



HORIZONS' Children's Sailing Charity Plymouth, Devon



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TRUSTEES NEWS

The new sailing season is almost here!

We have seen the usual signs that sailing is not far away: The Hawks and the ribs are back in the water. Thank you to those that helped Simon and Lois, no doubt the crew were feeling a few cobwebs being dusted off as well as doing the same for the boats.

Volunteers will have been asked to read this season's briefing documents. Don't assume these documents will be the same as in previous years – we review policies and safety procedures every year, please keep yourself up to date. A reminder too that there are sailing sessions purely for volunteers if you feel the need to practice or just fancy more time on the water – details can be found in e-news or ask in the office. And thank you in advance for choosing to spend your spare time with Horizons – we could not do what we do without you – thank you.

We held our Annual General Meeting on 6 April at the Royal Western Yacht Club against the backdrop of sun streaming through the windows and a sailing race wrestling with the fading breeze – a fine sight. The meeting was well attended. Rory Anderson was voted back on as a trustee – good news. And the opportunity was taken to thank Joe Man for his time as trustee. The AGM was followed by Simon delivering the briefing and then refreshments were enjoyed by all.

Here's to a fantastic season on the water for everyone.

Rob Cooper

On behalf of Horizon's trustees.

100 NUMBERS

We asked Colin Thomas to draw this months 100 numbers.



THE WINNING NUMBERS ARE:

22 - £25

57 - £15

07 - £10



Colin Thomas

Congratulations to this months winners. January will be the time of the year when we will be asking you to renew your 100 numbers subscription. If you would like a go its £12 per year, per number the draw takes place every month. Why not set up a Standing Order so that you don't miss out every year. Please call the office if you would like a number or would like information regarding setting up a Standing Order 01752 605800.

WINTER PROJECT

To conclude our winter youth group this year, we all enjoyed a movie night in with pizza and nibbles. I hope everyone enjoyed this year's activities and hope to see you all soon for the beginning of season. Thank you to all the volunteers who came along to help too, it was much appreciated!

VOLUNTEERS NIGHT OUT

Lois will be organising another volunteers night out shortly. Keep an eye on the website or facebook for details, if you have any place that you would like to go or anything that you would like to do, please contact Lois on Tel: 01752 605800

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

On Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th, 6 volunteers were involved in a seamanship course on our hawks to improve their sailing skills. It was a very informative few days and everybody passed with flying colours.

We are hoping to run an RYA Keelboat instructors course in the summer for those who want to enhance their skills even more as part of our volunteer training programme. For those who have already got an instructor qualification, we are running a keelboat endorsement for those who can to diversify their teaching.

We are going to continue our Wednesday night training, so keep your eyes open for updates on our website and Facebook page.



Our Easter Egg Hunt involved walking around Royal William Yard in the attempt of finding some multi-coloured paper eggs. Each egg you found had a letter on it. Once you had found all 10 of the eggs, all the letters made a phrase. You then returned to us with your phrase, '#RWY EASTER,' and were rewarded with a yummy Easter egg. Everybody had a lovely time and we managed to raise just over £200 towards Horizons.



EVENTS/FUND-RAISING

DELAMORE ESTATE - GARDEN PARTY 19TH MAY

Delamore Estate - Horizons have been chosen as Delamore Arts nominated charity for 2017 as part of their support Delamore Arts have allowed us to hold a special evening which will be held on Friday 19th May. We will be hosting a Corporate event inviting local businesses to an evening Garden Party/Fundraiser.

EASTER EGG HUNT

On the 2nd April, Ruth, Derek, David, Jack, Chris and I went over to The Royal William Yard to have a bit of chocolatey fun in their annual Easter Egg Hunt. The Good Food Market was also on, and we had lots of fun walking around and seeing all the lovely food and spring flowers.



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TOUGH MUDDER



Lois will be participating in the 'Tough Mudder Half' to raise money for Horizons.

This consists of running through a muddy and wet obstacle course over 5 miles with more than 13 challenging obstacles along the way.

If there are any budding runners or adrenalin junkies out there, she would love some company over the run and somebody to help keep her on the straight and narrow through training too! If anyone is interested in joining her in her mission, please let us know by calling the office on Tel:01752 605800.

GRANTS AND DONATIONS

CO-OP MEMBER?

Horizons would like to thank all you co-op members for donating your 1% of what you spent in the co-op over the months by using your co-op membership card. We have been informed by the Community Fund Committee that we have been awarded a total of £1,938.68 and that we were one of more than 4,000 causes across the uk that have benefited from the local community fund, again thank you.

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PLYMOUTH BOAT JUMBLE

After a year of kind donations of boating goodies, it was time to go and sell them at the annual Plymouth Boat Jumble, this was held on Sunday 16th April. It was an early start and when we arrived, we were greeted by an eager bunch of stall holders who weren't shy about raiding our minibus for all the pre-sale bargains. Everybody had a great day and thank you to Derek, Ben and Simon who were all top salesmen! We raised just over £300.

