

# WHITSTABLE YACHT CLUB



# Handbook 2024



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# Welcome

Welcome to the WYC 2024 sailing season and to this year's Handbook.

We hope you will find this guide informative and easy to use, embracing as it does all the different activities currently supported at the club. Most, but not all, involve getting wet, as a browse through the regular news updates and social activities will show. Our training calendar offers sessions for youngsters over eight years old and a busy schedule of adult training too. This year we have a special focus on giving sailors new to the sport confidence to move onto racing and cruising, and there are also extra activities for our kayaking community.

As usual, we are proud to be hosting a wide variety of important sailing regattas this year. Whitstable's sailing waters are among the finest in the UK and we always look forward to welcoming our visitors.

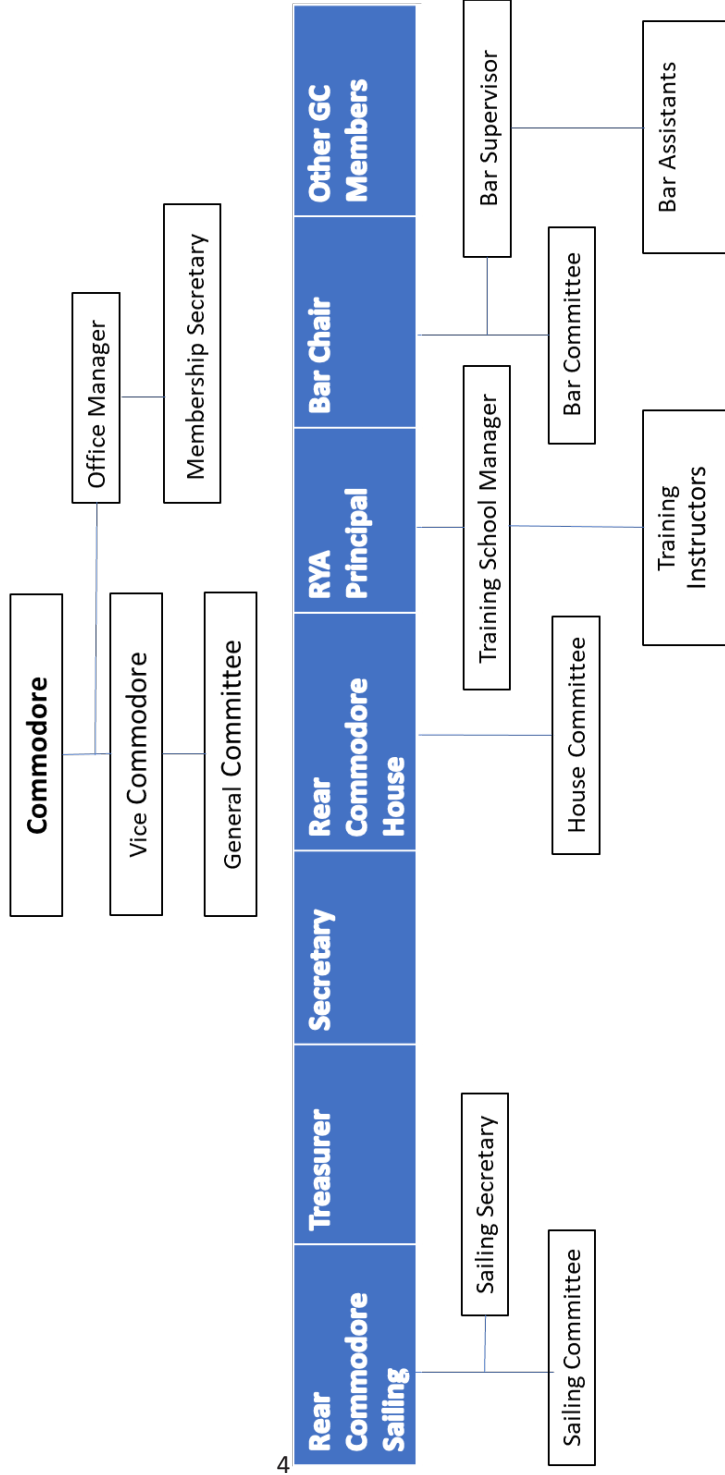
Sailing members - crucially, your name will appear in the duty roster somewhere. These volunteer duties are essential to the running of the club, so please make a note of the date of your duty, arrange a stand-in if you can't make it and advise the Sailing Secretary.

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# Whitstable Yacht Club Organisation Chart



## **General Information**

The clubhouse is open to members daily (except Christmas day) from 9am until the bar closes.

### **Bar opening times**

The bar is open at weekends and selected times on weekdays — current opening hours can be found on the club website.

### **Club etiquette**

Please dress appropriately in the bar and Sea Room — wet sailing clothing is not permitted in either space. Please remove as much sand as possible from shoes before entering. Dogs are welcome in the Sea Room but must be kept on a lead.

### **Club administration**

Please ensure that the office is kept up to date with your personal contact details and those of your boat.

### **Feedback and complaints**

Constructive criticism should be lodged with a flag officer or put in writing to the Commodore who will bring it to the General Committee.

### **Parking on the beach is not permitted**

The only exceptions are for those delivering to or undertaking maintenance at the club. Motor vehicles may be driven on to the beach for delivery or collection of watersports equipment but it is expected that this equipment is prepared for transport in advance, to minimise the time vehicles spend on the beach.

### **Boats kept on club premises**

Boats must display the owner's name clearly on both cover and trolley and trolleys should be kept in good working order. Boats must also display WYC storage stickers issued by the office.

### **Lost property**

Items should be given to a member of staff who will pass to the office. Proof of ownership must be provided before the item claimed is handed over.

### **Trophies**

Trophies must not be removed from the club without advising the Sailing Secretary

## WYC website

To keep this Handbook concise the full text of club rules, policies and details of committee members can be found on the club website [www.wyc.org.uk](http://www.wyc.org.uk). Further printed copies may be requested from the office.

The club website is updated regularly and will always be the place to go for programme changes, special events and club news items. Sign up to the news feed and these will pop up in your e-mail inbox. Further information can be found on the club social media pages in a less formal style.

## Safeguarding

As defined in the Children Act 1989, for the purposes of this policy anyone under the age of 18 should be considered as a child. The policy also applies to vulnerable adults.

**It is the policy of WYC to safeguard children and young people taking part in boating from physical, sexual or emotional harm. We will take all reasonable steps to ensure that, through appropriate procedures and training, children participating in club activities do so in a safe environment. We recognise that the safety and welfare of the child is paramount and that all children, whatever their age, gender, disability, culture, ethnic origin, colour, religion or belief, social status or sexual identity, have a right to protection from abuse.**

WYC recognises that safeguarding children is the responsibility of everyone, not just those who work with children. We therefore expect all members to treat all children with respect and celebrate their achievements. All members should be encouraged to demonstrate exemplary behaviour in order to protect themselves from false allegations. The following are common sense examples of how to create a positive culture and climate within club organised activities:

- Avoid spending any significant time working with children in isolation.

- Treat all young people equally, with respect and dignity.

- Make sailing fun, enjoyable and promote fair play.

- Ensure that if any form of manual support or physical contact is required (e.g. assisting in launching/recovery of boats, pulling out of water into safety boat, etc.) this is minimised and provided openly. Where practical, it should be explained to the child what is happening.

- Involve parents/carers wherever possible, e.g. for the responsibility of their children in the changing rooms.

- Use of inappropriate language by children, and by adults in the hearing of children, should be challenged.

- If a child is having difficulty with a wetsuit or buoyancy aid, ask them to ask a friend to help if at all possible.

- If you do have to help a child, make sure you are in full view of others, preferably another adult.

### **You should never:**

Allow or engage in inappropriate physical contact.

Allow children to use inappropriate language unchallenged, or use such language yourself when with children.

Make sexually suggestive comments to a child, even in fun.

Fail to respond to an allegation made by a child; always act.

Do things of a personal nature that children can do for themselves.

It is preferable for adults to stay away from the changing rooms while there are children there. However, this is often unavoidable because adults are sailing at the same times, it is therefore better if one adult is not alone when children are present. Parents should be aware that adult club members may be in the changing rooms.

### **Stay covered!**

In order to safeguard the interests of all members, WYC require that swimsuits or underwear are worn at all times by members whilst using the changing rooms and showers.

### **Child Welfare Contact:**



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paul@paul-cross.net

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# More than just sailing

## Coffee Club



The WYC Coffee Club meets at the club daily 10.00am—11.00am. Enjoy a coffee, make new friends and have a laugh.

## WYC Games Night



Contact: Tizzie Lambert: 07920 262673

Every Tuesday from 7pm, Mexican train dominoes, cribbage or bring your own - come and join us. Bit of luck, bit of skill, bit of a laugh, bit of wine.

## WYC Book Club



Contact: [office@wyc.org](mailto:office@wyc.org)

Second or fourth Wednesday of the month, at 7pm, depending on your group. We have two groups of up to 12 members and it's a lovely way to meet others. Discuss, drink and laugh.

## WYC Music Club

Contact: Andrew Provan 07899 662412

Meet 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of the month 7:30 to 10pm. We pick some songs to rehearse beforehand and then play together as several bands.



We welcome all voices and instruments and put on a gig at the club every quarter.

## WYC Pool Nights

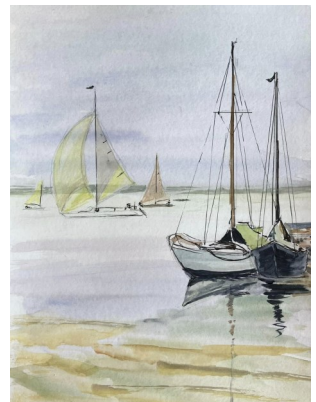
Contact: Magda Venning Bar Manager:  
01227 272942/3

Wednesdays from 7pm - club pool night. Players and non-players are welcomed, come along and support the Whitstable Yacht Club team. Thursdays from 5pm Free table.

## WYC Art Group

Contact: Tizzie Lambert:  
07920 262673

Get your oils, acrylics, charcoal, pencils, even crayons out of the cupboard and come and join us in the Sea Room. Good, average or useless, you are all welcome. Held on 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.



**Other Ideas** If you have an interest or idea for additional groups you would like to start please get in touch with the club office.



Recognised Club

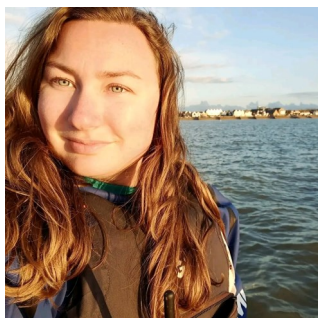
## Tuition

Nationally recognised training programme offers progression from complete novice to confident independent sailor.

**Adult courses** are held in small groups and follow the Royal Yachting Association syllabus. Each course is held over two days: *Level 1* is an introduction to sailing dinghies for complete beginners, under supervision. *Level 2* builds confidence and develops the skills needed to be a competent sailor in light winds. *Level 3* consolidates those skills and introduces new ones to cope with more challenging conditions and to gain the confidence to start sailing independently.

**Cadet courses** (ages 8-16) are based on the RYA National Youth Sailing Scheme and are held over three days during school holidays: *Stage 1* provides the basic principles of how to get a boat sailing. *Stage 2* develops the ability to sail around an easy triangular course and start to understand what's really going on. *Stage 3* builds confidence and knowledge in a variety of sea states and weather conditions.

**Powerboat courses** are of two days' duration, maximum of 3 people per course, minimum age 14 years. *Level 2* is the most popular, offering theory and practical assessment, with plenty of time on the water. This is the minimum qualification required to drive a WYC support boat. For the complete novice, it may be preceded by *Level 1*. For the experienced powerboat driver a direct assessment may be arranged.



### Ruth Oliver

Chief Instructor,  
Training Administrator,  
RYA Onboard Officer

## Adult courses:

Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	RYA Powerboat Level 2
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	RYA Level 2 Sailing
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	RYA Powerboat Level 2
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	RYA Powerboat Level 2
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> & Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	RYA Day Sailing
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	RYA Level 1 sailing
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	RYA Level 2 Sailing
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	RYA Level 3 Sailing
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	RYA Level 1 Sailing
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	RYA Seamanship Skills
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	RYA Level 1 Sailing (reserved for Discover Sailing Day candidates)
Saturday 20 <sup>h</sup> & Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	RYA Level 3 Sailing
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	RYA Powerboat Level 2
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	RYA Level 1 Sailing
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	RYA Level 2 Sailing
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> August & Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	RYA Level 1 Sailing
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	RYA Level 2 Sailing
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	RYA Powerboat Level 2

## Sailing Development

**Taster sessions** - Usually on a one-to-one basis, but can be arranged for small groups. This is great for ongoing improvement after a course, or if you are unsure if you will like sailing and want to try before committing to a course.

**Improver sessions** - Weekly sessions either on a Wednesday evening or a Sunday for members who have completed at least RYA Level 1 and who would like to improve specific skills and gain more confidence on the water.



## Cadets and Families

For 8-18 year olds, cadet sessions are held on Friday evenings or Saturdays, depending on the tide. Time on the water will do the teaching, with a little help from WYC's enthusiastic team of instructors.

The highlight of the summer is our 4 day Cadetfest 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> August. There's plenty of sailing, long and short distance cruise's, paddle sports, team games, raft building and racing/sinking. Early booking essential.

Experienced sailors are encouraged to become Assistant Instructors from the age of 14, with a view to obtaining the national Dinghy Instructor qualification at 16+.

Competent cadets are encouraged to participate in the main club racing programme, which now includes a cadet series which have a shorter course and additional support boat. We also have a number of Transition to Racing sessions throughout May. This year the Topper SE training and Open will be held at Whitstable and we expect to see many of our cadets



## Cadet courses:

Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> April	RYA Youth Stage 1 or 2	Westbere Lake/WYC	09.30-16.00 Tue/Wed, 08.00 -12.00 Thu
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> April	RYA Youth Stage 2 or 3	Westbere Lake/WYC	09.30-16.00 Wed/Thu, 13.00 -16.00 Fri
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> — Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> May	RYA Youth Stage 1, 2 or 3	WYC	13.00 –19.00 all three days
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> July	RYA Youth Stage 1,3, or 4	WYC	13.00 –19.30 all three days
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup> July – Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Stage 1 or 4, Sea-manship Skills	WYC	08.00-13.00 all three days
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> – Tue 6 <sup>th</sup> August	Stage 1	WYC	09.00-16.00 all days
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> August	Stage 2 or 3 or Start Racing	WYC	12.00-18.00 all three days
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> – Tue 13 <sup>th</sup> August	Stage 1 or 2	WYC	13.00 –19.30 all days
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> October	TBC	Westbere Lake/WYC	TBC

## Booking Information

Please see [wyc.org.uk/on-the-water/training](http://wyc.org.uk/on-the-water/training) to book courses, cadet sessions, Cadetfest and boat hire, all via bookwhen.com.

**Vouchers** for courses are very popular. Recipient can choose the date of course. For a voucher please contact [training@wyc.org.uk](mailto:training@wyc.org.uk).



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## Sailability

Whitstable Yacht Club is keen to provide opportunities for those with disabilities, however, our exposed location, beach launching and prevailing weather can make this challenging. We are linked with a nearby RYA Sailability centre, where many of our members volunteer, to provide help and training in more sheltered waters. Westbere Sailing Opportunities offers fun, happy and safe sailing experiences to adults and children with all forms and levels of disability on a lake on the periphery of Canterbury.

## Windsurfing

At low water and when the wind kicks in, Whitstable Bay offers superb conditions for windsurfing and WYC members are quick to enjoy them throughout the year.



The dynamic of the fleet continues to improve and expand, not only in the ability of the sailors but also in the variety of equipment in use - freeride and wave boards are most numerous with racing longboards making a comeback.

There is a strong camaraderie and a willingness to offer sailing, tuning and technical tips to help everyone enjoy their windsurfing to the utmost, whether it's a high-speed blast or a relaxed sail in light conditions.

## Cruiser Class

The WYC cruiser fleet is no longer moored on the shoreline off the club but is found at Hollowshore, Faversham and Conyer Creeks, the Swale and even further afield between the Medway and Ramsgate.

The very ethos of cruising mitigates against a structured programme but there is plenty going on around the area. Class captain Jeremy Scott (07972 239452 - [jeremydavidscott@icloud.com](mailto:jeremydavidscott@icloud.com)) is always keen to receive suggestions for events, activities and ways to develop the WYC cruiser class.

## Dinghy cruising



We are in an ideal location to venture out from the club to explore the Swale and the coastal bays towards Thanet. Dates for dinghy cruising can be found in the sailing schedule, but the dinghy sailing WhatsApp group also organises cruises as opportunities come up. To join the WhatsApp group contact Fef Griffin on 07940 496869.



All classes of suitably equipped dinghies are welcome on the basis of the club's guidance for Safe and Enjoyable Cruising.

The RYA course for dinghy day cruising is also on offer on Wednesday evenings in short cruises to bridge the gap to full day sailing

## Kayaks and Paddle Boards

We are planning a few Kayak/SUP events through the season to encourage members who own or can borrow a Kayak or an SUP to have a paddle in company. The dates are chosen on a rising tide with reasonable water depth and rely on weather suitable to hold an enjoyable event – events will be rescheduled if necessary. Contact Kerry Collins (07857 419473).

## Transition to racing

A programme of four events designed to bridge the gap between improvers and a club race. Sessions will start on land with a little theory and follow that up with the practical application of what was learned. Sessions will cover starting, sailing upwind, mark rounding and racing rules and will be held in the spring. Contact Ruth Oliver or Steve Gray.

A family of five is sitting on a blanket in a garden at night. The scene is warmly lit by a fire pit and string lights. The family consists of a man, a woman, and three children. They are all looking towards the right side of the frame. The background shows a stone building with arched windows and a large tree with string lights.

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## On the water on your own

The following suggestions are for guidance only:

- ◆ Expert advice and support boats are available only during club organised sailing activities so please be sure of your own abilities. Don't hesitate to seek advice from experienced club members. Parents are asked to supervise their own children.
- ◆ Always wear a buoyancy aid.
- ◆ Consider sailing with other boats.
- ◆ Always tell someone ashore when and where you are sailing and what time you expect to return. Check in when you are back on terra firma.
- ◆ Leave the launching trolley visible at the top of WYC slipway. Mark it clearly with your name, boat type, sail number.
- ◆ Know the time of High Water and understand how this will affect sailing conditions.
- ◆ Check, and understand, the weather forecast. Watch the sky upwind for changes.
- ◆ Visibility is important. Avoid mist, fog and heavy rain. A compass might help if you are caught out, but only if you know how to use it.
- ◆ Carry a mobile phone, easily accessible in a waterproof pack. A radio is good but only if you know how to use it properly and have someone to talk to.
- ◆ Emergency equipment. For the boat: oars, paddle, bucket, anchor and warp, tow rope, flares, small tool kit including knife, wire cutter, shackles, cord. For the crew: extra clothing, water, cereal bars.
- ◆ Stay west of the harbour and keep a good lookout for other boats, big and small.
- ◆ Stay with a capsized boat. Do not try to swim ashore.

## Racing Programme

Racing is held for Lasers and an All-in-Handicap fleet throughout the season. The starting sequence and procedures are shown in the club sailing instructions available on the website.

### **2024 Points Series:**

Early Series	7 races (All-in-Handicap, Lasers)
Easter Series	4 races (All-in-Handicap, Lasers)
Spring Series	14 races (All-in-Handicap, Lasers)
Summer Saturdays	14 races (All-in-Handicap, Lasers)
Summer Sundays	15 races (All-in-Handicap, Lasers)
Wednesday Evening Series	9 races (All-in-Handicap)
Autumn Series	17 races (All-in-Handicap, Lasers)
Winter Series	8 races (All-in-Handicap, Lasers)

The number of races to count for a series will be half the number sailed plus one (rounded down).

### **2024 Trophy Races and Regattas:**

RNLI pursuit race	Single pursuit race in aid of the RNLI
Club Championships	6 race All-in-Handicap regatta to determine the 2024 club champion
Dawes Trophy	Single All-in-Handicap race in memory of club legend Slotty Dawes
Whitstable Week	10 race All-in-Handicap regatta – 5 days of racing and socials
August regatta	6 race All-in-Handicap regatta over August bank holiday

Points are awarded to boats, not crews - sailors wishing to change boats within the same class must inform the sailing secretary.

Lasers who normally race with a standard rig are able to change down to a smaller rig (radial or 4.7) but results will count as per a standard rig – please advise when signing on.

Trophies will be awarded for the All-in-Handicap fleet, Lasers and at the discretion of the sailing committee, classes with a perpetual trophy with three or more starters in a given regatta or series.

Racing members are allocated race duties through the season to manage the racing programme – those who have started more races in the prior year are allocated two duties. **Please arrange a swap if you can't make your allocated duty and advise your fleet captain and Sally Gostelow.**

Members rostered for duty may ask for redress for the race for which they are on duty - average points will be awarded at the discretion of the sailing committee.

## Keith's Coffee Hut



Known by some as the 4th emergency service .....

Coffee, hot chocolate and cold drinks together with a range of snacks and hot food are available from Keith's situated in the white hut on the forecourt — discounted for club members (helpful to have your club membership / bar card with you).

# Whitstable Yacht Club Sailing Programme 2024

If you are unable to carry out your rostered duty, you are required to find a replacement. Please advise your fleet captain and Sally Gostelow of any duty changes.

Month	Day	HW (Clock Time)	Start Time	Club or Open Event	Race Officer / Organiser	Assistant RO (Spare Safety Crew)	Safety Boat Crew 1	Safety Boat Crew 2
March	Sat 16th Mar	1648	1000	Safety boat training	-	-	-	-
	Sat 23rd Mar	1211	1000	Working party	-	-	-	-
	Sun 24th Mar	1242	1100	RO Training	Christian Brewer	Steve Gray	-	-
			1400	Early Series 1	Christian Brewer	Steve Gray	Paul Moore	N/A
			1600	AGM	-	-	-	-
	Fri 29th Mar	1501	1400	Easter regatta	Charles Campion	Sonia McNally	Matt Grockatt	N/A
	Sat 30th Mar	1526	1400	Easter regatta	Jon Silk	Paul Cross	Tony Ullman	N/A
	Sun 31st Mar	1655	1400	Easter regatta	Nigel Brown	Andy Hockey	Amanda Higgins	N/A
April	Mon 1st Apr	1740	1400	Easter regatta	Andy Provan	Louise Provan	James Collins	N/A
	Sat 6th Apr	1150	1100	Early Series 2	Ben Spratling	Matt Low	Jonathan Loynes	N/A
			1130	Cadets 1	-	-	-	-
	Sun 7th Apr	1242	1100	Early Series 3	Bevis Field	Peter Riley	Tony Dod	N/A
	Sat 13th Apr	1643	1400	Early Series 4	Alastair Gould	Adam Roake	Paul Kelly	N/A
			1400	Cadets 2	-	-	-	-
	Sun 14th Apr	1720	1400	Improvers 1	-	-	-	-
			1400	Early Series 5	All Nicolson	Tim de Klerk	Jo Phillips	N/A
	Sat 20th Apr	1148	1100	Early Series 6	Andrew Folkard	Chris Gerry	Bob Bell	N/A
			1130	Cadets 3	-	-	-	-
	Sun 21st Apr	1229	1100	Early Series 7	Andrew Guérin	Sally Newcombe	Marc Dumas	N/A
	Fri 26th Apr	1506	1700	Cadets 4	-	-	-	-
May	Sat 27th Apr	1536	1200	Topper SE training	Tom Bruton	Andy Jackson	SB team	SB team
			1230	Cruise - Shipwright's Arms	-	-	-	-
	Sun 28th Apr	1607	1200	Topper SE open	Tom Bruton	Andy Jackson	SB team	SB team
	Wed 1st May	1835	1730	Improvers 2	-	-	-	-
			1730	Evening cruise	-	-	-	-
			1830	Wednesday Evening Series 1	Laser class	Laser class	Laser class	Laser class
	Sat 4th May	1015	1100	Spring Series 1/2 (CB)	Andrew Provan	N/A	Gary Plant	Oliver Goggi
			0900	Cadets 5	-	-	-	-
	Sun 5th May	1118	0930	Improvers 3	-	-	-	-
			1100	Spring Series 3/4 (CB)	Abby Zambinski	N/A	Amy Moore	Rich Edwards
			0900	Transition to racing - start clinic	-	-	-	-
	Mon 6th May	1212	1100	RNLI Pursuit Race (CB)	Mike Oliver	N/A	Gordon Kilpatrick	Sonia McNally
			0900	Laser training	-	-	-	-
	Sat 11th May	1543	1400	Spring Series 5/6 (CB)	Adam Whitehouse	N/A	Ian Hender	Adam Freeman
			1600	Cadets 6	-	-	-	-

Month	Day	HW (Rock Time)	Start Time	Club or Open Event	Race Officer / Organiser	Assistant RO (Spare Safety Crew)	Safety Boat Crew 1	Safety Boat Crew 2
June	Sun 12th May	1620	1200	Kayak/SUP paddle in company	-	-	-	-
			1300	Transition to racing - mark rounding	-	-	-	-
			1400	Spring Series 7/8 (CB)	Charles Camplon	N/A	Tom Rosier	Adrian Lambourne
	Wed 15th May	1839	1745	Improvers 4	-	-	-	-
			1730	Evening cruise	-	-	-	-
			1830	Wednesday Evening Series 2	Cats	Cats	Cats	Cats
	Fri 17th May	2111	1700	Cadets 7	-	-	-	-
	Sat 18th May	0958	1000	Cruise - Herne Bay/Thanet	-	-	-	-
			1100	Spring Series 9 (CB)	Chris Jarrett	N/A	Ali Nicolson	Andrew Burns
			0830	Transition to racing - upwind sailing	-	-	-	-
	Sun 19th May	1051	1100	Spring Series 10/11 (CB)	Zanna Gooch	N/A	Liz North	Ravi Singh-Verma
			0900	Improvers 5	-	-	-	-
	Sat 25th May	1444	1400	Club championships 1/2 (CB)	Kevin Hall	N/A	Rebecca Tingham	Bill Rich
			1130	Cadets 8	-	-	-	-
	Sun 26th May	1522	1400	Club championships 3/4 (CB)	Simon Hadley	N/A	Ross Power	Daniel Beacon
	Mon 27th May	1601	1300	Transition to racing - rules clinic	-	-	-	-
			1400	Club championships 5/6 (CB)	Steve Barnes	N/A	David Blakey	David Marsh
	Wed 29th May	1732	1720	Evening cruise	-	-	-	-
			1745	Improvers 6	-	-	-	-
			1830	Wednesday Evening Series 3	Stephen Baker	Mei Baker	Tasar fleet	Tasar fleet
	Fri 31st May	1933	1700	Cadets 9	-	-	-	-
June	Sat 1st Jun	0833	1000	Spring Series 12 (CB)	Jon Bloice	N/A	Phillippa Bloice	David Oxberry
	Sun 2nd Jun	0943	1100	Spring Series 13/14 (CB)	Rick Perkins	N/A	Dominic Wade	Donna Hender
			1745	Improvers 7	-	-	-	-
	Sat 8th Jun	1445	TBA	Discover sailing Open Day	-	-	-	-
	Sun 9th Jun	1525	1400	Summer Sunday Series 1/2 (CB)	Duncan Oliver	N/A	Elizabeth Daggart	Gareth Head
	Wed 12th Jun	1721	1830	Wednesday Evening Series 4	Cats	Cats	Cats	Cats
	Fri 14th Jun	1856	1700	Cadets 10	-	-	-	-
	Sat 15th Jun	0751	1100	Summer Saturday Series 1 (CB)	John Cooper	N/A	Hilary Bradshaw	Gary Speed
			1100	Cadet Race 1	-	-	-	-
	Sun 16th Jun	0854	1000	Summer Sunday Series 3/4 (CB)	Robert Govier	N/A	David Figgis	Jeremy Scott
			0800	Improvers 8 - Learning to crew	-	-	-	-
	Sat 22nd Jun	1347	1030	Cruise - Shipwright's Arms	-	-	-	-
			TBA	Merlin Rocket Open	Tom Bruton	-	-	-
			TBA	Tasar Open	Tom Bruton	Andy Jackson	SB team	SB team
	Sun 23rd Jun	1429	1200	Kayak/SUP paddle in company	Tom Bruton	Andy Jackson	SB team	SB team
			TBA	Merlin Rocket Open	Tom Bruton	-	-	-
			TBA	Tasar Open	Tom Bruton	Andy Jackson	SB team	SB team
	Wed 26th Jun	1638	1745	Improvers 9	-	Andy Jackson	SB team	SB team
			1830	Wednesday Evening Series 5	Laser class	Laser class	Laser class	Laser class

Month	Day	HW (Rock Time)	Start Time	Club or Open Event	Race Officer / Organiser	Assistant RO (Spare Safety Crew)	Safety Boat Crew 1	Safety Boat Crew 2
July	Fri 28th Jun	1813	1700	Cadets 11	-	-	-	-
	Sat 29th Jun	1907	1500	<b>Wanderer Open</b>	Stephen Nation	N/A	Ian Massingham	Jack Kelly
			1500	Summer Saturday Series 2/3 (CB)	Stephen Nation	N/A	Ian Massingham	Jack Kelly
	Sun 30th Jun	0803	1100	<b>Wanderer Open</b>	Harry Newton	N/A	Jamie Pope	Jason Pain
			1100	Summer Sunday Series 5 (CB)	Harry Newton	N/A	Jamie Pope	Jason Pain
	Sat 6th Jul	1351	1030	Cruise - Swale marina	-	-	-	-
			TBA	<b>Laserfest</b>	Andy Jackson	Tom Bruton	SB team	SB team
	Sun 7th Jul	1432	TBA	<b>Laserfest</b>	Andy Jackson	Tom Bruton	SB team	SB team
	Wed 10th Jul	1621	1745	Improvers 11	-	-	-	-
			1830	Wednesday Evening Series 6	Merlins	Merlins	Merlins	Merlins
	Fri 12th Jul	1731	1700	Cadets 12	-	-	-	-
	Sat 13th Jul	1810	1500	Summer Saturday Series 4 (CB)	Ed Wilson	N/A	Harry Wilson	Angelyna Gheur
			1500	Cadet Race 2	-	-	-	-
	Sun 14th Jul	1852	1000	Cruise - Minnis Bay/Margate	-	-	-	-
			1500	Summer Sunday Series 6 (CB)	John Phelan	N/A	Joe Lovett	John Crozier
August			1530	<b>Family fun day</b>	-	-	-	-
	Wed 17th Jul	2214	1745	Improvers 12	-	-	-	-
	Sat 20th Jul	1245	1100	Summer Saturday Series 5/6 (CB)	John Gibbons	N/A	Martin Akers	Jon Viner
			1130	Cadets 13	-	-	-	-
	Sun 21st Jul	1332	1100	Summer Sunday Series 7/8 (CB)	Huw Reynolds	N/A	Jonathan Carter	Jonathan Purday
	Wed 24th Jul	1544	1745	Improvers 13	-	-	-	-
			1830	Wednesday Evening Series 7	Stephen Baker	Mei Baker	General handicap	General handicap
	Fri 26th Jul	1707	1500	Cadets 14 - Cruise	-	-	-	-
	Sat 27th Jul	1749	1500	Improvers 14 - Learning to crew	-	-	-	-
			1500	Summer Saturday Series 7 (CB)	Jon Bentman	N/A	Kelvin Thursby	Martin Feakins
	Sun 28th Jul	1837	1500	<b>Dawes trophy (CB)</b>	David Sansom	N/A	Sarah Oliver	Mathew Boorman
	Wed 31st Jul	0948	1100	<b>Whitstable week 1/2 (CB)</b>	Mark Fagg	Steve Gray	Ian Dorsett	Peter Wilson
	Thu 1st Aug	1102	1100	<b>Whitstable week 3/4 (CB)</b>	David Connor	Steve Gray	Angie Edler-Maldment	Louise Harnett
	Fri 2nd Aug	1208	1300	<b>Whitstable week 5/6 (CB)</b>	Glenn Cook	Steve Gray	Rob Spaighton	Veronica Moore
	Sat 3rd Aug	1301	1300	<b>Whitstable week 7/8 (CB)</b>	Mark Barnes	Steve Gray	Mark Grinter	Matt French
	Sun 4th Aug	1344	1200	Kayak/SUP paddle in company	-	-	-	-
			1300	<b>Whitstable week 9/10 (CB)</b>	Adam Whitehouse	Steve Gray	Mark Skipper	Miles Ogborn
	Sat 10th Aug	1659	1500	Summer Saturday Series 8 (CB)	John Gibbons	N/A	Martin Akers	Pete Townsend
			1500	Cadets 15	-	-	-	-
			1500	Cadet Race 3	-	-	-	-
	Sun 11th Aug	1731	1500	Improvers 15 - race training	-	-	-	-
			1500	Summer Sunday Series 9 (CB)	Kelvin Tolson	N/A	Andy King	Daniel Goldner

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September	Wed 14th Aug	1959	1745	Improvers 16	-	-	-	-
			1730	Evening cruise	General handicap	General handicap	General handicap	General handicap
			1830	Wednesday Evening Series 8	-	-	-	-
	Fri 16th Aug	1024	0915	Cadets 16	-	-	-	-
	Sat 17th Aug	1132	1100	Summer Saturday Series 9/10 (CB)	John Cooper	N/A	Hilary Bradshaw	Richard Cartwright
	Sun 18th Aug	1228	1100	Summer Sunday Series 10/11 (CB)	Marc Dumas	N/A	Richard Newman	Rob Smith
	Mon 19th Aug	1315	1030	Cadetfest	-	-	-	-
	Tue 20th Aug	1400	1030	Cadetfest	-	-	-	-
	Thu 22nd Aug	1524	1030	Cadetfest	-	-	-	-
	Fri 23rd Aug	1603	1030	Cadetfest	-	-	-	-
	Sat 24th Aug	1643	1400	Whitstable town regatta 1/2 (CB)	Phil Emery	Steve Gray	Phoebe Paine	Roy Lovelidge
	Sun 25th Aug	1722	1400	Whitstable town regatta 3/4 (CB)	Robert Govier	Steve Gray	David Figgis	Sian Sargaison
			1500	Improvers 17	-	-	-	-
	Mon 26th Aug	1809	1500	Whitstable town regatta 5/6 (CB)	Rick Perkins	Steve Gray	Matthew Young	Simon Stanbridge
			1030	Cruise - King's Hall/Herne Bay	-	-	-	-
	Wed 28th Aug	2027	1745	Improvers 18	-	-	-	-
			1830	Wednesday Evening Series 9	Laser class	Laser class	Laser class	Laser class
	Fri 30th Aug	1050	0900	Cadets 17	-	-	-	-
	Sat 31st Aug	1159	1100	Summer Saturday Series 11/12 (CB)	Christian Brewer	N/A	Stephen Hodges	Tim Bentham
	Sun 1st Sep	1251	1100	Summer Sunday Series 12/13 (CB)	Matt Crockatt	N/A	Finn Crockatt	Tracy Quinn
	Sat 7th Sep	1559	1400	Summer Saturday Series 13/14 (CB)	Max Hunt	N/A	Yvo Meredith	Louise Harnett
			1430	Cadets 18	-	-	-	-
			1430	Cadet Race 4	-	-	-	-
			TBA	Man of Kent regatta - Herne Bay SC	-	-	-	-
	Sun 8th Sep	1628	1400	Summer Sunday Series 14/15 (CB)	Mike Hanson	N/A	Harry Wilson	Angelyna Gheur
			1430	Improvers 19	-	-	-	-
	Sat 14th Sep	0949	0900	Cadets 19	-	-	-	-
			1100	Autumn Series 1 (CB)	Jon Bloice	N/A	Philippa Bloice	Douglas Amesz
			1030	Cruise - TBD	-	-	-	-
			TBA	KSSA annual regatta - Downs SC	-	-	-	-
	Sun 15th Sep	1105	1000	Improvers 20	-	-	-	-
			1100	Autumn Series 2/3 (CB)	Niall Martin	N/A	Tony Clements	Adrian Spires
			1030	Cruise - Shipwright's Arms	-	-	-	-
	Sat 21st Sep	1537	1230	Cadets 20 - cruise	-	-	-	-
			1400	Autumn Series 4/5 (CB)	Zanna Gooch	N/A	Liz North	Tom Stoate
	Sun 22nd Sep	1618	1200	Kayak/SUP paddle in company	-	-	-	-
			1400	Improvers 21	-	-	-	-
			1400	Autumn Series 6/7 (CB)	Paul McNally	N/A	Bettina Covac	Matt Gardner
	Sat 28th Sep	1027	1100	Autumn Series 8/9 (CB)	Paul Kelly	N/A	David Boyce	Ben Dawson
			0930	Cadets 21	-	-	-	-

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October	Sun 29th Sep	1134	1100	Autumn Series 10/11 (CB)	Pete Goodman	N/A	Felix Goodman	David Liddicoat
			0930	Improvers 22	-	-	-	-
	Sat 5th Oct	1458	1130	Cadets 22	-	-	-	-
			1400	Autumn Series 12/13 (CB)	Peter Gowing	N/A	Andrew Lilly	Chris O'Brien
	Sun 6th Oct	1529	1400	Autumn Series 14/15 (CB)	Phil Emery	N/A	Harry Newton	Andrew Memmott
	Sat 12th Oct	0733	1000	Autumn Series 16 (CB)	Richard Jones	N/A	David Sansom	James Peasnell
			0800	Cadets 23	-	-	-	-
	Sun 13th Oct	0912	1100	Autumn Series 17 (CB)	Richard Ledger	N/A	Sarah Oliver	James Perkins
			1300	Meeting of sailors	-	-	-	-
	Sat 19th Oct	1428	1200	Cadets 24	-	-	-	-
Nov	Sun 20th Oct	1514	1400	Winter Series 1	Francis Stileman	Jon Dennis	Nick Perryman	N/A
			1600	Annual prize giving	-	-	-	-
	Sun 27th Oct	0843	1100	Winter Series 2	Kevin Hall	Harry Morrison	Georgios Rafeletos	N/A
	Sun 3rd Nov	1330	1400	Winter Series 3	Richard Maltby	Paul McNally	William Smith	N/A
	Sun 10th Nov	0608	1000	Winter Series 4	Stephen Nation	Kelvin Tolson	Huw Reynolds	N/A
	Sun 17th Nov	1309	1400	Winter Series 5	Steve Pimblett	Julie Nuttall	Peter Gowing	N/A
	Sun 24th Nov	0634	1000	Winter Series 6	Tony Clements	Sandy Carter	Peter Carter	N/A
Dec	Sun 1st Dec	1231	1400	Winter Series 7	Tony Dod	Andrew Haslam	Alastair Gould	N/A
	Sun 8th Dec	1739	1400	Winter Series 8	Vojtech Nemec	Steve Gray	Matt Low	N/A
			1600	Winter series prize giving	-	-	-	-

If you are unable to carry out your rostered duty, you are required to find a replacement.

Please advise your fleet captain and Sally Gostelow of any duty changes.

Members’ meetings: Annual General Meeting – 4pm Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March,  
Meeting of Sailors – 1pm, Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October.

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