

## Southern Scoop at Honda Youth RIB Championship

**15 September 2013:** At the PSP Southampton Boat Show, Southern powerboaters William Hancock (12) from Lymington and Harrison Faul (14) from Poole made light work of torrid conditions to be crowned 2013 Honda RYA Youth RIB Champions.

Competing throughout the day in front of a packed crowd, William and Harrison were amongst 28 young powerboating finalists from across the country who showed their skills and speed at the throttle of the two Honda powered Ribcraft 4.8m RIBs, tackling the difficult championship course in blustery winds and at times heavy rain.

William, representing the Royal Lymington YC in the 8-12 age group, gained a winning time of 01:02:28. Harrison from the Royal Motor YC defended his 2012 title completing the course in 00:59:80 in the 13-16 age group. Both boys skilfully manoeuvred around the tricky and testing course, which included a slalom run, a 360° reverse around a buoy and a stop exercise.



Harrison Faul steers to victory at Southampton

William won a fantastic Honwave T40 RIB with a Honda BF20 engine for Royal Lymington YC whilst Harrison won a Ribcraft 4.8m RIB with a Honda BF60 engine for the Royal Motor YC.

Presenting the prizes were Steve Morris, Head of Power Equipment at Honda, Charlie Chan from Ribcraft and RYA CEO, Sarah Treseder.

For more information about the Honda RYA Youth RIB Championship, details on how to get involved and a list of regional finals scores visit [www.rya.org.uk/go/hondayouthrib](http://www.rya.org.uk/go/hondayouthrib).

## Youngsters celebrate National Paralympic Day

**Youngsters celebrated National Paralympic Day at Poole Harbour by having a go at sailing for the very first time.** They sailed in the International 2.4mR Class, and were joined by London 2012 Paralympic Gold Medallist Helena Lucas on Saturday 7 September.

Ten invited youngsters from Montacute Special School in Poole and St Catherine's Primary School in Wimborne enjoyed a one hour taster session with Rockley Watersports, in conjunction with RYA Sailability and the 2013 2.4mR World Championships.

Helena, who made history by becoming the first female Paralympic gold medallist in the 2.4mR class, was one of the British sailing

stars competing at 2013 2.4mR World Championships being hosted at Poole YC in the same week. She spent time afloat with the youngsters and answered their questions while they also got the chance to see and hold the London 2012 gold medal she won exactly one year ago.

Maddy Deary, 10, from Wimborne, said: "It was amazing to be standing next to a Paralympian and get to hold her medal.

For more details about the 2013 International 2.4mR Class World Championships visit [www.24mworlds2013.co.uk](http://www.24mworlds2013.co.uk) or follow @24mRWorlds2013 on Twitter.



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## RYA launches new OnBoard E-Newsletter



The RYA has officially launched a brand new e-newsletter

**dedicated to new young sailors and windsurfers across the country.**

Launched in July, *OnBoarders* connects directly with youngsters who have learnt to sail with the RYA OnBoard (OB) scheme. The quarterly newsletter is jam-packed with exciting stories, GB sailors, hints and top tips for improving sailing skills, RYA membership offers and more.

"We are really excited to have launched *OnBoarders*" said Cat Ferguson, RYA OnBoard Operations Officer. "Since it was created in 2005, the programme has introduced over 415,000 youngsters to the sport and that number is continuing to grow. Following the London 2012 Games we feel there has never been a better time to inspire and communicate with our OB sailors and to encourage them to continue with their sailing".

As well as receiving the *OnBoarders* newsletter, youngsters who sign up will automatically be entered into a free lucky dip draw giving them a chance of becoming an official OnBoard Gill product tester.

"OnBoard Clothing Partner Gill will provide the lucky winner with selected products to be used and tested out on the water during OnBoard sailing sessions. The 'tester' will be also given the opportunity to write their very own product reviews for publication in *OnBoarders*", Cat continues.

As an added bonus, the OB club which signs up the most youngsters to receive the newsletter will win a free OnBoard branded buoyancy aid.

If you are an OnBoard sailor and would like sign up for *OnBoarders* visit <http://eepurl.com/z0Gj9>. The first issue will be sent out later this month.



Ben Saxton and Hannah Diamond in action on day four of the Nacra 17 World Championship. Credit Thom Touw Photography.

## Silver for Southampton crew at new Olympic class World Championship

**Ben Saxton from Southampton and Hannah Diamond from Warsash secured a silver medal in the inaugural Nacra 17 World Championship held in July.**

The duo, Rio 2016 hopefuls in Olympic sailing's new mixed multihull class at the Dutch venue of The Hague, only lost out on Gold by a whisker. They had only needed to beat the winners Billy Besson and Marie Riou from France in the final race with two boats between them but the weather caused it to be cancelled and they did not have the opportunity.

"I'm massively pleased at winning a medal. The sport's all about winning medals in a few years' time in Rio, so to prove we can get a medal here is pretty cool," said 23-year-old helmsman Ben. Full information on [www.nacra17class.com/worldhome/](http://www.nacra17class.com/worldhome/).

## Active Marina programme in the South

**Active Marina workshops and events are encouraging boat owners to get more out of life with their boats by gaining the confidence and skills to leave their berths and get out on the water more often.** It is also a great way for berth holders to get to know each other.

July's RYA Active Marina Cruise from Hamble to Yarmouth was a special day for young motor boater Nancy Coates (right), when she won a 2.5hp outboard engine from event supporter Suzuki, for the best fancy dressed boat and crew in her pirate costume.

Boat owners from the 'Dry-Stack' at MDL Hamble Point Marina and their families enjoyed the cruise across the Solent while brushing up their skills with the help of Andy Cross, an RYA Instructor from Marine Matters, who accompanied the fleet.

Nancy's father Neil Coates described the benefits of the RYA Active Marina Programme. "It's a brilliant opportunity to explore your local marine environment in a sociable and safe way whilst offering informal access to an experienced and extremely helpful RYA instructor," he says.

For more information about the RYA Active Marina Programme visit [www.rya.org.uk/go/activemarina](http://www.rya.org.uk/go/activemarina).



## CLUB AND RACING NEWS

### RYA Volvo South Zone

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#### RYA SELECTION POLICIES 2013

This year's Selection Policies can now be found on the RYA website. For Zone Selection Policy:

<http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/youthjunior/squads/zone/Pages/Selection.aspx>

For National Junior Squad Selection Policy:

<http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/youthjunior/squads/junior/Pages/Selection.aspx>

Application is open now for all National Junior Squads and Zone Squads.

#### PLANNING YOUR CLUB TRAINING

Club training throughout the winter often makes a big difference to how well our sailors develop their racing skill. We know that training and racing can help. **Have you thought about planning a junior training programme for next winter?**

##### Benefits of a winter training program

- Continually develop their racing skills
- Gives all the club sailors the opportunity to get together for some fun.
- Planned well it should complement the Class and RYA Squad systems
- Keeps the group together socially
- Increases retention for the following season

This winters zone squad are being booked at the moment, why not consider planning your club training around these dates so that all of your club sailors can get together to sail and train on the same weekend. Dates are provisional at the moment. Please check on the RYA Website under Zone pages for up to date lists.

ZONE SQUAD	Optimist	Topper	Windsurfers	RS Feva XL
Land Day	2/3 Nov	2/3 Nov	2/3 Nov	2/3 Nov
ZS1	9/10 Nov	23/24 Nov	16/17 Nov	23/24 Nov
ZS2	7/8 Dec	14/15 Dec	7/8 Dec	14/15 Dec
ZS3	11/12 Jan	18/19 Jan	8/9 Feb	18/19 Jan
ZS4	25/26 Jan	1/2 Feb	8/9 Mar	8/9 Feb
ZS5	15/16 Feb	8/9 Mar	29/30 Mar	22/23 Feb
ZS6	15/16 Mar	29/30 Mar	Easter Camp 19-21 April	22/23 Mar

#### Regional Race Officer Seminars and the Southern Region Race Management Conference

1/2 February RRO Seminar Itchenor SC  
15/16 February RRO Seminar Poole YC  
25 January Southern Region Race Management Conference RNC&RAYC Portsmouth

A third RRO Seminar will be held in March at the Royal Lymington YC date to be confirmed.

#### 2014 RYA INSTRUCTOR TRAINING DAYS

**Saturday 15 and Sunday 16th March at Hayling Island Sailing Club**

Saturday 15th March

10am - 5pm. £12 includes lunch. On water coaching and presentations from a leading coach

Sunday 16th March

9.30am - 3pm £7 includes lunch. Discussion workshops, RYA update and funding 2014 - 2017.

Contact: [Sebastian.pape@rya.org.uk](mailto:Sebastian.pape@rya.org.uk) to book.

#### EVENTS 2013

**RYA Eric Twiname Team Racing Champs** 19-20 October

**RYA & UKWA Youth & Masters Champs** 5-6 October



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- SHARE BEST PRACTICE
- LEAVE EACH WORKSHOP WITH A PLAN OF ACTION
- LOOK AT WAYS TO INCREASE ACTIVITY
- ENSURE THE FUTURE OF YOUR CLUBS SUCCESS
- POSITION YOUR CLUB TO ATTRACT ADDITIONAL FUNDING
- LOOK AT ASPECTS OF DEVELOPMENT IN MORE DETAIL

PLAN OCTOBER 2013	1st October 2013 2nd October 2013 3rd October 2013 8th October 2013 9th October 2013	Christchurch Sailing Club Medina Valley Centre (IOW) Chichester Yacht Club Beval Valley Sailing Club Herne Bay Sailing Club
RESOURCE NOVEMBER 2013	12th November 2013 14th November 2013 19th November 2013 20th November 2013 21st November 2013	Christchurch Sailing Club Chichester Yacht Club Beval Valley Sailing Club Herne Bay Sailing Club Medina Valley Centre (IOW)
PROMOTE JANUARY 2014	14th January 2014 15th January 2014 16th January 2014 21st January 2014 22nd January 2014	Christchurch Sailing Club Medina Valley Centre (IOW) Chichester Yacht Club Beval Valley Sailing Club Herne Bay Sailing Club

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## AROUND THE SOUTHERN REGION

### East Wight

**Springvale and Seaview Beaches** Five day removal notices on boats on the foreshore adjacent to the two launching areas by the junction in the Sea Walls have been lifted. This followed intervention by the RYA's representative David Queckett, after the public expressed anger that yacht club members could leave their boats there and the public couldn't. **Bembridge**



**Harbour** New channel buoys are in place and Nos. 1 & 2 are lit. The old marina area, as well as BHYC's deep water pontoon, have been dredged. The plan is for Fisherman's Pontoon to be dredged next Spring.

### Yarmouth

Visitor boat numbers in the year up to and including 26 August 2013 (Bank Holiday Monday) have risen 11.5% (overnight stays) and 4.4% (short, mainly lunch stays) over 2012. More foreign boats have come this year, notably from Holland, in addition to 250 resident berths.

There are two proposed tidal turbine projects off the IW coast: Sustainable Marine Energy (an East Cowes based company) is seeking approval for a trial of equipment off Fort Victoria and the Solent Ocean Energy Centre (now renamed Perpetuus Tidal Energy Centre) is, in conjunction with the IOW Council, investigating a potential tidal energy development south of St Catherine's Point. RYA Hamble has been involved in the early consultations.

### Southampton Water

Work on the upgrading of the quay at 201 – 203 Berth is proceeding. The enlarged swinging ground is completed with the realignment of Marchwood Y C moorings. This berth will be ready for the new giant container ships during 2014. Dredging will take place to create the new swinging area which will be near the Marchwood military port.

**Dibden Bay** Two additional yellow buoys placed in Dibden Bay mark the temporary location of some pipes that are being stored there prior their use at Gurnard at some time in the future.

### Portsmouth & Langstone Harbour

A temporary MMO bye-law banning trawling in the upper reaches of the harbour has stopped the previous problem of damaging moorings etc.

**Chichester Harbour** After several years of campaigning and work by the Chichester Harbour Conservancy and other groups, an Enforcement Notice has been issued by the Environment Agency on Southern Water to stop contamination of the upper end of the harbour by excessive storm discharges from Chichester Waste Water Treatment Works. **Harbour Entrance Dredging** will be carried out to achieve 1.5m at the bar. **Hayling Island Sailing Club** is to remove a heavy build up of sand around its jetty to restore the beach to 2007 levels.

## Your RYA : Working for you in the South

### Marine Conservation Zones

In July, Defra published a summary of the many responses they received to the consultation in relation to MCZs in England. The document can be downloaded here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/marine-conservation-zones-consultation-on-proposals-for-designation-in-2013>. Their final decision upon which areas will be designated will be published in the autumn but none will be in the RYA's southern region area.

### OWN BOAT TUITION DAY AT EAST COWES MARINA BOOSTS SAILING SKILLS

Berth holders and their crews at East Cowes Marina brushed up on their boating skills at an RYA Active Marina Own Boat Tuition workshop at the end of June.

Instructors Tim Griffin of Griffin Marine Services and Mike Acton from IYWAC (Island Youth Water Activities Centre) were on hand to give expert advice and plenty of tips, taking their students through various manoeuvres during a two hour training session for each boat.

"The session was excellent and informative," said one participant, Stuart Beardmore-Smith. "It was delivered in a calm and clear manner and I look forward to more training with the RYA."

"We covered two practical topics - man overboard recovery drill and reversing into a pontoon berth," explained Mike Acton. "The partnership between East Cowes Marina and the RYA Training Centre at IYWAC offers a lot of scope for delivering short workshops on areas of interest to the boat owners."

### Navitus Wind Farm

The fourth and final phase of consultation on this project will run only until 11 October 2013. This is a last chance to comment and the process dictates that it is important you write to the developers (and MPs if you wish) between these dates EVEN if you have written before! If you don't the assumption may be made that your concerns have been satisfied by the latest iteration of the plans.

The developers are NBDL and they have circulated this information to anyone who has registered with them. Contact [secretaryryasouthern@rya.org.uk](mailto:secretaryryasouthern@rya.org.uk) for contact details.



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