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New Committee for SftD Autumn 2018

It was all change at the AGM in September where a new Committee was formed to steer SftD through the next year. Rodger Clague was elected the new Chairman and William Paterson the new Vice Chair. Rodger will be known to many members and has previously served in many SftD roles as Chairman and Training Officer to name but a few. William has been on the Committee for the last year.

They are joined by Gerry Morley (Secretary), Paul Atkinson (Treasurer), Martin Sewell (Training Officer) and Committee members; Margaret Brierley, Neil Johnson, Carole Quayle, Peter Crebbin and Adi Sanderson.

We welcome them and wish them well as they work to make sure that there are as many sails as possible, Pride of Mann 111 is maintained and there is a trained crew to sail her and to support the men, women and children who sail on her.

Here they are at the 1st Meeting:-



Fees remain at £10

A hotly debated suggestion at the AGM was that Membership Fees should be increased to £15. Views ranged from; 'It has been £10 for the last 30 years and needs to increase' to 'We want to allow as many people as possible to sail or be involved with SftD so keep the fee as it is'. The suggestion was narrowly defeated and **Membership remains a bargain at £10.**

There are lots of clubs and schools that now sail on POM 111. SftD has not charged these groups and this policy will continue. However, it was agreed at the AGM that the groups would be asked to join SftD as corporate members at an annual cost of £30.

Our New Chairman, Rodger Clague writes.....

I'm delighted to have been elected as your new Chairman. I have sailed with lots of members but for those that don't know me, I have been a member for many years, a past Chair, Vice Chair, Skipper and Trainer. I was very involved in the selection and purchase of POM 111.

I am really looking forward to working with the new Committee who have so many varied talents from skippers and crew, to finance, to arranging socials and generally helping to make it possible for us to sail. The Committee's contact details are on the back page so get in touch if you want to chat about any aspect of SftD.

I spoke briefly at the AGM about the future of the POM111. Believe it or not it is over 4 years since the new boat became ours. She is bigger, better equipped and more disabled friendly than any boat we have had. However it is not too early to start to think ahead and start planning for her replacement. We will need funds plus a lot of thought for this and I intend to set aside time with the Committee to look at this.

We have a new Sailing Programme arrangement. If you want to book a sail then either visit the website and click on the Sailing Programme or look at the centre page spread in this Newsletter. Then ring or text the Skipper for each sail and speak to him or her about going on the sail.

Lastly, I want to thank Arne Dahn for his tireless work for the Charity. He has steered SftD over the last few years as Chairman but has also undertaken so many different tasks. I know that he will remain as a very valuable member of our sailing community.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from

Rodger



What Sailing with SFTD means to me by Nicky Kelly.



I love going on the Boat. The social interaction is brilliant. You don't know who you are going to meet. I have had many enjoyable day trips and several longer trips of over a week. We have had great fun, from the kettle needing replacing to the time Arne had to take apart the cooker as it was playing up. Yes, we did have our supper just a bit late! I hope the Charity never gives up as it

is so important to keep such a wonderful thing going. One of my favourite places is Ardglass where we often call at an interesting pub. There is a feature of a well in the middle of the room. The staff are really friendly and we have had many a happy hour there after a good day's sailing. I am grateful to the Charity and all the volunteers for the wonderful places I have seen and the opportunities to help crew aboard our beautiful boat.

And from an Anonymous Sailor.....I would like to thank you so much for the amazing sailing experiences I have had aboard Pride of Mann 111 this summer. Some of the most memorable moments are: sailing to Ballycastle and going to visit the stunning Giants Causeway, sailing all the way to the far south of Ireland towards Kinsale and Crosshaven including 2 full days at sea and 3 hour night watches. Sailing to the Clyde was most tranquil, we dropped anchor and swam several times. These sailing experiences came at a time when I had been suffering with my health due to Aspersers and other disabilities. The trips were certainly positive for my mental health. Being at sea and enjoying the freedom of the wind and sail is a great chance to truly relax and find peace whilst being surrounded by a caring crew in a safe environment. Coming back from the trips I felt much better about myself and better in my health.

I have developed lots of skills on the trips:
- knowledge of sailing, navigation, helming and using the radio. I have also noticed improvements to my life skills:- coping better with change, working better as part of a team and increased confidence.



Sailing Programme for November and December

TO BOOK A SAIL PLEASE CALL SKIPPER OF YOUR CHOSEN SAIL.

Here is the Sailing Programme for November and December 2018. There is no Crewmaster currently so the new arrangement is that you choose your sail and ring the skipper.

On day of sail meet at boat 1 hour before the advertised time.

Date	Type of Sail	Enabled Crew	Sailing Time	Skipper
01/11/18 Thurs	Crew Training		18.30 to 20.00	Graham W 495088
08/11/18 Cancelled	Short Sail		09.45 to 13.45	William 453586
08/11/18	S and M Meeting			
10/11/18 Cancelled WX	Short Sail			
11/11/19	Short Sail		1115 to 1604	Gerry/Martin 488382
12/11/19 Cancelled WX	Short Sail			
15/11/19	Crew Training	Carole/James P/Anthony C	18.30 to 2000	William 453586
24/11/19 Sat	Short Sail	Margaret/ Joyce P	0945 to 1345	William 453586
25/11/19 Sun	Boat Handling Full	Donna/Steve/ CaroleJames /Anthony	1015 to 1415	Gerry 488382
26/11/19 Mon	Short Sail		1045 to 1515	Skipper TBA but contact 471222
27/11/19 Tue	Short Sail	Geoff , Joyce P 4	11.45 to 15.45	Martin 491785

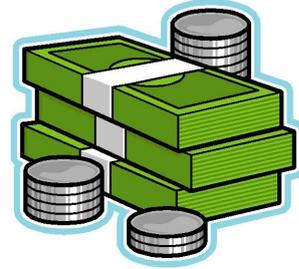
Date	Type of Sail	Enabled Crew	Sailing Time	Skipper
06/12/18 Thu Crew Training	Leaving/ arriving berth	Volunteer crew, James, Anthony, Carole	1830 to 2000	Gerry 488382 William 453586
08/12/18 Sat	Short Sail Full Boat handling	Donna, Derek Carole, Tim James, Anthony	0945 to 1345	Martin and William 453586
09/12/18 Sun	Short Sail		10.15 to 14.45	Graham W 495004
10/12/18 Mon	Short Sail		10.45 to 15.15	Gerry 488382
11/12/18 Tue	Short Sail	Jayne R+ 3 carers, Jordon, Charles	11.15 to 14.45	Martin 491785
13/12/18 Thu POM 7pm	Skippers and Mates Meeting	Margaret B		William 453586
13/12/18 Thu Xmas Jumper Sail	Hot Choc +Gluhwein Soup after sail			Gerry + Frank and Ade 488382
15/12/19 Sat	Short Sail			Skipper TBA 471222
16/12/18 Sun	Short Sail		1545 to 1915	Graham W 495004
27/12/19 Thu	Party Time Sail	Volunteer Crews 5	TBA	Training Team

Support for SftD

Money makes the World go Round!

If you ever go abroad and travel in foreign parts you may find when you return a bit of odd coins and notes rattling round in the bottom of your bag or pocket. Well, we have a use for them. Yes, we can turn them into funds for our Charity.

All you have to do is find a collection box (there are lots around) and pop them in or if you see Stuart Brierley (see back page for contact) give them to him.



Talking of Collection Boxes.....

There are lots of SftD collection boxes around the Island. Stuart Brierley does a great job in sorting, distributing and collecting them supported by a small band of Volunteers. But he needs more help for collecting the boxes and dropping new ones off. Please give him a shout and offer your help, we need it. Stuart's contact details are on the back page.

A Successful Flag Day in Port Erin

A whopping £519.73 was collected in Port Erin on a very busy Flag Day. Adrienne thanks everyone who helped on the day but in particular, Peter Crebbin and Sarah Spencer. These loyal members always work hard not only collecting but also chatting enthusiastically to the public about the joys of sailing. Thank you all for giving your time to SftD to help with the very important fundraising.

Bag Pack Sat 15th December—Volunteers wanted

Volunteers are needed for our Bag Pack in Shoprite Peel on Sat 15th December. As well as raising funds for our fantastic Yacht, bag packs help to raise awareness of the Charity. Contact Adi 466514 if you can spare an hour or two.



For Sale

New unworn Gill pilot jacket with SftD Logo. Size Generous medium Price £50. Contact David Killey 409345 email davidk@manx.net

100 Club Winners

The September and October 100 club were:

Sept		Oct	
Paul Atkinson	£20	Robert Killip	£25
Ian Clark	£8	Kathleen Killey	£12.50
David Bridson	£5	Phil Manton	£8.50

Congratulations to our Winners. The 100 Club provides extra funds for running our Boat. If you want to join its only £24 a year. Get a form from the downloads on the website or our Treasurer Paul Atkinson (contact details on back page).

Open Day 2018 at Pride of Mann by Ade Sanderson

The sun burst out at noon on 17 June, right on time for our Charity's Annual Open Day aboard Pride of Mann 111. This beautiful boat was purchased just four years ago. In those years our volunteer crews have covered many thousands of miles. Our regular short Day Sails, weekend cruises and longer 8 day cruises, we have plied the Irish Sea, the Celtic Sea, the Menai Straits, the Clyde, the Crinan Canal, the Hebrides-even a bit of the Atlantic during a TT escape where the boat got as far as Kinsale in Southern Ireland.

On our busy, happy Open Day, we were delighted to receive £300.0. Last summer, Susie Beswick of Rushen Players organised Pierrot Shows in the south at the request of Michael Forrester of Rushen Heritage Trust. The Shows were a great success and the proceeds were shared between three Charities; Alzheimer's Society, Care for the Family and SftD. Susie brought along Cynthia Gelling and her two beautiful granddaughters and Michael Forrester to present the very generous cheque.



On Open Day we had a 100+ visitors who were all delighted with the boat and the marvellous facilities on offer, especially the ramp at the stern for easy boarding and a lift to allow wheelchair users to go below. Chatting over cuppas and biscuits as the bunting fluttered in the rigging, we inspired many to sign up and 'give it a go'. A great rewarding Day.

A big Thank you to the Open day crew of Bobby Moore, Sarah Spencer, Neil Johnson, Arne Dahn, Carole Quayle and yours truly.

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Dates for your Diary

15 Dec 2018—Bag Pack Shoprite Peel

Social—Date and venue to be announced

18 May 2019—Bag Pack Shoprite Peel

15 June 2019— Bag Pack Shoprite Port Erin

5 October 2019—Bag pack Shoprite Onchan

8 December 2019— Bag Pack Shoprite Ramsey

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