



Two Island RYC

We have now completed Round 2 for each of the winter competitions. The good news is that we have different leaders for each event with no one person dominating the racing. We firmly believe that the introduction of two new handicap series is helping to raise sailing standards at the club and adding more variety to our programme

Paul Hunter our new Racing Secretary is full of enthusiasm and working on a new varied programme for the summer. When at the lake he is heard saying “what about this and what about that”, the latest idea was a ‘Round the Island Race’ more to come I’m sure.

We have agreed with the MYA to host a One Metre national ranking event on the 3rd and 4th of July next year. This two day event will attract the top skippers from all over the country with World, European and UK Champions in attendance. We should expect at least 40 skippers. The event will be run with the help of the Midland District Race Assistance Team, affectionately known as RATS.

We are also looking to host a one day Laser Traveller’s Trophy event, probably in September. This is still being worked on. As you can see Two Islands is raising its profile!

The Annual Dinner and Awards Night, was held on the 21st November, earlier than in the past, and at a new Venue, The event went extremely well with 24 members and partners sitting down on 3 large round tables to consume a wide variety of buffet dishes, washed down with house wines. The ambient noise level was testament to the sparkling conversation, and judging by the loud laughter that occasionally burst out, some very funny jokes. I think everyone would agree it was a good evening.

We held our AGM on the 6th December with a significant change in the Committee members. Our new Chairman is Jack Hitchens, Secretary, Keith Coxon, Treasurer, Bob Lamb, Racing Secretary, Paul Hunter, Bosun, Fred Finch and co-opted member Graham Allen

The venue for our sailing is at Furzton Lake near central Milton Keynes. The lake always provides interesting conditions and we have a good car park very nearby where boat preparation can take place in safety.

Most Wednesday afternoons will find a few skippers at the lake from about 2.00pm for a couple of hours. These tend to be practice sessions with no organised races. These afternoons are great however for practice and helping to tune or set up your boat in advance of race days. On Sundays the racing starts at 10am prompt and for the summer months we plan to end racing at around 1.00pm depending on the conditions. For some it’s then off to the pub

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Keith Coxon – Secretary December 2009