



Costa Blanca Yacht Association Newsletter – May 2009

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Welcome to our Newsletter

A very warm welcome to our May 2009 newsletter, where we will be providing current and prospective members with information about forthcoming and recent events. This month brings us a popular annual feature on our Social Calendar... **Bowls & Supper Evening at the Inn on the Green on Friday 22nd May**. Please see full details on Page 3.

Do you have information or photographs you want to share with everyone? Let us know and we will place it in the next issue and also on the website. The newsletter will go out in the second week of each month, so deadline for article and photograph submission is the 1st of the month.

Please do let us know how to make improvements to the newsletter and other things you might like to see, by emailing me at jackimudge@gmail.com

Forthcoming Events & Notices – May to July 2009

New Website

As announced last month, the committee is pleased to announce that the new website has been uploaded to the Web. The Members Page password lock is causing some technical difficulties for which I apologise, however I have just been advised of a different solution so fingers crossed! Once resolved I will add all the content, but in the meantime please do take a look at www.cbya.org and let us know how you think it could be further improved!

Sailing

4-6 th June	XXI Trofeo Penon de Ifach	Real Club Náutico Calpe
June to early August	Contact Richard Jones for details	Baleares Island Sails

Social & Meetings

11 th May	Social gathering	8pm Meson De Paco, Jávea
18 th May	Members Meeting	8pm Club Náutico Jávea
22 nd May	Green Bowls	Inn on the Green, Jávea
1 st June	Members Meeting	8pm Club Náutico Calpe
15 th June	Members Meeting	8pm Club Náutico Jávea
22 nd June	Walking Quiz	Denia



XXI Trofeo Penon de Ifach - Calpe to Formentera
Thursday 4th to Saturday 6th June 2009
Richard Jones

Dear CBYA friends

Further to last month's feature on this race, we are pleased to confirm that

- Tricky D has a full crew of 6 members who have agreed to take part... Trevor Perry, Anna Miller, Gary Mudge, Jackie Mudge, Laurence Baehr & Paul Smithard
- Richard will be registering places for the race on Monday 11th May
- Other boats taking part with the CBYA are Chantana, Lara Do & Mary Poppins
- It is hoped that Paul De Kuper and his new boat recently purchased will also be ready for the race.

Everyone seems very excited at the prospect of being involved in the race, so let's hope for good winds on the days we are sailing.

If any members would like information on this race and availability of places, please contact Richard Jones at trickyd0949@yahoo.co.uk

Just to remind you of the details

21st XXI Trofeo Peñón de Ifach is one of the most important dates on the Spanish cruising circuit.

3rd June

Meeting at R.C.N Calpe 21.30hours

4th June

We leave Calpe at 10.00 for Formentera

5th June

Presentation of Trofeos at 21.30

6th June

Leave Formentara for Calpe at 10.00

At a later date, Presentation of Trofeos in Calpe.

Costs

The cost for the trip is 150€ per person and a 50€ deposit is required. This includes....

- Entrance to the race
- T shirts etc if available
- Day 1 - Meals on board
- Day 2 - Light Breakfast on board (Dinner at Trofeo presentation)
- Day 3 - Meals on board.

What do you need to take part

Licencia Federativa, enthusiasm, sense of adventure, sailing ability and last but not least, to be able get to Formentera before the bar shuts!!!

Bowls & Supper Evening at Inn on the Green

Friday 22nd May

We are pleased to announce that Brenda Bates has very kindly agreed to return to the Committee as Social Secretary and her first task has been to organise a popular annual feature on our Social Calendar.... **Bowls &**



Supper Evening at the Inn on the Green in Javea on Friday 22nd May.

Due to the event being less than 2 weeks away, please ensure you advise Brenda of your wish to attend and menu choice by **Tuesday 19th May.**

Brenda has negotiated an excellent **all inclusive price of 23 Euros** which includes Green Bowling, use of shoes & bowls, a 3 course meal with wine and gratuity.

New bowlers and guests are very welcome and teams will be of mixed standard. Should you not wish to take part in the Bowling element of the evening but want to join us for dinner the

cost will be 17 Euros.

Timings

Please arrive at 17:30 as Bowling will start at 18:00 prompt and dinner will then be served at 20:00.

If you wish to use club shoes, please ensure you bring a pair of socks! If bringing your own shoes the soles must be totally flat.

What are you waiting for... choose your menu and contact Brenda Bates on 96 579 5586 or email brendabates22@gmail.com by **Tuesday 19th May**

Menu

Starter

Butter Bean and Bacon Soup *or* Stuffed Aubergine

Main

Roast Lamb *or* Salmon with Prawn and Champagne Sauce

Seasonal vegetables

Dessert

Chocolate Fudge Cake *or* Lemon Meringue

Drinks

Half bottle of wine & water

Coffee

Recent Sailing Events

Richard Jones

'5 Clubs' Regatta 18th April Campomanes



Just a quickie report to tell you how we got on in the last of the spring series 5 Clubs regatta held on Saturday 18th April at Campomanes.

15 yachts took part including MARY POPPINS II, GANNOCKS & TRICKYD.

Boats and Crews that took part ...

Mary Poppins

Captained by John Godfrey

Crewed by Paul Smithard & Stewart Evans

TrickyD

Captained by Richard Jones

Crewed by Diana Jarvis, Phil Taylor, Gary Mudge, Tim Fawle, Anna Miller & Laurance Baehr

Gannocks

Captained by Rachel Garnham

Crewed by John Tweedale, Tony & Mary Saunders

Our biggest CBYA attendance for a regatta so far, with 15 people enjoying the experience.

15 Yachts took part with many captains and crew tucking into the very sumptuous breakfast laid on by the club.

At 12.30 the race started with a little light breeze just to keep us moving. Within 10 minutes we had 15 knots of wind coming over the starboard side while we tacked down to the first fish farm. We had to pass both fish farms on our way to our turning point some 7 nautical miles from the start, just off the point of Altea (Ice Mountain).

Having passed the first fish farm, TrickyD was behind Mary Poppins but in front of Gannocks. The wind was now on the portside sailing 30 degrees off



the wind and Tricky D helmed by Phil Taylor was doing a very steady 6 to 7 knots. Soon TrickyD was catching Mary Poppins and leaving Gannocks further behind. Happy days!

The sun was out, the crews were happy and for once in a regatta

we had wind!! Considering we were warned of a strong possibility of rain and a thunder storm this morning, things were going well. By now we were all passing the second fish farm and waving it goodbye. Could this be the race we stood a good chance of all finishing?

TrickyD went screaming past Mary Poppins. The crew of the TrickyD were now on a high expecting soon to catch up on a few other yachts. By this time we had reached the point just off Altea and disaster struck the TrickyD. Yes you've guessed it the wind dropped. Within minutes the TrickyD was standing still with Mary Poppins who had taken a deeper more seaward course enjoying a little longer wind and passing us. After what seem a reasonable time Gannocks skippered by Rachel Garnham contacted us to say she was returning to the marina. Not long after, TrickyD turned on the motor. Mary Poppins skippered by John Godfrey also returned but I'm not sure at this time how far she sailed before returning. Once in the marina the TrickyD mini bar was in full swing with drinks and nibbles for all the CBYA crews to celebrate the end of the Spring series.



A big thank you to all the crews for their support during the Spring Series, which is very much appreciated by the Captains. The Autumn series begins in September.

A special thank you to John Godfrey and Phil Taylor for a 100% attendance of the Spring series.

Happy Sailing Days!

Members Letters

Rachel Garnham

From: [Peter Twelftree](#)

To: [CBYA Rachel](#)

Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 5:59 PM

Subject: Update

Dear Rachel,

My apologies for not being in touch sooner, and before we left Javea for our travels. The days before we left were hectic and very full. Following my faint at the AGM I visited a GP who referred me to Hospital de Levante in Benidorm where over the course of several weeks I met with several specialists who conducted various tests. All failed to produce a final conclusion as to the identification of a problem. More tests were recommended but as we were already delayed on our departure we came away and are now in Belgium. Here we spend time with Belén's family and enjoy the change of scenery. In a couple of months we will travel to the UK and leave again in September for the Philippines where we will spend the winter. Back to Javea next March. Those are the plans but nothing is ever definite so we will see how it all pans out.

We hope you continue with your good work for the Club, and that all goes well for the summer and onwards. Do keep us on the main mailing list as we want to keep track of all that we are missing by being away. The sailing side of things seems to have picked up well, and we truly seem to be a sailing club, and that is excellent.

Please remember us to Richard and all the club members.

Best wishes, Peter and Belén

Solas, Life Saving Signals & GMDSS

Jacki Mudge

At our members meeting on 6th April held at Club Náutico Calpe, Stewart Evans very kindly gave members a presentation covering SOLAS, Life Saving Signals and GMDSS.

SOLAS V

In July 2001 some new regulations came into force, which directly affects CBYA boat owners. These regulations are part of Chapter V of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, otherwise known as SOLAS V. Most of the SOLAS convention only applies to large commercial ships, but parts of Chapter V apply to small, privately owned pleasure craft.

The regulations are described in the leaflet that can be found at <http://www.mcga.gov.uk/c4mca/solas.pdf>

If you are involved in a boating accident and it is subsequently shown that you have not applied the basic principles outlined in this leaflet, you could be prosecuted.

LIFE SAVING SIGNALS

The signals illustrated in the leaflet (link below) are to be used by any ship or person in distress when communicating with search and rescue units. They have been agreed internationally for this purpose and it is important that you are familiar with them to ensure they are correctly used in distress situations. <http://www.mcga.gov.uk/c4mca/signals.pdf>

GMDSS - The Benefits of Digital Selective Calling

The Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) is a maritime communications system – not just for emergency and distress messages, but also for all types of existing vessel-to-vessel and vessel-to-shore routine communications. Most of the well known offshore yacht races now insist yachts are GMDSS equipped.

There are several elements that make up the total GMDSS system, including Digital Selective Calling (DSC) via radio, satellite communications, Navtex weather and navigation information dissemination, Search and Rescue Radar Transponders (SARTs) and Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons (EPIRBs). A pleasure vessel may not need all of these, or may not need them all now. This leaflet (link below) is addressing the radio elements of GMDSS and in particular, that for private leisure craft. <http://www.mcga.gov.uk/c4mca/gmdss.pdf>

OK so that's it for this month!

Please do remember that if you have any information or photographs you wish to share with other members, then please let us know and we will place it in the next issue and also on the website. Please email to jackimudge@gmail.com