



Gravesend Sailing Club

Newsletter – October 2018

Benny the Beluga Whale

I am sure that you can't have missed the reports of this exotic visitor to the Thames. The PLA are monitoring the situation and I recommend that you check the Notices to Mariners on their website if you are intending to set out for a trip as there may be navigation restrictions in place.

LIFT OUT

We can fit in all the boats that have applied for lift-out; however no more applications can be accepted due to lack of room.

Lift out briefing 3rd and 4th November

There will be a briefing for those whose boats are lifting on both days at 2pm in the West Wing – you must attend one of these or make arrangements with Roy Turner to be briefed before lift or your boat will not be lifted.

Working Weekend 3rd and 3rd and 4th November

This is a weekend for everyone to get involved, not just people whose boats are being lifted. Work will include getting the topmast down, moving lots of dinghies, tenders etc. to winter positions for storage, removing the mast rack in the South Yard, a bit of "Gardening" where there is a lot of growth (not scalping the yard as before – we want low growing plants to stay to help keep dust down and hold back stuff from reaching the basin). There will be lots of other jobs for the willing (and unwilling) about the clubhouse and yards.

Saturday start at 9.30am until around 3pm and from 10am on Sunday. If possible please attend both days.

Outstanding Debts

It is nearing the end of the financial year and it will make life a lot easier for the Treasurer if you could please make sure that you have paid any outstanding fees before the end of the October. Cliff would like all outstanding bar debts paid by 15th October.

Subs from November

A reminder that membership fees are due on November 1st. For the first time in several years, a small increase was agreed at the AGM in February. The fee for each class of membership is given below.

Full membership	£168.00
Joint membership	£252.00
Youth membership	£16.80
Associate membership	£30.00

We will send out an email invoice and details of payment methods at the end of the month.

Mentor Series

This last weekend had to be cancelled earlier in the year but will not be re-run. Look out for it at the start of next year's sailing season.

The Reach

As the season is approaching its close now is the time to be thinking of writing something for The Reach; which is our own in house magazine. Your contribution can consist of anything big or small and should be sent to - editor@gravesendsc.org.uk

High tide times in italics are after sunset or before sunrise.
 All times are local.
 Tides for Gravesend are indicative only and not to be used for navigation.

October tides		
01	05:23 (5.9m)	
Mon	17:42 (5.9m)	
02	06:08 (5.7m)	
Tue	18:36 (5.7m)	
03	07:03 (5.4m)	
Wed	19:46 (5.5m)	
04	08:21 (5.3m)	
Thu	21:20 (5.5m)	
05	09:56 (5.4m)	
Fri	22:43 (5.8m)	
06	11:10 (5.7m)	
Sat	23:46 (6.2m)	
07	12:09 (6.1m)	
Sun	–	
08	00:39 (6.4m)	
Mon	12:58 (6.3m)	
09	01:27 (6.6m)	
Tue	13:44 (6.4m)	
10	02:11 (6.6m)	
Wed	14:26 (6.5m)	
11	02:52 (6.5m)	
Thu	15:06 (6.5m)	
12	03:32 (6.4m)	
Fri	15:45 (6.4m)	
13	04:09 (6.2m)	
Sat	16:21 (6.2m)	
14	04:43 (6.0m)	
Sun	16:57 (6.0m)	
15	05:16 (5.7m)	
Mon	17:34 (5.7m)	
16	05:52 (5.5m)	
Tue	18:19 (5.4m)	
17	06:37 (5.2m)	
Wed	19:17 (5.2m)	
18	07:38 (5.0m)	
Thu	20:42 (5.0m)	
19	09:12 (5.0m)	
Fri	22:07 (5.2m)	
20	10:32 (5.2m)	
Sat	23:08 (5.6m)	
21	11:27 (5.5m)	
Sun	23:57 (5.9m)	
22	12:12 (5.7m)	
Mon	–	
23	00:38 (6.1m)	
Tue	12:50 (5.9m)	
24	01:16 (6.2m)	
Wed	13:27 (6.1m)	
25	01:53 (6.3m)	
Thu	14:04 (6.2m)	
26	02:30 (6.3m)	
Fri	14:42 (6.3m)	
27	03:08 (6.3m)	
Sat	15:22 (6.3m)	
28	02:46 (6.3m)	
Sun	15:02 (6.3m)	
29	03:25 (6.1m)	
Mon	15:45 (6.2m)	
30	04:06 (5.9m)	
Tue	16:33 (6.0m)	
31	04:53 (5.7m)	
Wed	17:29 (5.7m)	

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 11th October – Knowledge and Nosh (1900)

This Thursday will be a talk about the Thames Clippers. Knowledge is free; Nosh is in the region of £3-5.

Saturday 13th October – Dinghy 11 (1330)

This is the running of the race that had to be postponed because of bad weather.

Saturday 13th October - Dink about afternoon (1500)

Saturday 13th October- RNLI Fish Supper (1830)

What is Fish Supper?

RNLI Fish Supper is an annual charity event to raise funds for their lifesaving work.

On the Menu:

- Fish Pie (of some sort)
- Cottage Pie (of some sort)
- Chip Shop option if needed

Please let the social committee know if you are able to attend: -
social@gravesendsc.org.uk

Saturday 20th October – The Ward Shield (1200)

This is a cruiser race and is traditionally the last race of the season.

OCTOBER 31st

ALL dinghies and tenders not staying for the winter should be clear of the yards.

Friday November 2nd Firework Night

Gravesham Council will have their annual firework display off of the promenade starting at 8pm. We will be having hotdogs available for those who wish to spectate from the clubhouse – I suggest that you arrive early to avoid missing it due to the crowds.

November 3rd and 4th - Working Weekend

This is a weekend to put in your diary as your help will be needed to prepare the club and yards for the winter and to carry out routine maintenance

November 17th – Duck Supper

This year we return to the Redlibbets Golf Club for our annual dinner and prize giving.