



HORIZONS' Children's Sailing Charity ~ Plymouth, Devon

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100 NUMBERS

This month our numbers were drawn by Andrew Horkins (Volunteer) and witnessed by James Blaskovics (Horizons sailor) in front of Mirror 101 that will be in this years parade of sail , during "Plymouth Classic Boat Rally". 101 was first built, registered and measured in 1963 by Kenneth Holdstock. More pictures and story next month.



The Winning numbers are
78 - £25
77 - £15
8 - £10

COLLECTION BOX OF THE MONTH

– Sutton Snax's.

Gary Pettinger owner, chef and chief bottle washer of Sutton Snak's seen here with one of his staff Emily Keen. They are great supporters of Horizons and have a Horizons collection box prominently displayed and offers a warm welcome and good home cooked food to all who visit. They can be found just down the road from the China House on Sutton Road.



TAMARSIDE CC CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT WEEK



Once a year a group of enthusiastic pupils from Tamarside CC visit us for a weeks RYA sailing and leisure activity. This is the last year as Tamarside as the college will next term become "The Marine Academy Plymouth". Two groups joined us this year those with some experience and 4 that were new to the

sport. As normal the weather became very challenging for everyone alternating between no wind and too much wind and burning sunshine to dull and overcast. A good weeks sailing in a variety



of dinghies including the Hawks with certificates being awarded on the Friday.

THE BLUE MILE

A new event in Plymouth this year was the Blue-Mile, the idea was to get people to take part in a mile of exercise whether it be on the water, in the water or on land alongside of the water. We cancelled our Saturday sailing to allow all of our sailors to take part and show off their sailing skills . 24 young sailors with 7 helpers took to the water and battled the ever increasing elements. Friendship also went out and completed four one mile passages



with local disability schools and groups from across Plymouth.

EDDYSTONE (HAND DEEPS BUOY) REVISITED

And we did it again, Eddystone Charity Pursuit no.9 with Horizons taking part in 8 of them. A team of 3 hawks and 9 yachts flying the flag for Horizons took to the murky waters off Plymouth and managed to get a total of 30 Horizons young sailors afloat. Many of the early starters had to rely upon the use of engines to get them on to the line and then spend the next hour ghosting around the sound waiting for the expected wind and listening to subsequent starts and all the following yachts bunching up behind. Touzinauds



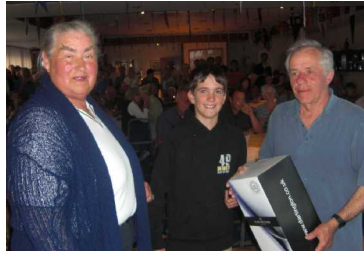
claimed one scalp as it overtook a Hawk – unfortunately one of our own but were going backwards to achieve this. The expected wind soon filled in and everyone was off in to a very lumpy sea southwards. Everyone made light or heavy work to Hand deeps Buoy





depending upon boat, all of our teams made the mark and made for the dash home to Plymouth with varying success with spinnakers and 13 knots of wind. Back at the Royal Western YC for the

telling of tall tales and prize giving plus lashings of well earned Spaghetti Bolognese, strawberries and cream with a little alcohol or two. A hearty well done to Dudley West for winning the prize for most charity money raised, and to all boats for amassing an amazing £2700 in prize money for Horizons. Not only thanking those that took part, many thanks must go to all the yacht owners for allowing our children to play captains for the day on their pride and joys, and to not forget the volunteers that acted as chaperones and those that arrived very early to get everyone in the right marina, on the right yacht and with the right lunch bags and clothing etc. etc..



Thank you all and I must add since the event we have received many comments on the exemplary behaviour of our cadets both on and off of the water and how they are a credit to Horizons. A big thank you must go to the organisers, especially Julia Creeke (seen above awarding Dudley his prize) for her continuing sponsorship and for providing the prize money each year through the Eleanor Creeke Charitable Settlement set up by her mother.

TEACHERS ALL IN THE SWIM



(Swimmers and Mascot get ready)

Teachers and supporters of Mount Tamar Special School all took to the water this month for a sponsored swim from Drakes island (St Nicholas Island – original name for the historians amongst us) all the

way to the steps on the waterfront at West Hoe. The money raised is to be used to enable their young people to continue using friendship and the Hawk 20's during school term time. Lining the breakwater in front of the Hotels were friends and pupils cheering them on for the final furlong. Well done to everyone including Mel and Hayley for thinking up the idea and especially for Hayley for all of the organising. The Swimmers slid, dived and bombed their way into the water from Friendship at 16:45. The first



swimmer home was Claire Bridgeman in a spectacular time of 45mins, the rest of the team soon followed and the last one touched land in 1 hour and 7 minutes. Thanks to all the helpers, Paul Stupple-Harris and Corinne Shore on Friendship with Derry Bowman and Paul Calver driving safety boats, a thanks also goes to the Port of Plymouth Canoe Club that supported the swimmers up close and gave encouragement and support all the way. The teachers want to do a relay from the breakwater next year!!!!!! any takers...



(Claire first in for a well earned drink... or two!)

Swimmers role of honour – (in no particular order) Claire Bridgeman, Karen Rose, Connie Davidson, Hayley Lee, Wendy Pannell, Rachel Hayes, Rachel O'Brian, Mel Fine, Vanessa Scobling, Jenny Bailey.

LONGCAUSE SCHOOL



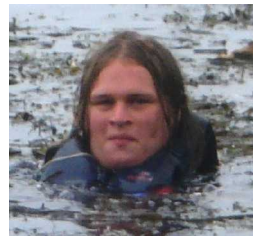
A couple of firsts this month, we welcomed pupils of Longcause School who have not sailed with us before and the first birthday/

thank you party (in school time – wish I was young again) This was an early Birthday celebration for Elysia as her birthday is in the school holidays and wouldn't be able to celebrate it with her school friends and it was a great way for Elysia and her family to say thank you for the great work that Longcause school is doing for Elysia, her class and all of the schools pupils. **Longcause** is a school for pupils aged four to 16 years with communication and interaction with cognition and learning needs.



HAIR TODAY GONE TOMORROW

To everyone this will be a momentous occasion, Will Clancy is to have his golden locks removed, one cut at a time. All for a good cause – US. This will be happening on Thursday evening after sailing on the 19th August. Please come and



watch this spectacle and for the right inducement Will might allow you to cut a piece to take home for prosperity... We are not all together horrid to Will as a new Volunteer 'Bill' who owns the City Gent Barbers will do the honours and trim it all up after the event.

Anyone wishing to sponsor will please email me or better still come down on the night. There's £25 in the pot already..

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BBQ, PARTY AND SWIM

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BBQ



There will be a Summer BBQ in the Marina for everyone to attend on Thursday evening 5th August (we have booked the weather!!) This is a great opportunity for everyone to get together and its not a school night!! Don't forget this date (its next week) as usual there will be a normal Thursday evening of sailing before the event for everyone to work up a healthy appetite.

PARTY AND FUNDRAISER

This is a very early announcement for an end of season party, (we will repeat this again next month). One of our young disabled supporters David Aiken has organised an event at the Seymour Arms (10 North Street, Plymouth, Devon, PL4 8DL) on Friday 8th October (would you believe this is the earliest date available in our sailing Calendar ?)



Please put this in your diary as it's a good chance to celebrate another great sailing season, to also get together, have some fun and support one of our young helpers. If anyone can help with a couple of raffle prizes or help on the night please give Craig a call.

EVEN MORE SWIMMING ACTIVITIES

The Plymstock Club relay swim in aid of charity is taking place on the 12th of September (or 26th if weather is inclement on 12th). Horizons is a joint beneficiary of the event this year, so it would be good to put up a team and enter into the festivities. This is a six person team event with only one person in the water at any one time. When the swimmer decides they have had enough they are replaced with a fresh swimmer from the safety-boat. If anyone would like to take part or make up a team please ask for details. As soon as possible please, even if it is a tentative "toe in the water" so to speak, as we need to give the organisers an idea we are interested. Many thanks.



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RYA RE-VALIDATION

This month it was RYA Inspection time again when we are assessed for our once a year "health check". This requires a visiting assessor ensuring we are abiding by the RYA Code of conduct, that our instruction is of high quality, to check that our equipment is maintained and all fit for purpose and the dreaded administration (that's all our paperwork!!) is all in order. It was carried out during a normal sailing club session allowing the assessor to see all of our young sailors in action. It is great to report that we have been passed fit with nothing to remedy and no action plans.



BOTTLE TOP TRANSPORT NEEDED..

We now have a storage area that we are filling with plastic bottle tops that will at some time (either as one load or many smaller loads) need to be taken to Portsmouth. If any of our supporters knows anyone that is involved in deliveries or regularly drives to Portsmouth with some empty space that can take a couple of Black bags for us can you please get them to contact Craig for further details.



GREEN, RED and BLUE tops are needed. No others, even if they look as if they are the same sort of plastic!

NEXT MONTH

With a whole month still of School Summer holidays, we shall be running a full range of courses, plus, each Friday we will be providing Hawk taster sailing as part of "Summer Mix" a summer of activities and training.

These events are for young people throughout Plymouth, run by Plymouth City Council Youth Services. Hawks 20's and Friendship will also be used with Friends and Families of Special Children plus the Wolseley Trust. Any help you can give will be appreciated.

