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Cockle Island Boat Club



Summer/Regatta/Autumn Newsletter

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Just a few lines of welcome to *cast off* the Summer Regatta / Autumn Newsletter. At the time of writing this I have a few articles promised to me by various correspondents and have a few kept in the freezer just in case! Unfortunately I will not be able to attend the Famous CIBC Regatta as I have to endure three weeks in Italy on holiday ah well! So don't be shy please send me in any photographs and accompanying few lines. I hope you will all have lots of time on the water to places near and far so please a few pictures and a couple of lines would be great. I wish you all Fair Winds and cheap diesel for whatever your adventure might be!....

Remember the Newsletter is only as good as it's contents.

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A few pictures of the Lift In for the start of the season. All went like clockwork thanks to Terry



and his band of helpers for a great job 22 boats lifted in. More pics inside if I have room!!



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A View from the Bridge

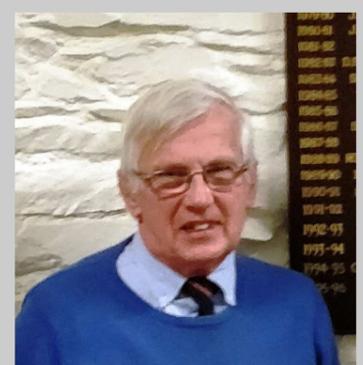
I suppose it was inevitable that after last summer's glorious weather things would return to normal this summer and so it has turned out. Nevertheless, there has been some good sailing weather and few races have had to be cancelled. The number of yachts competing has been fewer but this seems to be a sign of the times. Let's hope we can endeavour to reverse this trend and give the club's sailing activities as much support as we can.

Once again we had favourable weather for the club regatta. There was a good turn-out of yachts and a mix of fair and low wind conditions which tested the sailing skills of the helms and crews. There was the usual wonderful food provided by our ladies and there were a good number of men to erect and take down the marquees. I thank everyone who gave their help to make the regatta go so smoothly and the mayor of Ards and North Down Borough Council for presenting the prizes.

One club race which bucked the trend for lower attendances was the wonderful Wrinklies Glenarm race where 15 boats and 36 persons and *one pigeon* took part. The event was superbly organised by Terry Graham with a great BBQ afterwards provided by Terry, Louise Bunting, Brian Galbraith and Norma. Only four yachts completed the race which was held under challenging conditions and the race was ably won by Ken Walsh, his crew Neil Boyd and yacht Heckla.

By the time you read this the sailing season will have come to a close. I hope you will support the prize giving at Donaghadee Golf club on Friday 25th October. You will find the menu, date and time in this magazine. Also, don't forget the Winter Series of talks which have been organised by Frank Smith and his committee. These are also given in the magazine and should provide the usual varied and interesting Winter Programme.

Ivan Heaney Commodore



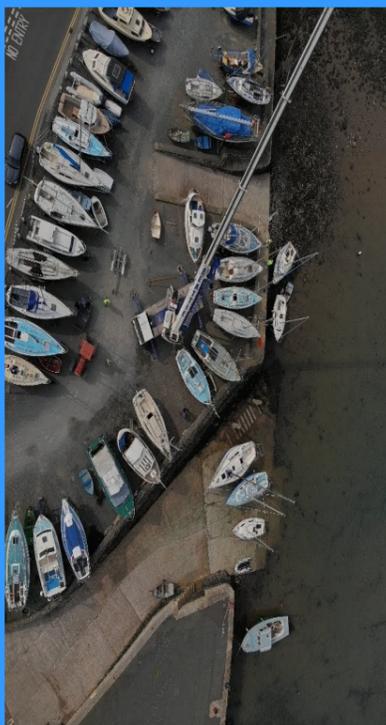


Six S's of The New 2019 Season The Scraping and Scrubbing



The Swaying and Swinging

2019 LIFT IN



The Satisfaction of Sailing!!

The First Race of The Season



John Cleary
Quote "with new
stopwatch cant go
wrong!"



Irish Cruise: To the Copeland Islands

An ambitious cruise from Northern Ireland to the Mull of Galloway, Scotland, planned by a group of East Down Wayfarer sailors, had to be abandoned. Instead two of the boats cruised offshore to visit the Copeland Islands. Jim McAdam describes what happened. Two of us, myself and Bill Edwards, decided we would at least have a coastal cruise. With Bill was Dermot Gallagher, W 3232, another East Down regular and David Bruce, (W 1859 Redwing) a real Wayfarer revivalist, and my valuable son Thomas (12) joined me in The Kelper. We decided to sail the coast from Ballywalter to the Copeland Islands off Donaghadee. These are the largest group of islands (3) off the coast of Northern Ireland. The two smaller ones are a bird observatory and lighthouse respectively, but the main Copeland Island is privately owned and farmed with sheep. It is about a mile across and 0.6 mile wide and has no permanent habitation apart from a few cottages for summer residents. There are regular daily boat trips to the island from the small port of Donaghadee (the significance of this will be clear later). From Ballywalter we had a pleasant beat against about a F3 from the NE and with the ebb tide, arrived about 2.00pm having left Ballywalter at 11.30 am. By the time we arrived the tide was low. We ran into a small sandy clearing in Chapel Bay, to the east of Cam Point on the south side of the island. Anchoring ashore we let the boats run out on a long line and had an enjoyable picnic and a "dander" ashore. *We were disappointed at the amount of litter accumulated around the little coves of Port Lagan and Port Dandy, presumably left there by day visitors.*

Overfalls

The wind had dropped and the tide had turned when we left at 3.00 pm Unfortunately the Copelands are famous for their fierce tidal rips, particularly on the flood tide. I had assumed that the race would be reasonably slack around low water, but a combination of a long string of North Easterlies and a lack of local knowledge meant that we soon could see a virtual wall of overfalls and treacherous water ahead blocking our way back to the East and home. Prudently we sailed back to Chapel bay to wait an abating of the flood tide the wild bucking and heaving of large yachts trying to get through the race told us that, marvellous boat as she is, the Wayfarers would be in trouble in that race. The powerful motor launch with which Mr Nelson ferries the, day trippers back and forth arrived to pick up the last visitors and I sailed over and asked when the race tide would subside. He informed me it would be at *6 knots for the next 4 or 5 hours* and it would be pointless to try and cross it.



Taking pity

Obviously taking pity at the sight of our crestfallen faces at the prospect of hanging around the

Copelands for the rest of the eve-

ning, he resignedly suggested that he would tow us across the race and the 2 miles or so back to Donaghadee Harbour.

We gratefully accepted his offer, tied both boats on behind his, dumped young Thomas into the ferry boat and hung on grimly as we were towed at a fair rate of knots across the race. Fortunately the king post on my foredeck held and Bill's tow rope was wrapped round my mast. David sat grimly in the middle, marvelling at how tight you could really stretch these ropes and, for once, not complaining about the king post that fouls up his jib sheet each time we tack in the Wednesday evening races at East Down! Thomas sat grinning over the stem of the ferry boat until Mr Nelson, convinced that something would give on the Wayfarers and a tow-rope come snaking back across his boat, moved him up front. Bill and I steered the best we could and we arrived in Donaghadee Harbour grateful to Mr Nelson for a most exciting ride! By now it was 5.00pm, so we hoisted sail, beat out of the harbour in a very light wind and were carried the 8 or 9 miles back home largely on the flood, tide, arriving back on the beach at Ballywalter about 8.00 pm to a hot meal provided by Sally, such are the pleasures of sailing! All in all it was a most enjoyable day, and at least it demonstrated the strength of Wayfarers, even if it did not fully test their already renowned sailing abilities!



Jim McAdam
W2366

Postscript from David Bruce:

The following Saturday, with my daughters Janet and Susan, I

made a trip to Mew Island, (one of the Copeland Islands) with a party from the R.S.P.B.. Who should be waiting to take us over to the island but Mr Nelson. I was greeted with "*Don't I know you? Weren't you in one of those wee hoots last Saturday?*" The cat was out of the bag! My daughters could not wait to tell their mother ... *who as a radio operator with H.M. Coastguard warned me about the Copeland Race, a lot of Brownie points lost there I'm afraid!*



Thanks Davy! Ed.



CIBC REGATTA 2019



Another very successful Regatta with a big thanks to all who put in a lot of hard work and organisation to make the event *The Premier Belfast Lough Regatta* ! Also a big thanks to all the competitors who took part and by all accounts everyone had a fantastic day. The event also raised the princely sum of £291 for **The Sailability Charity**

I say anyone for tea!





CIBC REGATTA 2019



Race Results - 2019 CIBC Race Results - 2019

Race No 1 Class NHC Unrestricted (0.906 & above) Start time 13.20

Place Boat name Sail #
 1st GIGGLE 8676
 2nd
 3rd

Race No 2 Class NHC Unrestricted (0.905 & below) Start time 13.25

Place Boat name Sail #
 1st HECLA 34
 2nd FREE SPIRIT 467
 3rd

Race No 3 Class Dragon, SB20, RS Elite Start time 13.30

Place Boat name Sail #
 1st
 2nd
 3rd

Race No 4 Class NHC Restricted (0.926 & above) Start time 13.35

Place Boat name Sail #
 1st FINAL CALL 1003
 2nd MERRY JACK 1545
 3rd MINGULAY 2246

Race No 5 Class NHC Restricted (0.856 - 0.925) Start time 13.40

Place Boat name Sail #
 1st MANZANITA 48
 2nd STARSHINE CHALLENGER 4295
 3rd SIGNET 4700



RESULTS CIBC REGATTA 2019 RESULTS

Race No 6 Class NHC Restricted (0.855 & below)

Start time
13.45

Place	Boat name	Sail #
1st	BIRD OF SUNSET	408
2nd	MAJI	1611
3rd	TYCHE	174

Race No 7 Class Flying Fifteen, Squib, Fairy, Waverley & Ballyholme Bay

Start time
13.50

Place	Boat name	Sail #
1st		17
2nd		9
3rd		24

Race No 8 Class Mirror, laser 4.7, Topper, Dinghy/Day Boat PY 1130 & above

Start time
13.55

Place	Boat name	Sail #
1st		
2nd		
3rd		

Race No 9 Class Laser (standard rig)

Start time
14.00

Place	Boat name	Sail #
1st		204159
2nd		180934
3rd		206339

Race No 10 Class Start time

10 Laser Radial, Enterprise, GP14, 505, RS400, RS200 & Dinghy/Day Boat, PY1129 and below 14:05

Place	Boat name	Sail #
1st	RS AERO	2525
2nd		
3rd		

Race No 11 Class Start time

Multihull Dinghies 14:10

Place	Boat name	Sail #
1st		
2nd		



Thanks for the pics SC.
The Ed..

Autumn Dinner Menu Presentation of Prizes

Friday 25/10/19
Donaghadee



7 for 7.30 pm
Golf Club

Pate

Chicken liver pate served with a toasted brioche & onion jam

Chowder

Mixed seafood chowder served with crusty bread

Brochette

Caramelised onion & goat's cheese brochette

Caesar salad

Warm chicken and pancetta Caesar salad

Roast Chicken

Roast chicken with stuffed bacon roll, creamed and roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables and pan jus

Salmon fillet

Pan fried salmon fillet with traditional trimmings and bacon mash

Braised beef

5 hour braised beef with thyme, red wine & braised vegetable jus and potatoes

Mediterranean kebab (V)

Roast Mediterranean vegetable kebab with grilled halloumi, wild mushroom rice and Teriyaki sauce

Sticky toffee pudding with butterscotch sauce & ice cream

Strawberry pavlova

White chocolate & raspberry cheesecake

Cheese board mix of hard and soft cheese with biscuits and grapes

Tea or Coffee

Contact Ivan Heaney
or
Will Simpson



£25 Per Person

 *Live Music*



Wrinklies Race to Glenarm / BBQ



Don't drop it again Brian.

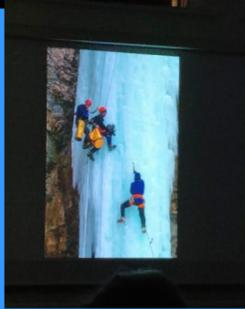


**CIBC BBQ
HALL !**



**MEMBERS / GUESTS
ONLY.....**





“The Famous” Cockle Island Boat Club Winter Programme 2019-2020 Starts here 9/10/19 20.00 Hours Sharp!

Sunday 29th Sept	Annual Church Service
Wednesday 9th Oct	Sir Samuel Kelly Project (Ken Walsh)
Wednesday 16th Oct	Voyage of Shadowmere (Ian McCrum)
Wednesday 23rd Oct	Restoration + delivery MV Muriel of Merok (Ruan O’Tairnagh)
Friday 25th Oct	Dinner and Prize Giving DDGC
Wednesday 30th Oct	Secret listeners of Gilnahirk
Wednesday 13th Nov	Adventure South Atlantic (Stephen Clarkson) @ DDSC
Wednesday 20th Nov	Building HMS Queen Elizabeth (Ian Duncan) @ DDSC
Wednesday 27th Nov	War Years Remembered visit to Military Museum Ballyclare <i>Bus leaves Clubhouse 1300 sharp! Bus cost TBA £8 entrance inc coffee/tea</i> No 7pm meeting
Wednesday 11th Dec	Gaffer Drive (Louise Bunting)
Wed 8th Jan 2020	Committee Meeting
Wednesday 15th Jan	Annual General Meeting

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CIBC thanks all the speakers for their time and trust all members to give their full support.

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