



June 2019 Newsletter

Welcome to the June Newsletter a short review of recent events and news of forthcoming events this summer.

Tony Tomkins Cruise

There was a great turnout for the Tony Tomkins (May Day) Cruise this year. The cruise centred around the scattering of Dave Valentine's ashes at Cantley on the Saturday. The yachts there were Force Four, Modwena, Marigold, Mimosa, Farthing, Puck, Vixen and Pan, with a guest appearance from Corsair. Strong northerly winds and hail squalls meant that all boats were firmly tied to the bank while Dave's ashes were scattered from Puck's foredeck by his family.

Many additional club members and family were in attendance for the scattering of Dave Valentines ashes with approximately sixty in total. The following words were from Rosy Valentine.

"Final farewell to Dad, ashes scattered from the bows of Puck on a blustery day in the company of what felt like every Green Wyvern Yacht Club member who could make it. Friends and fond memories, thank you for making it so lovely."

Afterwards there was a convivial wake in The Reedcutter.



Crews relaxing at Reedham Street after sailing

The wind abated on Sunday, allowing the yachts to enjoy a pleasant sail to Coldham Hall for lunch. In the afternoon the fleet dropped back to Reedham Street to round off the weekend. It was an enjoyable cruise, and we hope to see you all there next year.

Thanks to John Duff and Jonathan Winterton for the above report.

2019 Summer Cruises

There is potentially still space on some of the weeks please contact sailingsecretary@greenwyvern.org.uk if you or someone you know are interested in coming sailing. Crew lists will be sent out at the end of June/beginning of July with all start and end points, things to bring, how to get there, etc.



Summer Week 1: Cancelled
Summer Week 2: Saturday 27th July to Saturday 3rd August
Summer Week 3: Saturday 3rd August to Saturday 10th August
Summer Week 4: Saturday 10th August to Friday 16th August

Skippers and Mates Training Weekend 22nd & 23rd June

The training weekend will soon be upon us, this is based in Cantley with overnight accommodation on club boats.

Anyone who is a Skipper, Mate or Bosun and sailing on this Summers Cruise should try and come if they can as the weekend is part of the Training the club is required to provide for those in positions of responsibility.

If you are a skipper, mate or bosun on this summers cruise, not already signed up and can make it, then please contact the Chief Instructor ; Jonathan Winterton on 07546 576 971 or email: wintertons@sky.com for full details and booking.

Other Sailing Events

Several club members participated in the Ray Perryman Memorial Race from Somerleyton to Beccles Sailing Club on May 23rd. Yachts included, Puck, Force Four, Farthing, Marigold, Stella Genesta and Pan. It was a pleasant sail in light winds with a barbecue provided by BASC in the evening. The race was organised by Yare Sailing Club.

Congratulations to the crews of Puck and Pan for completing the challenging Three Rivers Race on June 1st & 2nd. The race is organised by Horning Sailing Club. Over a hundred sailing vessels of various types participated. Further details can be found at 3rr.uk.

The next GWYC race is the Round the Island Race starting and finishing at Somerleyton staithe on Saturday August 17th (the day after the final summer cruise week). This is another challenging race during which competitors need to lower masts to navigate the bridges at St Olaves. We hope to see many club boats and other River Cruisers participating.

Sailing - The fine art of slowly going nowhere at great expense while being cold, wet and miserable. – Irv Heller

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