



Chanonry Sailing Club

The Harbour, Fortrose, Ross-shire, IV10 8TP

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News

- Caley Marina has agreed to continue their generous sponsorship of the Club.
- Alfie Rowson, a feature of dinghy racing at the Club for a number of years, is the 2005 British Universities Sailing Champion in the Lark class.
- Skiff, RS 200 and RS 400 classes are bringing traveller events to our Regatta

Crane-in

1st April and 15th April are the provisional dates for craning the cruisers back in. Tim McKeggie and George Taylor will mastermind events. In case of good weather please have morning ready in early March, but don't deliver to the Harbour until requested. Anyone wishing to lay a mooring this year who didn't lay one last year should contact Tim (Tel. 01381 621040) or George (Tel. 01381 620861).

Sailing Forum

The Forum was well attended on the 13th January and ideas to develop racing and cruising were keenly banded about. The upshot will be Friday evening cruiser racing, cruises in company, including a West Coast Adventure, and cruiser races at the Regatta.

Dinghy racing will be organised in shorter, **monthly series** to make it easier for people to complete a whole series. Within each series the racers will be grouped by experience or ability into gold, silver and bronze **fleets**, with prizes awarded for the overall winner and the winner in each fleet. Extra race marks will be laid inside the long established marks to allow shorter courses for a slow handicap class.

Jubilee

A Jubilee **Gala and Community Day** is being planned for Saturday June 10th. The Club will be open to the public. There will be stalls available from the local fund-raising committee of the RNLI. Races for classes from the past will be run. Demonstrations from the RNLI and Coast Guard are planned. Cruisers will be encouraged to fill the harbour and dress their boats. Harbour Games might even be revived. There will be an evening BBQ for members.



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Boat Boot Sale – the second CSC organised event will be held at Dingwall Mart on Saturday 4th March at 1:30pm. Come and sell all those boating bits that clog up your garage waiting for the day when they were going to be useful. Buy those fittings you have been wanting for years but couldn't find. Some sailing dinghies are expected to be on sale. Find out more from Helen Jenner on Tel. 01463 811080.

Dinghy Park clear-up. A number of abandoned dinghies that have been lying unused for a number of years will be offered for sale at the Boat Boot Sale. If there are no takers they will be dumped after the 4th March, so if the Lark, GRP Mirror or windsurfer belong to you please remove them before 4th March.

Canadian kayaker, and author, Max Finkelstein is an authority on Alexander MacKenzie who crossed Canada by kayak in 1786 and in later life had strong Black Isle connections. Max will speak about MacKenzie and his recent re-tracing of MacKenzie's journey – **Wednesday 29th March**, Fortrose Community Theatre. Tickets are available from Helen Jenner, Avoch Fishermen's Co-op or Craigdon Mountain Sports.

Summer Training Courses include:

- Adult and junior dinghy sailing courses
- Safety Boat
- Powerboat Level 2
- Senior Sailing Instructor

look at the CSC website or contact Richard Jenner (Tel 01463 811080) for more information.

A North of Scotland Junior **Race Training Weekend** is scheduled at Chanonry on 22-23 April. Further race training weekends are planned around the Moray Firth through the season. These events are expected to lead to a one day North of Scotland Junior Championships either at Chanonry or Invergordon on 24th September.



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