



Editorial

The editor really hopes and dears to believe, that this is better; She has spent just a fraction of the time putting this issue together compared with the sweat, tears and hours of toil previous issues have consumed.

I don't suppose you can see a lot of difference but I can assure you it is produced with a great sigh of relief.

Next Month's will be even better.

Britt



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TellTale

Future Events

**Friday 4th, Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th
July**

Round Mull

Sunday, 6 July

Black Rock

**Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 July
Soling Nationals**

**aturday 26 and Sunday 27 July
Laser Travellers**

**August 1, 2 and 3 Tobermory - Kilchoan
RISA regatta**

Thursday 7th August NO DUFFERS

**Every Monday is Keel Boat Points Racing
Every Wednesday is Dinghy Points
Racing**

**The Thursday Club do their thing every
Thursday
and every Thursday is D/K Club Night**





Commodore's Corner

As I sit here in late June watching the rain fall and looking back on a fun-filled couple of weeks on the Cairngorms in blizzard conditions I wonder what became of (a) those halcyon days at the end of April and (b) who has done what to Global Warming!!?

However, summer is upon us - apparently - the Regatta has been and gone and thanks to all those people who made it a real success. There were 18 boats on display and, despite a slightly less than impressive performance from the wind, some excellent racing was to be had and enjoyed. A special thanks is due to Peter, the celebrity race officer, who travelled up from Glencoe to officiate for us and who did a splendid in trying conditions. The PRO's job must be one of the most awkward in sailing!

Next major events at LYC are the Soling Nationals in July, which should a major spectacle with large numbers of the 2nd best looking boat in the World racing hammer & tongs around Loch Linnhe! (The best looking of course being the Dragon! - perhaps we can get them next year!!). They are closely followed by the Laser who will be with us again for their regular, very welcome and extremely hotly contested Traveller event. Offers of assistance at either or both of these events will be gratefully received by any member of the committee.

Mid-Summer's Day is now a fading (and pretty cold!) memory, but let's continue to get out there and make the most of the rest of the season.

Pete

Thank You

I wish to thank all the members who donated so generously, baking and other food to the Regatta Supper and Lunch. Thanks, most sincerely, to all the ladies and a few men, who helped in the gally. They were a great team and we had a lot of fun and we achieved a lot.

Beryl

Race Information

Rather than besiege everyone with tables of results I will simply draw your attention to the club web site and to the club notice board where results are posted in some detail on a weekly basis. So if you want to know how many points you have so far in the dinghy series or who's in the medals then

www.lochaber-yacht-club.co.uk.

Those spotting the odd mistake, please tell me by email to Paul Biggin at

dbi25@aol.com .

If I don't know, I can't put it right!

Regatta Results

Details can be seen on the web site and a summary of the prize winners on page 5 of this issue (courtesy of Robbie Robertson)

**Lochaber Yacht Club
Committee meets
Tuesday, 1st July at the
Club House**

**FOR SALE**

- 1 Child's Circle One wet suit age 10 - £5 2. Gill Dinghy Smock - age 8/9 - as new £5
3. Typhoon wet suit shoes 24cm long - size 1/2 £2

Admiralty Charts for sale.

Donald Laird donated these to the club. Proceeds will go to club funds. Contact Beryl Austin 01397 772473 for further info. Guide price £5 per chart.

Chart Index No. and Name

- 1791 Caledonian Canal
11824aE coast Ireland, Irish Sea (old and stained x
1994 Approaches to R Clyde, Grenock, Great Harbour
2131 Firth of Clyde and Loch Fyne
2155 Sound of NW coast of Mull (old and stained)
2169 Approaches to Firth of Lorne (stained)
2171 Sound of Mull and Approaches
2198 N channel S part
2199 N channel N part
2207 Point of Ardnamurchan to Sound of Sleat x 2
2208 Mallaig to Canna Harbour 2 off
2209 Inner sound
2210 Approaches to Inner Sound
2249 Orkney – Western sheet
2250 Orkney – Eastern Sheet
2378 Loch Linnhe – S part
2379 Loch Linnhe – Central part
2380 N part – Loch Leven narrows (stained)
2381 Lower Loch Fyne
2382 Upper Loch Fyne
2394 Loch Sunart (stained)
2397 Sound of Jura N part (stained)
2475 Sounds of Ghia and Gunna
2477 W Loch Tarbet and Approaches
2496 Sound of sleat (old)
2500 Approaches to Loch Broom and Little Loch Broom
2502 Eddrachins Bay
2507 Ardnamurchan Point to Loch Brittle (old stained)
2515 Mull of Kintyre to Ardnamurchan
2528 Loch Kishorn and Outer Loch Carron, LochGairloch
2529 Approaches to Loch Stornoway
2541 Loch Duich
2652 Loch Tuath and Loch Keal (old)
2721 St Kilda to Butt of Lewis
2769 Barra Head to Greian Head, Castle Bay
2841 Sound of Harris to Ard More MANGERSIA

These Charts are are old and venerable and worth having.

Some have already been sold, but I do not know which ones.

Contact Beryl on 01 397 772 473

FOR SALE

one VHF set, NAVICO RT6500S.
complete with hand mic.
No external aerial. £50.
tel 01687 470 266, Simon Macdonald.

For Sale:

Drascombe Lugger.
1994, very good condition,
used only 10 days each year.
Never raced!. Full cover, spray hood, good sails,
mercury 4hp,
good road trailer, anchor, fenders, etc etc. Price,
£6500. Contact Simon Macdonald 01687 470266.
info@smokedproduce.com

For Sale

Topper 44505,
Turquoise deck, Good condition,
Fully raced rigged,
Ronstan centre main,
Carbon-fibre tiller extension,
Padded toe straps,
New lower section of mast
(new summer '05),
Top and bottom covers
(new summer '06),
Sail and foil bags included,
Trolley included
£1000

Contact:

The Shepherds, 01397 722379,
clareshep89@hotmail.co.uk or
tonyshep@clara.net

For Sale

Two Lewmar 40 winches, ex -Schönbrunn
(now has self-tailing winches!) £100 the pair.

Chris Strong

01397 772361

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Lochaber Yacht Club Annual Regatta 2008

The Lochaber Yacht Club Annual Regatta took place on the weekend 14th & 15th June. The weather was kind but the North Westerly wind blowing across Loch Linnhe resulted in very variable strength and direction and produced very testing conditions for the competitors. This made the Race Officer's job of setting courses very difficult. It was great to have Peter Duggan from Glencoe Boat Club as to do this for us. A total of 20 boats raced over the weekend in the four different classes.

Slow Handicap Dinghies (all Toppers), Fast Handicap Dinghies, Keelboats, and International Soling One Design

Three races were sailed on Saturday and Two on Sunday. The testing conditions produced several different winners in all classes so that the final result was decided on the last race.

A very successful well supported social evening was enjoyed in the new clubhouse on Saturday and an excellent lunch on Sunday. Thanks to all those who made the event a success.

Overall Results

Topper

1. *Auzzura* Alexander Wilkie
2. *Barnacle* Euan Wilkie
3. *Three* Glen Falconer

Fast Handicap Dinghies

1. Osprey *Bird O' Spray* Paul Biggin and Brian Holgate
2. Wayfarer *MCP* Kim and Marie Cameron
3. Albacore *Dangerous Dave* Dave Allan and D Finlayson (Invergordon)

Keelboats

Scintilla Marian Austin and Crew

International Soling One Design

1. *Solaris*
Hamish Loudon, Tomek Kruk and Hannah Bamber
2. *Rascal*
Robbie Robertson, Roddy Campbell and Adrian Hope
3. *Just Gonnies No*
Andy McKenna, Liz Loudon and John Wilson

We should also mention in dispatches the beginners young and old who had the courage to take part and had good fun doing battle at the back of the fleet – and not always at the back of the fleet. Sarah Wytton did well representing the sea cadets in a Topper and the club Wayfarers were put to good use by Joe Willetts and Martin Faryma in *Arisaig* and Martin and Allan Basil in *Mischief*

Dinghy and Keelboat Rotas

We could print another table but of course everyone looks at their handbook to see when they are on duty – don't they? The rotas also appear on the web site. Please look now and write the dates in your diary. If the dates aren't convenient then please arrange a swap.

The duties of manning the rescue boat and acting as OOD are spread as widely as we can. This is so that as many as possible are involved. Also spreading the net widely means that your turn does not come round all that often. The rotas apply only to the race nights and trophy races but we also have to provide rescue boat cover for the club nights and any other activities. If you really don't want to be on the rota then please let me know – but not, please not, on the day of the event!

If you don't know how to operate the rescue boat (you don't know where the fuel is, the kill cord, etc then just ask or look at the rota and team up with someone as rescue boat crew.) The same applies to being OOD – it may seem daunting but all the instructions are on the wall in the tower and there is always someone to offer advice. Everyone gets it wrong sometimes and we all learn something in the process.

There have been one or two requests for training and we have no doubt this will be on the agenda for the committee. Meanwhile offers of help as "flag officer" to the OOD or rescue boat crew will be gratefully accepted.

Dinghy convener - Paul Biggin,
Keelboat convener – Keith Falconer

