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Congratulations

Tom Rogers claims 2017 Honda RYA Youth RIB Championship crown



Congratulations to **Tom Rogers**, who triumphed in the senior 13-16 age group, by taking the winner's crown in the National Final of the 2017 Honda RYA Youth RIB Championship held at TheYachtmarket.com Southampton Boat Show on 17 September. Tom has won a Highfield 460 RIB for the Club, so watch out for more details about his presentation ceremony soon.

Hattie Rogers

Hattie is thrilled with her 29er British Youth Worlds selection, along with her crew Emily Covell (HISC); it has been her major goal for the last 3 years. On the last two occasions she was reserve.

Despite only pairing very recently and specifically with the target of selection for the Youth Worlds, they had a very successful summer. Results included: US 29er Nationals, Long beach California - 3rd Girls overall/ 1st Youth Girls and at the 29er Open World Championships –7th Girls overall/ 3rd Youth Girls.

Also selected in the 420 Class for the British Youth Worlds Team is fellow Club Member Pippa Cropley with her helm, Hatty Morsley (Clwb Hwylio Y Felinheli Port Dinorwic SC)

Club

Housekeeping

As we move into Autumn may I remind everybody that outdoor clothing must be left in the cloakrooms or changing rooms on the ground floor when using our River Room, bar and restaurants.

New Financial Year

Please be aware annual subscriptions may now be paid by monthly direct debit should you find this more convenient. Our Membership Secretary, Alma Stapley, will be able to give you more details.

Guests

October 1st is the start of our new financial year and we hope you and your guests will make full use our Club over the winter months. As you know a guest may be signed in six times in any one year and our visitor year is also from October 1st.

Date for the Diary

The Annual Business Review will be on Saturday 11th November at 10 am.

Trustee, Flag Officer's and General Committee succession

At the forthcoming AGM our Club will be inviting you to elect a new Trustee, Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore Sailing and 6 new General Committee Members. Whilst we have candidates for each of these posts should you wish to propose additional candidates please contact myself or the Commodore.

Clive Sparrow, Vice Commodore

Membership



- Andrew & Jane Cooper
- Jamie Dutton-Forshaw
- John Knight
- Alice Snook
- Max Tait
- William Turnage

I do hope that you will enjoy your membership of the Royal Lymington Yacht Club, and that you will become active Members both afloat and ashore at the many Club sailing and social events.

Clive Sparrow Vice Commodore

Welcome to the Team!

I'm very pleased to welcome five new members of staff to our team.

Maria Shannon joins us as our part-time office administrator working Tuesday – Thursday. Kelly Smith, Simon Trowbridge, & Theo Stanton join the First Floor team alongside our new Duty House Supervisor Naomi Gregory who's replacing Mo. Mo leaves on Saturday for ventures new so wish him every success. As you see some new faces around the Club please make them feel welcome and introduce yourselves.

Kirsty Timmis, General Manager - Operations

Centenary Clubhouse Refurbishment

The General Committee, at its September 2017 Meeting, agreed that the draft plans to refurbish the Clubhouse should be displayed and discussed at the November Business Meeting and if approved would be taken to the AGM in February 2018.

The overall aim is to make the first floor more comfortable and inviting, and to use the space more efficiently by designing a flexible arrangement to accommodate a large variety of activities.

To this end we wish to:

- Open up the Needles Room and balcony area and make it the usual Club dining area with views onto the river and the Solent.
- Remove the trophy cabinet and open up the Island Room and the adjacent Bar.
- Provide a corridor so that staff can easily serve food and drinks to any of the rooms.
- Build a room where the present servery is, to store spare furniture in and use as food plating-up room when there is a big function on.
- Replace the salad/pudding bar with mobile servery.
- Enlarge the Bar so that five people can serve at once rather than the three at present.
- Put in soundproof room dividers so we can have a number of different activities going on at the same time which will reduce the impact of corporate events on Members.
- Improve the acoustics and ambiance of the bar and river room.
- Improve the lighting throughout the first floor.

If funding allows:

- Add a second-floor room with coffee, newspapers and movable bar.
- Build a glass wheelchair compliant lift in the stair well.
- Replace the leaking windows on West face of building, making those in the Solent and Needles rooms larger.
- Repoint the outside of the West face of the building as rain is getting through.
- Improve the entrance to the Club.

• Relocate reception.

Financing

Ask Members for £200,000 in loans to fund the first-floor refurbishment. This will cost £43k p.a. for five years and start once the repayments of the loan for the new pontoons finishes, which was £41k p.a.

Ask Members for donations to fund the second floor, lift, office refurbishment and changes to the West face of the building and entrance. Those Members who donate £5,000 or more will have their donation acknowledged by a sponsors' board.

The plans to be displayed are drafts and I would be grateful for any feedback, preferably by email, which will be discussed by the project team. If the plans receive sufficient support at the Business Meeting, we will have final plans available for the AGM in February 2018.

If you have any questions please email me or speak to me.

Roger Wilson, Rear Commodore House

House

I am writing this having just learnt that we did over 900 covers a couple of weeks ago and had two Members complain that they hadn't been able to eat at the Club on a Friday evening as it was fully booked and they had to eat elsewhere, which wasn't as good and cost much more! My response was to congratulate James and Gillian for working so hard to get our catering back to the standard it should be.

However I am sad to report to you that Oliver Stanley is standing down as Chair of the Catering Sub-Committee as he has other commitments that he has to put first. I am sure you will join me in thanking him for all his hard work on our behalf and agree that he has overseen an enormous improvement in quality and the financial turnaround of the First Floor operations.

We are now moving into the autumn season with quizzes and lecture nights starting again. We now have two quiz nights each month, Vince's monthly quiz started on Thursday 5th October. We welcome Peter's monthly quiz which will start on Thursday 19th October. Run to a different format, it will challenge different parts of our brains and stop us all getting dappy! Hopefully it will produce different stars.

Trafalgar Night dinner is on Saturday 21st October with Captain Alison Towler RN, the wife of our Captain of Cruising, as the guest speaker. The menu looks superb and I for one am looking forward to a great evening.

The women's changing rooms will be refurbished in October which will necessitate them being shut for a week, so keep your eye for a notice as to exactly when.

Pilates, Intermediate Bridge lessons & Yoga are all going on as usual and we are planning to run monthly coffee mornings as well as informal ladies lunches and informal cruising dinners so keep your eye on the programme.

To make sure that you know what is happening in the Club, you can go to the 'What's On' link on the Home page of the Club Website, the Social page in 'Ashore', the Club Calendar in Member Central or you can pop into the Club to see the posters and sign-up sheets for many of the events.

Roger Wilson, Rear Commodore House

Social

Movie Nights - Tuesday 17th October - A United Kingdom (2016)



Movie Nights start at 18:30 with supper afterwards. Thsi month's film is Viceroy's House:

In the 1940s, Prince Seretse Khama of Botswana shocks the world when he marries a white woman from London.

Please sign up on the notice board or click here to register your interest online.

Quiz Nights are back...and by popular demand we are now

running two a month!



Don't forget to sign up your Quiz Team for the all new Quiz hosted by Peter Bell – the first one is Thursday 19th October, convening at the bar at 18:00. Please Click on the image to see how this Quiz is going to run!

Pilates Classes

There are new blocks of classes starting after the school holidays! They are at the usual time of 10:30 on Tuesdays & 07:15 on Thursdays starting during the week commencing 30th October 2017. Please see the poster for more information & call 01590 672677 to book!



This Pilates class is designed for beginners and intermediates delivered to you by personal trainer Jenny Palmer.

This class will improve your core function, strength and overall flexibility. During the 6- week course we will be doing mat work, standing Pilates and balance work. All built into a fun and friendly class at the Royal Lymington Yacht Club.

> www.jennypalmerfitness.com 07979 800310

Coffee Mornings

Monthly Members' Coffee Mornings are starting on 12th October at 10am! Please sign-up on the Socials Board at the Club or call 01590 672677 & we can add you onto the list!





Bridge Classes

This time round the beginner class had to be cancelled due to poor take-up but as there is more call for classes in the New Year Gillian will be taking bookings for these in the not-too-distant future! Please keep an eye out for the dates soon-to-be published! They will be at 10am on Mondays for a total of 10 weeks. Please note that these classes will be aimed at absolute beginners so the curriculum will set accordingly.

Annual Ladies Lunch: 11th October 2017

There's still chance to get your tickets to this year's Annual Ladies Lunch now... (please click the image to register your interest online)

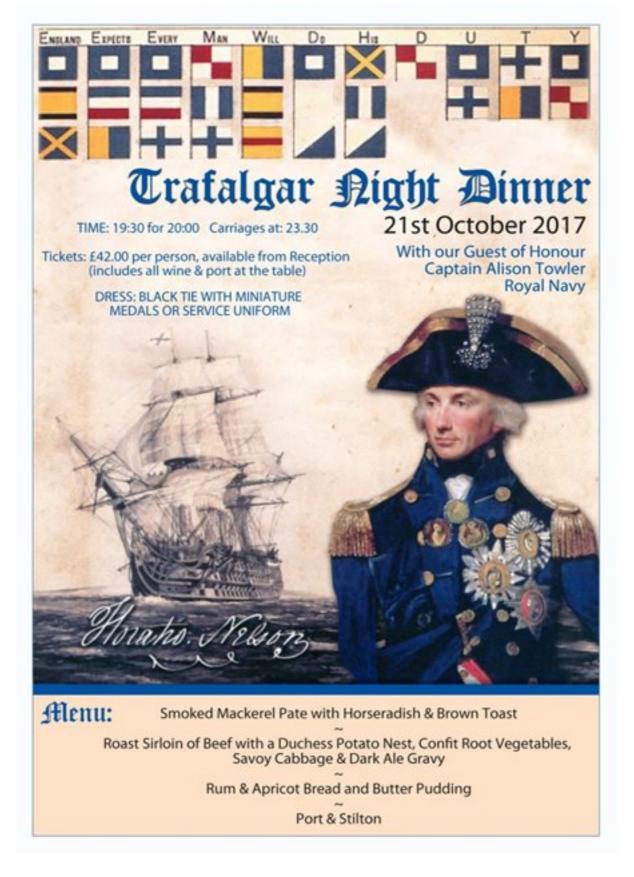


Trafalgar Night Dinner: 21st October 2017

Please join the **Commodore**, Mr Dunlop Stewart, for a traditional **Trafalgar Day themed evening** with a four-course meal on Saturday 21st October 2017.

Our Guest of Honour is Captain Alison Towler Royal Navy. She will deliver a Mess-Dinner-style speech about the Admiral Lord Nelson and the Battle of Trafalgar in the best traditions of the Royal Navy, followed by a toast to The Immortal Memory.

Tickets are £42.00 including all Wine & Port at the table.



Celebrate the end to a fabulous sailing season with out annual Laying Up Party. There will be live music on the evening from the Jon Cotton Band. Tickets are £31.00 available from Reception.



Art Exhibition, 24th- 26th November

The Club annual Art Exhibition is an opportunity for all Members to display their artistic prowess, in whatever medium, or to view that talent in a sympathetic environment.

This year there will be some changes to the format and arrangements as published in the recent Club mailing and Winter Programme leaflet.

Wednesday 22th November

Exhibitors submit their works of art between 0800-13:30 hrs to the Sail Loft.

Each exhibitor will be charged a **single entry fee of £5.00**. This, it is hoped, will cover costs to the Club.

The exhibition will be, as originally intended, a demonstration of the talent and expertise of Club Members. Any sales of exhibited works will be by arrangement between the artist and prospective vendor. Also, to retain past tradition, it is hoped that individuals will consider a donation to RNLI on each successful sale.

Friday 24th - Sunday 26th November

Exhibition is open to **all** within the Club.

Date for your diaries...

• Annual Dinner: 18th November

Gillian Poole - Clubhouse Events Manager

Activities

First Wheelie Outing Friday 6th October



The Club's very own cycling group, Wheelies, will make its first ride of this season on 6th October, meeting at the clubhouse at 1100 hrs. Michael Coombes is the organiser on this occasion.

The group has around 50 Members on its mailing list at the moment. It is open to all, and we would be pleased to see anyone who wants to give it a try on Friday. The riding style is inclusive: moderate speed, moderate distances and a penchant for off-road as well as low-traffic roadway. We normally spend 90 minutes to two hours in the saddle, and lunch at a pub or the Club.

If you have anything but a pure competition road-bike, Wheelies could be for you: good exercise, good company and a better knowledge of the countryside around us, is the reward for dusting off the bike and joining in.

We need to know numbers to tell the pub (the East End Arms on this occasion): an email to Michael Coombes or me by Wednesday, 4th October, will do the trick.

George Trevelyan

Cruising

Engine Maintenance Talk- Saturday 14th October 1000







Wayne Taylor, Senior Engineer, of SAL Marine will attend the Club to talk about basic engine maintenance and preventive maintenance – what should be done daily, weekly and annually.

Also including 'trouble shooting' and winterisation.

Questions and discussion at 11.30 and ending at 12.00.

Please book a table if you wish to stay for lunch afterwards.

Robert Woolley, Cruising Committee

Past Events

Croatia Cruise 1st to 9th September



16 Members chartered four boats from various marinas around Split, for a week cruising the islands. Despite a strong Bora wind blowing on our arrival for the boat handover, the weather cleared to warm sunshine and light winds for the next few days. All boats met up after the first day of sailing at the delightful harbour of Maslinca on the island of Seget. We were joined by Mike and Carolyn Derrick, who keep their boat in Croatia, and were all entertained royally on board Verity, before we all enjoyed a group dinner in a restaurant.

As planned, boats then went off in different directions for a couple of days. This being our first experience of Croatia, we visited the islands of Vis, Brac and S. Klement, mooring to quaysides, on buoys or in marinas, the latter being extremely expensive (one being £120 a night for our 38' boat).

Our second rendezvous had to be cancelled as the forecast was for winds of 35-40 knots with thunderstorms, so most of us returned to our home ports a day early. This enabled us to spend time sightseeing in the delightful old town of Trogir, while others visited the UNESCO Heritage city of Split.

It is a wonderful cruising area, though everywhere was still very busy, with sometimes noisy groups and loud music on yachts in the

harbours. Winds were generally light until mid-afternoon, so there was a lot of motoring. As expected, the scenery was spectacular, harbours pretty and the sea warm for swimming. From the feedback I have received there is no doubt that everyone enjoyed themselves.

Sue Sutherland - Cruising Sub Committee

Bucklers' Hard Cruise Friday 8th To Sunday 10th September

Five motorboats and nine yachts planned to attend this year's weekend cruise to Buckler's Hard, but with gale force winds forecast on Sunday, five of the yachts pulled out and the remainder all returned to Lymington on the Saturday.

Despite the weather, it was a memorable weekend, starting with a pontoon party on Friday evening. During Saturday 12 yachts and motorboats arrived at Bucklers Hard hosting members of the Sailing Club of the Chesapeake on their first night aboard for their Solent Cruise.

22 cruising members who had earlier returned to Lymington, came back by car in the evening, to help welcome our American friends and enjoy the hog roast, gateaux and wine evening. The wind and rain just about relented long enough and Perrin Towler, Cruising Captain gave a well-received welcoming speech to our guests.





John Adcock, Cruising Sub-Committee

Club Solent Cruise with Sailing Club of the Chesapeake

26 Club Members introduced their 42 guests from the SCC to the delights of September in the Solent. There was a full programme of sailing, social and sightseeing events, starting with a reception and dinner at the Club and ending with a Fish & Chips Supper at David & Fenella Lees' house. Our guests were suitably impressed by the strength of the tides this side of the 'pond' but less so with the autumnal gales.



Plans are already being made for a return to the Chesapeake in 2019.

Photographic Competition

The competition is open to all Club Members of any age. Subject: A photograph to be taken on or around the water

- Each person may enter 1 A4 print.
- Closing date: strictly Friday 10th November 2017.
- Cameras, I-pads, drones, telephones may be used.
- Our younger Members are encouraged to enter.

All photographs will be displayed in the Clubhouse during the Members' Art Exhibition 24th to 27th November. Queries to Harvie Woolley.

Harvie Woolley, Cruising Sub-Committee

Training

Powerboat Level 2 + Course (£45 to all) 23rd December

This is a course is run by the Club Chief Instructor (Power), Andrew Eady. It does not carry with it an RYA qualification, but it is based on the RYA Safety Boat Course. Candidates must already have an RYA Powerboat Level 2 certificate and be a confident powerboat driver.

The one day course is designed for those that help at Club events, who would like to gain some of the knowledge and skills to enable them to more effectively deal with safety of fleets and capsize situations as a crew.

Additional Requirements

RYA Level 2 Powerboat Certificate

Powerboat Level 2 Course (Members £95, Non Members £195);

- 21st & 22nd October
- 18th & 19th November
- 2nd & 3rd December

This two-day course provides the skills and background knowledge needed to drive a powerboat and is the basis of the International Certificate of Competence. It includes close quarters handling, high speed manoeuvres, man overboard recovery and collision regulations.

The courses run from 09:00hrs to 16:30 approximately, all of the above courses can be booked by replying to this email or by contacting Reception on 01590 672677.

Please note that your booking will not be confirmed until payment has been made. If you require any further information about our training courses please click here.

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First Aid Course

The Club is running First Aid Course on the following dates:

- Sunday 29th October
- Sunday 12th November
- Sunday 14th January
- Saturday 17th February

The course runs from 09:00hrs to 16:30 approx. in the Island Room.

COURSE INFORMATION

Our one-day course covers all the usual first aid subjects, but from a boating perspective. It is aimed at anyone who goes afloat, whether on inland waters, rivers, estuaries or on cross channel passages.

In a medical emergency a little first aid knowledge and immediate action can save lives, especially in remote locations. This one-day course is designed to provide a working knowledge of first aid for people using small craft and to support skippers.

It fulfils the requirements for: professional skippers of small craft working within 60 miles of a safe haven, including Boat masters; the Senior First Aid certificate needed by offshore racers subject to ISAF's regulations on first aid training (OSR 4.08.4). The course is recommended by the MCA and HSE.

The subjects specific to boating include:

- the recovery position in a confined space
- CPR, including the drowning protocol
- · cold shock and hypothermia from immersion and/or exposure
- · seasickness and dehydration
- medical assistance or advice by VHF
- helicopter rescue

To book onto a course you will need to fill in the application form and return it to the Club along with your payment. The course is £50 for Members and £70 for non-Members.

Volunteers & Winter Race Management Training

Firstly, thank you to everyone for volunteering throughout the season The racing would not take place without your commitment. We hope that you will be able to attend some of the training sessions over the winter and that they will enable you to gain more satisfaction from your volunteering.

Race Management

Over the winter the Club runs a variety of sessions for Members involved, or wishing to be involved, in the provision of racing and race events at the Club. Members new to race management are particularly welcome. The sessions are, however, also designed to be a useful update to existing race team Members, support boat drivers, mark layers, committee boat skippers and shore based support. The sessions are provided free to Members.

RYA Club Race Officer Course - Island Room - 1830 start

Thursday 11th January

Thursday 25th January

Thursday 1st February

Thursday 15th February

Role of the support boat - Island Room - 1830 start

Thursday 1st March

Thursday 15th March

The support boats play a vital role in the managements of races. You can be asked, by the Race Officer, to fulfil multiple tasks. This is in addition the obvious task of standing by to aid sailors caught out by too much wind, too little wind or too much tide. For example, you can be asked to feedback information to race control, record mark roundings, shorten races and finish races. These tasks are not always easy to accomplish especially if they are not anticipated.

Use of Club VHF Radios - Saturday 21 April Island Room 1030 hours

Frances Evans

Racing



** Tomorrow** Saturday 7th October 2017

Get your hands on the Club's most famous trophy...

- All boats (monohulls) must be owned by FULL Members of the Royal Lymington Yacht Club.
- A FULL, FAMILY or JUNIOR Member of the Club must helm the boat throughout the Race.
- Free for all Members
- Race starts at 10:05hrs.

The Notice of Race & Entry Form is now available to download by clicking here.

Scows, LR - Summer Report

The Scow Division had a record year. A record number of members at over 200 and a record turn-out for Monday Evening Dinghies with 65 boats competing. On two evenings, 40 boats set off down the river: a splendid sight. On the downside, further growth of the fleet is limited by the shortage of dinghy parking spaces, despite squeezing in as many as possible.

The Tuesday Special races had mixed fortunes. The Hinxman Trophy suffered from the weather and was rearranged. By the time the Captain's Trophy came round in August, enthusiasm was waning. Next year we will have one reserve date in August, which will only be used if we lose two earlier events to the weather.

The Figure of Eight Race took place in ideal conditions and the large fleet had a great sail. In early September we again ran a very successful Inter Club Challenge whilst in mid-September the Scow Championship was held here in Lymington, under the auspices of LTSC this year.

As I write this in late September, we have just enjoyed a magical day and the Scow Potterers took full advantage of the weather, as they have all season. A full set of Picnic Potters were planned during the summer. As we enter October, Potters will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays until the walks start in November. Time to dig out the dry suit, perhaps?

No names have been mentioned in this report. For those, you will need to come to the Scow AGM and Dinner on 6th November when we will announce the winner of the Christine Sutherland Trophy for consistently good results in all our races throughout the season.



(The picture shows the start of one of the races in the Inter Club Challenge. Sharp sighted dinghy racers will observer a crew in Scow 299 normally seen in a faster dinghy on a Monday evening – Luke & Emma McEwen – who were members of the Oxford & Cambridge SC winning team)

Robin Taunt, Captain of Scows

Date for the Diary...



A lot has been happening in the RS Tera fleet recently. The RYA have announced that they are going to be including the Tera as an approved pathways boat for Junior sailors, this has created a lot of interest in the fleet and is looking to be an exciting development.

We have seen many of our existing sailors travelling and representing the club, noticeably at the Tera Worlds in France and the Nationals in Weymouth, including some podium places. The fleet has grown significantly over the summer with many sailors gaining their own boats and new members joining the club. There will be training over the winter months, with our next training dates during the October half term (please contact reception for details).



Friday night racing

As we come to a close for the winter months, we have had wonderful feedback from both parents and sailors for the three series that have taken place. It has enabled our young sailors to learn about club racing, try out different boats and have in a fun and friendly atmosphere. I would like to say a huge thank you to all who have made this possible from Race Officers, Safety and those ashore, you have all been fantastic and are greatly appreciated.

Nicola West, Captain of RS Teras

Youth Lasers October Update Laser 4.7s

After a busy summer of International events it is always nice to get back home. September sees the start of various ranking and qualifying events for the 4.7 fleet.

On the first weekend of the month a hardy bunch of sailors made the journey up to Pwlheli to compete in the first of two RYA squad qualifiers. Saturday the sailors were greeted with sunshine and a good breeze and they all had a great day of racing. Sunday, however, was cancelled very early in the day due to mixture of strong winds and poor visibility. It made the journey up to Pwlheli frustrating for only one day of racing, but four races were sailed, so a series was completed. Well done to the following sailors: Drew Barnes (4th), Sam DLF (6th), Tom Mitchell (9th), Lizzie Beardsall (11th) and Flo Nicholls (15th), out of 40 sailors.

We then had our first weekend of training, joining forces with the radials and the newly formed standard fleet at the Club. This year we have two coaches booked for all our training weekends.

The sailors were then off to Paignton, for the second RYA squad qualifier and the weather was great, although more wind would have been appreciated by most of the sailors. Well done to Drew Barnes who won the event, and also to Tom Mitchell (5th), Flo Nicholls (8th) and Lizzie Beardsall (11th) out of 54 sailors.

Training is going well and we are fully booked for all our 4.7 sessions in October, November and December. We are currently finalising dates for the New Year and they will hopefully be announced soon.

Fiona Fry & Clare de la Feuillade

RNLI

Quiz Night At Lymington Town Sailing Club Thursday 19th October 6.30 pm for 7 pm



Tickets £10 to include Fish & Chips Supper. Contact Mary Reay 10590 677034

Christmas Card Sale Sunday 22nd and Sunday 29th October 11.30 am to 2.30 pm At the Club

Christmas Fair. Fuller McLellan Rooms, The Lymington Centre – Saturday 4th November 10 am – 1.30 pm

Contact Mary Reay 10590 677034

Lymington Sailability

Ladies Lunch and Fashion Show, Monday 20th November



Club Sponsors & Discounts

Click on the link for details of our sponsors and discounts available.

For Sale

- 9.40m. Steel construction 1972.
- Beta marine 60hp new 2011 (492hrs). Centre cockpit. 4/6 berths.
- SSR registered.
- Well maintained and fully equipped, ready to sail away.
- Was €39,000 now reduced to €30,000. Lying Port La Robine, Canal du Midi.
- 00 33 (0)5 63 73 41 85.
- Email: Cam Otten and John Flizet

Tylaska T8 Spinnaker Sheet Snap Shackles

Twof large bail Tylaska T8 spinnaker sheet snap shackles for sale. £50 for the pair. They normally cost £170 each.

Contact Peter Bruce for more details.

Email me the details and any photos and the ad will be in one month's ePotterNews. If you don't want your contact details published, interested parties can be asked to contact you via the Club pigeon holes in Reception. Satisfied customers will be requested to make a small donation to Sailability or the RNLI. The listing of items for sale or wanted in ePotterNews does not indicate that RLymYC has knowledge of the authenticity of the advertisement and does not recommend or guarantee the items advertised and the Club cannot accept any liability in this regard.

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