

SIDelines

Sailing in Dublin Club Newsletter



SEPTEMBER - CLUB AGM MONTH

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

As we roll into autumn and then winter, we can look back on a very successful summer season. We achieved another excellent cruising calendar allowing many of our members to experience sailing at its best and for some unfortunately due to weather, the down-side of an outdoor activity, being weather bound. That said we did get to France for the second year running, and who knows what might follow in the coming years.

On the racing front we had a mixed bag, firstly with Ruff Diamond being first in a couple of races, proving it's a capable racing boat. Although we competed in the ISORA's many of them were cancelled or postponed. The dinghy section has had a new impetus this year and hopefully with the changed fleet of boats this will continue.

We have invested heavily in new sails and other equipment across all the boats so hopefully we can keep the level of problems to a manageable amount. We ended the summer with a very successful BBQ in the DMYC to which about a third of the club attended, so overall a good summer.

Looking forward we have our AGM on the 27th of September followed on the same night with a celebration of SID being in existence for 40 years. Thank you to all the members over the years that have kept the club going, and a special word of thanks to the committees over the years for the work they have put into the club.

We can all look ahead at the next 40 years, as I can't see sailing going out of fashion any time soon.

Dermot Avery
~ Club Chairperson



MESSAGE FROM OUR SAFETY OFFICER

Engine Checks:
I don't WOBBLE any more.

We used to be told that the daily engine check should cover WOBBLE: Water filter, Oil, Belt tension, Bilge (for leaks), Levels (coolant), and Electrics plus Exhaust. Then they added D for diesel (make sure you have enough fuel).

Now more of us are making it I-WOBBLED. We start by isolating the engine - turning off the batteries, so no-one on deck can accidentally start the engine while our hands are in there. Remember to turn the switches back when you're finished, and maybe check the battery meter too.

Safe sailing!

Patrick Kinsella
~ Safety Officer



CLUB SOCIAL EVENTS

We have had a successful year on the SID social front so far, starting in April with the Ruff Diamond lift in event, more recently we had an end of season BBQ in the DMYC, and upcoming we have the club 40th anniversary dinner, and a Christmas party to look forward to!

Thank you to all those who support these events, and great to see so many enjoying these opportunities to have on-shore catch ups and craic with fellow members!

UPCOMING 2024 DATES FOR THE DIARY:

AGM - 6pm, Friday 27 Sept - National Yacht Club

40th Anniversary Dinner - 8pm, Friday 27 Sept (after the club AGM) - National Yacht Club

Christmas Party - Saturday 7 Dec - city centre venue - details to follow



The 40th Anniversary dinner event on 27 September this year is in place of the traditional après AGM dinner. The dinner format will be similar to previous years, with 40 years of club nostalgia added! If you haven't booked your place yet, please do, so we can get a gauge on numbers. For booking and event info, please see info below, club communication channels or the invitation flyer at end of this newsletter.

Join us in celebrating this club milestone!

BOOK THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER:

Revolut — 0876728383 (include your full name)

Eventbrite — click here  www.eventbrite.com/e/1004466244577



Ally Orr
~ PR and Social Officer

KEELBOAT RACING

There are still a couple of places available on a late-season coastal race at the end of this month.

SID's racing cruiser Mayfly is taking part in this re-scheduled ISORA race on **Saturday September 28th**.

The race will be about four or five hours and is a great opportunity to race Mayfly over a longer course than usual.

Sign up on the club website, or contact skipper Sonja at sonjamasterson@mac.com

Nick Miller
~ Keelboat Officer



DINGHY RACING

The DBSC racing series for both keelboats and dinghies will come to an end at the end of September, and that will be it over for another year! Where does time go?

The good news on the dinghy front is that the DMYC frostbite racing series starts in November, and will run every Sunday (weather permitting) until March / April 2025. Its a fantastic series to be part of, all levels of experience are welcomed, and there a variety of boat classes competing each week in a light hearted fun atmosphere. All races take part in the more sheltered waters of the harbour. Afterwards, it's back to the DMYC for après sail and a bowl of warm hearty soup. Don't let the cold weather put you off, it's one not to be missed!

Paul ter Horst is running frostbite training sessions for those interested.
Booking on the club website in the usual way.

See you on the water!

~ SID Dinghy Team

CLUB MERCHANDISE & RUFFIAN NEWS

CLUB MERCHANDISE

SID club merchandise is now available for a limited time only!

Online shop is now open for ordering - **closing on 30 September 2024.**

- ~ Hoodies, t-shirts, polo shirts, hats, and more available.
- ~ Additional items have also been added to store: zipped hoodie, Helly Hansen jackets (m/f) and HH cap.
- ~ Suggest you hit up Viking Marine or similar to check for jacket sizing before ordering.
- ~ If you have already ordered a hoodie and prefer to change to zipped, contact me directly.
- ~ If you want to place a second order, hit click and collect and add in notes a reference to your original order so you won't incur double postage.
- ~ All items except the new additions are in the ladies changing room and it's strongly recommend to TRY BEFORE YOU BUY, as not all items will work for everyone. PM me or Ally for access info if you don't have clubhouse key.
- ~ They will also be made available to try before you buy at the AGM on Friday, 27 Sept in the NYC.



The store will close on Sept 30th, after which all orders will be produced and fulfilled. No returns or refunds, as they are made to order. Hence, try before you buy!

LINK HERE TO THE ONLINE STORE:

👉 <https://4orm.ie/product-category/teamwear/teamwear-sailing-clubs/teamwear-sailing-clubs-sailing-in-dublin/>

RUFFIAN TEAM RACING

Massive congratulations to fellow SIDers Patricia and Henrik Heckmann for winning this weekend's All Ireland Ruffian Team racing as Team South (Wicklow Sailing Club).

12 Ruffians were provided by their respective owners to enable this second-ever All Ireland competition to take place. Great to see the island-wide growth and love for Ruffians and Ruffian racing.

Teams travelled from Wicklow (Team South), Westport (Team West) and Lough Swilly & Belfast (Team North) to Dublin (Team East) for 2 full days of very exciting racing in Dublin Bay, consisting of 27 races in total. No easy undertaking and a super team of volunteers made it happen.

Team South, under the leadership of Patricia and Henrik, were resounding winners followed by Team West in second place and Team East, third.

Well done Patricia and Henrik - a win for Wicklow and for SID!

Aoife Hall
~ Ruffian Officer



CLUB DAY SAILORS LAST WEEKEND!

SID CRUISE WEEK 6

Cruise Week 6 – Brest to Cornwall

On board:

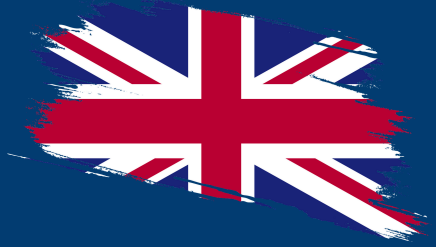
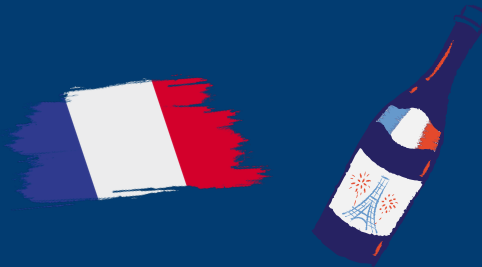
Skipper: Pierce O'Broin

VC: Dan Murphy

Crew: Bernard Faughey, Jennifer Sheerin, Paddy O'Kelly, Ray Sheerin

Written by Ray Sheerin

Photo Credits: Bernard Faughey



Having travelled together, the crew met Pierce and Dan in Brest on Silver Wind, which they'd just fully provisioned. After a whistle-wetter, we headed out for dinner, noting the insane spring tidal range on our way back. On Sunday, we sailed, then motored up the Aulne river, passing the spooky and malevolent-looking decommissioned French navy ship graveyard. We docked overnight in Chateaulin where, in the absence of a marina, some enterprising crew members made a beeline for the Hôtel de Ville to avail themselves of the mayor's personal bathroom.

On our way back downriver, the lock wasn't working so we had to wait for it to be fixed. But, when the going gets tough, the tough have petit déjeuner – we'd already relieved the local boulangerie of most of its inventory of croissants and patisserie. Then overnight in Camaret before striking out for Cornwall on Tuesday, with the UK weather looking much more promising than Brittany's. A 25-hour crossing, one of the week's highlights – on a single tack – and we were in Falmouth. Leisurely sailing after that, anchoring in the Helford River one night to experience the charms of rural Cornwall. Some great food in Cornwall (actually better than in France – sacré bleu!), a very interesting visit to Pendennis Castle and a bit of a snoop at Queen drummer, Roger Taylor's impressive gaff.

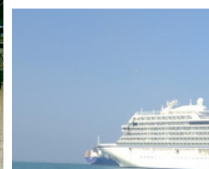
Overall verdict – a great skipper, who put so much effort in but made it all appear effortless, including impromptu guitalele recitals, and a willing and lively crew, all of which made for an outstanding week's cruising.

Au revoir,

~ Ray



PHOTO GALLERY





40th Anniversary Celebration Invitation

1984 TO 2024!

We have reached an incredible milestone in Sailing in Dublin Club in 2024 – 40 years of bringing sailing to club members!



You are invited to celebrate with us at a 40th anniversary event on:
Friday, 27 September at 8pm at the National Yacht Club, Dún Laoghaire.

Join us over a delicious dinner along with reminiscing over four decades of SID club sailing - get ready for a evening filled with fun, nostalgia, and plenty of sea breeze!



The invitation is open to current and past club members, and all are welcome to bring guests along to the event.

This is an opportunity not to be missed for a catch up with old and new sailing friends, as well as celebrating the past and continued success of our club.

We look forward to seeing you there!

WHEN & WHERE:

Friday, 27 September 2024

8pm

National Yacht Club, Dún Laoghaire

€40 per person

please advise any dietary requirements in advance
click on this email link - social@sailingindublin.ie

