



# Llandudno Sailing Club

## News and Views

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**Cai Roberts presenting the Onboard Plaque to Vice-Commodore, Andy McNamara  
Launching Party**

The Launching Party was a highly successful event. Not only celebrating the start of a new season, it also completed the refurbishment of the clubhouse after the disastrous flood on New Years Eve.

Mike Knowles and Maurice Wigzell were the driving force behind the work and were duly rewarded on the evening.

Also present were four Llandudno Town Councillors who were full of praise for the achievements of the club. This was further enhanced by the presentation of the 'Onboard Plaque' by Cai Roberts the Onboard Development Officer for North Wales.

### Bar Duty

Weds 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Phil Braden	07739360654
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Phil Braden	
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Colin Holt	580584
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Colin Holt	
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Tony Earley	532380
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Tony Earley	
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> May	TBC	
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Ruth Brown	549900

**Bar opening times are Sunday 12.30 -14.30; Wed 20.00 to 23.00  
Barmen, please contact the next person on the list and pass over the bar keys**

**The Bar will also be open Fridays and Saturdays when training takes place**

### Congratulations to Charlie McNamara



and

### Tom Jowett



Charlie, during her year at Plas Menai, has qualified as a RYA Dinghy Instructor, Advanced Instructor, Club Racing Coach, RYA Windsurfer Instructor and a Powerboat Instructor.

Tom has taken the first stage by becoming a Dinghy Instructor with Racing Endorsement.

Both will be involved with club training this summer.

### Richard Estaugh

It is with great sadness that we record the death of Richard Estaugh. Richard sailed many times in various events in Llandudno and was expected to compete once more in the GP14 Nationals later this summer. He was a World Champion in GP14, Enterprise and Fireballs. A brilliant sailor and also a good friend to Llandudno, sponsoring several events here through his company, Speedsails.

Andy McNamara, who was at school with Richard, attended his funeral and represented the club.

Condolences were sent to his family

### Dates! Dates! Dates!

Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Start of Friday Junior Training
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Sailing Committee at 18.45 Management Committee at 19.30
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Start of Adult 'Start Sailing'

### Training Induction

This was held on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April commencing at 5.00pm. Gareth Roberts organised a very successful event with several people who are new to sailing joining our courses. Tea and biscuits were served and Ruth managed to find a bag of lollipops for the children. All in all a successful days work!

The North Wales Sub-Aqua Club also had a stand where they were hoping to recruit sufficient new members to run an initial training course in Llandudno Swimming Pool.

### Condolences

Trish Whittaker, a former prominent member of the club, passed away this month. Trish presented the Club with the beautiful Waterford Bowl which is the Four Oaks Hotel Trophy. Our deepest sympathy is sent to all her family.

### Juniors again!

Ross Moreton came a creditable 23 out of 202 starters in the recent Topper Inland Championships held at Rutland Sailing Club

### Kitchen

After Ruth's appeal last month we now have a Kitchen Manager- Jo Williams. Many thanks to Jo for volunteering!  
We have 2 long weekend Championships this season and the kitchen will need manning, as normal- so please be prepared to help.

### Website

Gus has put some new links onto the website. Please check them out. One link has the tide tables for Llandudno. There is also a new link to an excellent Tourism website showing the best of Llandudno where a section on the club can be found. [www.greatorme.org.uk](http://www.greatorme.org.uk)



### GP14 National Championship Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sun 5<sup>th</sup> July

**Your help will be needed!  
Could be a 70 boat fleet**

**Watch for the request for assistance.**

**Put the dates in your diary now**

### Sunday afternoon sailing

Those of you who sail regularly will know that this year has seen a major change in the sailing programme. The regular Sunday start time has been moved to 2pm and bar opening times moved to 12.30 to 14.30.

One of the spin-offs of the later start time has been the bar being opened by the sailors on completion of sailing with (on Easter Sunday) an impromptu BBQ, when the sailors all brought their own food and Andy and Jim lit up the BBQ. The previous weekend someone went to a take-away and brought in a large curry! Initiative is the word! So, why not come back to the Club around 4.30 pm on Sundays and see what develops!  
So far it has proved to be a very sociable occasion.

**'Don't short change the future because of fear in the present.'**

**President Barak Obama, 2009**