

## Buddy up for new members

A Club buddy scheme has been introduced to enable new members to become familiar and comfortable with the Club quickly and easily.

A buddy will be assigned to each new member when they join for a period of a year. The coordinator of the system, Jeremy Burnett Rae ([burnettrae@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:burnettrae@tiscali.co.uk)), will try to match buddies for age, work or home location and specific interests or requests. A questionnaire will be developed for buddy volunteers to fill in so these details are known.

### Tasks of the buddy

The new buddy will undertake the following tasks:

- exchange contact details
- meet up and go through new members guide with new member
- get to know new member
- learn what aspirations and expectations the new member has on joining the Club
- encourage the new member to try all Club activities once and be there to meet new member if possible
- keep new member informed about Club activities and help with administration to sign up

- contact new member if not heard anything for more than two months
- take part in Club activities on a regular basis
- speak to coordinator if a new buddy needs to be found for whatever reasons
- inform coordinator if 'buddyship' is no longer required.

To volunteer to be part of the buddy system, contact the Club office or the buddyship coordinator, Jeremy Burnett Rae, ([burnettrae@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:burnettrae@tiscali.co.uk)). ■

### URGENT RECALL – SEAGO LIFEJACKETS

Some Seago 150 and 175 Newton Lifejackets, including Junior, may have a defect which could result in serious injury. The lifejackets are marked with a manufacture date in roman numerals, the quarters concerned are: IV/05, I/06, II/06, III/06, IV/06, I/07.

If you have an affected jacket **stop using it immediately**. Remove gas cylinder manually and return to Seago Yachting. Contact Seago Yachting on 01825 873632.

## Club rallies

With the sun shining and breeze blowing, now's the chance to commit yourself to some sailing...

### East Coast

**Brightlingsea Rally**, 12-13 July;

[mikedittner@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:mikedittner@tiscali.co.uk)

**East Coast Jolly**, September 20-21,

Jill Moffatt, [jilldmoffatt@aol.com](mailto:jilldmoffatt@aol.com)

**End of season rally**, October 18-

19, Mike Birch, [mikebirchlsc@fsmail.net](mailto:mikebirchlsc@fsmail.net)

### South Coast

**Last Night of the Proms**, 19-20

July; [lynngr@hotmail.com](mailto:lynngr@hotmail.com)

**Tidal Challenge, Chichester and**

**Cowes**, August Bank Holiday

weekend; David Roache,

[djroache@buzzinternet.co.uk](mailto:djroache@buzzinternet.co.uk)

**Autumn Frolic**, 6-7 September,

Carol Day, [carolday@cdcbs.co.uk](mailto:carolday@cdcbs.co.uk)

**Autumn Jolly**, September 27-28,

Jill Moffatt, [jilldmoffatt@aol.com](mailto:jilldmoffatt@aol.com)

**Frostbite rally**, October 11-12,

Martin Sedgwick, [martin@littleshipclub.co.uk](mailto:martin@littleshipclub.co.uk)

### Abroad

**Holland rally**, 21-31 August;

[jonathanhague@hsbc.com](mailto:jonathanhague@hsbc.com)

**Voile de St Tropez**, 13-20

September; [marksgonesailing@hotmail.com](mailto:marksgonesailing@hotmail.com)

**BVI Cruise**, 14-28 March 2009;

[marksgonesailing@hotmail.com](mailto:marksgonesailing@hotmail.com)

## Early suppers

During the summer months, Club suppers will be served at the earlier than usual time of 7.30pm.

## Snippets...

**Globe Theatre visit** – The Merry Wives of Windsor – 31 July. A one course supper will be served in the Club from 1800.

**RNSA barbecue** – The RNSA has kindly extended an invitation to LSC members to join in their summer BBQ on **Saturday 19 July** from 15:30 onwards. This is being held at the home of Vivien Ryser, whose husband was a member of LSC. Guests should bring their own food, plate and cutlery. Wine, beer and soft drinks are courtesy of Vivien. Rig for afternoon and evening is casual and if weather is good there is a pool in the garden. Contact Peter Broadley of RNSA by Monday 14 July: 07809 613917 or 01379 644908; [peter@h-broadley.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:peter@h-broadley.freeserve.co.uk)

**Photocompetition** – Keep snapping away if you want to enter this year's photo competition. Categories have now been extended to include painting and sketches of marine subjects (two entries only per person). They must be flat and can be mounted (but not wet oils!) and can be larger than A4 size. This year's competition is open to members of the Corinthians club as well. Full details of the photo competition are on the website, [www.littleshipclub.co.uk/2008-photo-competition-now-open](http://www.littleshipclub.co.uk/2008-photo-competition-now-open)

**London lifeboat day** – LSC members collected an impressive £1303.66 at mainline and underground stations throughout London Lifeboat Day. The Club was used as a depot for the City collection coordinated by RNLI fundraiser (and Club member) Jill Moffatt. ■

### Rare seals on the East Coast

If you're sailing on the East Coast this summer, you may catch sight of some of the rarest seals in Britain. For those not lucky enough to see them in real life, a sharp eyed observer has posted a video on youtube....  
<http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=5biReleZ1Qc>

## Cooking afloat – eating in good company

Part of sailing in good company is eating together in good company: sharing a meal on a summer's evening in the cockpit or pitching up on a pontoon for an impromptu pontoon party. One memorable meal for me was on board Tom Davey's *Chicane* in 2003 when we met up with Hunter Peace's *Lazy Life* in Luka Polace on the Croatian island of Mljet for a superb barbeque in a stunning setting.

During the recent London Boat Shows survey of stand volunteers, Caroline Quentin suggested that the Club should compile a book of favourite recipes which could be sold to Club Members and would be something to draw people's attention when we exhibit at future shows. This is a brilliant idea and after chatting to several people at the Club bar, there certainly seems an appetite [if you'll pardon the pun!]

for launching this project.

We would like to have the first edition ready in time for Christmas so for all you budding Delia Smiths and Jamie Olivers, here is a chance for you to see your recipes in print! So be creative in the galley over the summer season and send us your favourite recipes.

The results will be collated and published by [howtocookonaboat.com](http://howtocookonaboat.com) and if you want some hints and tips about cooking on board, visit the website [www.howtocookonaboat.com](http://www.howtocookonaboat.com). Guidelines for entries can be found on the website.

Any proceeds from the sale of the LSC Cookbook will include a small donation to the RNLI.

If you have any questions or queries, see me on Club nights or drop me a line at [julie\\_coleclough@hotmail.com](mailto:julie_coleclough@hotmail.com)

**Julie Coleclough**

### Library news

Ian Malcolm has now joined the Library team and hugely expanded our IT expertise. This means that we can keep on working even while we are all away sailing during the summer. So all of you who are doing reviews of new books can email your reviews to [LSC.Librarian@googlegmail.com](mailto:LSC.Librarian@googlegmail.com) as soon as you have finished them. Naturally we would like the books back as soon as possible after that so that they can be put on the shelves for other members to read.

will be a full review in the next journal, due out in mid August.

### Fast cruise series...

The 2008-09 Fast Cruise series dates are:

- Saturday 25 October
- Saturday 8 November
- Saturday 6 December
- Saturday 17 January
- Saturday 14 February
- Saturday 14 March

Contact Lynn Griffiths for more details: [lynngr@hotmail.com](mailto:lynngr@hotmail.com)

### Salsa night

Enjoy some Latin rhythms at the Club Salsa Night, Tuesday 19 August, contact the Club office for details: [office@littleshipclub.co.uk](mailto:office@littleshipclub.co.uk)

### Something to say?

**Been sailing, done some training, had a good idea to make your boat go faster? Share it with other Club members, either online, in the newsletter or the magazine. Send your articles or snippets to [rachel@wildstrawberry.uk.com](mailto:rachel@wildstrawberry.uk.com)**

### Easy forecasting

Club member Ian Hornblow is promoting a new system for weather forecasting called Moving Weather. The system aims to give access to up to date and graphically animated weather information from anywhere in the world. To find out more go to: <http://www.weatheratsea.blogspot.com/>

Meanwhile, the system has been put to the test by Club meteorology tutor, Mike Birch, on the Corinthian's cruise and there