



Pentland Firth Yacht Club



Newsletter

March 2008

Website: www.pfyc.org.uk

NEWSLETTER

Welcome to second newsletter of 2008.

Committee

This year's committee is as follows:

Commodore	John Perry	Wick 631335
Vice-Commodore	Vacant	
Treasurer	David Lord	896885
Sailing Secretary	Geoff Henstridge	Wick 606909
Secretary	Malcolm Lord	896885
Training Secretary	Julie Orr	831439
Committee Member	David Jones	892521
Committee Member	Steve Foster	895959
Committee Member	Guy Newson	

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 30th March 0930 BST – Work Day at the Clubhouse

Sunday 6th April 0900, HW 0930 – Launching the Guard Boat

CONTACTS

E-mail addresses – To receive rapid communications, please send yours to secretary@pfyc.org.uk

Newsletter contributions – Send to Malcolm Lord by the means of your choice, but preferably by e-mail to secretary@pfyc.org.uk.

I'd be pleased to receive comments on anything else you'd like to see in the newsletter.

Contributions always welcome.

TRAINING

We are gearing up for the new sailing season with a programme of winter training both on and off the water. Sessions so far have included how sails work and working with the tides of the Pentland Firth. Members and friends learned to make sail work better and to navigate local tides in large and small vessels.

PFYC junior members Robin Foster and Mark Johnston opened their sailing season by attending the North of Scotland Sailing Squad training event held at Invergordon in mid March (www.gs-online.org.uk).



ANNUAL DINNER

Report from John Perry: Our annual dinner and prize giving went well on the 7th March. The meal was well prepared and presented. Many especially commented on the quality of the sweets!

Thanks to all who attended.

Thanks were given to all those who had participated in raising the membership and profile of the club over the last year.

I regret that I failed to thank Malcolm properly for all his efforts to provide a club we are proud to be members of..... I'll spare him the "witty" anecdote.

The lists of prizewinners are as follows:

Event	2007 WINNER
1 ST SUNDAY SERIES	JOHN PERRY, TASAR
2 ND SUNDAY SERIES	MALCOLM LORD, LASER
1 ST THURSDAY SERIES	MALCOLM LORD , FIREBALL
2 ND THURSDAY SERIES	MALCOLM LORD, FIREBALL
PURSUIT RACE	GEOFF HENSTRIDGE, TASAR
TOPPER RACE	MALCOLM LORD
END OF SEASON REGATTA	ROBIN FOSTER, MIRROR
END OF SEASON REGATTA	BARBARA NEWSON, FIREBALL



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Please do your best to spread the word about how great it is to sail and in particular, at the club. It's great to go down on a Sunday to find the place buzzing.

SAILING PROGRAM

Sailing program for the first part of the season, an updated program with guard boat crews will be issued soon.

TOWN IMPROVEMENTS RACE WINNER	MARTINE HUGHES, TOPPER
MOST ENTERTAINING CAPSIZE	CAROLE PERRY BOSUN/MIRROR
JUNE REGATTA S/H	DAVE LORD, TOPPER
JUNE REGATTA F/H	GEOFF HENSTRIDGE, TASAR

Date	Start Time	Day	Event
April 20th	1400	Sunday	Spring Shake-down races.
27th	1400	Sunday	Spring Cup :- Nutshell Trophy (3 Races).
May 1st	19:30	Thursday	1st Thursday evening points series
4th	14:00	Sunday	Sunday points series
8th	19:30	Thursday	1st Thursday evening points series
11th	14:00	Sunday	Race training (All classes)
15th	19:30	Thursday	1st Thursday evening points series
18th	14:00	Sunday	Phimster Pursuit Cup race
22nd	19:30	Thursday	1st Thursday evening points series
25th	14:00	Sunday	Come & Try day. 1st Cruiser race
29th	19:30	Thursday	1st Thursday evening points series