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## Stoke Gabriel Boating Association

*Promoting community participation in sailing, kayaking, canoeing and rowing*

# SGBA News



## Clubhouse Progress

As I start to draft this Newsletter, the Clubhouse has just been released from its chrysalis of scaffold to reveal a beautiful building. There is still work to do but we are confident that it will be ready for the start of the sailing season on 1 May.

For those who haven't been down to Mill Point to see what is going on, there are more pictures on the next two pages.

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## The New Clubhouse



*Cladding the balcony*



*Twin gas boilers for hot water*



*Thermostatic mixing valve*

All the exterior cladding has been applied by SGBA volunteers to a very high standard.

The gas boilers are installed in the loft - two of them to ensure that there will be sufficient hot water when all the showers are running at once.

The shower temperature is controlled by a single thermostatic mixing valve.

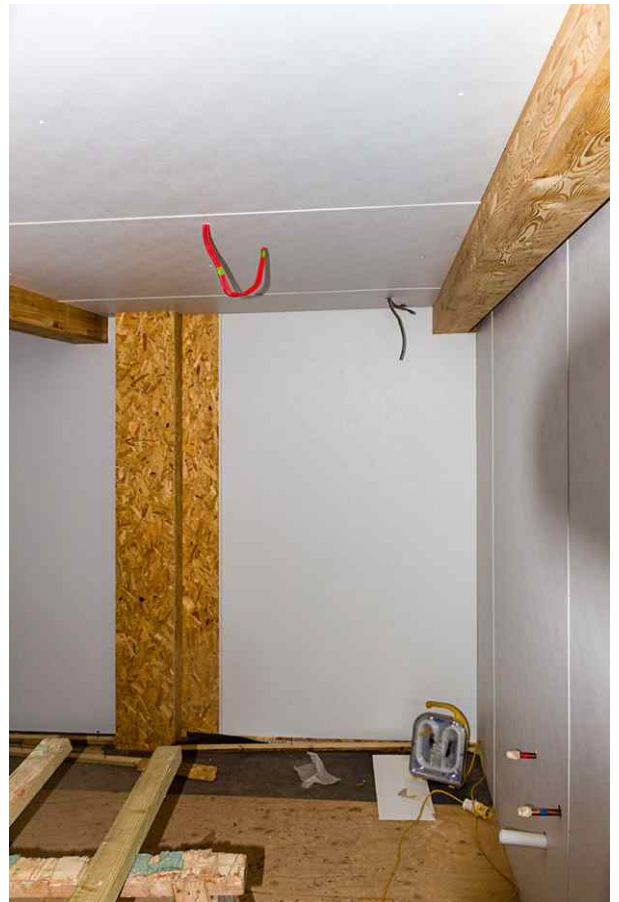
## The New Clubhouse



*Cladding being applied to the changing room walls*

Several different materials have been used for the interior cladding: top quality Altro Aquarius and Altro Whiterock in the showers, less expensive Altro Walkway on the changing room floors and PVC coated plywood on the walls and ceilings away from the showers.

In the corridor and Club Room we have used 10mm Fermacell which offers superior resistance to movement and greater fire resistance than ordinary plasterboard.



*Wall and ceiling cladding almost complete*



*Free from the scaffolding at last*



## Help needed to finish the Clubhouse

We need the help of members to get the Mill Point and the club house ready for the 1st May. We need team leaders to gather and organise teams to complete the tasks below

- 1 Paint the ground floor ceiling of club house - paint available, must be applied on a warm and dry day!
- 2 Complete the block-work around the effluent tank-Mixer and materials on site now
- 3 Cut and nail in place timber ground floor cladding
- 4 Tidy up the grounds over the service trenches and reseed them
- 5 Tidy the grounds in the quarry, clear growth over Neil's steps and the grass area in dinghy park
- 6 Fit lower rainwater pipes into drains (digger provided) and tidy with scalplings

If you can manage teams or if you are willing to work in any of the teams contact the commodore for details.

If you are good at joinery we need your help now to build the steps, balustrades, lay decking and affix cladding'

Please contact the Commodore, [roger.stobbart@btinternet.com](mailto:roger.stobbart@btinternet.com)

## The Wonders of Gift Aid

We still need some more money for the new Clubhouse and if you donate with a Gift Aid declaration you get twice, or even three times the pleasure by taking some money out of the hands of the revenue man.

### How Gift Aid works

Donating through Gift Aid means charities and community amateur sports clubs (CASCs) can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give. It won't cost you any extra.

So a £20 donation to the SGBA is made up to £25 by the tax man.

If you are unfortunate enough (or fortunate, depending on how you look at it) to be a higher rate taxpayer then in addition to giving money to the SGBA you can also claim some back via Self-Assessment.

You donate £100 to the SGBA - we claim Gift Aid to make your donation £125. If you pay 40% tax you can personally claim back £25.00 (£125 x 20%).

There is a gift aid certificate opposite.



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**GIFT AID DECLARATION**

If you are a U.K. taxpayer and are in agreement with the club reclaiming the tax on your donation please complete the form below.

NAME OF CHARITY: Stoke Gabriel Boating Association – Tax ref: EW10860

**Declaration:**

I wish the club to treat my donation of £..... as a Gift Aid donation. I confirm that I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less income tax or capital gains tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations, it is my responsibility to pay the difference

SIGNED..... DATE.....

**Details of Donor:**

Title..... Forename..... Surname.....

Home Address.....

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.....Post Code.....

Please return this form to The Treasurer at the above address.

**NOTE:**

**If you pay tax at the higher rate you can claim additional personal tax relief on your tax return or through your PAYE tax code.**

## Activities on the water

### Sea Urchins

This year the Sea Urchins session was held at the Admiral swimming pool, Brixham, on 27 February when nine children with three Bugs had a tremendous time learning to paddle, row and enjoy themselves in a dinghy.

There will be a rowing session for children on the River on Monday 4 April.

## Junior Sailing

As announced in the January Newsletter, all activity will take place from the Mill Point area and to allow this we are offering two courses of 18 places each rather than one larger course.

There are still a couple of places left on the first course having moved some children onto the second to balance up numbers a bit and also on the second.

We are still desperately short of volunteer Dinghy Instructors especially for the first course. Without them we will be unable to run the courses so if you are a DI and can help please contact Andrew on the address below soon.

Having established the format of the new course and organised the documentation etc., Anne Davis has handed over the coordination to Andrew Morrell. To book a place on the second course, or for any other query regarding Junior sailing please contact Andrew on [juniorsailing@sgbahost.co.uk](mailto:juniorsailing@sgbahost.co.uk)

Course A 28 to 30 May and 2 and 3 June

Course B 16 and 17 July and 23 to 25 July.



*Learning to row*



*Learning to sit out a dinghy*

## The SGBA Summer Programme 2016

The first club sailing and boating Sunday is planned for 1 May 2016; two weeks later than previously announced. The new Clubhouse build will be largely completed by then and most of the boats should be back in the quarry available for use. There will be more information on this later, but the intention is that we don't lose any time on the water.

The events calendar with the dates of Sunday and Thursday sailing is available on the the [Sailing and Events Support Site](#) which is the definitive resource for all sailing dates. But note that this calendar does not include dates for other events such as the Middle Back cricket match. As soon as the dates for these are settled, members will be notified by email.

The SGBA can only work successfully if members play a part in helping to run the the Club's activities. Nowhere is this more important than the Sailing Events which can only take place if we have the necessary people to run them i.e. OOD and safety boat helm & crew one of whom must have PB2. We need to find three names for each event before it can go ahead - so, if you can help, please contact the Sailing Secretary.

At the time of writing we do not have an OOD or Safety Boat crew for more than half the events including the opening Sunday. People on the Safety Boat register are reminded that they are expected to support sailing activities. Please contact the [Sailing Secretary](#) if you are able to help.

### Dinghy Course - Adult Beginner & Improver

We have run a beginner course successfully for the last two years. This year we're opening it up to include those who want to improve beyond the beginner stage. The course is run by two senior instructors, starting in Wayfarers and moving on to single handed dinghies at the discretion of the instructors.

The course dates and times proposed by the instructors are as follows.

- Sat 4th June, 1600-1900
- Mon 6th June, 1900-2100
- Wed 8th June, 1900-2100
- Fri 17th June, 1800-2000
- Sat 18th June, 1500-1800

- Sat 25th June, 0900-1200

At the time of writing this course is full but if you are still interested ask [Roger Astley](#) to put you on the reserve list.

### Paddling

As a boating association we want to develop all types of boating activity. We own several canoes and kayaks of various types and our part of the river lends itself to paddling

So a paddling group is being formed - why not join in? Watch Club notices for more information.



### Head of the Dart

We will be providing two Safety Boats for this event on the afternoon of Saturday 16 April to cover the area from Blackness to Duncannon. Roger Stobbart will helm one of them but we still need to find another helm and two crew. Please contact [roger.stobbart@btinternet.com](mailto:roger.stobbart@btinternet.com) if you can help out.

### Middle Back Cricket

Once again we will pit our cricketing skills against those of the Dittisham Sailing Club on Sunday 18 September. Watch the Newsletter and website for more information

## Summer Fete in Support of the SGBA's Development Appeal

Mark and Rosemary Yallop have very generously offered Sandridge Park as a venue for a fund-raising event for the SGBA on either 30 or 31 July.

Likely attractions that could be included in the event are: an open garden, tea and cakes, a jazz band, games and entertainment for children, a boat show and a demonstration by the Dartmouth RNLI inshore lifeboat.

The SGBA will have to provide planning, management and logistic support. Watch this space for more information; in the meanwhile:

**Keep the weekend 30/31 July free for a great summer bash.**

## Official Opening of the New Clubhouse

**The Official Opening of the Clubhouse will be on the afternoon of Saturday 10 September. Save the date!**

More details of the programme and events on the day will be issued in due course.



## Report from the AGM

The Club's AGM was held on Tuesday, 22 March with an attendance of 41 people - the most we have had for many years. A detailed Report of the year had already been circulated to members and the Commodore took the opportunity to highlight the main features of the year. Naturally these focussed on the new Clubhouse, in particular the events and circumstances that had caused its cost to increase and the start of substantive work to be delayed. Nonetheless, thanks to additional support from Sport England and the continuing generosity of the Club's members, who have donated or pledged well over half the money needed, the build is nearing completion.

Whilst the new Clubhouse has taken a lot of time and effort, on-the-water activities have not been neglected and two Sea Urchin sessions were held: one in an indoor swimming pool and the other on the river. We also organised two Junior Sailing courses although because of poor weather the second had to be cancelled. A sailing course for adult beginners and 14 Sunday sailing events completed a very good sailing programme in view of the inconvenience caused by the construction work which stopped any use of the best parts of the Club's foreshore.

On handing over the platform to the Club's Treasurer, the Commodore took the opportunity to thank Peter for his sterling efforts over the past four years. Peter will be standing down and there is a vacancy for the Club's Treasurer.

Moving on to the elections, the Commodore drew the meeting's attention to changes in the Rules that affected the length of time that Officers could serve on the Committee. The Commodore would in future only serve for two years but would have been a Vice Commodore for a year before serving as Commodore and would become a Vice Commodore for a year after standing down. It is intended that this arrangement will give greater continuity whilst easing some of the workload of the Commodore.

The new Rules also removed the restriction on the length of time that ordinary Committee could serve; there is no point in making willing helpers stand down.

The most important election, which was agreed unanimously, was that of Julian Williams to Vice Commodore (and so Commodore-elect). Julian has served the Club well in raising so much money for the Clubhouse and we wish him every success at the forefront of the Club's management.

Having stood down in rotation in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, Neil Millward and Anthony Showell were re-elected to the Trustees. Nick Ager, Andrew Morrell and Alan Willson were elected to

the Executive Committee. The complete list of Officers is shown at the end of this newsletter.



*Julian Williams - Vice Commodore and Commodore - elect*

## Vacancies

### Treasurer

As already noted, there is a vacancy for the post of Treasurer. This is a very important post although the job itself is not overly time consuming for someone with accounting skills.

### Independent Examiner

After many years of service Mike Pankhurst has stood down as auditor. Under the Rules of the Charity Commission we now have to appoint "Independent Examiner".

For more information about either of these posts, please contact the Commodore, [roger.stobbart@btinternet.com](mailto:roger.stobbart@btinternet.com)

## Stoke Gabriel Community Concert Series 2016

This series of concerts, organised by Peter and Chrissie Johnson and sponsored by various inhabitants of Stoke Gabriel, raises a considerable sum of money for charity as well as bringing superb music to the village.

Last year they raised some £1750 for Dart Sailability and £250 for the church for the use of the venue and the SGBA was only too pleased to advertise the concerts in the Newsletter. This year the charity is the Devon Air Ambulance. Perhaps not quite as close to our love of sailing as Dart Sailability but you never know when circumstances might need rescue or help from the air. So, once more, the SGBA is pleased to advertise these concerts.



The first has already taken place on Saturday 5 March when Amy Yuan and friends from the Royal Academy of Music gave a delightful performance of Haydn, Beethoven and Smetana as well as some traditional Chinese music. The next concert is on Wednesday 25 May.

- Wed 25 May                      Smooth Operators - local Jazz group
- Sat 16 July                      Exevox - return of this superb Exeter choir
- Wed 12 October                Millfield School - talented young musicians
- Sat 19 November              Matt Harvey - local poet and raconteur with Thomas Hewitt Jones organist and composer

The concerts take place in the church starting at 19:30. Admission £8.00 including a glass of wine. Under 16s get free entry.

Season tickets are still available for £30 and would save £2 if the buyer goes to the remaining four concerts.

## Help Clubhouse funds: stock up with kindling!

Winter is past, but why not stock up now with kindling for the next one?

The building project has yielded a lot a scrap wood which we are chopping to size and bagging up for sale at £3 per bag (3/4 of a rubble sack), delivered to your door. £65 raised so far, let's reach £100 if we can.

Phone your order to Julian Williams on 782744, for deliveries during April.

## Crew Wanted

### Yacht Coriolis: Sweden Yachts 42

Leaving Plymouth on April 27th, we'll head for the Netherlands then up to SE Norway. We have the option of using the Kiel Canal and through the Danish archipelago to Norway if the weather isn't right for the North Sea.

I need crew with some experience; we'll have 4 - 5 total on Coriolis for a relaxed watch system and a friendly atmosphere.

The trip consists of legs of 2 - 3 weeks with crew changes at ports convenient for train and air.



Please go to [www.coriolis-sailing.co.uk](http://www.coriolis-sailing.co.uk) for more info, or ring me on 01803 782235; 07714 096618.

Anne Davis

## For sale Enterprise sailing dinghy 'fidget'.

In good condition and ready to use. Launching trolley included but has a flat tyre. Currently moored at Stoke Gabriel.

£200 ono

If interested please e mail Owen at [owenbickerstaff@hotmail.com](mailto:owenbickerstaff@hotmail.com) or phone on 07780 701 458.



## Boat Bits for Sale

We have various boat bits to get rid of and before they go on ebay members are being offered first refusal here.

We have:

- Aluminium spinnaker pole approx 8ft long. Probably from 20-22ft yacht. £offers?
- Deck stepped aluminium mast from 12/13ft dinghy. All rigging. Good condition. £offers?
- Very old rotating mast from early catamaran about 20 ft long. £offers?
- Very light weight dinghy boom. Possibly from lowrider Moth. £offers?

If you are interested, please contact River Lovejoy: 07526 948240 (text during office hours) or email [r.lovejoy@open.ac.uk](mailto:r.lovejoy@open.ac.uk)

## Avon Redcrest 4 person inflatable for sale

Little used, excellent condition with floorboards and outboard bracket.

£425.

Call Anne Davis on 01803 782235 or email, [sailing@annedavis.me.uk](mailto:sailing@annedavis.me.uk)



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