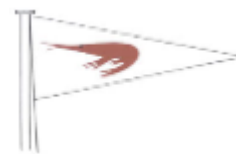


The Shrimper



June 2021

Welcome to the first Shrimper newsletter of 2021. Its surprising what has changed since the beginning of 2020 with the on water activities thriving, the club house being refurbished, new beers on tap, electronic payments at the bar. New social calendar being delivered by a social team.

Please read on and look forward to see you on the water, at social events, or just enjoying the company at the bar, or outside on the club terrace.

Sailing at HTSC thus far in 2021.

The season kicked off at Easter with the first 2 of planned 6 race series on a cold April 3rd. Covid restrictions were in force meaning club house/ changing rooms/ showers closed, so, changing in the boat park (brrrr) and no hot shower after. Thankfully Joe Public didn't object to any bare ass's that may have inadvertently been on display? Several new boats to the club putting in an appearance, notably Mark Holbrook recently returned after his 10 year sojourn on the gale ridden Orkneys, sailing his new Supernova. Josh Reason, now stepped up from his Splash class dinghy to a newly acquired Laser, and keen as mustard. James Goodfellow in a brand new Solo class, showing some exceptional speed. Not to be outdone, the youngest competitor, 12 year old Evie May showed up wetsuited and ready for battle in her little RS Tera pro, with proud dad Nick offering help and encouragement. She was completely unfazed by capsizing and breaking her mast in race 6, she's a tough little cookie sure enough! Race winners were:- R1 Finley Webb, R2 James Goodfellow, R3 Ben Reason, R4 Andrew Webb, R5 John Bartley, R6 John Bartley. Overall points for the series were:- 1st Ben Reason, Laser. 2nd dad, Dave Reason, Laser. 3rd Mr fitness himself, Ady Pells, Finn.





The planned 6 race Spring series (what bloody spring?) starting with 1&2 on April 18. An astonishing 21 boats took part in the series! With the likes of Peter Holbrook showing how to master a tricky RS300. India Webb in a Laser radial giving brother Finley something to worry about. Jack Monk figuring out the chords in his newly acquired Solo. Jonners starting to get his Laser to obey his orders and completing more than 1 race. Jon Bliss joining the fray with his newly acquired posh Laser. Will Thorogood joining for the last two races and showing great speed after mixing it with other Lasers on the Orwell. The most exciting thing about this series was the fact that the average age of the fleet has gone down from ~58 to something like ~25, which is great news for the sailing future of HTSC. There is some fantastic drone video of the action in races 4&5 filmed by Joe Lawrence whilst manning the rescue rib. Just go on the club site (htsc.co.uk) click on racing, click on video prompt. Well worth looking at. Race winners :- R1 Ady Pells, Finn. R2 Ben Reason, Laser. R3 Dave Reason, Laser. R4 Ben Reason, Laser. R5 Dave Reason, Laser. R6 Will Thorogood, Laser radial. Overall for the series after a tight tussle between team Reason, dad Dave came out on top, Ben 2nd and Ady 3rd. Special thanks are due to Robbie, Jon, Clive, Joe Jack & John for manning the rescue ribs. Len, Pat and Graham for OODing.

So future sailing at HTSC looks very promising. The changing rooms and showers are now available and, more important, thanks to great work from the Vice Commodore,

Social Committee

Hello, Social Committee here, currently made up of Laura Ashworth, Kim Webb, Tracy & Katy Reason and Chris Green, but we welcome any help and ideas from anyone if you would like to get on the committee just let us know. Also, If you see us about stop and say hello and pass on any ideas you might have for a social event for the club all ideas welcome.

We have come up with a full program for the rest of the year, subject to the current conditions, where we will provide you with some long desired social events to get involved with and enjoy each other's company. Dates and timings for these will be published a month before they happen just in case rather than disappoint.

We are kicking off with a beach BBQ on Saturday 10th July 2021 followed by an evening band. Come along in your best beach day outfit or full Hawaiian attire and join in with some beach games or just come along and soak up the atmosphere, we would love to see you there!

Contact Social Committee via socialsec@htsc.co.uk

Saturday 10th July

BBQ

Best Beach Outfits, who can have the loudest shirt!!!!

Beach Games

PLUS



CLUB BAR

The club bar continues to be managed by HTSC barman of the decade Ady Pells. Choosing the best tasting real ales available and now a new lager, reputed to be the best lager currently available. Its been tested and tested and tested and its good. All the way from the Czech Republic.

The traditional Czech pilsner **Staropramen**—come and cool down on warm day with friends.

That's not to say we don't have fine wines, selection of spirits, and mixers, soft drinks for the drivers, Coffee, Filtered coffee, for the people that drink coffee.



Plus snacks and nibbles to enable you to fight off the hunger slightly longer for that one for the road.

All payments can be taken by card now, so painless payments as well.

Bar Openings Sunday 1230—1700, Wednesday & Friday 2000hrs—2300hrs

CLUB REFURBISHMENT

The club refurbishment took place during the lockdown last year and unfortunately not all members have managed to enjoy the new surroundings. Hopefully this will change. We kicked off with new Karndean flooring and blinds using local suppliers. This was instigated by our treasurer Sarah Davies with the committee deciding on the final colours.

Ady Pells, Mick Verrier, Sarah and Frances Vincent as a sub committee sourced and chose the colours for the chairs and tables, helped by other members views. We are all agreed we made a good choice of colours. These chairs are of a high quality bought through the same company that supplied our previous chairs, which have stood the test of time. We think the effect is stunning.



The paintings that complement the chairs were done by Nigel Caleno, from the Old Bank studios, and don't they look great. The final items to go in are table lamps, currently on order.

Something that can't be seen is a replacement cellar cooler which air conditions the cellar keeping the beer at the right temperature for members to enjoy.

STARTING HUT The starting hut has been looking sad for some time and the committee has agreed that it should be replaced. This has been delayed because of the coronavirus and shortage of timber. So by mid summer we should have a replacement starting hut, new access steps and also the base of the hut repaired and repainted.

Boat Park

The club has a new Boat Park Secretary, Mark Holbrook, contact boatpark@htsc.co.uk. Please note you should always remember to keep your space clean, grass cut, and tidy. If you want to do it as a team join in with the compound clean ups. Next one Sunday 6th June 0930hrs. Just turn up plenty to always to do little or lots.

CLUB COMMUNICATIONS.

Have we got the right email address to contact you regarding club activities? Send an email to membership@htsc.co.uk to confirm your email. Want to join the club whatsapp group contact the club during bar opening times, as shown above.

Help us to keep you easily informed of all club happenings and events

HTSC RYA Training Centre News

It seems like a very long time since our last sail training events, which is hardly surprising as they took place in August 2019! Our planned programme for 2020 was entirely lost to the Coronavirus and for much of the time since then it has just not been possible to organise anything. Happily, with the latest easing of restrictions we can now start to plan some training activities. Inevitably, however, there are still restrictions and guidelines to be taken into account and the Training Centre team will be meeting in the next week or so to work out exactly what we can do, and when we can do it.

While we are getting things organised, we would like to hear from club members who are:

- Qualified sailing instructors
- Beginner and novice sailors who would like to improve their sailing skills
- Volunteers in any capacity to support our team of instructors and assistant instructors

We are also looking to increase our pool of safety boat operators by offering both the RYA Powerboat Level 2 and Safety Boat courses over the next few months, and we would like to hear from club members interested in either of these courses.

Please contact Mick Verrier on **07812 522937** to register your interest(s).



Club Archive



23rd March 2008 Start of the Easter series !!!



8th October 2017. Never use your teeth to hold the sheet!!

Some members have used the same tactic with false teeth and lost them over the side, although not the above person.

Come and join in the fun