



# SPUNYARN

HARDWAY SAILING CLUB NEWSLETTER

17th Edition May 2019

## **Dinghy racing season is underway!**

10 boats on the start line with a variable force 3-4, suiting some of the less experienced sailors.

A variety of abilities, age groups and style of dinghies making up the fleet.

The fleet is split into a fast and slow handicap race.

If it's something you may be interested in and don't own a boat, maybe you would be interested in crew.

Alternatively if you are a capable skipper the club has a selection of dinghies available to borrow.

For further information or details, please contact

**HSC Dinghy Captain  
John Stutchfield**

**dinghycaptain@  
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More pictures on page 2.



## **WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS**



**YOUNGEST HELM OF THE EVENING SAILING HIS MIRROR, AND WINNER OF THE SLOW FLEET RACE, WELL DONE HARRISON CARR!**





## **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO HSC MEMBERS** **WHO HAVE A MOORING POSITION**

THE QUEENS HARBOUR MASTER (QHM) HAVE ISSUED THE CLUB WITH MOORING PERMITS FOR ALL HSC MEMBERS WHO HAVE MOORING POSITIONS.

THESE PERMITS ARE IN THE FORM OF STICKERS WHICH NEED TO BE DISPLAYED ON THE PORT QUARTER OF YOUR VESSEL NO LATER THAN 31ST MAY 2019.

The QHM conditions of the HSC mooring license are included with your QHM sticker. The club is the licensee and we need all members to abide by the rules in order that HSC can remain a licensee of all the mooring areas we contract from QHM.

The QHM permits issued April /May will replace the HSC mooring permits (previously issued November/December). Mooring renewals will still occur in September/October each year (the club needs to collect the funds to pay the QHM fees in January).

Mooring holders can collect their QHM stickers and QHM license conditions from the clubhouse in individually prepared envelopes situated in a box on the table in front of the trophy cabinet. Envelopes are in alphabetic order by surname, please check you collect the correct envelope.

If you are unable to collect and attach your QHM sticker by May 31<sup>st</sup> then please find a club member who can do this on your behalf.

Any queries email:

[mooringofficer@hardwaysailingclub.co.uk](mailto:mooringofficer@hardwaysailingclub.co.uk)

# A NOTICE TO CRUISER RACERS

## Handicapping 2019 - NHC guidelines

- Following a few questions\* from members about the application of NHC at our club, I have compiled the following guidelines, which will form the basis of an appendix to the Sailing Instructions in due course.
- As we have been running NHC for 3 consecutive years, we have adopted an NHC 'club' rating for boats which is derived from previous results, where available, and using the NHC calculator, where not.
- The published NHC base list is not used because it has been found to produce less accurate starting handicaps than the NHC calculator. The RYA use the NHC calculator when responding to individual requests from owners when they apply direct to the RYA for a base handicap. So at the start of the year, a set of handicaps for each race series, based on previous results, where available, is published, and is on the notice board.
- There are effectively 3 race series: Harbour series comprising: Early Spring, Spring, Early Summer, Summer and Autumn series. The Early Spring and Autumn series are held on Sundays and the rest on Wednesdays. Solent Series comprising: Col Hicks (Yarmouth), Tin Can Cup, Nab Tower, RNLI and Old Fox (Lymington). Interclub Series comprising: Portsmouth Regatta, Nab Tower, Harbour Race, Half Wight and Round the Cans.
- At the start of each race series, boats will start on their published handicap as described above, and after each race in the series, their handicap will adjust as calculated by the Sailwave software which we use to publish results after each race.
- Each Harbour Series will commence with handicaps from the previous Harbour Series, as the races are all on the same course area and on the whole, between the same boats. Where Harbour Series races overlap, e.g. Early Spring and Spring Series, boats will have their handicaps adjusted according to the previous race in that series. This is intended to avoid confusion arising from using an adjustment based on the previous race, which during the overlap period would be a Sunday for Wednesday races and a Wednesday for Sunday races. It also avoids a particularly good or bad result in one series affecting the other series. Guidance from the RYA has been sought over this issue, and the adopted arrangement is based on their advice.
- Individual races such as the Single Handed, Pursuit, Ladies race etc will similarly use previous results, where available, and calculated base handicaps, where not.

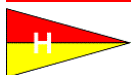
To quote the RYA, "The intention is to provide fair and fun racing for all."

\*If in doubt please ask!

VPRS The take-up this year has been poor so far, so with this in mind I would encourage members to apply for a certificate, especially those that expressed a preference. - I have applied for mine!

**Mike Kemp      Cruiser Captain**



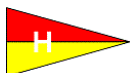


# WORK PARTY ROTA



<u>Saturday 13th April</u> Keith Mitchell 2822 Jane Deedman 2167 Melcolm Goodwin 2052 David Whitehead 3003 Sam Thirlway 2765 Roger Mortimer 705 Paul Heatley 2475 Keith Naylor 1112 Simon Hardy 2681	<u>Sunday 14th April</u> Darren Hare 2970 George Bruton 2738 Don Walker 2472 Kevin Sample 2806 Anthony Dixon 2257 Maria Davis 2419 Mark Ginter 2992 J. Harrop 2674 Dave Moody 2212	<u>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May</u> Robin White 2782 Julie Millard 2430 Ian Golding 2817 Paul Waite 2715 M. James 2972 Alan Stone 2336	<u>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May</u> James Roser 626 Harriet Roser 627 Stephanie Roser 628 Ged Hayes-Gerrard 2993 Shaun Samways 2999 Grant Jamieson-Hesk 2700 Stuart Higman 696 Mikey Barron 2664 R. Bourke 2723 Alex Hayter 2157 Bob Colbern
<u>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June</u> Paul Munden 2617 Brian Dowell 2826 Stephen Ellis 2988 Bryan Root 2626 Suzanne Macdonald 2996 Andy Putt 996 Andrew Welch 2343 David Narraway 2708 Gill Heron 961	<u>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June</u> Tim Wood 2341 Grant Stevens 197 Lucas Shotts 2084 Ryan Golding 1034 Jim Macdonald 2808 Allen Macey 2976 S. Brownbill 2985 T. Caister 2348	<u>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July</u> R, Anderson Darren Willis 2767 Wendy Golding 2330 L. Duckworth 2666 J. Fearnley 2825 Stephanie Mowatt Pat Mowatt	<u>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July</u> Natalie Turner 2349 Bob Nokes 2709 S. Freeman 2967 K. Frost 2807 J. Gallagher 2675 R. Gell 2990 T. Gravid 2969 C. hall 2668 D. Freeman 2967
<u>Saturday 7th September</u> Sebastian Frasle 2655 A. Hewitt 2750 J. Hillier 2357 P. Hobbs 641 Mrs. J. Hodgkinson 2637 Mrs. L. Holt 2011 P. Howard 2069	<u>Sunday 8th September</u> Maurice Walters 2423 Mark Burgess 2465 Tony Radford 2129 Terry Hall 467 K. Jenkins 2973 J. Kundert 2291 J. Langridge 2975	<u>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September</u> Ian Padley 2412 Charlie Hickman 2356 Dave Hickman 2355 Paul Kelly 2610 Matthew Kelly 249 Tom Barnett 2608 S. Misslebrook 2769 D. Light 2811	<u>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September</u> Steve Burns 2358 Gerald Fensome 2989 Graham Matthews 1066 G. Mackey 2494 Miss. L. Marr 962 L. Moxham 2495 R. Parfitt 2438 David Giles 2968 Howard Thorne 2301
<u>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October</u> Tim cooper 848 Louise Davensac 274 Ron Goldsmith 2688 Roy Sparshott 2712 G. Young 2611 Tony Hammerton 2672 Gary Webb 1129 Joe Goodchild 2815 Chris Fokke 2403 M. Perry 2625	<u>Sunday 20th October</u> Paul Anderton 846 Colin Martin 2978 Stuart Williams 2463 Marina Harris 2354 Chris Hoare 2971 A. rendle 2800 A. Rolf 165 T. Rushent 2417 R. Sampson 2057 I. Rennison 1980	<u>Saturday 16th November</u> Steve Lawrence 813 Roy Sampson 2057 Steve Rutter 2432 Kevin Boudier 2392 Nick Sellick 2048 Dave Barr 2605 Emma Randle 2758 Carly Seager 415	<u>Sunday 17th November</u> David Coxon 398 Russell Burton 2394 Peter Coxon 2063 John Eversfield 2816 Nick Greenwood 2427 Mr Lyster-Sellers Brett Oakley 2498 R. Jezzard 2669

If you have any questions or need to change your duty please contact Erika on [erikadyke.hsc@gmail.com](mailto:erikadyke.hsc@gmail.com) or 07752124030



# DUTY MEMBER ROTA



<u>APRIL</u>	
6th	
13th	H. Herridge
14th	P. Gardner
19th	R. Lumsden
20th	
21st	
22nd	
27th	G. Bradley
28th	
<u>MAY</u>	
4th	A. White
5th	G. Carey
6th	
11th	K. Lumsden
12th	
18th	M. Collins
19th	
25th	A. Corkill
26th	H. Cross

<u>JUNE</u>	
1st	
2nd	
8th	R. Moore
9th	N. Haybittle
15th	
16th	T. Hollis
22nd	
23rd	
29th	K. Wright
30th	
<u>JULY</u>	
6th	
7th	D. Wheatley
14th	L. Moxham
20th	
21st	
27th	
28th	

<u>AUGUST</u>	
3rd	
4th	N. Williams
10th	G. Smith
11th	
17th	
18th	S. Walker
24th	
25th	
26th	
31st	A. Stone
<u>SEPT</u>	
1st	M. Langford
7th	M. Byng
8th	B. O'Donoghue
14th	
15th	
21st	
22nd	
28th	M. Leach
29th	G. Fensome

<u>OCTOBER</u>	
5th	
6th	
12th	M. Trodd
13th	
19th	G. Burks
20th	W. Mansfield
26th	
27th	E. Pascoe

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## VOLUNTEERS

The club is going to introduce a new electronic membership form which has been designed and trialed amongst the committee members, to iron out any problems. We would now like to invite 20-30 people to email the HSC webmaster for further trials and instruction.

**Mike Mason**

[webmaster@hardwaysailingclub.co.uk](mailto:webmaster@hardwaysailingclub.co.uk)

Thank you in advance!

## KEITH'S CRACKS

About a month before he died,  
my uncle had his back covered in lard.

After that, he went downhill fast...

MIKE



## Building Enterprise 282

Reading Spun yarn in April I thought that I would look at the Members Profile page and while poking about on the club website trying to find it (I never managed to) I found myself reading the club history page. When I reached the antepenultimate paragraph which referred to the first Enterprise in the club I realised that the writer was referring to mine – number 282. I had previously had a GP14 (number 526) in which I had sailed from Hardway and visited most of the creeks and harbours of Spithead and the Solent however I had always found refitting tedious due to the inner frame having several transverse frames which made sanding the interior varnish between coats time consuming. When I learned that the Enterprise (also designed by Jack Holt) had no transverse frames I decided to change boats but as I couldn't afford to buy one decided I would have to build one.

At that time, 1956, I was the secretary of the South Bank Sailing Club (the sailing club of the staff of the London County Council) which had premises on the Thames at Putney about 200 yards from Jack Holt's yard and I decided to visit him and talk about it. He was rather disparaging of the Enterprise and tried to sell me a Hornet which was his latest design but as it had a sliding seat for the crew which had to be slid across when tacking I did not fancy messing about with it on each tack and decided to stick with the Enterprise. To buy one complete was too expensive for me (I was earning about £8 a week) so I chose to buy a kit and in January 1957 it was delivered to Stepney Mens Institute where boat building classes were available.

I felt reasonably confident in taking this on as I had had woodworking lessons at school in 1943 and had successfully made a wooden matchbox stand though it was a bit wonky and Jack Holt had told me that the only difficult bit would be the changeover joint at the forward chine joins.

To my surprise I found that the boat building classes were held on the third floor so our first job was carrying it all up 6 flights of stairs. Fortunately Ken (Glamour) and Jeff (Drunk) who had been my regular crew for two seasons were available to help. My next surprise was to find that it was to be built upside down on five frames which



Hardway Saling Club ~ 1959 Regatta  
~ Coal Hulk in the distance ~

had to be placed very precisely and screwed down to the floor. This took some time and discussion and as the class finished at 9 pm was about all we managed to get done. As there was still an hour and a half to closing time we found the nearest pub to quench our thirst. It turned out to be a Murphy's House which we discovered later seemed to be the local centre for Irishmen and on Friday nights became rather excitable. (But that is another story).

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**Hardway Sailing Club racing in late 1940s.  
HMS Ramilles and Malaya in background.**

This was my introduction to Guinness and the barman pointed out that it would take some time to draw 3 pints so would we care to have 3 pints of Worthington while we waited. This was agreed and became our habitual practice after classes. I have never thought of myself as a boozier but Ken and Jeff generally arrived at the class having consumed a fair amount during the day whereas I was quite abstemious. The result of this was that when the boat was completed it contained a disproportionate number of broken drills and wonky screws. Nevertheless with the aid of a gap filling glue it all held together successfully.

We started in January, made quite good progress and by the end of May were ready to start on the painting stage at which point the instructor announced that come the end of term (mid July) everyone together with their boats would have to vacate the premises as the hall would be required for something else next term.

Stepney Mens Institute had been built in 1880 as a school by The London School Board which had inconsiderately given no thought to how to manoeuvre a boat down the stairs into the playground. After some measuring with a tape it was clear that E282 could not be moved down the stairway unless we cut 2 feet off the stern. Consternation reigned amongst the pupils of the class as others came to the same conclusion in respect of their boats. Fortunately although the London School Board had neglected to provide for boat building classes, they had provided a playground on the roof complete with a four foot surrounding wall with a three foot railing on top to keep the little hooligans from falling 40 feet to the playground below. It was simple. All we had to do was to take the boat out onto the roof, lift it over the wall and railing and lower it to the ground.

Come the appointed day everyone turned up with lengths of rope and everyone joined together to get the job done. Someone had provided a few old mattresses to lash over the top of the railing and with two people balancing on top of the wall a group of us lifted the boats up and to my amazement all were lowered safely to the ground. I had decided that the final coat of paint would not be applied until we arrived at Hardway to avoid scratches on the way down from the roof. It was about 8pm when we drove off to spend the night at Ken's house in Stoneleigh (near Epsom).

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Ken's father's garage was empty so it seemed sensible to park the boat in it. As it was by then only 9.30 pm it was obvious that there was an hours drinking time so we went down the pub for a pint which turned out to be three and arrived back at 11 pm. On the way back Jeff was struck by a brilliant idea – as the boat was under cover we could apply the final coat of gloss blue and as it would be dry by morning we could go sailing as soon as we got to Hardway. The garage had no electricity but there were two paraffin lamps which we lit and got on with the painting. We finished at midnight – a great job. Except that in the cold light of day it was clearly the worst coat of paint put on by anybody – gaps everywhere. So we had to paint it again when we got to the club anyway.

The following lessons were learned:-

Making a matchbox holder is insufficient experience for building a boat.

It is best to be sober.

It is helpful if you can build it at ground level

It is inadvisable to put the final top coat of paint on after the pubs shut in a garage lit by paraffin lamps.

We had some great sailing and after Cowes Week took it to Hyeres in the South of France which is a story you can read in Spun yarn Summer 2013.

Peter Kirby

Thank you Peter for kindly sharing your story.

## POLITE REMINDER

Children should be supervised  
by a responsible adult at all  
times whilst on club premises!



## STORAGE NOTICE

Storage labels will be available in the club reception area from the 1st May 2019.

It is the member's responsibility to ensure all of their stored items bear a label clearly marked with their membership number.



Please collect as many storage labels as are required for stored items, add your membership number and ensure your labels are placed in a clearly visible position.

## EASTER EGG HUNT

The sun shone down on all the eggcited egg hunters for what proved to be one of the warmest Easter weekends for a long while. All the children had an eggstastic time searching for their corresponding picture cards hidden throughout the club in order to win a chocolate treat. Thank you to Erika and her eggcellent helpers for providing a cracking day!



## ST GEORGES NIGHT

It was lovely to see so many in the club to celebrate St George's night with our Amy Winehouse singer (Rachael Harding), DJ and popular photo booth. A huge thank you to the galley who laid on basket meals for £5. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.





# Colonel Hicks race to Cowes & Rally



Congratulations to race winners Steve & Miranda  
Swallow with Nicole & Zac as crew!

In blustery conditions 8 boats made it to Shephards in Cowes, four of these lined up for the 1st Solent race of the season starting from Haslar sea wall.

With wind steady 5 gusting 6 to 7 on occasion it created a lively and eventful race which included Blue Shark in a dodgy spinnaker hoist, followed by an accidental deployment of foredeck crew life jacket and a man overboard drill to retrieve the runaway spinnaker bag now over the side! (That was just one boat!) with only one decision left to be made - RETIRE and drown ones sorrows with beer, lots of beer!

Kerry Jeane felt the need to wash the mast lights in the middle section of the race, with the kite flying high a gust caught them by surprise causing them to

ceremoniously CHINESE GYBE with the crew clinging to anything solid. Once recovered at the next mark of the course a heated discussion with Wicked Suzie on 'Water at the mark!' and 'Starboard!' ensued (which was later resolved over yet more beer!)

And with a fairly uneventful race in comparison Brise de Mer stealthily made waves from behind clinching the win - CONGRATULATIONS!

And if all of this hasn't horrified you it would be great to see new faces coming along to join in the fun!







# HSC QUIZ

@ Hardway Sailing  
Club

Sat 11th May

1930 START



**Open the Chest & Meat Raffle EVERY  
Sunday at 3PM  
Tickets on sale from 2pm**



Would you leave your home like this ?



Please respect our club by returning glasses to  
the bar and leaving it tidy



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41%

# Juke Mojo LIVE

4 Piece live group  
Covering Music from the  
60's 70's and 80's





JUKEMOJO



Covering Tracks by  
T-Rex  
Chuck Berry  
Doctor Feel good  
Sam Cooke  
Stray Cats  
Skatalites  
Booker T & the MGs

Playing music from 60's 70's and 80's  
**SATURDAY 1<sup>st</sup> June From 20:00**

JUNE  
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## BEMBRIDGE RALLY & BBQ

Bring your own food and drink.

To book a berth please email  
[bajleonsolent@aol.com](mailto:bajleonsolent@aol.com) with your boat  
name and LOA and draft or call on  
07887804760

Hardway Sailing Club  
Presents

Sea Shanty Evening  
with  
'Riggin'



Saturday 29th June @ 20:00



## HARDWAY

### D - Day 75th Anniversary

1944 - 2019



Join your community in commemoration at the Hardway Memorial 1030 Thursday 6th June.

Make the day special by flying flags, bunting or placing red, white or blue flowers outside your home.

On completion enjoy the company of your neighbours, veterans and serving personnel over tea, D Day cakes, scones and cream.

Enjoy the school choirs singing D Day songs.

Displays and D Day talks in the sailing club.

More news coming soon .....

**Make it a day to remember**

9.00 Military vehicles in place on the car park by the slip way.

10.15 Uniformed military personnel assemble in Kingsbury's car park.

10.30 Military parade parades down Priory Rd to the memorial on the green.

10.40 VIP 'S leave the clubhouse and take up position, Local Mayor and Civic dignitaries .

10.50. Choir and soloists sing. And padre gives an address.

10.55 Wreaths are placed.

11.00 2 minute silence.

11.02 Bugler sound reveille.

11.03 Padre reads a dedication.

11.08 Choir sing a medley of war time songs.

11.15 MP for Gosport addresses the gathering.

11.15 Canadian military give a reply address.

11.25 Land of hope and glory.

11.30 National anthem.

11.35 VIP'S escorted to HSC

11.40 Military parade march off.

Tea's etc. served in the club, an exhibition and film show also in the clubhouse.

All times given are approximate and may be subject to change.

We hope that the Navy will have a presence off Hardway as well as a spitfire fly-past at 11.00

## D-DAY 75 STOKES BAY

1 & 2 JUNE, Open 10am

FREE EVENT

With a Ticket Only Dance on Saturday night featuring 1940's band Kalamazoo.

- The Battle of Britain Fly Over
- Full-size replica Spitfire & Hurricane aircraft
- Demonstrations of a Second World War heavy machine gun & other weapons
- Tanks & other vehicles used in WW2
- A British paratrooper's display
- A presentation on the special tanks developed & tested in Gosport
- A talk about the impact of the war on local people

LICENCED BAR  
& FOOD STALLS

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE TICKETS  
AVAILABLE ONLINE, £15 each:  
[www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk)  
or visit the Tourist  
Information Centre

STOKES BAY EMBARKATION





## WHAT'S ON IN JUNE

Sat 1 / Sun 2 Jun Bembridge rally  
Tue 4 Jun 1900 Dinghies Early Summer Series Race 2  
Wed 5 Jun 1900 Cruisers Early Summer Series Race 1  
Sat 8 / Sun 9 Jun TBC Portsmouth Regatta / Inter-Club  
Race 1  
Tue 11 Jun 1900 Dinghies Early Summer Series Race 3  
Wed 12 Jun 1900 Cruisers Early Summer Series Race 2  
Sat 15 Jun 1200 Solent Series Race 2 - Tin Can Cup  
Tue 18 Jun 1900 Dinghies Early Summer Series Race 4  
Wed 19 Jun 1900 Cruisers Early Summer Series Race 3  
Sat 22 Jun 1100 Solent Series Race 3 Nab Tower / Inter-  
Club Race 2  
Tue 25 Jun 1900 Dinghies Early Summer Series Race 5  
Wed 26 Jun 1900 Cruisers Early Summer Series Race 4  
Sat 29 Jun Round The Island Race  
Sun 30 Jun 1100 Dinghies Hardway 100