



HORIZONS' Children's Sailing Charity ~ Plymouth, Devon



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100 NUMBERS

This month our numbers were drawn by Jude Odell and witnessed by Alex John. Jude ran our Autistic Spectrum course and as part of her work with the Inclusion team spent a day with us Hawk sailing during our Short Breaks programme for young people with ASD.

The Winning numbers are
70 - £25, 95 - £15, 78 - £10



BREAKWATER SWIM

Its that time of year again when we support the Port of Plymouth Amateur Swimming Club's annual breakwater swim. We provide Friendship as a start boat as the wheelchair access door is perfect for swimmer's to alight from. Friendship took swimmers and officials to the breakwater for the start and to follow as a support boat whilst our RIBs acted as safety cover with the canoes providing close up support and encouragement. 12 swimmers took to the water and the first to the hoe waterfront was Harriet Tuck from Dinniton Swimming Club, beating Gareth Williams from Tavistock Swimming Club into second place. It was excellent conditions for swimming but a slower time was recorded this as there was no tidal assistance 'What a Shame' better luck next year. Any takers?

COLLECTION BOX OF THE MONTH



— Jolly Jacks.
'Cheers' Avril Harris, the Bar Manager seen here at Jolly Jacks 'toasting' Horizons. Visit Sally, Sue and the crew For everything from an all-day Coffee Break

to Breakfast or scrumptious Dinner. There is also regular Live music and Jazz and plenty of parking.....

SAILING COURSES AND THURSDAY CLUB UPDATE

August as everyone knows is summer holidays when the the schools close!, the sun shines! the wind is favourable! And it must be time for the annual festival that is Horizons Summer RYA Courses. This year being no exception to any other, we battled the wind, we battled with the sun and didn't battle with any of the nice children that attended..... We provided a range of beginners and advanced courses this year that were very well attended. Due to weather we were very fortunate that only one course the two day



(how many Pico's can you get on a slipway) Spinnakers course had to be cancelled. Thursday evenings are going from strength to strength with only a little drop in numbers during the summer break, a couple of sessions have had to be cancelled with appalling weather but whatever happens, rain, wind sleet or storm the supply of Ice pops is always diminished at the end of the session. A very good indicator to the hardiness of some of our young sailors

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SUMMER MIX

The past four Fridays have seen us taking young people from across Plymouth for a day s Hawk sailing. This was one of many exciting activities provided across the city for young people aged 11 to 25 years. Horizons provided four Fridays giving up to 12 young people a new opportunity to Sail Hawk 20's for the day. The weather made it possible to sail under the Tamar Bridges and use Millennium Quay at Saltash as a Lunch stopover, and then sail back in the afternoon. All the young participants liked the experience and a couple have since joined our Thursday and Saturday clubs. The plan is to run these events next year but due to the uncertainty of the financial climate watch this space.



PARTY REMINDER AND DATE CHANGE



Good job we decided to announce the end of season party its a pity I gave the wrong date...(Sorry David) only one week out. David, one of our young disabled supporters has organised this event at the **Seymour Arms** (10 North Street, Plymouth, Devon, PL4 8DL) on **Wednesday 20th October**, Please do put this in your diary as this not only supports a young person helping horizons but its a good chance to celebrate another great sailing season, to also get together and have some fun. If anyone can help with a couple of raffle prizes or help on the night please give Craig a call.

FRIENDS REVISITED

Friends and Families of special Children took advantage of the good weather and went for a day out with both Friendship and a Hawk last month. Their young people are starting to become experts at driving Friendship so we thought we would offer them a Hawk as well. Young Alex that relies upon a wheelchair was the first to volunteer so much so he's signed up for another trip. We have been working alongside some of the parents of the young people that attend friends and families to further develop a box of tools the will enable a larger range of disabilities to take charge and helm the boat. We are also very grateful to the Beckly Trust that has given us a grant to develop these helming systems and to purchase the required controls to build this all ability tool box. We are hoping the trustees of the Trust will come and join us with Friends and Families as soon as the systems have been completed. *(Annalise showing us how its done)*



BECKLY TRUST J H BECKLY HANDICAPPED & SICK CHILDREN'S FUND

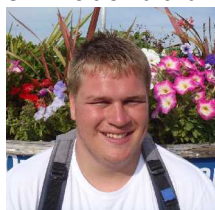
The **BECKLY TRUST** was set up by the Will of the late J H Beckly in 1932, and provides financial support for children living in the City of Plymouth or District of Caradon who are handicapped or sick.

HAIR CUT ACHIEVED..

Hair to day gone tomorrow, well done to Will on having his golden locks trimmed to length that shows he has ears... No excuses now for selective deafness... Thanks to all the people that pledged money for this momentous occasion, it was done willingly and I can assure you the rumours that we tied him down to do



this are all untrue. We did however make him sit on a chair surrounded by his 'friends' and allow with the passing of the queen's currency the opportunity to make history by cutting and retaining a piece of hair for prosperity. £140 was raised by Wills endeavours, we must not forget to thank Bill and his team at City Gent Barbers for corrective hair surgery and professional finishing of the results of the Horizons Sailors Co-operative Hair Cutting Service Ltd. (Devonport Branch)



RECYCLABLES - FOR CASH

Mobiles – Stamps (especially foreign) – Milk Bottle tops - Ink Cartridges (not Epson) – Car Batteries

RACING, RESULTS AND RAFFLES....



Many thanks to the Port of Plymouth Sailing associations Regatta this year

for having Horizons as its registered Charity. New this year was the addition of a Rookie Regatta, four days of racing for those new to the racing discipline, Ryan Procter, Yasmine Perry, Michael Pape and James Sowter took part representing Horizons. Ryan achieved a very brilliant 1st overall score with James 3rd, Yasmin 5th and Michael 9th, well done to them all as this was the results over 9 races with 12 competitors. A special thanks goes out to Janet Skrivens because whilst all the racing was going on behind the scenes Janice took on the herculean task of selling Raffle tickets and promoting Horizons each day. Lots of people sold tickets for us but the stars of the show were Janice and Jack Fenwick of Mayflower Marina that through their efforts sold the bulk of the tickets sold. Thank you also to Charles Bush of Mayflower Marina for sponsoring the cost of the printing of the raffle tickets.



AIMING HIGH SHORT BREAKS

(Certificates for Ryan, Ellie, Christopher, James and Rohan out of picture getting an ice cream)



Another new activity for Horizons this year was the inclusion of four days Hawk sailing for young people that come

under the Autistic Spectrum. Earlier this year many of the volunteers underwent a course understanding the Autistic Spectrum in preparation for this week. Our Instructor was Jude and she joined us on the first sailing day with a trip to Saltash for a lunch break and then return in the afternoon. We had four very successful days sailing with sunshine and warm breezes. Everyone qualified for an RYA OnBoard award for their achievement and all were presented with certificates. Already some of the young people have signed up to continue with us on Thursdays. *(Jude with Coffee ably helmed by Ellie)*



HELP WANTED

We would like to put out more Horizons collecting tins, if you know where one might be placed please let us know. We are still after anyone that travels to Portsmouth who is willing to drop off a bag or two of bottle tops to an industrial estate on the Portsmouth Road please.

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