

The Latest Chapter

News from the National Twelve Owners Association

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The Latest Chapter is a new monthly electronic newsletter to those on the N12 e-mail list which is run by the National Twelve Owners Association. Membership of the NTOA is £17.50 a year. NTOA membership offers great benefits including having the right to vote on the Class Rules, obtain generous insurance discounts as well as discounted entry to our principal events.

RYA Dinghy Show

The Dinghy Show is at Alexandra Palace, London this coming weekend the 5/6 March. To mark 75 years of the National Twelve Class, we will be exhibiting N1 Gypsy – restoration completed during 2010 – alongside one of the latest Dead Cat Bounces.

Please come along and visit the stand and meet and greet both existing and potential members for our Class.

It has been a busy winter with Jeremy Carey and Graham Camm responsible for the design and build of some new display equipment with some rather large photos from Burton Week 2010. Is it you? Come along and find out!

NB - Fixture List Amendments

Hamble Warming Pan, the first GILL series event is not 12/13 March but is 19/20 March

The final GILL series event at Leigh & Lowton SC is on Saturday 5th November. The prize giving will follow. There will also be sailing on Sunday 6th November at LLSC and the racing for the two days will comprise the 2011 Inland Championships

Burton Week / 75th Anniversary Meetings – Early Entry draw sponsored by P&B (and the Queen)

The Burton Week Notice of Race has been published and can be found here, with an entry form here. The Burton Week website is also live and is <http://national12.org/burtonweek/2011/>

The Notice of Race for the 75th Anniversary Meeting at Whitsun has been published and can be found [here](#), with an entry form [here](#). Naturally we want 75 boats to celebrate 75 years. We look forward to seeing you!

Additionally to GILL series racing there will be Vintage boat racing, Junior racing, a crews race, some novelty races (all to be revealed when you get there!) and a Grand Pursuit Race. There genuinely will be something for everyone.

P&B, stalwart sail makers to the class and currently marketing the Dead Cat Bounce have again stepped up to help the NTOA plan for these two events. All entries received for either of these

events by the Royal Wedding on 29th April 2011 will qualify to be entered into the draw for the P&B Royal Wedding jib draw. You will probably be relieved to know that it will not be signed by Wills or Kate, and they will probably be unaware of its existence. Enter for both these events before Kate walks up the aisle and you will have two tickets towards winning the P&B jib. The winner of the jib will be drawn during the 75th Anniversary meeting.

NTOA members will already have received their invitation to the Anniversary Dinner to be held on the evening of Sunday 29th May at Highgate House, Creton just 4 miles from Northampton SC. Tickets are available for £36 (£25 if you are under 21). Highgate House is also offering a reduced accommodation rate for those attending the dinner. It will be a great opportunity to see, meet and listen to members of our Class, past and present. For further details about tickets contact Janet Bloor on ntoa@ndirect.co.uk

Using electronic banking to pay the NTOA

Since launching our Paypal account for boat registrations the NTOA have been astonished by the level of uptake. If you need to pay the NTOA for any other reason (we prefer a standing order for subscriptions as it is the most straightforward way from an admin perspective) then please always use as a reference your surname followed by a sail number so that we can identify you. Please. It is not much fun to have cash lying around from someone who is unknown.

GILL Series 2011

The GILL series dates for 2011 have all been announced and are as follows.

March 12/13 th	Hamble Warming Pan	
May 7/8 th	Trent Valley	TVSC 125 th Anniversary Celebrations
May 28-30 th	Northampton	Anniversary Regatta and 75 th Dinner
June 11/12 th	Annandale	This is also the Scottish Championships
July 16/17 th	Aldeburgh	
August 27-30 th	Brightlingsea	National Championships and Burton
October 22/23 rd	Salcombe	
November 5 th	Leigh and Lowton	Finale

To draw the Gill Series to a close the final event will be held on Saturday 5th November followed by a dinner and prize giving whilst the Inland Championships will run over both days of the weekend with a GILL series prize giving after racing on Saturday.

Other Fixtures

The full fixture list is published [here](#). Be aware if you print things off now that dates can change, and that the website will always be up to date. The hard copy list previously circulated is a little inaccurate. The website is correct in the event of a conflict.

Second hand Boat List / bits and bobs / wanted

If you have something to sell this is the time of year to put it on the market. The second hand list is [here](#) so add your old kit etc....

Summer regatta week dates 2011

North West Norfolk Week runs from 30 July to 6 August. <http://www.norfolkweek.co.uk>

Salcombe YC Regatta Week runs from 7-12 August <http://www.salcombeyc.org.uk/>

Bass Week, 30 July to 7 August. <http://www.bassenthwaite-sc.org.uk/>

NTOA membership renewal

NTOA subscriptions for 2011 were due on 1 January 2011. If you don't have a standing order in place then click [here](#) to find a link to the form.

Welcome to new members of the NTOA

Ben Holden, Brighouse, West Yorkshire, N3338

Steve Jellicoe, Solihull, West Midlands, N2947

Ian Cowdale, Wolverhampton, N3306

Carl Millward, Brierley Hill, West Midlands, N3259

Alastair Smith, Thame, Oxfordshire, N2804, a welcome return

Richard Marriott, Bourne, Lincolnshire, N2984

Births Marriages and Deaths

David Robinson, winner of both the Burton Cup and YW Silver National at Weymouth in 1967, in N1985 Filibuster, sadly died in a skiing accident in France at Christmas. In addition to his success in 12s he was also a winner in the Merlin Rocket class and was a well known South Coast sail maker. His obituary published in the Guardian was complete with a photograph reported to be of David aboard N2070 sailing in the 1962 Burton race. We believe that David was crewing for D. G. Thomas.

Remember the Royal Wedding deadline for entering Burton Week and the 75th Anniversary Regatta to qualify for the raffle prize of a P&B jib

Forthcoming Events

March

5th-6th

Dinghy Show

19th-20th

GILL Hamble Warming Pan, Hamble River SC

26th

Burghfield SC, Open Meeting

April

2nd-3rd Up River YC, Open Meeting
2nd Redesmere SC, Open Meeting
23rd-24th Waldringfield SC, Easter Egg
24th Burwain SC, ANEYC Trophy

May

30th-2nd Salcombe YC, Open Meeting
7th-8th **GILL** Trent Valley SC
14th Desborough SC, Open Meeting
21st Olton Mere SC - Coaching
28th-30th **GILL** N12 75th Anniversary, Northampton SC

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