



Gravesend Sailing Club Newsletter - January 2018

Happy New Year - and welcome to 2018!

Another short newsletter - January is a fairly quiet time (though cruiser owners may be seen beavering about in the South Yard). But we look forward to February with the AGM, and towards Lift-In on 17th March, prefacing the start of the new sailing season.

One thing I don't like about this time of year is the toll it takes on our older members and past members. You should now have heard the news of Jim & Peg Morrison, also Dot Steer. Let me know if you would like to be kept informed of the arrangements.

Reach deadline

Charlotte is aiming to produce the next copy of The Reach in time for the AGM. She needs your contributions! Sailing stories, memories, tips etc. Please get them to her by Mon 15th Jan.
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Sat 3rd February - AGM, SGM, New Members' Tea

The first Saturday in February is the turning point in the Club's year, as we have the Annual General Meeting, and election of new officers and committee. We also like to tag other events to the AGM as appropriate, and this year we have three events that day!

6.30 New Members' Tea

This is something we try to do during the year, to welcome new members to the club. In a break from tradition, we are doing this on AGM day. Starting at 6.30, everyone is welcome to come down for light refreshments and to welcome those who have joined in the last year or two.

7.30 Special General Meeting

Rule changes are voted on at an SGM. We have a couple of rule changes that we would like to put to the membership; one intended to slightly widen the field of who can serve on the General Committee, and the other to give the General Committee more flexibility in the appointment of subcommittees. Paperwork for this will be sent out in January.

8.00 Annual General Meeting

Your chance to hear reports from the Officers of the club, and to question us and hold us to account. Also to elect new officers and members of the committee to run the club. Nomination papers will be going up in the clubhouse later in January. Please consider standing for a post. Although the club seems to run itself, we need a committee to coordinate things and make sure things actually happen. It would be good to have some fresh faces. The committee meets once a month, so not too onerous.

We will send out formal invitations to the AGM and SGM on paper during January, with the supporting documents emailed to those with an email address. So please make sure that the email address we have for you is correct!

Contact details for Club Book

We will soon be producing the club book for 2018. Please check that the details we have for you in the 2017 book are correct & up to date. If not, please let James Gray or Val Green know.

GSC Events for January 2018

January Tides	
01	11:56 (6.2m)
Mon	
02	00:24 (6.3m)
Tue	12:48 (6.4m)
03	01:12 (6.4m)
Wed	13:38 (6.5m)
04	01:59 (6.4m)
Thu	14:27 (6.5m)
05	02:44 (6.4m)
Fri	15:15 (6.5m)
06	03:29 (6.3m)
Sat	16:02 (6.3m)
07	04:14 (6.2m)
Sun	16:51 (6.1m)
08	05:00 (6.0m)
Mon	17:42 (5.8m)
09	05:50 (5.7m)
Tue	18:40 (5.6m)
10	06:51 (5.5m)
Wed	19:46 (5.4m)
11	08:06 (5.3m)
Thu	20:54 (5.4m)
12	09:18 (5.4m)
Fri	21:56 (5.5m)
13	10:19 (5.5m)
Sat	22:50 (5.7m)
14	11:11 (5.7m)
Sun	23:36 (5.8m)
15	11:56 (5.8m)
Mon	
16	00:16 (5.9m)
Tue	12:35 (5.8m)
17	00:51 (5.9m)
Wed	13:10 (5.9m)
18	01:23 (6.0m)
Thu	13:45 (6.0m)
19	01:54 (6.0m)
Fri	14:19 (6.0m)
20	02:27 (6.1m)
Sat	14:55 (6.0m)
21	03:01 (6.1m)
Sun	15:33 (6.0m)
22	03:38 (6.0m)
Mon	16:12 (5.9m)
23	04:15 (6.0m)
Tue	16:52 (5.8m)
24	04:57 (5.9m)
Wed	17:37 (5.6m)
25	05:44 (5.7m)
Thu	18:29 (5.5m)
26	06:41 (5.6m)
Fri	19:35 (5.4m)
27	07:56 (5.5m)
Sat	20:57 (5.4m)
28	09:28 (5.6m)
Sun	22:13 (5.7m)
29	10:42 (5.9m)
Mon	23:14 (6.0m)
30	11:42 (6.2m)
Tue	
31	00:08 (6.2m)
Wed	12:36 (6.4m)

Thu 11th, 1900 - Knowledge and Nosh

A regular event, Knowledge and Nosh occurs on the 2nd Thursday of every month. It consists of a bitesize topic (Starts 7pm) followed by some scrumptious Nosh. Knowledge is free, Nosh is in the region of £3-5.

This month - East Coast Cruising Tips

Please let Harriet know if you can make it - makes catering easier!

training@gravesendsailingclub.co.uk

Sat 20th 1900 - Thai Evening

Mixed hors d'oeuvres, fragrant green curry, red pork curry, mixed vegetables and dessert. Just £15 a head

Let Paul Winterflood know if you would like to book a spot (only 40 spaces) or put your name on the list in the clubhouse.

winterflood@hotmail.com

Feb preview

Sat 3rd - New members tea; SGM; Annual General Meeting
Thurs 8th - K&N Junk Rig

Navigation News January 2018

Paglesham Creek

The power cables crossing Paglesham Creek (to the south of Wallasea Island) centered on an approximate position 51°36'.83N 000° 47'.92E are reported to be 'sagging'. The electricity company UK Power Networks are aware; Crouch Harbour Authority is awaiting an update. Small and in particular sailing vessels underway in the vicinity intending to pass beneath the cables should do so with extreme caution.

Havengore Bridge - Currently out of action.

Notices to Mariners

Thames Portwide

No.28 of 2017 - Railways & Transport - Safety Act 2003 - Drink & Drugs Awareness Campaign

Thames Lower

L28 of 2017 - Gravesend Reach - Seacon Tower Wharf - Main Jetty Fender Repairs

Medway

NtoM No 36 of 2017 - Hydrographic Survey Operations

NtoM No 37 of 2017 - Isle of Grain BP Jetty Works

NtoM No 38 of 2017 - Saltpan Reach Core Sampling Operations

<http://www.pla.co.uk/Safety/Regulations-and-Guidance/Notices-to-Mariners/Notices-to-Mariners>
<https://www.peelports.com/marine-information?port=london-medway>

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