



THE BRYC NEWS

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Time for a bit more news.

Firstly, and on a personal note, I am pleased to be able to tell you all that I have now, after a wait of 2 years and 2 months, got my new Britpop on the water. Early indications are that it is a very good boat and the long wait was well worthwhile. Leading directly on from that I am delighted to be able to tell you that David, our Race Secretary, has bought my Mad Max and I am sure we all look forward to welcoming him back onto the water in the near future.

More good news is that we also have to welcome two new members to the club; Harry Ellis, who is also a member of Norwich MYC and Tony Garner who was a member of our club back in the 1980's. I am sure you will all join me in wishing them both many happy hours of sailing with us.

Our AGM was held on the 19th September and the following important decisions were made;

- a) It was agreed that the scoring system as used by the Eastern District to calculate the final placings in ED series racing be adopted and used in future to calculate final placings in club series racing. Using this system will produce fewer tied results needing splitting by count back and other means, and will also allow the race officer at each event to be allocated a score based on his or her averages over the series. Full details of how this system works will be published in due course but for the time being I can tell you all that Tom has it fully sorted and well in hand.
- b) It was agreed that whilst the RYGGED start had worked very well over the first 12 - 18 months that it was in use, it has now outlived its usefulness and will no longer be applied at any events. **This means that all boats will, in future, start together.**
- c) It was announced that the MYA proposed to increase the MYA sub from £11.00 to £13.00 in 2014. It was agreed not to increase the club subscription for the coming year, so the **subscription due from each member for 2014 will be £48.00.**

The weed problem which has afflicted us from time to time during the summer has now almost completely gone and we have all enjoyed some super racing on Wednesdays and Sundays. Our Norfolk Trophy EDCS 6 open event is on Sunday 20th October and I am pleased to be able to tell you that six Broads club members have entered. David and Tom are supervising the event and Val Zammit is going to look after the scoring for us. It looks as if it will be a single fleet so if anyone can spare the time to act as an observer for the day it would be most helpful. The scores at this event will count towards the Autumn series.

Following on from this we have the final two events of the Autumn one metre series on the 27th October and the 3rd November and then it is all one metre racing up to the 22nd December as we contest the winter IOM series. I hope as many members as possible will support this series and make it a tightly fought contest.

The race programme for 2014 will be issued as soon as it is compiled - another meeting for the committee.

Now some important dates for your diary;

- a) We have booked the restaurant for **Friday evening the 6th December** for our **annual club dinner and prize presentation**. The menu choice is the same as last year; Roast Turkey, Steak & Kidney Pie, Lasagne or Cod & Chips followed by; Xmas Pud, Trifle, or Ice Cream and Tea or Coffee. If anyone would like to come but is vegetarian or has special dietary needs please let me know and I'll try to work something out with the restaurant owners. **The cost for all this is only £13.00 per head. The menu selection and the payment must be made in advance to me - I'm taking money now and three people have already paid up.** The licensed bar will be open all evening. There is already have a big booking for that evening in the main restaurant so we have been asked to have our meal served at 7.30pm rather than at 8.00pm as in previous years. So please get there early. The doors will be open from 7.00pm. I will take subscriptions on the night but it will be more difficult because of the early meal time.
- b) **Subscriptions become due on 1st December** and I would like to thank you all for the very prompt way that you always pay. The MYA would like to get the 'Yearbook' out to every member no later than the second week of January in 2014 and this will mean all clubs getting their MYA affiliation fees, together with members details to the MYA treasurer before Christmas, so I would be most grateful if once again you could pay-up in good time. Several members have paid already.
- c) The **Eastern District AGM is on Saturday 2nd November**, 10.30am at Channels Golf Club House, Chelmsford.
- d) The **MYA AGM is on Saturday 23rd November** in Bournville, Birmingham. The AGM is preceded by a trade show in the morning and nearly all of the major suppliers will be there. It is worth attending and I hope at least a few of you will be there.

Don't forget to check the Race Calendar each week to see when you are due to be race officer. If you are ever unable to fulfill this duty you must first try to arrange for a substitute and advise David, our Race Secretary, accordingly. If you are unable to arrange a substitute you must tell David. I have attached the Guide for Race Officers' please read it and familiarize yourself with what is required so that when you do your stint you know what to do.

Fair winds and good sailing. Pete.