

# Making Waves



## Wow – what a scorcher!

Welcome to our autumn newsletter which details our activities over a fantastic summer.

Our membership has rocketed from 95 last year to 134 this year – a fantastic achievement. We held 40 sailing sessions (plus racing and lots of training...) and worked with three regular groups of clients and their carers. Members worked hard to get qualifications with 17 people earning First Aid qualifications, eight members attaining RYA Level 2, two members qualifying as keelboat instructors with another two endorsed, and five candidates achieving RYA Powerboat Level 2.

Well done all and thank you to our very patient instructors!







Kanata excelled herself and competed in the Gaffers' Race at Dittisham Regatta and led the Parade of Sail after a kind invitation from the SW Gaffers' Association which also kindly gave us a donation and an invitation to next year's event. Andy Guy excelled at Carsington despite some technical hitches – well done Andy!



## Annual Sausage Sizzle

With Covid social distancing restrictions behind us, we were able to get out and about and enjoy several wonderful social events including the annual Sausage Sizzle, the naming ceremony for our new boats Oscar and Chatty Mike, birthday parties aboard, Galmpton's Gooseberry Pie Fair and our amazing efforts at the Dartmouth Regatta! We even had two furry little stowaways!



## New Venture RS Oscar

Our new Venture RS Oscar did us proud and competed in the Dartmouth and Dittisham regattas and took part in Dittisham Sailing Club's mid week series.





## Our Sponsors

As ever, we are immensely grateful to every person, charity, trust, and organisation that has contributed financially and is so true that every pound really helps. Particular thanks go to Yorkshire Building Society at Dartmouth, Alan Hill, Galmpton Festival Association and The Gooseberry Pie Fair. Fingers crossed that our pending application to the Elmgrant Trust in Dartington will be successful. If you shop online with Amazon please nominate us as your chosen charity on Amazon Smile – we get 0.5% from every purchase and it really adds up.

## Winter Maintenance

We have a busy winter of maintenance and safety testing of equipment being planned. If you can lend a hand or raise some funds towards our very significant costs that would be much appreciated. Please keep an eye on the website for updates.



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## Dates for your diary.....

Bruce Graeme-Cook – Head in the Clouds, a fascinating illustrated talk @ 11<sup>th</sup> November, 6:30pm Galmpton Village Hall



Christmas Lunch – December 14<sup>th</sup> @ Horizon's Restaurant, South Devon College