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A happy New Year to all our readers and welcome to the 2002 racing season. Those of you who have been with the club for a few years will know that from time to time the Racing Times gets a new editor - from this issue that editor is me. There might be a few experiments with format for the first few issues but either way I hope to include your contributions as well as news of Wave Train and her adventures this season. All contributions to me at the address, or email, at the top of the page. Photos are welcome too. I'll try to cope with any format.

New Sails

The big news this year is that a new suit of racing sails has been ordered from Sobstad. These should be ready in time for the first of the Warsash Spring Series races in March. These will be mylar sails which are more stable, shinier, faster and prettier than the current Terylene sails, but they will need to be treated with care if they are to last more than a couple of seasons. The boat should be very competitive with the new sails so we may have to think of another excuse if we don't finish up at the front of the fleet.

Boat Maintenance

Wave Train is currently on the hard at Shamrock Quay and has been primed and the hull rubbed down ready for antifouling. The weather the last couple of weekends has been awful: wet and very windy and not at all suitable for antifouling. A lot of work has been done on engine maintenance and general refurbishing below (can you use the term "below" when you have to climb a ladder to get there?). The boat goes back in the water at the end of February.

Web Sites

CSORC has had its own web site (www.csorc.btinternet.co.uk) for a couple of years now which continues to evolve and which should become increasingly useful as a way of keeping up to date with forthcoming events and results. If you can get a link to our web site put on your work intranet then it might help bring the club to the attention of more people. Alternatively we can supply you with a basic web page for incorporation into your web site. Or if you have a home site why not put a link on that.

There are a number of other sites of immediate interest to us, for instance the Warsash Sailing Club (www.warsashsc.fsnet.co.uk), the Hamble River Sailing Club (www.hambleriversc.org.uk) and the Junior Offshore Group (www.jog.org.uk). All these publish results and race reports very quickly after the events. Cowes week has its own very impressive site (www.cowesweek.co.uk) with all sorts of useful racing tips as well as lists of events happening during Cowes week. North Sails (www.northsails.co.uk/sigma38) have some comprehensive sail trimming tips specifically for Sigma 38s.

There are also web sites for a number of other CSSA clubs:

CSSA www.cssc.co.uk/sail.htm

Channel Sailing Division www.channelsailing.org/

5 Kingdoms [//pages.eidosnet.co.uk/5kingdomssailing/](http://pages.eidosnet.co.uk/5kingdomssailing/)

Littleton www.littletonsc.co.uk

Nettley Cliff www.ncsc.co.uk

The programme for 2002

This years programme is included in this issue so now is the time to get your name in for the racing events. We have also included a crew bureau form. All you have to do is to fill this in with the events you are interested in and send it off to Chris Stebbings at the Crew Bureau. If you're not sure what you would like to do then give Chris a ring to discuss it . Just to give you some idea here are some of the events we will be competing in this season:

Warsash Spring Series

Traditionally the season opener, the Warsash Sailing Club organises a series of 6 Sunday races "round the cans" in the Solent. The series runs from 17 March to 28 April. This year we are intending to field a crew to contest the whole series, so preference (and a 10% discount) will be given to those who can make 4 or more races. The series will start with a practice on the Saturday and subsequent weekends will be one or two days according to demand.

The price is £50 per weekend or £45 per weekend to do 4 or more. Roger Walker will be skippering so if you would like to take part please contact Roger directly at the address below with details of experience and job preferences: crew boss, nav, runners, mainsheet, mast, foredeck, or genoa trimmer (if Roger is on holiday then try me, Nick Bowles at the address at the top of this page).

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NOTE: The first weekend will include a days training to get up to speed. If sufficient interest is shown it is likely the boat can be sailed on the Saturday in the following weeks as well.

Cork Week and Cowes Week

Cork Week (the venue for the Sigma 38 National Championships), and Cowes Week are events in which we will be representing the Civil Service. The cost will be just £10 per day. Crew members for these events must be current members of the CSSC, the CSSA and CSORC.

Offshore events

The offshore events are mostly cross-channel races organised under the umbrella of the Junior Offshore Group (JOG) or Royal Ocean Racing Club (RORC). These are usually weekend races which start on a Friday evening. For more information check out www.jog.org.uk and www.rorc.org or contact the CSORC Crew Bureau.

Other events include the Round the Island race organised by the Island Sailing Club, normally quite a spectacle with around 1500 boats taking part, and the Sigma class inshore regattas.

Volunteers

The Club needs people for various roles. In particular we need someone to coordinate publicity. We are also looking for someone to help Chris Stebbings with the crew bureau, initially as a sort of job share but ultimately with a view to taking over from Chris. There are other jobs which need doing so if you think you can help then please contact one of the committee/officers.

Skippers

The club is always in need of more skippers. In order to skipper Wave Train you will need to be a CSSA Approved Skipper requiring a minimum shore based theory qualification of RYA Coastal Skipper, VHF, First Aid and RYA Certificate of Competence (by practical examination) as Coastal Skipper and two suitably qualified CSSA skippers as referees. CSSA approval is not automatic. In addition to this you will need a familiarisation trip on Wave Train and approval by the CSORC Committee to race.

Charters and cruising

When Wave Train is not racing she is available for private charter to approved CSORC skippers. Contact Trish Oakley for charters. We will also be organising a number of introductory sails, race training days, and cruises that will be open to individuals who would just like to sail. These will be arranged according to demand. Contact the Crew Bureau if you are interested in any of these, or Rick Van Kempen specifically for training and introductory days.



J class "Endeavour" photographed while cruising back from Plymouth last August

Results for 2001

These are the results for Wave Train in 2001. There are some results missing but this should give some idea of how we did and what we have to beat this year. Remember that the club exists to give people the chance to have a go and particularly to "move to the back of the boat" i.e. to have a go at helming, navigating and skippering as experience increases. We are often competing against crews who sail together weekend after weekend throughout the season. I think we can be quite proud of our achievements.

Race	Skipper	Position(no. entered)
RORC – De Guingand (St Vaast)	Andy Fernie	28 (31)
JOG – Deauville	Roy Stillman	Rtd
RORC Morgan Cup	Andy Fernie	26 (30)
RORC - St Malo	Andy Fernie	35 (49)
Sigma Nationals (CSSC)	Roger Walker	11 (11)
Cowes Week (CSSC)	Roger Walker	16 (26)
RORC – Fastnet Race (CSSC)	Andy Fernie	43 (52)
RORC – Cherbourg	Andy Fernie	10 (18)
JOG - Cowes-Poole	David Hartland	12 (27)
JOG - Poole-Cowes	David Hartland	5 (27)
Hamble River Winter Series #1	David Hartland	Cancelled
Hamble River Winter Series #5	Chris Stebbings	12 (15)

Wave Train Programme for 2002

	From	To	Days		Charter fee £	Boat charter per day £	Berth fee £
Mar	Sat 16	Sun 17	2	Warsash Spring Series #1 *			50
	Mon 18	Fri 22		Available for charter or cruising		112	
	Sat 23	Sun 24	1 or 2	Warsash Spring Series #2 *			50
	Mon 25	Fri 28		Available for charter or cruising		112	
	Fri 29	Sun 31	3	Cherbourg JOG or Charter/Cruise			50
April	Mon 1	Fri 5		Available for charter or cruising		112	
	Sat 6	Sun 7	1 or 2	Warsash Spring Series #3 *			50
	Mon 8	Fri 12		Available for charter or cruising		140	
	Sat 13	Sat 13	1	Nab Tower JOG			50
	Sun 14	Sun 14	1	Warsash Spring Series #4 *			50
	Mon 15	Fri 19		Available for charter or cruising		140	
	Sat 20	Sun 21	1 or 2	Warsash Spring Series #5 *			50
	Mon 22	Fri 26		Available for charter or cruising		140	
	Sat 27	Sun 28	1 or 2	Warsash Spring Series #6 *			50
	Mon 29	Thur 2		Available for charter or cruising		140	
May	Fri 3	Sun 5	3	St Vaast JOG			110
	Mon 6	Mon 13	8	Normandy cruise	1,070		
	Tue 14	Fri 17	4	Introduction / day sails			35/day
	Sat 18	Sun 19	2	Sigma May Regatta			110
	Mon 20	Fri 24		Available for charter or cruising		160	
	Sat 25	Sun 26	2	De Guingand Bowl RORC			110
	Mon 27	Fri 31		Available for charter or cruising		160	
Jun	Sat 1	Sun 2	2	Deauville JOG			120
	Mon 3	Fri 7		(Jubilee holiday) charter/cruise		160	
	Sat 8	Sun 9		Available for charter or cruising		200	
	Mon 10	Mon 10	1	Available for charter or cruising		160	
	Tue 11	Sun 16	6	Services Inshore and Offshore	1,040		
	Mon 17	Fri 21		Available for charter or cruising		160	
	Sat 22	Sun 23	2	ISC Round the Island			90
	Mon 24	Fri 28		Available for charter or cruising		160	
	Sat 29	Sun 30		Available for charter or cruising		200	
July	Mon 1	Wed 3	3	Introduction / day sails			35/day
	Thu 4	Thu 4		Maintenance day			
	Fri 5	Sun 7	3	St Malo RORC			120
	Mon 8	Fri 12	5	Delivery to Cork			Free
	Sat 13	Fri 19	7	Cork Week (Sigma Nationals) ‡			70
	Sat 20	Wed 31	12	Irish cruise and return	1,740		
Aug	Thu 1	Thu 1		Maintenance day			
	Fri 2	Fri 9	8	Cowes Week ‡			80
	Sat 10	Sun 11		Available for charter or cruising		200	
	Mon 12	Fri 16		Available for charter or cruising		160	
	Sat 17	Sun 18	2	Sigma August Regatta			120

Aug	Mon 19	Fri 23		Available for charter or cruising	160
	Sat 24	Sun 25	2	St Peter Port JOG	120
	Mon 26	Fri 30		Available for charter or cruising	160
	Sat 31	Sun 1		Available for charter or cruising	200
Sept	Mon 2	Fri 6		Available for charter or cruising	160
	Sat 7	Sun 8	2	Poole JOG	120
	Mon 9	Fri 13		Available for charter or cruising	160
	Sat 14	Sun 15		Available for charter or cruising	200
	Mon 16	Fri 20		Available for charter or cruising	160
	Sat 21	Sun 22		Available for charter or cruising	200
	Mon 23	Fri 27		Available for charter or cruising	160
	Sat 28	Sun 29	2	Sigma September Regatta	120
Mon 30	Fri 4		Available for charter or cruising	140	
Oct	Sat 5	Sun 6	2	HRWS #1	50
	Mon 7	Fri 11		Available for charter or cruising	140
	Sat 12	Sun 13	2	HRWS #2	50
	Mon 14	Fri 18		Available for charter or cruising	140
	Sat 19	Sun 20	2	HRWS #3	50
	Mon 21	Fri 25		Available for charter or cruising	140
	Sat 26	Sun 27	2	HRWS #4	50
	Mon 28	Fri 1		Available for charter or cruising	112
Nov	Sat 2	Sun 3	2	HRWS #5	50
	Mon 4	Fri 8		Available for charter or cruising	112
	Sat 9	Sun 10	2	HRWS #6	50
	Mon 11	Fri 15		Available for charter or cruising	112
	Sat 16	Sun 17	2	HRWS #7	50
	Mon 18	Fri 22		Available for charter or cruising	112
	Sat 23	Sun 24	2	HRWS #8	50
	Mon 25	Fri 29		Available for charter or cruising	112

Contacts

If you are interested in sailing on Wave Train then contact one of the people listed below who can tell you more about what is involved. If you have never raced before, or even if you have never sailed before don't let that put you off. There are events for most preferences and levels of experience. CSORC is not an elite club of crack racing sailors - we exist to give people the opportunity to go racing and the more the better. We are also looking for new skippers so if you are a skipper with an RYA Coastal Skipper qualification and would like to skipper Wave Train then contact the Race Captain.

Crew Bureau:	Chris Stebbings	01189 416130	
Charter Secretary:	Trish Oakley	02392 785157	triciaanddave@aol.com
Introductory / training:	Ric Van Kempen	01256 353822	ric@vankempen.freeseve.co.uk
Race Captain (skippers):	Nick Bowles	01483 306954	nickbowles2000@yahoo.com
Membership:	James Latch		james.latch@ntlworld.com

2002 Civil Service Offshore Racing Club - Crew Bureau / Membership form 2002

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Please send completed form together with a cheque for £5 for membership (payable to CSORC) to:
Chris Stebbings, 10 Pierces Hill, Tilehurst, Reading, Berkshire. RG31 6RB.