



Spring 2009 Newsletter.

1. Membership renewal. Every one should have received a membership renewal form from Mark Salmon, membership secretary. If you have lost or mislaid it, email him, and he'll send you another one. Renew your membership before the 31st of March, and claim a £25 discount.
2. The annual dinner is on Friday 6th March at the Cavendish Golf Club, Buxton. £19.00 per adult. £15.00 under 18's. All members should have received an invitation some time ago. If you did not, or you have mislaid it, it is not too late. Full information, with a booking form, is available on the club website. (www.errwoodsailing.org.uk) or just Google Errwood Sailing Club.
3. The web site is changing. Those of us who have looked at it in recent years will be aware that it is incomplete, some of the links don't work, and it is stuck firmly in 2004. All this is about to change. Dave O'Donnell now has the information which allows him to access and update the website. The annual dinner information is up there, and it has a new email address for potential members and others to contact the club. I will ensure that all enquiries get a timely and appropriate response.
4. Key audit. Fred Wolstenholme, club secretary, is compiling a list of who holds what keys. If you do hold keys could you let Fred have the details please.
5. Sailing 2009. Along with this newsletter the email should contain a copy of the 2009 sailing calendar. Please note particularly the working party dates – Spring working party 25th April, Autumn working party 10th October.
6. Duties. Most of us are now familiar with Dutyman, our computerised duty allocation system. This is managed by Danny Sinden . Danny has allocated duties for the early part of the season, when the weather may be poor, to more experienced members of the club, but we can all expect to take our turn. Please check the rota regularly, (go to

<http://www.dutyman.biz/dmmain.aspx?id=E0001395>) and either indicate that you can do the rostered duty or use the system to arrange a swap. Don't know about Dutyman, or not sure about any of the above? Then email Danny, he'll be happy to explain.

7. Race results. The committee has decided to try keeping race results on line this season. The system will be managed by Danny Sinden, and the arrangements are as follows:- There will be a folder on the shelf under the notice board, clearly labelled, containing the appropriate forms, with full instructions for the OOD. The information from these forms will be used by Danny to periodically update the online database. If all goes well we will all be able to view the results on-line. See

<http://www.halsraceresults.com/crs2/crs.aspx?DSKey=31&NumberOfLists=3>)

8. Email addresses. It saves the club money, and the committee time and effort, if we can keep in touch with members by email. Please make sure that the membership secretary, has your current (and functional) email address. If it changes please let him know. If you don't want to receive emails about club business let us know and we'll take you off the club emailing list.

I look forward to seeing you on the water

Mike Green,
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