forward your captions to Pete Whiting
at**

(vern3449@yahoo.co.uk).

Help wanted....

There are often jobs at the club that need an expert! If you know a plumber or electrician who would be willing to volunteer their services please let Pete Whiting have their contact details. (vern3449@yahoo.co.uk).

Thank you...

Many thanks to Donna Tatem, for all her hard work as House Member in the past year. She has now handed the reins to Sally Higham.

DIARY DATE

Saturday 4th July 2009 - Shipwreck Party!

Watch this space for more details!

Finally...

All contributions for the newsletter are welcome. Please let me have them by the 25th of the preceding month. Email: editor@dhekeliasailing.com

Rachel Gresswell