



Breaking Wind



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A Message from the Chairman

Kate Richardson, FPS Chairman

Youth Sailing Group: One of our key initiatives for 2012 is to increase the number of youngsters sailing within Frensham Pond Sailability, both as sailors and helpers. We would like to encourage the youngsters that sail on a Thursday morning with their school to join us for a sail on a Saturday. We would like to show them that sailing can be more than just a school activity and can ultimately be a sport for life.



*Back Row: Lindsay, Lucy, Jay, Mia, Amy, Kate
Front Row: Lara, Kevin & David*

On Saturday 2nd June our Youth Sailors had their first meeting and with a steady breeze we were able to get three Access 2.3s and three Access 303s out on the

water. The youngsters were challenged to sail a triangular course and then follow the lead boat across the Pond. After the sail the youngsters celebrated with Krispie Kreme Donuts.

Three youngsters, Rebecca Rayner, Olivia McKeand and Ella Hargreaves have joined Alex Mitchell and Ollie Fitzgerald and our willing adult helpers on a Saturday morning to support the program. The girls are all keen sailors and are working towards their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Awards. Lindsay Burns has been a key volunteer in the project and has had the girls sailing the Access boats here on the Pond in preparation for future weeks. Our ultimate goal is to have youngster sailing with youngsters and having fun.



Rebecca, Ella & Olivia

More Recruits Wanted: We are also looking to recruit more youngsters to Frensham Pond Sailability and have been spreading the word through local schools and therapy clinics. There are many youngsters today in mainstream schools that are unable to participate in the usual school sports that might like the chance to try sailing. Please spread the word and ask them to get in touch and arrange a taster sail. Please contact either katerichardson11@yahoo.com or Richard Smallwood on richang@btinternet.com.

Fundraising News

Brian Grimwood, FPS Trustee responsible for fundraising

New boats: The first of our two new 2012 Access 303W's 'Nick 2' was officially 'launched' on Thursday 24 May.



'Nick 2' was funded by a substantial grant from The Hedley Foundation, topped up by a very generous donation from Cartridge World Limited.

The new boat is undoubtedly the most distinctive on the Pond with its fluorescent yellow striped sails and Cartridge World logo. Our very considerable thanks to The Hedley Foundation and to Cartridge World.



From left to right above are James & Gemma, John Richardson Cartridge World Chairman, Warwick Parker Manager Cartridge World Petersfield, FPS Chairman Kate Richardson, Francis Marshall owner of Cartridge World Woking & Camberley, Jackie & Nigel, Brian G.

Our second new Access 303W of the year, 'The Farnham Flyer', which was largely funded by grants from Farnham Town Council and Frensham Parish Council, will have its official launch ceremony on Thursday 21 June, attended by the new Mayor of Farnham, Councillor Stephen Hill.

Other Funding News – Hot Off The Press! We were delighted to learn recently that The Wisley Foundation has agreed to donate £2,000 to FPS in support of our new Young Sailor Development programme in 2012. The Wisley Foundation, which supports Surrey based charities, was created by Wisley Golf Club to take a more strategic view of the Club's charity work. It is

hoped that a longer term relationship between the Foundation and FPS will be established dependent upon the progress of the Young Sailor programme during this and subsequent years.

Sainsbury's Bucket Collection: A very big thank you to the Sailability bucket-shaking team outside Sainsbury's supermarket in Farnham on Saturday 19 May. A very commendable £300 was raised in total. Particular thanks go to Kazuko (Kaz) Kawamura for organising the whole event.

Margaret and Rosie with the new FPS "Pop Up" Display Banner outside Sainsbury's Water Lane Store.



Rowledge Fete: Firstly – a big thank you to Lindsay, Maureen, Julian, Ivor, Derek, & Margaret for tearing themselves away from their Jubilee celebrations to shake the FPS bucket and marshal the car parking at the Rowledge Fete on 4th June.



Maureen with the new FPS Banner fitted to Burge

The takings were £199.96, (which I am sure will be rounded up to £200) a little bit down on last year, but still pretty good considering all the competing events on the day and the cold weather.

Sunday 10th June – Liphook & District Businessmen's Association (LIDBA) annual 25 mile sponsored bike ride takes place. Although it may be too late to take part, it is not too late to show your support for the eight intrepid members of Team-

FPS. Simply click on the link below <http://www.justgiving.com/Team-FPS-2012> for event details, team members and to make a small donation. Your support will be much appreciated.

Sunday 23rd June – You may recall that Adam Davison is taking on a number of physically demanding events in 2012 with the aim of raising £2000 for FPS. He has completed two sprint triathlons to date and next up is the Great North Swim at Lake Windermere on 23rd June. The events are listed on Adam's JustGiving page below and all donations will be most welcome:

<http://www.justgiving.com/ajdavison2012>

The Hedley Foundation

Brian Grimwood, FPS Trustee responsible for fundraising

If you are wondering what this is, it is a charitable foundation which supports young people, the disabled and the terminally ill. **William Hedley** was born in Newburn, Newcastle in 1773 and went to school in Wylam, 8 miles to the west. He became a colliery manager at the age of 22 and was one of the leading engineers trying to improve the system of transporting coal by horse power along wooden trackways.

Cast-iron plate rails (with the flange on the rail rather than on a wagon wheel) were laid at Wylam Colliery in 1808 and William Hedley developed the system of coupling of wheels which gave locomotives with smooth wheels sufficient adhesion, even on smooth rails, to haul a train of loaded wagons. This he patented in 1813, the year in which he also unveiled his famous locomotive, Puffing Billy, with a revolutionary and reliable design to carry power to the coupled wheels.

Recycle & Raise Money for FPS

Cartridge World, who've recently donated £1,250 to help launch our new Access 303 yacht, have come up with another great scheme that could raise hundreds of pounds for Frensham Pond Sailability. It's called 'Recycle-it'. It's a little bit like getting money back on empty pop bottles and jam jars. If you don't know what we're talking about, ask some of the older sailing club members!

'Recycle-it' involves local businesses. So whether you run your own, or work for somebody else, we're encouraging all members to introduce it at their workplace. It really is a hassle-free way of raising valuable funds for the club.

This is how it works. Depending on the location of your workplace, one of three local Cartridge World stores (Petersfield, Camberley or Woking) will supply you with a 'Recycle-it' collection bin. Every time you change a

printer cartridge you simply pop the old one (either laser or ink) in the bin. And of course you don't have to restrict it to work; you can bring in your empty cartridges from home. When it's full, call the Cartridge World store that supplied your bin and they'll come and collect it.

For every recyclable cartridge in the bin, Cartridge World will donate £1 for a laser printer cartridge and 50p for ink cartridges. It really is as easy as that. For those of you who can't get involved through work, we're also having a 'Recycle it' bin installed at the clubhouse.

So encourage your employer to start recycling and raising money for FPS. To get your 'Recycle-it' bin simply contact your nearest Cartridge World store on the following numbers:

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*Offer and conditions apply, see in store. 25% discount refers to Cartridge World branded cartridges only. Excludes Cartridge World Cartridges, FreeJet and Woking only. Offer ends 31/03/12. Code FPS12.

Competition News

Access racers emerged from hibernation with an invitation from FPSC's Sailing Committee to participate in the multiclass SuperPrix event on 25th March. This was great fun on a mild and sunny day with lightish winds. Tessa Watkiss took the class honours, closely followed by Paul Phillips and Monique Foster. Tessa and Lindsay Burns then departed for Sydney, see Richard's report on page 4.

The mild end to March was followed by the coldest and wettest ever "drought" in April, leading to the postponement of the first TT at Notts County due to sleet and high winds. Next up was the Frensham TT on 18th April. An excellent entry of 21 boats braved a very wet, cold and gusty day, with all four races being held in very challenging conditions.

FPS sailors dominated their classes with Lindsay Burns 1st, Christine David 2nd and Lara Sturgis 4th in the 2.3 class. Paul Phillips, Monique Foster and Peter Gregory took a resounding 1-2-3 in the 303 1P class, with Peter & Peta Etherton and Lara & Peter Fitzpatrick taking a 1-2 in the 303 2P class. Christine & Lara did extremely well on their TT debuts in very tough conditions.

The UK Access Nationals were next, held at Ringwood on 28-29 April and once again the weather was cold, very wet and gusty. Four races were held on Saturday and FPS sailors were well to the fore in the 2.3 & 303 1P classes. This was fortunate as conditions deteriorated significantly on Sunday and racing was impossible. Congratulations go to our 2012 National Champions Lindsay Burns (2.3) and Margaret Foreman (303 1P). A detailed race report is available here:

<http://www.newforestsailability.co.uk/News/Documents/Access%20Nationals%20April%202012%20-1.pdf>

and a good selection of photos can be viewed here:

http://www.newforestsailability.co.uk/Gallery/Events/Access_Nationals_Apr2012/Access_Nationals_Apr2012.htm

Four FPS sailors and support crew Richard, Terry and Steve made the long trek north for the Carsington TT on 16th May. This time Monique led Paul & Tessa to a 1-2-3 in the 303 1P class with Lindsay taking another 1st in the 2.3 class. Then it was off to a sunny and warm Burghfield on 30th May for some very close and tactical racing in light winds. Andy Sheath's race report for Yachts & Yachting is here:

<http://www.yachtsandyachting.com/news/163665/Access-travellers-at-Burghfield>

Professional photographer Alex Irwin took excellent photos at Burghfield and you can view his gallery here: <http://www.sportography.tv/>

The Frensham 2.4 Open was held on 19/20 May and attracted a strong field of 19 sailors. Megan Pascoe took the overall win (for the 7th time!) with Richard Smallwood 2nd and FPS sailor Paul Holzherr 3rd. Jim Morley's full report for Yachts & Yachting is here:

<http://www.yachtsandyachting.com/news/163355/24ms-at-Frensham-Pond>

The 2012 Access Worlds

Richard Smallwood, FPS Sailing Captain

Five FPS representatives headed out to Australia in March to participate in the World Championships held at Middle Harbour Yacht Club in Sydney Harbour from 8 to 13 April. The competitors were Lindsay Burns in the 2.3 class and Tessa Watkiss in the Liberty class. The group was completed by Terry Teale and Richard

& Angela Smallwood, who all took on a range of support activities during the championships. With ACA(UK) class measurer John Figures, the "FPS Five" made up the entire UK representation at the event.



Tessa in her chartered Liberty on a sunny Sydney day

For the weekend before the championships started there were formalities to be completed and some practice sessions available for our two sailors to check out their chartered boats, for which they had to supply their own GBR-marked sails.

This was their first introduction to the waves in the race area and winds somewhat stronger than we are used to at inland waters in UK, but they completed their races. There were some issues with both chartered boats but local help and Richard did their best to bring the boats up to race standard.



Lindsay in her chartered 2.3 on a less sunny day!

Meanwhile Terry and Richard had been allocated a power boat as an official safety boat and also to support the two UK sailors. They were then asked to provide support to three Dutch sailors, Vera, Wilma and Sefke, who will be known to some of you as they have competed regularly in UK. Their helper Marco joined Terry and Richard in the power boat.

A full account of the racing with day-by-day reports,

photographs, and the overall results can be found via <http://www.accessclass.org/default.asp?Page=30894>

It can be seen there that Tuesday 10 April proved a very difficult day for many competitors, including Tessa and Lindsay, due to winds around 25 knots (Force 6) which is the limit of wind strength for Access class racing.

There were multiple retirements with only 5 of the 12 competitors in Lindsay's class completing both races and only 8 of the 25 Liberties getting two results. However, Tessa survived the first race to get her best result of the week, a 10th, in the first race of the day before taking a wrong turn in the second race and retiring. Fortunately the winds moderated for the rest of the week and Lindsay got her best result of the week, a 3rd, on the Wednesday.

Only able to discard one race result from the eight races, Lindsay and Tessa were at a disadvantage and deserved to finish higher up the order than the overall 7th and 20th respectively which they achieved. For comparison it is worth noting that the two sailors just above Tessa in the overall order, with one point covering all three, were the Dutch sailors Wilma Van den Broek and Vera Voorbach, both of whom have won events in UK.

The 2.3 class was dominated by 3 Australians including 2010 world champion Angus MacGregor who retained his title. In fact 6 of the 7 classes were won by Australians which is unsurprising as they dominated the entry lists and were more familiar with the conditions. The 7th class went to a New Zealander!



Terry, Richard and Marco were kept busy throughout the regatta supporting UK, Netherlands and other sailors, getting some towing practice between the jetties and race area, as well as alongside the sailors before and between races. Angela provided assistance ashore for the UK group and in the overall shore support organisation.

Apart from the strong winds early in the week, the weather was mostly warm and sunny with temperatures in the mid-20s. The Australian hosts were most welcoming and good social events helped to cement international relations. It's just a pity that more UK sailors were unable to make the trip.

Recovery Net Demonstration

Richard Smallwood, FPS Sailing Captain

With strong winds on Saturday, 26 May, sailing was cancelled so the opportunity was taken to demonstrate to sailors and helpers the use of the recovery net.



The net is fitted in safety boat "Lionheart", and can also be fitted in "Humber"

It can be used to recover a sailor in the unlikely event that they are tipped out of a boat.



Any helpers who are on the list of Sailability Safety Boat helms and who are not familiar with the

use of this recovery net should examine the arrangements when next at a Sailability session



and satisfy themselves that they could use it if required. Advice can be sought from experienced helm Julian Behmber, seen in the photographs, or from Sailing Captain Richard Smallwood.

The Dan Eley Foundation

We would like to extend a warm FPS welcome to Dan Eley, who came for a taster sail recently with the regular sailors from Hydon Hill. Some of you may

know that Dan suffered a C4/5 spinal cord injury on 1st January 2010 as a result of a diving accident in the Colombian Amazon region while working with disadvantaged children in Latin America. Dan spent two months in intensive care in Bogota while his family, friends & well wishers raised enough money to repatriate him by air ambulance to Stoke Mandeville.

Since his discharge to Hydon Hill, Dan has worked very hard on his rehabilitation, both here and in Colombia, and has also set up the Dan Eley Foundation. This aims to provide apprenticeship-style training schemes for children living in poverty in Colombia and Latin America. Dan is visiting Colombia again on 27th June in connection with the foundation's launch and hopes to sail with us again when he can. He is a busy man!



Dan has also been nominated to bear the Olympic torch through his home town of Godalming on Friday 20th July so look out for him!

Much more here: <http://www.daneleyfoundation.org/>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS JUNE - AUGUST

JUNE:

- 10TH – LIDBA SPONSORED BIKE RIDE
- 13TH – WOOLVERSTONE TT (ALTON WATER)
- 15TH/17TH – FRENCH ACCESS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
- 21ST – GEORGE ABBOTT SCHOOL VI STUDENTS VISIT
- 23RD – PITSFORD TT (NORTHAMPTON)
- 28TH – WILLIAM COBBETT SCHOOL VISIT

JULY:

- 7TH – FPSC 10 HOUR RACE
- 19TH – LAST DAY OF SCHOOLS SAILING
- 20TH/22ND – RYA MULTICLASS REGATTA RUTLAND WATER
- 26TH – DISABILITY CHALLENGERS VISIT

AUGUST:

- 1ST – WOODLARCS EXPLORERS VISIT
- 2ND – DISABILITY INITIATIVE VISIT
- 16TH - DISABILITY CHALLENGERS VISIT
- 17TH – FPS SUMMER BBQ ☺
- 22ND - NOTTS COUNTY TT (RESCHEDULED FROM APRIL)
- 23RD – SPORTABILITY VISIT

Pond Life



The Fitting Out Supper Galley Crew: Claire, Caron, Sally & Chef d'Equipe Carol produced another excellent meal!

Tail Piece



*Rutland Sailability's Entry for the Diamond Jubilee Pageant
Crewman Ian McNair: "10 hours in an open boat! It was very wet & very cold but a fantastic day out!"*



*The Royal Barge "Gloriana" Leads The Way
(Can you spot the Rutland boat anywhere?)*

Comments & Contributions

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