



TRUSTEES NEWS

Last month I wrote that we were looking forward to our AGM, but that was swept away by the COVID-19 storm and unfortunately Horizons has had to cease all our activities until further notice.

Our priority now is to look after our fantastic staff and make sure our fleet is secure – so that Horizons will come back stronger than ever when this is all over.

It's so sad that our army of volunteers, who were looking forward to getting back on the water with the young people we serve, have been stopped in their tracks. But we know they will be ready to answer the call when we're back in business.

We're going to miss out on some major fund-raising opportunities (such as the Eddystone Charity Pursuit) so we will need to work even harder on this when the opportunity comes back.

The love and kindness that binds Horizons together is needed now more than ever in our community.

Andrew Eccleston
Chair of Trustees

100 NUMBERS

This month winning 100 numbers.

THE WINNING NUMBERS ARE:

- 65 - £25
- 50 - £15
- 99 - £10



Congratulations to this months winners.

Its that time of the year again 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.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This years AGM was cancelled due to COVID-19 we will reschedule this at a later date.

VOLUNTEER BEGINNING OF THE SEASON BRIEFING

This years volunteer Briefing was also cancelled due to COVID-19 we will reschedule this at a later date.

EVENTS/FUND-RAISING

HUT REPLACEMENT

We now have enough money to replace the Hut which will be in place for the new season watch this space for photos of the new one.

HIGH FLYING EVENING! CHARITY DINNER WITH SPEAKER ANDY WYATT, FORMER PILOT OF THE RED ARROWS

This event was planned for Friday 3rd April, 7pm at



Jolly Jacks, Mayflower Marina, Plymouth. Motivational speaker Andy Wyatt who was going to speak about his fascinating life within the RAF and the elite Red Arrows. The very special evening would have consisted of a talk, Q&A session and 3 course dinner in support of Horizons. We will rebook this event when normality returns.



SAFETY BOATS WENT BACK INTO THE WATER

On Monday 9th March we put the ribs back into the water ready for the new season thanks to Chris Peters but then due to the the turn of event (COVID-19 virus) we had to take them back out.

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Over the last couple of months we have had a range of volunteer training sessions on the go.

RYA Day Skipper Theory course

We had 5 volunteers undertake an RYA Day Skipper Theory course, 1 on a VHF, and 6 on an RYA First Aid course. This was all part of our Volunteer Training scheme and was all delivered in house.



RYA First Aid course

On Wednesday 12th February Horizons held an RYA First Aid course. We topped up our knowledge of CPR, chocking and stopping catastrophic bleeds to name just a few of the topics. It was a really interesting and fun day where we all learnt lots.

Andy who was on the First Aid course said: "My previous training was out of date, and it is necessary (to have First Aid training) for the basic safety of participants. Everything was relevant, a good combination of knowledge, additional background knowledge, and practising techniques. It was well structured, at a good pace with a good participant engagement style relevant to different styles of learning."



RYA Diesel Engine Course

On Saturday 14th March, we arranged for 6 of our volunteers to attend an RYA Diesel Engine Maintenance course at SeaRegs in Plymouth. Rod, Volunteer said "I really enjoyed the diesel engine maintenance course, it was very hands-on with all the tools and old engines to work on and a very helpful

and funny instructor. I have very little experience in working with engines but I am now confident I could carry out most of the routine engine maintenance procedures and also replace worn parts and find faults. If you plan to ever cruise on sailing yachts or motor boats this course is essential – I would thoroughly recommend it! "



WINTER PROJECT

Clip n Climb

On 27th February, the Cadets enjoyed a high altitude activity at Clip 'n Climb. This was an hours activity where it tested their strength, balance and determination! Well done to everybody for getting up so high!



Games Night

The last activity the children enjoyed at Horizons was a video and games night. This was a lovely opportunity for the children to chill out and enjoy each other's company whilst scoffing lots of pizza too!



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GRANTS AND DONATIONS

FIRESTONE FREEZER

We were presented with an amazing amount of money from the **Firestone Freezer**. On New Year's Day a large group of people braved the elements and went for a swim in Plymouth Sound. This year, Horizons was one of the chosen charities. Thank you to everybody involved. What a brilliant event! ?

