



Small Boat Club DOUBLE VALUE ISSUE May & June 2013

From the Commodore

SBC Diamond Jubilee Year Celebrations! The Club is now in its landmark **60th Jubilee year**, hopefully you too will feel proud to be part of the fascinating and enduring little boat club. I think we are all very privileged.

Your committee has chosen to mark the occasion **Saturday 22nd June** with a special celebratory cruise on the Walton Lady. We'll all get picked up from the John Lewis quay (1:30 pm embarkation for 2pm slip) returning to the island by 5:00 for a little further fun.

Lunch will be included, and there is a paying bar! The committee hopes everyone will get involved in this very special occasion. The Walton Lady is an ideal choice for us a cruising orientated, family friendly boat club. And if the weather is kind, it has an open top deck. Moreover it's a great opportunity for members to mingle, & enjoy each others company. I do hope you can make it and must ask that you contact and confirm your participation as soon as possible please, as we have a limit on numbers. Once we have our full complement, we may have a few places for friends of members @ £10 per head to cover food cost which will be strictly limited to 2 per member group. Please let Sue or Linda know (contacts in the Buddy List)



Originally called Tatham's Island (OS 1894) we now know the island as Steven's Eyot. The SBC was formed in 1953 and the club secured its first lease in 1960. With our current lease it will only be another 7 years until we celebrate 60 years of being in residence on the island. In my mind this makes us one of the most envied clubs on the river and it's all down to past, current and future member efforts to maintain this illustrious history.

I'd therefore ask you to join me in thanking all those who have contributed so much over so many years. Hence we will be offering invitations to some old, previous members & commodores in an attempt to better understand what the club and island means for each of us.

Com Dom

The Bosun's Bits

As demonstration of committee listening to members; we have purchased 3 new ridged ABS plastic and very stable Dinghies to replace the more tired ones in the fleet. Those retired will be turned into planters on the North End of the island. **A reminder:** Do you have your **same key+padlock key** and one for the Bosun's locker? If not please speak to Greg. We will also be attempting to create a **lock** for dinghies at the point of the downstream end of the island, until this is created PLEASE ensure that you tie up the dinghy so it CANNOT hit member boats moored close by. A minimum courtesy please.

NB: EA licences MUST be displayed on all SBC boats. We respectfully remind all members that having an active BSC, insurance and EA licence is a club rule. You will be asked to leave your mooring if these are not present.

Club Events & Duty Roster

Sat 18th May

Tutored Wine Tasting 4:30 (for 5pm)

Duty Roster: James

**End May Bhol W'end Cruise
(Limehouse with LRYC)**

Sunday 26th May Duty Roster

Bill Greenham

Mon 27th May Duty Roster

Nicky Harmer

Sun 2nd June BBQ prep 1

Duty Roster: Lucilla

Sun 9th June BBQ prep 2

Duty Roster: Mark Nathwani

SBC B-B-Q 13th July 2013

THE social event of the year where the island takes on its unique, fully dressed magnificence. All are welcome, including friends of members, see more inside.

Sun 14th July BBQ Clear-up

Duty Roster Neil Burton

Sunday 21st July

Duty Roster: John & Miranda

Sunday 28th July

Duty Roster Simon

Sun 4th August

Duty Roster: Russell H



News From The Committee

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The committee would like to thank:

Sue, Hilary, Jackie and Miranda who have kindly agreed to put proposals together for our garden & island make-over together. If you have any ideas, suggestions or want to help shape how the island will look, please get in touch with one of them.

Lease Update and Works Update

As most will have seen by now the EA works on the banks in the creek has been completed. It has had the effect of narrowing the creek more than all hoped, so we will need to shuffle boats accordingly. As can be seen from the shot, the EA have also laid new turf so we will have to be diligent with the high volume pump so as we ensure we keep it all until it has grown in! The EA draft lease should be back to us soon, now the works have finished. We will then be ready to adopt the gardens plan as recommended by sue & team.

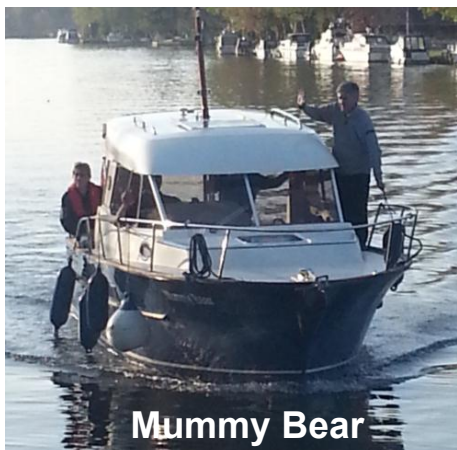
Ferry: Probably best to remind everyone of the protocol the club wishes to establish:

- 1/ all children and adults unable to swim 50 mtrs confidently are recommended to wear buoyancy aids whilst on the ferry.
- 2/ That the ferry is not operated by anyone under 16 unless accompanied by an adult member OR unless they hold RYA level 1 powerboat and above, OR unless authorised to do so by the committee.

Previous Events & News Items

The Rochester Trip:

Three SBC boats made the journey to Rochester on this 1st May Bank Holiday W'end. John Croom took *Mummy Bear* along with colleague member Andrew (Barwick) and two friends JC owed a trip to! Linda gave *Flying Visit* her 1st Estuary trip and both Sue & Nicky (Harmer) were her welcomed crew. Com Dom took his boat *Billie* a brought back a mate. Greg missed the trip as he chose to celebrate 25 blissful years of marriage to Julie, I'm sure we all wish them many congratulations.



Mummy Bear

Committee Members:

Dom Evans (Com)
Sue Harmer (President)
James Manthel (Vice)
Simon Pinnock (Rear)
Linda Varney (Sec)
Garry Gilmore (Treasurer)
Greg Waugh (Bosun)
John Croom, Russell Hanslip
Steve Lasenby



Flying Visit sets off to chase Dom



Obligatory sunrise shot



Obligatory food shot



Outward trip was tranquil, warm & sunny. Our hosts Rochester CC were great and we have to thank Rob Fry at LRYC for his diligent organisation. Leaving for JC & Andrew was early (3am) a little later for Linda (5:30) and for Billie, a 7 O'clock start meant 25MPH average to catch them up! All arrived safely back about mid-afternoon (10 hours for JC & Andrew 7 for Dom and a little more for Linda. They will be other trips later in the season so if fancy going somewhere & want company, just chat & call.



**Small Boat Club
Summer Barbeque Spectacular!
13th July 2013**

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Tickets are on-sale NOW! And they are going fast !

Not to be
missed! Bring
your friends

É Spectacular Venue

É Live Band

É Disco Grooves

É Food

É Raffle and costume prizes!

É Please feel free to donate a prize ó this is a fund raiser!

É New Members ó this is a chance to show off your new club!

Theme: Diamonds, Jubilee Nights!

Arrive 5pm - 6.30pm. BBQ Food Starts 7pm. Last return ferry midnight!
Great value, great company, no corkage. Adults Just £12 children under 12 £6
For tickets please call Greg 07802 925 096 OR John 07972 431 052

Menu: A medley of barbeque meats (vegies please make yourself known)

A selection of salads, potato, coleslaw and traditional accompaniments, all washed
down with as much of your favourite tipple as you bring!

Catering :Sue, Linda, Beverley. Please call Sue on 0208 644 6288 if your name is not mentioned as additional help during
the evening is required.

Task master: Simon 07810350608

Set Up and Strike Tasks

Sunday 2nd June:

Erect Gazebo Frames

Prepare Cooking Area Frame

Find & check all lights

Get Gas bottles re-filled

Sunday 9th June

Cover Gazebos and BBQ stall

String Lights

Set out tables & chairs

Set-up BBQ area

Saturday 13th July

Put up bunting

Move boats to accommodate ferry

Erect signage & landing stage lights

Working Party

Additional tasks

Food purchase & prep

Consumables & Prep

Sunday 14th July

ALL ATTENDEES!

Strike all

Reverse of all opposite!

Ferry Rota (TBC)

Start	Finish	Person
17:00	17:30	Simon
17:31	18:00	Dom
18:01	18:30	Greg
18:31	19:00	John C
19:00	21:30	DIY by SBC Table host
21:31	22:00	Ian
22:01	22:30	Russell
22:31	23:00	James
23:01	23:30	Jeff
23:30	24:00	Dom
24:01		SWIM!

NB: Please make sure you arrive on station on-time!
Anyone not mentioned here who wishes to volunteer OR who is desperate to change their timing, organise a swap and communicate the change to Dom or Simon, thanks.



General Notices

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MOORING FEES:

We are already half way through 2nd Qtr 2013 which means 1st July will be the next payment. Currently we are running at £31 per foot. Per year. Please remember we have the odd little 2 month payment for July & August that will get us all lined up for the club fiscal, thus 4th Qtr will be Sept-Nov 2013 at the rate of £32 per ft per year.

Please remember to have your mooring fees paid promptly.

The equation is £XYZ per ft per year divided by 4.

Cheques to Treasurer C/o 21 Brunswick Court, The Albany,
Kingston-upon-Thames KY2 5SR or better still standing order to:

Acct name: Small Boat Club

Sort: 20-84-17

Acct No: 00247995

For those who don't hold a relevant ticket RYA Powerboat 2 our Albany friends have just taken their 1st 2013 students, best of luck to Bill (Benham) Beverley (Evans) & Mette (Barwick) and yes it was cold!. For those not attending PB2 there is a caption competition best entry guaranteed a prize!



Editors footnotes:

The club website: The programme of events will be updated this week (sorry for the delay) so anyone wishing to check future events, duty roster or timings can do so at their leisure!

And Finally! we do need some more volunteers to help on the committee please. The more we have the easier it is on everyone. There is always something that needs doing, from representing the club at pressure group meetings (eg Rugs & ATYC) to secretarial services. Please consider; could you attend a committee meeting just once per month, in season and spare an hour? Please give me a bell on 07973 900 169 and let's have a chat, it's probably easier than you imagine! Thanks Dom.

Anyone with photos or contributions to the newsletter please contact Dominic on 07973 900 169 or email him at dominic@thevirtualgroup.co.uk.