

DALGETY BAY SAILING CLUB



March 2006

The Main Sheet



Brass Monkey Race

Saturday 1st April, 2pm start
Fancy Dress encouraged!
Chipmunk Race for Juniors

Commodore's Supper
Saturday 1st April
7pm for 7.30

In the Clubhouse
Tickets £12 from
Aileen Denholm

Smoking

In line with legislation from the Scottish Executive Smoking will be banned inside the clubhouse and on the ramp and veranda outside the exit doors from 0600 hours on Sunday 26th March.

Merlin Rocket
60th Anniversary Regatta
15th & 16th April

Ceilidh band in Clubhouse
on Saturday evening

All welcome, whether sailors or not

Purvis DBSC Regatta
21st & 22nd May

If you can help please contact
Aileen Denholm, Fraser Harrison,
or Stephen Miller

Food From the Bar

A new enhanced menu is now available: -

Baked potatoes with cheese/tuna/beans/coleslaw—from £2.25

Toasties—from £1.50

Cold Rolls—from £1.10

Hot rolls - from £1.20

Chips with or without sausage, cheese or beans—from £1.20

Beans or scrambled egg on Toast—from £1.20

The range of Self Service food has also been extended to include Lasagne and Macaroni Cheese.

This Newsletter is yours!

- I can only edit the information I receive.
- Do let me know what you want to read about.
- Items for the April issue should be with Beattie Burnside 4 Hopeward Mews, Dalgety Bay, Fife KY11 9TB, Tel:- 01383 822309, by the 15th April 2006. Material may be submitted in writing, Microsoft Word Format or by e-mail to me at burnside.mansion@tesco.net

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FROM THE BRIDGE

We're getting very close to start of the sailing season now, just as the first decent snows of winter descend upon us and make skis look more attractive than boats!

Not to be put off though are our hardy band of Juniors in their Toppers, and several more keen Laser sailors, who have taken up the offer of Winter training, and no doubt chandleries all over the country are fast selling out of winter gloves!

The Brass Monkey, our first race of the season is on April 1st this year, and the committee has been hard at work all winter to prepare a really exciting calendar for the years sailing. We have a new innovation this year to try and get around the age-old issue of people not doing their duties and have gone for Dutyman! This is a web based tool that will send you emails to remind you that your turn is coming, and can allow you to ask for swaps etc.

Check out <http://www.dutyman.biz/dutyman.aspx?id=D0001320> for a sneak preview!

There has been a request for a Junior 'Brass Monkey' race to run at the same time as the grown-up version, and has been christened the 'Brass Chipmunk'! If there is enough support for this we'll definitely give it a go!

Also on April 1st is the Commodores supper, and this year Beattie is getting the night off 'cos the boys are cooking. Well, Bryan Denholm, Sandy McPhail and co. are! We also have some silly games and quizzes lined up for mutual amusement. Please get in touch with Aileen to reserve a ticket! This is always a fun night.

Our first visitors of the year arrive over the Easter weekend, as we host an event for the Merlin Rocket class. Please make sure that they are warmly welcomed and come and help if you can.

Remember, the combination number on the downstairs door has been changed for the start of the new season. You can get the number by presenting your membership card to the bar staff, while ordering a drink and some freshly cooked food in the lovely new facilities!

Enjoy your sailing!

Kind Regards,

David Burnett, Commodore

DBSC 100 Club

February Draw

1st	John Muir	£27	3rd	Alastair Burnside	£6
2nd	Alistair Crichton	£12			

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Adult Training

The adult courses will be running over weekends this year and details of the first set of courses are below. These are aimed at adults but 16-18 year olds are welcome.

Start Sailing/Basic Skills 8/9 & 22/23 April

This four day course will cover the first two RYA modules with the aim of becoming a competent sailor in light winds. Suitable for complete beginners.

Cost £115.00

Start Racing 6/7 May

The start line for club racing, all you need to get round the course. For those who already have RYA Level 2 (Basic Skills).

Cost £60

Sailing with Spinnakers 6/7 May

Everything you need to know to sail modern three-sail boats. For those who already have RYA Level 2 (Basic Skills).

Cost £60

To book your place on any of these course please e-mail training@dalgetybaysc.org

If you need any further information please give me a call.

Gill Wright
07760 262914

Winter Training

for club members in Lasers/Toppers for both Adults and Juniors. We have 5 Toppers that the club can provide, unfortunately no Lasers. £5.00 for the day per person. 25th March, start 09.30 on the water by 10.00. Limited spaces so first come first served. Please contact The Training Team on training@dalgetybaysc.org

Never sailed? Want to learn more?

Then weekends

8th/9th April and/or 22nd/23rd April

Start Sailing/Basic Skills course is for you.

You must be **16** years and up.

£115 per person per weekend.

Contact The Training Team for more information on training@dalgetybaysc.org

From the Galley

This soup recipe comes from a Commodore's Supper. It's a real winter warmer. Roasting the tomatoes gives a slight smokiness to the end product.

Hot 'Bloody Mary' Soup

1 kg/2.2 lb. ripe tomatoes, halved

2 teasp. Caster sugar

750ml/1.25 pt. Vegetable stock

2 teasp. Horseradish sauce

4 tbs. vodka

Celery salt, or salt and freshly ground black pepper

1 thin lemon slice per person to garnish.

2 red chillies, halved and seeded

2 tbs. olive oil

1 tbs. tomato puree

2 tbs. Dry sherry

4 small celery stalks, with leaves

(one per serving)

Preheat oven to 200°C/400°F/Gas 6. Place tomatoes cut-side up in a large roasting tin with the chillies and sprinkle over the sugar and some salt and pepper. Drizzle over the olive oil and roast for 30 minutes until softened and nicely browned.

Puree the roasted tomatoes in a blender with a little stock until smooth. For a really smooth soup, pass the puree through a sieve into a large pan, otherwise transfer it straight to the pan. Stir in the remaining stock and tomato puree and heat gently through without boiling.

Stir in the horseradish sauce, sherry and vodka and check the seasoning. Place a celery stalk in each bowl and ladle in the soup. Grind over black pepper, float a slice of lemon on each and serve.

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It's up to You!

Without wishing to harp on about rigging noise DBSC has had to take a hard line as a result of recent lack of care and consideration to the local community. As a result, if you find your boat with halyards OR any part of your craft that is creating excess noise taped up, then you know that DBSC has taken steps to reduce the noise on your behalf. A small penalty fee of £5 will be sought from the offending owner / owners (see club handbook). This decision has been taken due to the fact that many owners do nothing to secure their craft when they leave them, in many cases people just abandon their craft until they next use it, not thinking about the consequences.

On a high note; DBSC wishes to thank all of you who have been sensible and considerate, taking the time to minimise noise as much as physically possible.

Sometimes the debris created by refitting overwhelms our yellow bins for which the club pays a fee to Fife Council. It would be helpful if people (this applies especially to keelboat owners) could bag their substantial amounts of litter and take them home.

Please, please, please put your name on your property. Everything left on club property should be named, otherwise the club may inadvertently use it for its own purposes.

DBSC Management Committee

NOT The Burns Supper

Saturday 25th February 2006

Afterword

I am not going to mention any names at all, for fear of leaving anyone out and thus causing offence, but on behalf of Lionel and myself I would like to thank everyone who was involved in the above, from those who simply bought tickets and turned up, the juniors who helped set up the room and who served us, and not forgetting those who helped tidy up afterwards. It was very hard work but everyone seemed to enjoy themselves hugely and I think that we almost managed not to upset anyone. Thanks again, and watch this space for the next Booth/Franks bash - though not for a little while, we want to take a breather!

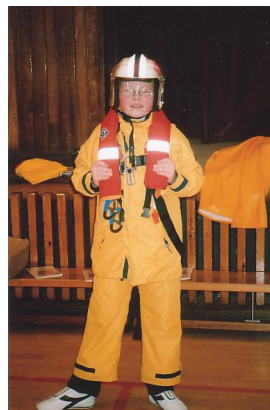
Evans the Ode!!!

Clive Franks

Have you seen this young man?

Andrew Greer is the proud possessor of an RNLI flag.

Flag? He was awarded it for organising an SOS day for the RNLI at his school earlier this year and raising £200. He can't wait until he is old enough to join the rest of the family in honing his power boat driving skills.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE DUTYMAN ROTA SYSTEM

This year the Club's Race Officer/Safety Boat rota is being managed electronically using the "Dutyman Rota System". As it is about to become operational here is a quick guide to its features how it works.

Features:

- The rota is accessed via a link from the Club website
- "Dutyman" will display a concise list of duties, dates, times and relevant members' names.
- Duty reminders will be emailed to you automatically
- Requests for duty swaps can be made online to others on the rota
- You can view recent swap requests and responses
- You will be able download duties in iCalendar format for transfer to PIM's and PDA's

Once operational "Dutyman" will automatically generate a unique username and password for each member on the rota. These will then be emailed to you and allow access to the members' pages where you can utilise the system's many features.

"Dutyman" uses email addresses extensively and in order to protect your privacy the only way to view an email address is to log-on as a member and view your own details. The only others who can view email addresses on-line are the system administrators, in the case of DBSC the Sailing Secretary and Rescue Officer. As all the information displayed by "Dutyman" is retrieved from its secure data centre and not actually stored on the web pages you are also protected from email crawlers such as spiders or bots.

IMPORTANT

If we do not have an email address for you then you will be unable to take advantage of the online features and be able to view only the rota. If you find this to be the case please contact Rescue Officer with your email address to arrange for your details to be uploaded to the system.

**IF YOU DO NOT HAVE INTERNET ACCESS AND REQUIRE A HARD COPY OF THE ROTA
PLEASE CONTACT THE RESCUE OFFICER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

Steve Miller
Rescue Officer DBSC
Email: thatshakeyman@yahoo.co.uk
Tel: (See Club Handbook)

YACHT LAUNCHING 2006

The 2006 Season is fast approaching. As in past years DBSC requests all Yacht owners to contact the Committee (usually the Harbour Master) to confirm your intentions with regard to the use of your Boats. As always, the deadline for **ALL** boats to be launched is 30th April / 1st May. If you cannot launch prior to the 1st of May then please contact the Harbour Master to explain why so that your boat can be scheduled for relocation in time for the regatta. Unfortunately a handful of members did not contact the Committee / Harbour Master last year which resulted in the Storage Penalty Rules being applied. The Committee hopes that members do not let this happen in 2006, although it boosts revenue for the club. They would much rather that your boat is afloat and used.

Should your personal circumstances prevent you from launching on one of the dates below please call me to book your preferred time into the calendar. Even if you don't plan to use the club Tractor there may be other club activities which could prevent access to the slips. All Tractor Use should be booked through the Harbour Master who can allocate a Driver for your specific needs. Saturdays have again been chosen, with two late Friday afternoons for those who cannot manage a Saturday. To make sure that launching does not interfere with Sunday racing DBSC requests that all members refrain from launching on a Sunday. Instead please join in one of the organised days below:

2006 Organised Launch Dates:

Date	Start Time
Sat 8 th April -	09:00 (Coincides with Sail Training w/e – Limited Spaces although they should be sailing while we launch – Book early!)
Fri 14 th April -	16:00
Sat 15 th April -	13:00 (Coincides with Merlin Rocket Regatta w/e, should not cause a problem as they will be sailing while we launch – Book early!)
Sat 22 nd April -	07:00 (Coincides with Sail Training w/e – Limited Spaces although they should be sailing while we launch – Book early!)
Fri 28 th April -	16:00
Sat 29 th April -	13:00

Thank you to the few who have already contacted me and confirmed your plans – much appreciated!

PLEASE BOOK EARLY SO THAT THE LAUNCH DATES DO NOT NEED TO BE CANCELLED.

Andy Marshall, Harbour Master

HOMEMADE TABLET

FOR ALL OCCASIONS

PLEASE CONTACT SHEANA ON 01383 820346

Keelboat News

Season In sight?

If there is one thing that marks the eve of the new season it is seeing Glenda out on her mooring once again. Please mark up your desired times of use in the diary in the basement Glad tidings, good cheer and all that.

However, seeing Glenda out on her mooring with three inches of snow aboard does kind of dampen the enthusiasm a tad. Nonetheless there is an increase in activity down in the boatpark.

Paper Moon is sporting some very flash new sails dressed in scarlet livery to match her hull, Roger has been seen making secret forays onto his recently aquired Medina and Mark and Helouise have been noted installing unnamed tubes in the stern of Harmony. Whether these are the exhaust outlets of a rocket motor, a carbon fibre steering system or simply the ventilation for the scone factory is yet to be announced. Also arriving and being kept tightly under wraps is the new LBN – Les Beez Neez aka F’KAF (formerly known as Flint) arrived at the end of February and has been the subject of some speculation. What does actually need done to the boat that keeps them so busy? Can you shine a white hull to the Team LBN specification? Has anyone done anything about that bandit handicap yet? All will no doubt be revealed come the first race.

Racing

Speaking of the racing this year sees a significant addition to the programme in the shape of a Slow boat Fleet on Friday nights. This is entirely open to any keelboat and is not segregated by handicap – if you don’t fancy the fast (vaguely serious) stuff then you are welcome to join in the slow (seriously not serious) fleet. Courses will be set much more across the wind to ease the upwind work for shoal draft boats and starts will be fractionally after the faster boats to keep them out the way. I understand that Clive has suggested a small time penalty for every drop of Gin spilt during slow fleet races.

The faster fleet will see some stiff competition at the front with the GKs and Sonatas now five a side. Can Raz muster the crew to maintain their grip on the silverware or will the new additions of Misselaney Us and Rythm Stick see the crack teams being offered better contracts and jumping ship? Goacher has apparently emigrated to his private island off Grand Cayman on the back of sales to DBSC owners, so will a swathe of new dacron make any difference?

Also appearing for Friday nights will be our new Ferry Service. Rather than fight your way down the jetty with your rubber ducky, we will be laying on one of the Club Safety boats to whisk you to your steed in record time, comfort and more importantly with a dry bum! It’s up to us to organise who drives each week which shouldn’t be a problem, however the driver must hold their Level 2 certificate.

Cruising

Once again Glenn Scott has put together a varied programme of cruises for the new season and is offering both longer expeditions as well as shorter day hops. There is something to suit everyone and details will appear on the DBSC Website shortly.

RNLI Sea Safety Checks

A good few owners have taken up the opportunity to undertake one of these free checks. The date has been confirmed as Saturday 8th April and there are still a couple of spaces available to anyone interested. Please contact me directly.

Mooring Fees

Deep water mooring fees are now due – please ensure that you include the £35.00 with your Club Membership or you may find your mooring tag number is given to someone else. There is a substantial fine if you are caught with an unregistered mooring.

Tender Stores

These have now all been allocated for the coming season and there are only two names on the waiting list so we’re not doing too badly on this.

As was discussed back in September we will be trying to ensure that slots are allocated to those who will make most use of their boats through the season. If you are unlikely to be using your tender a great deal please think of others and offer up your slot before you are asked. If you are only using your tender a few times a season it is not really a great hardship to bring it with you and inflate it.

Launching

The Harbour Master (Andy Marshall) has once again organised a series of launch dates details of which are on page 6 of this newsletter. Please make sure you contact Andy to arrange your launch time.

In the meantime while the snow on Glenda melts, I’ll look forward to seeing you around the boat park.

James Allan. (Keelboat Rep)
01383 824201
TeamLBN@freeuk.com

NOT DOING ANYTHING ON THE 20TH/21ST OF MAY?

**COME AND JOIN THE RESCUE FLEET AT OUR ANNUAL OPEN
REGATTA!**

**VOLUNTEERS ARE REQUIRED TO HELM AND CREW OUR
SAFETY BOATS**

INTERESTED?

SIGN UP TODAY AND HELP MAKE OUR REGATTA A SUCCESS

**REMEMBER
NO SAFETY BOATS, NO REGATTA**

CONTACT:

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polishes, oils, repair kits etc etc.

The clothing area has waterproofs, warm wear, wetsuits, foot wear, accessories,
buoyancy aids and lifejackets.

Clothing includes stock from Musto and Gul.

If you need anything call us on 01382541848,
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