

# HARLOW (BLACKWATER) SAILING CLUB



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# **COMMODORES COMMENTS AUGUST 2015**

Last month I said summer was coming, this proved to be untrue as the temperature dropped, the rains came and the wind blew! The forecast for August looks better!! So now's the time to make up for lost sailing.

#### LOOKING BACK:

Due to a high wind forecast the 'John Aldous' dinghy/cruiser cruise had to be cancelled. On the day force 8 gusts were recorded so cancellation was the right decision. A new date will be arranged

The B.B.Q. trophy race was held in a force 3 gusting 5 proving testing sailing for the good sized fleet that turned out.

On the 19th July the 'Summer Points' race was held in strong winds with a restricted fleet. Tony Everett told me that he and Mark set the fireball spinnaker in the main river and the result was the fastest sail Tony had ever had!

## **LOOKING FORWARD:**

1st August - Training Day
 2nd August - Osea Cup Race
 8th August - Evening Race

9<sup>th</sup> August - BJRC Krohn Cup Race
 9<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> August - REGATTA WEEK

16<sup>th</sup> August - Bob Knights Trophy - Family race
 29<sup>th</sup> August - Treasure Hunt - Family race
 30<sup>th</sup> August - Autumn Points 1 / Handicap 2.5
 31<sup>st</sup> August - Ladies and over 50's race

Plenty to do for all – if you have not signed up for the Regatta Week (staying or day sailing) talk to Teresa NOW!

### **COMMITTEE NEWS:**

- Jetty Grant Application No news yet
- Planning Application made for the canoe and windsurfer stores as requested by Maldon Council
- We have 5 vacant moorings
- We are still looking for 4 new committee members Secretary, Communications, plus 2 general duties.
- It's dumped boats and equipment checking time again. Please ensure that ALL of your stuff has a 2015 sticker on it.
- Our negotiations with the Marina have resulted in our cost of moorings being held at 2014 levels for this
  year.
- If you are considering donating to our 'Jetty Fund' please talk to Sandra Hockley our Treasurer about our Gift Aid arrangements.

With fingers crossed for good weather in August I look forward to seeing you at the club.

Rod Martin

HBSC - Commodore

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