The Buccaneer Boating Group



No 223 - Summer 2015



A traditional boat on Barton Turf - the location for the "Have a Go Weekend"which was run by Colin Knight in 2015. It is located in Norfolk. which is also where this year's National Feast of Lanterns will be held.

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SPRING EDITION Articles to the Editor by Saturday 20th February 2016 Editor: margaret.thompson@gmail.com

The Committee wish to reiterate the guide-lines on any pictures that may be used for publicity purposes.

Any person submitting pictures featuring children which may be used for publicity purposes by the Club, must provide the name of the child/children featured and the associated permission slips for those children, signed by the parent/guardian. Slips are available from Stewards or Group Secretary

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As this is my last report I would like thank all the committee for their support as well as the regional advisors and stewards without them all the group wouldn't function.

The group provided 1502 site nights in 2014 across 9 THS' and 12 shorter meets this year which is a huge achievement for a group our size.

With careful budgeting a small surplus was made in 2014 year however the underlying cost of the group is greater than this and had all our committee attended all the committee meetings the group would have made quite a loss. This situation could be improved by more members taking the Colour electronic version of Buccaneer and singing our praises to encourage new members to join.

The webmaster has also continued to upgrade the website and the Buccaneer is one of the things available in the member's area if you want to have a look at it.

However the future is in serious doubt unless we have people willing to take on roles for the group. No-one new has indicated a willingness to join the committee this year and it is shrinking. Our appointed officers Treasurer and National Parks/Sites have indicated that they will complete their appointment to the end of this calendar year and then retire which will leave more vacancies. Without a treasurer the group will have to close once Phil's term of office ends in January. Without our National Parks/Sites officer there will be no THS's beyond 2016 as these are mainly set up in the Spring of the previous year. They are both willing to train their successors but those successors need to have been identified so that they can be appointed at our October committee meeting. The group also lacks future proofing as we don't have newer blood in training to come through to be a Commodore of the future.

Please support your group and new Commodore Margaret Thompson, step up to the challenge and help our group to continue providing happy times for lots of people.

Tracy Mc Laughlin

Immediate past Commodore

Many thanks to all who have sent in articles for this edition of Buccaneer –please keep them coming. Photographs are most welcome too.

The email edition of Buccaneer has many more photos than the printed edition —and they are in colour!!! Why not contact the webmaster & ask for your Buccaneer by email?— Ed.

Barton Turf Weekend meet July 2015

A group of us arrived at Barton Turf Adventure Centre the first weekend in July in glorious sunshine. Everyone had a very good day on Saturday mostly out on the water - one member said he had such a good day on the Saturday that he wasn't going out on the water on Sunday, not wanting to spoil the memory of Saturday. Saturday evening BBQ was enjoyed by all and then a number of us were taken on a Bat Walk by Sheila Fishwick - one of the site staff.

Barton Turf has been provisionally booked again for 2016, but we need a steward if this meet is to run. The site is ideal for sailing, and training can be arranged for those who wish.

Diana & Colin Knight Vice Commodore



Meet at Blackwater Sailing Club

The meet was attended by 4 motorhomes and a caravan and whilst it would have been nice to have had more, it was only the first meet at this venue. This cosy bunch of campers made for a pleasant meet with BBQ evenings and get togethers in the rather posh clubhouse.

The camping area is hardstanding with a limited number of electric points at no extra charge and the use of club showers. The campers who had boats enjoyed sailing on a very large expanse of water subject to two hours either side of high tide –mixing it up with the famous Thames Barges on their tourist jaunts and a sail up to Malden itself.

There is also a reasonable training lake for our use when the tides are out great for the little ones and canoes, with grass banks to lounge on if you get lucky with the sunshine. There was very little of it on this occasion but it did not dampen the spirits –with long walks along the banks of the Malden. There are also some pubs and a café 15 minutes away.

A much appreciated attempt to find a venue in Southern England by Bob Yates.

Sunny weather next time would be the icing on the cake!

Gary Jenkins



It used not to be a problem when we had a motorhome as we could tow a dinghy on a trailer, but now as we are of an age where we find the comfort of a caravan and a separate car an advantage, it has become necessary to have a smaller boat than the Wayfarer and so we car-top a Mirror Dinghy.

As the Mirror is shorter than the car it would be difficult if not dangerous for two people to lift on and anyway I would certainly not be capable of lifting 40 kgs on to the roof by myself and would not want to rely on others to help.

I have seen advertised very nicely engineered aluminium loading mechanisms for canoes and kayaks but for a very nicely engineered price, so I decided to make my own from DIY store pine stripwood, some scrap ply and coach bolts all for the modest sum of £25 pounds. I have more time than money now, you see!

The roof rack bars are commercial branded and approved rails to which my rack fixes. The idea is for the boat to be wheeled up on its launch trolley (which is lightweight and collapsible) beside the car. The boat is then "capsized" on to the loading arms, which are hinged to the ends of the roof bars and then the loading arms are raised to horizontal whereupon a set of legs drop down to hold it up. The boat is then pushed sideways to slide from the arms onto the roof - simple! Getting the boat off is just a reverse of the process, of course.

The loading arms and associated supports are then detached from the roof bars and the whole lot disassembles to fit into a bag just leaving the roof bars in place. There are a few small refinements I have made to protect the gunwales, ease the sliding and secure the boat, but I hope the pictures show the idea.

This is my first year with the Boating Group and we hope to attend a variety of meets as well as many of the Club Sites that are by the water, so it should be put to good use.



Letter from the new Commodore

At the Committee meeting after the AGM I was appointed as Commodore for the Boating Group.

Colin Knight reluctantly agreed to be Vice Commodore. The other officers are unchanged as you can see in the Buccaneer. Mel Hill (CCC Vice Chairman) is now attending our meetings as the Club representative (he has replaced Keith Jackson who has been our rep for some time).

I have been on the committee for a number of years now and have been editor of the Buccaneer for the last few. When I first joined the committee I had the job of sorting out the meets spreadsheet but have now passed this over to Beryl Ireland.

I have attended a number of meets – Bala, Rother Valley, Chertsey, Wolverley to name a few, and have stewarded at the NFoL and Rother Valley several times, and will be your steward at Keswick in September.

When I was younger I was an instructor for the BCU, and have also done various sailing qualifications. My children have all flown the nest now but all are competent sailors. I helped to organise a Scout & Guiding Water Activities Event (Splashdown) for over a thousand youngsters for 30 years. (Yes I have been a Guide Guider -& a Scouter- for years!!).

Since I became the Commodore in April, we have had to make some difficult decisions. Some meets have had to be cancelled (Bewl Sailing Club went into Administration so we have not been able to go there), Linch Hill (the fisherman voted to not allow sailing on their waters), Parrog was cancelled due to lack of stewards –but was later reinstated when some were found but this was not a good situation to find ourselves in. We have not got a steward for Rutland Water in September –we had found someone but they had to drop out due to a family situation. Would anyone like to do this –stewarding is not a big job –Maggie Poulson will help you & we now have spreadsheets set up to take all the maths out of stewarding & the Treasurer can help filling them in.

BUT we need a new Treasurer – Phil has done a terrific job but now wishes to retire –this will happen at the start of the New Year so it is urgent that someone is found before the meeting in October –preferably so that they can 'shadow' Phil to learn the job. The Boating Group **cannot exist** without a treasurer so this is **URGENT**. There are 2 other members of the committee who have been treasurer many years ago so help is always going to be there but we need someone for this post.

We also need to appoint a THS / National Parks Officer to co-ordinate /arrange our Holiday Meets. Mike has done this for a number of years and has already sorted out 2016 meets, but those for 2017 need to be thought about and arranged in the early part of 2016 (to meet the time scales necessary to get the appropriate planning etc approval)

The committee could do with some more members – I myself have a few posts – Commodore, Yorkshire Region rep & Editor of Buccaneer (Yes –this Buccaneer is very late – I have been working 2 -& sometimes 3- jobs - mainly away from home- since taking over as Commodore & the Buccaneer has suffered for which I apologise profusely).

It would be nice to have more committee members to spread the jobs round. Anyone fancy being editor?? –I am an illiterate mathematician after all.

I hope to meet many of you as I go on various meets around the country.

Please can you think about helping to steward at a meet. Also to join the committee – we only have 3 meetings a year – any other correspondence tends to be by email or phone. Travel expenses are paid. If you are interested please contact ANY member of the committee – we would love to have you aboard.

Margaret Thompson

Synopsis of 2015 AGM

- Attended by Mel Hill and 19 Boating Group members.
- Commodore reviewed the past year
- Treasurer presented the 2014 accounts which have been audited.-these were as in previous Buccaneer.
- The meeting was advised that Phil Barber had been appointed as Treasurer for 2015.
- Diane McKay was appointed as Auditor.
- Peter Maltby remains as Vice President.
- Margaret Thompson, Beryl Ireland, Colin Knight were elected to the Council
- Two positions on the Council were vacant
- Next AGM is on 16th April 2016 at Dunham on Trent village hall (Dunham & District Millennium Centre), Main St, Dunham-on-Trent, Newark.

Synopsis of Council Meeting after AGM.

- Margaret Thompson was appointed Commodore.
- Colin Knight was appointed Vice Commodore.
- Other appointments remain unchanged, with the PRO vacant.
- Beryl Ireland will chair the Meets subcommittee and Tracy McLaughlin chair for Publicity and recruitment subcommittee.
- Stewarding of meets has to be agreed before publication or meets would have to be cancelled.
- Next meeting will be Saturday 10th October 2015- Wolverley Camping and Caravanning Club Site

MEMBERS MEETING FOLLOWING AGM 2015/16

The Mel Shore and Alf Gardner trophies were awarded. The Alf Garner trophy went to Dave Wooldridge for the training input he is doing at his local sailing club & meets. The Mel Shore Trophy went to David Batty for Buccaneer articles. Harriet Hockey was highly recommended.

Question: there was a statement in the 2014 AGM minutes where it was stated that the Group needed 700 members to stay afloat but the numbers had declined again since that meeting.

Response: financially the Group is surviving on a "wing and a prayer" but this is not sustainable and there needs to be more members opting to stay in the Group.

Question: would changing the way the Group is constituted help?

Response: The decline in membership for the Boating Group is mirrored in the Regions and in other sections. The change in the way the Club gained members – principally at shows – had resulted in more "free" membership of sections but very few actually went on to pay for membership in subsequent years. The Club membership had actually increased; but the increasing requirement of members for electric hook up did mean that most DA and section meets could not provide that facility.

Question: could we try for more joint meets with DAs/ other sections who had planned meets beside water and could there be more 4/5 day meets. This may help in encouraging others to join the Boating Group.

Response: where possible programmes for other section DA are reviewed to see if any joint meets can be arranged, but it does come back to having more members actively involved in the Committee and in organising meets.

Question: how is the current membership spread over the country? Response: generally the most are in the Midlands and south of there. The Member-

ship Secretary undertook to review the spread of membership and report back to the Committee.

The Boating Group already has links with the RYA and there could be opportunities for recruiting sailors who like to camp. The RYA "Push the Boat Out" programme is on $9^{th} - 17^{th}$ May, however the only suitable meet would have been Linch Hill – now cancelled.

Question: why is the Bala meet tents only?

Response: there were historical reason for this, which may not still apply, this would be investigated further.

The Boating Group does not undertake any water borne training due to the cost of insurance. Fund raising was an option but there still needed to be more members and more people who were able and prepared to get involved in organising meets.

The Mel Shore & Alf Gardner Trophies 2015/16

Calling all younger members of the Boating Group

The Mel Shore Trophy is an award for the best contribution to the Buccaneer. It was set up in honour of one of our much loved former editors of the magazine. In addition to the award the committee have added a £75 bursary to be spent on a water sports course or qualification. Your entry could be a picture, a story, an article, a poem or anything else linked to water, boats or the Boating Group. So come on kids get writing or drawing and you could be the winner.

Mel died in 2008 after a long battle with cancer. He is fondly remembered by many as Editor of the Buccaneer and as an enthusiastic and knowledgeable sailor who was always prepared to cheerfully offer advice on sailing matters. The Mel Shore trophy was commissioned and made by Mike Wooldridge and first presented at our 40^{th} anniversary meet.

The award is open to any young person (under the age of 18) who is a child or grandchild of a Boating Group member. Please send all entries by e-mail or in writing to Colin Knight.

The Alf Gardner Trophy has been awarded to Boating Group youngsters for many years. It will be awarded to a child or grandchild of a Boating Group member (under 18 years) who achieves something special, no matter how big or small, on the water or linked to their water sport. Achievements will be considered on merit. Again the committee have added a £75 bursary to be spent on a water sports course or qualification towards waterborne training.

Alf Gardner was an early member of the Boating Group from 1973 until his death in 1978. He was one of many members of the Mirror Association who joined us when we arranged joint rallies. He was an enthusiastic sailor supporting events in the Midlands and nationally The trophy in memory of Alf was agreed in 1978 -9 and was carved by committee member Bill Lee with the brass work arranged by Colin Edwards. The trophy was originally presented at the Rutland meet to the crew (under 16) who had the best results competing in the Rutland regatta which was held during our meet at that time. . We understand that he missed our first Rutland meet due to ill health. If any members have any further memories of Alf we would love to hear them.

Nominations can be made by stewards, parents or relatives. Again send all nominations to Colin Knight, in writing or by email.

Each Trophy can only be won once by any individual.

Remember 'You have to be in it to win it' The closing date for entries will be 1st April 2016, But don't wait till then. SEND YOUR ENTRIES IN NÓW To Colin Knight, 3 Court Garth, Kempsey, Worcester, WR53JJ email:Colin@home-farm.org.uk

WEBSITE - MEMBERS AREA

Following a number of requests we have created a 'member's area' on the website that is only available by entering a password. The area is under the 'more' section drop down menu on the right hand side. The password can be obtained from the webmaster by completing a 'contact us' form also under the 'more' section. Please do not forget to quote your membership number. In this section we have been adding forms & information that you will find useful when camping with the Boating Group. It's 'work-in -progress'. A copy of the Boating Group magazine can be downloaded from here along with a list of sites where boating is available. Any suggestions for further information are welcome.

John G. Bolton. Webmasterr

BOATING GROUP EVENTS PROGRAMME

General Information.

The meets programme for 2015 is printed for your reference. Please contact the steward for the latest situation regarding fees, availability, directions etc., before booking. If you haven't been to a BG meet before the procedure is simple.

For **Temporary Holiday Meets (THS)** send your booking form (see P.25) with a cheque made payable to the CCC Boating Group to the meets steward (unless specified otherwise) ASAP (and an SAE (if you are not on email) for their reply). If all the places have gone the steward will contact you. You can then either have your cheque back & book another meet or be kept on the waiting list. You can avoid this inconvenience by telephoning – or emailing – the steward first (recommended) to confirm a place is available & book it-but you must then send in the cheque (or fee by BACS) & form straight away otherwise you will lose your place (in fairness to other members). If paying by BACS please include the App Code in the reference-it is included in the meet info –it ends '/ 2015'.

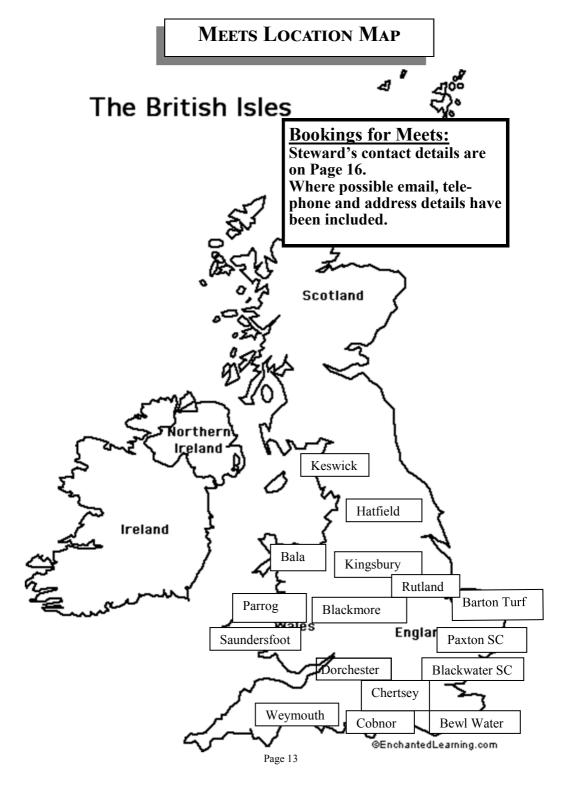
For weekend & 5 day meets you are advised to email or phone the steward first to register your interest and make sure a place is put aside for you (if booking is necessary), then send in a booking form (they can be emailed). **Do not send in any money** (unless specified) with your booking form as fees are usually collected in cash on site.

Remember!! If you have booked a meet and you have to cancel for whatever reason **please**, **please** tell the steward at once. Whether you have paid any money or not is irrelevant. It is polite to email or phone and cancel, since many sites have limited spaces the stewards will almost certainly be able to fill your vacancy from their waiting list if given fair warning. Remember, play fair, one day it could be you on the waiting list!

To contact a steward see P.16. Also look at the committee and contacts pages near the back of the Buccaneer and contact Beryl Ireland, the Chairman of the Meets Management Committee if you would consider stewarding one of these – or any meets in the future. We are always pleased to receive offers of help with stewarding and there is a 'Meet Pack' & 'Spreadsheet' for each site which makes the whole job a lot easier. Without stewards there would be no meets and it really isn't that difficult to do. The work of our existing stewards is highly valued and appreciated.

Please note that the fees in the meet details are for a 'unit' of two adults and two children, extra persons *may* have to be paid for.

We seek them here, we seek them there –DO YOU know anyone who could volunteer to — join our committee???? ——-or —-steward a meet?????



Boating Group Programme for 2015

Start Date:	End Date:	Venue	Location	Stewards	
2015	2015	MEET LOG			
Mon 10 Aug	Sun 23 Aug	THS BEWL WATER		cancelled	
Thu 13 [.] Aug	Sun 16 _° Aug	LINCH HILL	Oxon	Beryl & Dave Ireland	_
Mon 24th Aug	Tues 1₌ Sept	THS WEYMOUTH	Dorset	Gary & Glenda Jenkins	
Fri 28₌ Aug	Mon 31st Aug	NFoL Houghton Hall	Eastern Reg	Margaret Thompson & John Bolton	
				SEPTEMBER	
Thu 3 _″ Sept	Tues 8₌ Sept	RUTLAND WATER	E Mid- lands	Bkgs to Pauline & Beric Thrupp . Steward req'd	
Fri 11₌ Sept	Sun 13₌ Sept	COBNOR	Chichester	Tim & Trish Hewitt	-
Th 10₌ Sept	Th 17₌Sept	THS KESWICK	Lake District	Margaret Thomp- son	
				OCTOBER	
Fri 9₌ Oct	Sun 11₌ Oct	Wolverley CCC Site	W. Mids	Bkgs To Tracy McLaughlin	
1. Full Facilities – Commercial Site or Similar				se of Facilities – Own ties desirable	

Stewards are required for events marked STEWARD REQUIRED. CAN YOU HELP? If so please

Restrictions Type		Sanita- tion	Training
	MEET LOG		
CANCELLED			
CANCELLED	CANCELLED. See P 21		
Boating in Portland Harbour, 5mins from site with parking fees			Y
No Sailing	MAJOR CLUB EVENT	3	N
No Canoes	Campsite adjacent to Sailing Club Large Reservoir	3	Y
Harbour, Tidal. No Catamarans Sailboards or boats over 16'			N
Large Lake Club Site	Launching from site All electric service pitches are now booked ONLY Grass Pitches (no electric) available NOW.	1	N
Committee meeting on Sat	Canoeing with BCU or EA licence	1	N
3. Own Facilities essential			

e contact Beryl Ireland as soon as possible, otherwise these events may have to be cancelled.

STEWARD'S CONTACT DETAILS

For other meet contacts see Committee pages

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You may note that addresses are now not included in the Buccaneer. The committee considered a suggestion from a member at the meeting in January & agreed not to include them in future.



A spitfire display at the NFoL in Newark a few years ago.

Trevor is building another plane for this year's NFoL display.

Why not come & see it? See P.19 for more info.

Cobnor Fri 11th— Sun 13^{tth} Sept; (M / 2015)

Map ref: 197/791024

Postcode: PO18 8TE

Cobnor is a minimum facility site for all units and your own sanitation is essential. There are good launching facilities for boats up to 16' into Chichester Harbour. But regrettably no boats larger than this, multihulls or windsurfers are allowed to launch. Chichester Harbour offers some great sailing, canoeing or small craft under engine with locations such as Dell Quay or Bosham being ideal destinations. There are also a variety of picnic destinations for expeditions out. Lovely walks from the site and also great country lanes for quiet bike rides.

To find the site, turn off the A27 on to the A259, turn left into Chidham Lane, almost opposite the Bosham (Beefeater) just *before* Nutbourne, if travelling west. If travelling East, it's just after ,at the end of Chidham Lane (1.2M) turn left into a private road marked **Cobnor Farm and House**. The site is through the farmyard past Gerald Daniel and Cobnor Activity Centre, then 50 yards on the right.

Booking not essential but phone call or e-mail to stewards would be appreciated.

Cost £6.50 p / adult £3.50 / child p/n Harbour Fees to pay Tim and Trish Hewitt (Sept) -

KONTENDER DINGHY

FOR SALE

Kontender Folding Dinghy (Mirror Size) Very good condition, complete with original and new white sails, aluminum two part launching trolley.

Sale due to bereavement. £1000.00 o.n.o Jenny Williams Jenny.at.marshend@talktalk.net





Linch Hill Leisure Park, Nr Witney, Oxon. 14—17 May ; 23 – 26 July; 13—16 August All meets for 2015 at LINCH HILL cancelled

We have only recently been advised by the owners of Linch Hill that the Boating Group will no longer be allowed to camp and sail at Linch Hill. The site is predominantly for a syndicate fishing group, and is one of the top fishing lakes in the country. Although the Boating Group has been using this venue for over 20 years sharing the lake amicably with the fishermen on our camping weekends, it would appear that members of the current syndicate are opposed to us being there. It is regrettable, therefore, that the owners, after balloting their members feel they can no longer accommodate the three boating group fixtures for this year.

I am sure that those of you who have joined us in the past will be as disappointed as we are at losing this site, one of our personal favourites and one of the favourites of many of our younger members. But as they say "All good things must come to an end."

Beryl and Dave Ireland

STEWARDS REQUIRED

We seek them here, we seek them there DO YOU know anyone who would like to:-

volunteer to join our committee??

If so, contact your committee, they could even arrange for you to sit in on a committee meeting to find out what is involved.

or steward a meet???

If so contact Beryl Ireland or Maggie Poulson, Meet Management have put together a handbook and spreadsheet to take care of all the hard work.

NFoL

Houghton Hall Deer Park, Nr Kings Lynn. Booking Essential Fri 28th Aug — Sun 30th Aug (but it is possible to extend this an extra day before & after)

There's plenty of additional free entertainment throughout the week for all to enjoy – from live music to dog shows, NFOL has something for everyone! We looking forward to celebrating with you in 2015!

Please see article in January's C & C Club magazine for more details.

Also see NFOL 2015 website....For booking & further details contact the stewards.

The theme in 2015 is 'Celebrate Your County'.

Cost £ 57 for 2 adults (Fri—Sunday) children free. (£ 46 for 1 adult) OR Cost £ 72 for 2 adults (Thurs—Sunday) children free. (£ 61 for 1 adult) OR Cost £ 87 for 2 adults (Thurs—Monday) children free (£76 for 1 adult) Electric hookup is £29 for the duration of stay.

All entertainment included.

No water activities .

Booking form available from C & CC Magazine-

Stewards : Margaret Thompson & John Bolton

It will not be possible to join the Boating Group at this meet —but it <u>may</u> be possible to book & stay on site. You could then visit us anytime. Come & see our display on the Saturday.



Rutland Water

Thurs 3rd Sept — Tues 8th Sept Map ref: 141/922054

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

This is one of the best sailing venues in the country. Boats can be left in the Club's grounds, which are locked at night. Training is available with Rutland Sailing Club by prior arrangement. Local attractions include the market towns of Oakham and Stamford. A great area for cycling and walking with a path around the reservoir. This is a minimum facility site with only a cesspit, water and skips. Canoes and kayaks are not allowed on the reservoir but electric motors are allowed on sailing boats.

Cost approx £8.50 pupn

Launching fee applicable

Contact Maggie Poulson

Steward required



Postcode:LE15 8HJ

Wolverley (App Code HS /2015) Postcode DY10 3PX Map Ref Friday 9th to Sunday 11th October. Booking Essential

This meet will be held at the Club site at Wolverley (subject to confirmation from the Club). The Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal runs near the back gate of the site - BCU membership or a Canal and River Trust licence required. There is plenty to do in the area with walking and a variety of attractions including the Severn Valley Railway, Black Country Museum and Merryhill shopping Centre not far away.

The Boating Group Committee meeting will also be held on site on Saturday.

Bookings to Tracy Mclaughlin required before Wednesday 24th September.

Steward required.

Fees will vary according to pitch type etc but likely to be a max of £30 for the weekend



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YOUR HELP IS NEEDED FOR 2016 PROGRAMME

This is the time of year your Committee plan the Programme for 2016. Without your help in volunteering as a Steward a number of our favourite events may not be able to go ahead in 2016. **So go on get in touch with your committee and put your name forward NOW**. It is not hard work, can be a lot of fun and could mean your favourite location continues. Interested in helping with any of the following?:

AGM weekend in Lincolnshire, Rutland Water Barton Turf weekend, Parrog THS in August Wolverley Club Site in October...... Weymouth.

To volunteer or find out more about what is involved contact any member of the Meets Management Committee

Check, Clean, Dry

Anglian Water Authority have recently introduced a procedure for all clothing and equipment which is to be used on Rutland Water (and probably other sailing waters in their area) to prevent invasive species being transferred from other sailing waters. Briefly,

Check - equipment and clothing for living organisms

Clean- all equipment, footwear and clothes thoroughly before you visit a new sailing venue

Dry – all equipment and clothing. Ensure you don't transfer water Launching trollies and trailers should not be left in the water for any longer than is necessary.

As Boating Group members traditionally use their boats in several locations, we should all be aware of the possibility of transferring unwanted invasive species. Be responsible and start checking your equipment, it may become compulsory in more locations in the future. See AWA website for the full details

<u>Janet Jackson</u>

We were very sorry to hear that Janet Jackson died on 30th July. Janet was the wife of Keith Jackson who was the National Council Representative for the Boating Group for several years and as such attended our Committee Meetings, AGM etc.

He was also the brains behind the Sections Forum..

Janet often accompanied Keith and was always very friendly and helpful - frequently helping with refreshments etc..

Our thoughts are with Keith at this time.

Colin Knight Vice Commodore

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Please send your adverts to the Editor whose decision on suitability is final.

The advert will be inserted for one issue, but may be repeated (space permitting) if you notify the editor before the next copy deadline. Please quote your CCC/BG membership number with all adverts.

NB: Unless instructed otherwise, adverts will also appear on our Web Site with just Christian name and an email address. If you do not have an email address, all contact will be via the Editor

THS MEETS 2015

Bewl Water CANCELLED

Mon 10 to Sun 23 Aug 2015. (M /2015) Map ref: 188/677338 Post Code TN3 8JH

This meet has had to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances at the club itself.

Weymouth, All Saints School. Wyke Regis Monday 24 Aug — Tues 1st September (Apps Code HS3812 /2015)

MR 194/666775

Postcode DT4 9BJ

The Group camp in the grounds of All Saints School, Sunnyside Road, just off the Portland Road. This a nice flat site with far reaching views across Portland Harbour.

Weymouth town & main beaches are a short bus ride or a 15 minute drive away, or around 40 minutes walk with views along the cliff tops. There is usually a fireworks display in the bay. Shops etc and bus stop 5 mins walk. Boating activities take place a 5 mins drive from site with launching from a sand and shingle beach. Great for sailing, sailboarding or canoeing in Portland harbour, home of the 2012 Olympics. Varied social program. Breathable ground sheets only. No dogs. Toilets and showers are available at school although you may prefer to use own facilities..

Fee £12.50 pupn, (NB. New reduced fee for 2015) Advance bookings required

Stewards: Gary & Glenda Jenkins . E-mail booking forms to Gary and send fees direct to Treasurer stating Weymouth THS and app code. (**HS3812 /2015)**. Full fee with booking payable to CCC boating group.

Derwentwater Keswick CC Club Site Thurs 10 - Thurs 17 Sept (Apps Code HS3875 / 2015)

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Map Ref 89/258234

Postcode CA12

5EP The Boating Group have arranged a THS at this very popular Club site making a great autumn break. The site has excellent facilities as you would expect from a Club Site. There are a limited number of pitches available, all with hard-standing and electric hook up. Launching of canoes and small dinghies is possible direct from the site into Derwent Water (a small daily launching fee is charged). It may be possible to launch larger boats from nearby marinas or hire a mooring

The site is a short easy walk to a large supermarket and the centre of Keswick, from here there are frequent bus services to many other areas of the lakes. Keswick has banks, specialist outdoor shops, outdoor market, many eateries and other shops. There are a number of National Trust properties in the area. The area is also great for walks, several of which are available direct from the site. The hop on hop off ferry also runs round Derwent Water so this makes for a great day out. All in all this makes a particularly good THS for motor caravans. Site requirements are only one vehicle per unit per pitch, pitch sizes are strictly enforced Advance booking required. This THS is always popular so get your booking forms off now.

Cost £105 per week £15 per night Launching fees see YBS . Steward: Margaret Thompson Only a few grass pitches left –no electric – bookings direct with site. Info from steward.

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Next meeting of the Boating Group Council

Saturday 10th October 2015 at Wolverley CCC site at 10.30 am.

We need new committee members –if you think you may be interested please contact any member of the committee.

We desperately need a new treasurer –Phil Barber will be finishing at Christmas—we need to find someone by this meeting in October—so that they could 'shadow' Phil for a few months before taking office. Without a treasurer the Boating Group will have to close.

There are other members of the committee who have been treasurer before so there would be plenty of help available.

Please contact Phil or any other member of the committee if you would like to join us. We are a very friendly bunch.

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