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Quite a lot has happened since the last newsletter and it seems a good idea to start by mentioning the Shearwater Trophy open event which took place on 16th April. Again, as in the recent past, this event was very well supported by both club members and visitors with a total of ten sailors taking part. The event was won by Terry Burton with a score of 26.7 (the 0.7 is because Terry was given redress following an incident with another competitor), in second place was John Hanton with a score of 36, in 3rd place was visitor and Six Meter Class Captain Mike Ewart with a score of 38 and Bernie Guest was fourth with a score of 39.4 (another redress). So whilst Terry ran out a comfortable winner things were very tight between second, third and fourth. As usual Tom has posted the full results on our club website and they can be viewed there.

Continuing the six metre theme for the moment; Norwich Model Yacht Club hosted the Six Metre National Championships on the 13th and 14th May and a total of seventeen sailors took part. We were very well represented by; Terry Burton, Bernie Guest, John Hanton, Tony Garner, Alan Bright and Michael Howard. At the end of Saturdays sailing Terry was in first place - enjoying himself in the light, shifty breeze, John in third, Bernie in fifth, Alan in sixth, Tony in tenth and Michael in thirteenth. On the Sunday the wind got up considerably and this was more to the liking of Shaun Holbeche who had travelled all the way from Fleetwood and he ran out as overall winner at the end of the event. Terry finished second, John fourth, Bernie fifth, Tony tenth, Alan eleventh and Michael thirteenth. The full results and the race report is on the Norwich MYC website. Unfortunately the heavy winds on the Sunday did result in some boats being damaged although non of it was terminal. Congratulations to all those who took part and thank you for representing our club so well.

The charges for measuring boats and sails have recently been revised (03/02/2017) and are now as follows; an IOM boat with 1, 2 or 3 rigs is set at £15.00, individual rigs or suits of sails is now set at £3.00 per suit or rig. All moneys raised in this way goes into club funds and in recent years it has been a very useful earner for us.

Last Sunday - 21st May - Norwich MYC hosted a PRAAC event for Radio A Class boats. This is a national competition for 'A' class boats which takes place over a number of different rounds in various parts of the country and points won at each event are added together to produce a champion at the end of the season. I believe I am correct in saying that it is organised and administered by the Poole club. Club member Bernie Guest took part in this and was second in a field of eight experienced 'A' class sailors. Excellent and well done Bernie.

The weather has not been kind to us in recent weeks and we seemed to either have had very strong, cold winds from the north or very light winds from the south, neither of which have been conducive to the very best of sailing. In spite of this club members have continued to turn out on Wednesdays and Sundays and have enjoyed some good quality, competitive racing. This coming Sunday (28th May) is the turn again of the R6M class and I hope it is well supported. The following Sunday (4th June) is scheduled for IOM's after which it is anticipated that we will be into our annual 'weed break' although, so far there is no sign of the dreaded weed in the broad. If the weed doesn't materialise we will continue sailing by bringing forward the events scheduled for later so for example the R6M event scheduled for 23rd July will be brought forward to 11th June, the IOM event scheduled for 30th July will be brought forward to 18th June and so on until the weed makes its appearance when we will revert to the programme as scheduled. I hope that makes sense.

For those of you who like to test themselves against the best the MYA has to offer there is a IOM Ranking event at Coalhouse Fort on 17th and 18th June and for the R6M sailors there is the Tomlinson Vase 2002T (3) at Dovercourt on 2nd July and the Sextant Trophy 2002T(2) at Lee Valley on 16th July. Lastly don't forget our Norfolk Trophy EDCS 6 at Filby on 10th September (yes I realise it is a long way off but please keep it in mind and support this event).

Finally a gentle reminder; 28th May RO is Tom, 4th June RO is Terry, 23rd July RO is me, 30th July RO is Tony and 6th August RO is Mel. Don't forget these commitments and if you're unable to fulfil any of them please try to find a replacement by swapping RO duties with another club member and if you're not able to do this then tell Tom, Terry or me so we can arrange something.

I think that's about all for now and I hope to see you on Wednesday.

Cheers, Pete.