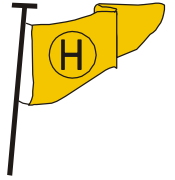


# HARLOW (BLACKWATER) SAILING CLUB



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## COMMODORES COMMENTS MAY 2015

### **Much has happened behind the scenes since my last comments.**

Our grant application for funds towards the cost of a replacement jetty has been submitted. We can now only wait and hope the Sports Council find us worthy of their financial support.

The Storage facilities for canoes and windsurfers is now complete and ready for use, so let's get canoes and windsurfers inside as soon as possible – outside painting of the container will be carried out at the next working party planned for Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June,

The bill for moorings has been received at the same level as last year but is still subject to negotiation – we have some moorings available so if you or someone you know needs one talk to Lewis.

We are still looking for volunteers to take on the jobs of Club PR and Advertising and a Club Secretary. Plus we need to fill the two ordinary member vacancies on the committee.

I would like to improve the car parking area and am looking for a man with a JCB who could level it on 'mates rates'. If you know of someone please give me a call.

### **LOOKING BACK:**

The season has started well; however, the weather has been variable over the last month with some sunny days with barely force 3's but more grey windy days that have been testing for even the best helms. Do look at the race reports on the club website.

The delayed 'Fitting Out' supper took place on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May - Sylvia, Teresa and Jenny make ask you for your views on the socials as they are looking to change things to suit more members – so let them know what you would like to happen.

The first of the monthly training days took place on the first Saturday of May (All are planned for the first Saturday of each month) – a good time was had by all and sailing ability improvements were measurable. This is a roll-up day with something for all levels and ages using your own boat or one of the club boats. We all would like to improve our sailing so come along and learn from our best.

### **LOOKING FORWARD:**

The long range weather forecast is set fair so now is the time for all fair weather sailors to get started.

The two island 'Hells Bells' race is on the 17<sup>th</sup> May with the Summer Points series starting on 31<sup>st</sup> May.

The club 'Open Day' work party is on the 13<sup>th</sup> May.

### **OPEN DAY:**

This will also be our 60 year celebration. Plans are now being made so put the date of Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June in your diary. All are invited so bring family, friends and neighbour's – there will be plenty to do both on and off the water with the Galley and Bar open all day – more info to follow..

### **REGATTA WEEK**

The dates are the 9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> August – more info out soon

### **FINALLY:**

Talk to Sandra if you wish to make a Gift-Aided donation towards our jetty fund and talk to Keith if you have any membership issues.

Wishing you all fun sailing

Rod Martin  
HBSC - Commodore

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