



Gravesend Sailing Club Newsletter – February 2019

AGM

Thank you to everyone who attended the AGM and to the Social Committee for providing the refreshments before at the New Members Tea. A number of interesting topics were brought up during the evening and the committee will be looking at them during the year, especially around membership.

The Mentor Series

This is returning this year and is a short series of races in which we try to pair up newer members helming with more experienced ones crewing. Each set of races is designed to practice a particular element of racing such as starting. Paul Winterflood would like to hear from potential helms and mentors so he can begin to match people up. The first races (1, 2 & 3) are on Easter Day April 22nd.

125th Anniversary Events

It won't have escaped your notice that this year marks 125 years since the club was founded. We are concentrating our efforts on two events, one sailing and one social.

Saturday 10th August Race to Upnor.

This is a new race from Gravesend to Upnor, for both cruisers and dinghies. To be followed by an evening at Medway Yacht Club. If you don't want to race then why not just cruise there and if you don't want to sail then just come along for the evening, it should be a good one.

Saturday 26th October – Duck Supper at the Commissioner's House Chatham Dockyard

This will be a special evening, so make a note in your diaries now.

Training Programme 2019

The training programme is now available to download from the website.

Trevor Simmonds

Trevor's funeral will be on Friday 22nd February at 10am at Thamesview Crematorium outside Gravesend and afterwards at Gravesend Rowing Club. I think Trevor can be best summed up by Roy's tribute to him at the AGM.

Many members probably don't register who Trevor was, as he rarely came to the club at weekends, though Chui, in her red paint has been a normal sight on the moorings (as in, when you go out of the cut, don't turn until you are past the red boat!). Trevor was however the core of the Works Committee for many years. A good number of Chairmen of the committee have been indebted to him for his sensible, unhurried and detailed approach to many a repair and maintenance problem and total support in times of crisis.

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.

February 2019	
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20	00:58 (6.4m)
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21	01:44 (6.5m)
Thu	14:14 (6.7m)
22	02:28 (6.6m)
Fri	14:59 (6.6m)
23	03:11 (6.6m)
Sat	15:43 (6.5m)
24	03:53 (6.4m)
Sun	16:25 (6.2m)
25	04:34 (6.2m)
Mon	17:08 (5.9m)
26	05:17 (5.9m)
Tue	17:54 (5.6m)
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Wed	18:52 (5.3m)
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Thu	20:12 (5.1m)
March 2019	
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Fri	21:30 (5.2m)
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Sat	22:33 (5.4m)
03	11:01 (5.6m)
Sun	23:25 (5.6m)
04	11:49 (5.8m)
Mon	–
05	00:07 (5.8m)
Tue	12:29 (5.9m)
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Dates for Your Diary

Saturday 2nd March Welsh Evening – Start 1830

An evening meal with a welsh theme as a slightly late celebration of St David’s Day. Details will be sent out shortly.

Saturday 16th March Quiz Night – Start 1900

This is a very popular event start getting your teams together, if you don’t have one don’t worry we’ll make some upon the night. The start time will be 7pm with a light supper in the interval. An email to include cost, food & booking details will follow closer to the date.

Saturday March 23rd – Lift in

Saturday, 06 April GSC Safety Boat Training Day - 10.30am

Come on down to learn and practise on the club safety boats. Open to all levels, this internal course will challenge our current ability and provide the opportunity to have some fun learning about different safety techniques. PB1&2 direct assessments available – contact for training for more info