

# Flushing Sailing Club Newsletter

## March 2019



March is a busy month at Flushing Sailing Club! There's the **AGM** on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>, the **Skippers'/ROs Briefing** on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and our evening at **The Cove** on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>. And then sailing starts!! Talking of sailing, we have a new dedicated Flushing Sailing Club page on the **crew matching website** Tendrr . Finally, a **pontoon has been proposed next to the club** which will allow water access at all stages of the tide. Please show your support (details at the end of this newsletter).

### **The AGM March 12<sup>th</sup>**

Always important, the AGM this year is especially vital. Apart from the various reports and election of officers, we will vote on a new Constitution and a new set of Club Rules. This is necessary because at our Special General Meeting earlier this year, we voted unanimously to apply for Charitable Incorporated Organisation status (CIO). To do that we need our Constitution and Rules to comply with Charities Commission requirements.

The new Constitution and Club Rules are already on the website – so do have a look before the vote.

The new 2019 SI booklet should be available then too, so come and collect yours.

### **The Skippers' Briefing March 19th**

This is where any changes to sailing arrangements for 2019 will be discussed.

Don't forget that you need to complete the Race Entry Form and pay the fee BEFORE you race. For the first time we are asking for details of your regular crew members: this is partly for safety reasons, so that we know who is likely to be on board, but also so that we can encourage them to become members of this fantastic club.

### **The Cove March 26th**

This is our annual 'evening out'. You do need to book, so please contact Inez Thompson to reserve your place and give your menu choices. The menu is on the website, and her email is [inezthompson777@gmail.com](mailto:inezthompson777@gmail.com)

**Sailing starts on Tuesday April 2nd** Don't forget to complete your Race Entry Form!!



### **Skippers seeking crew / crew seeking boats**

Flushing Sailing Club now has its own page on the crew exchange website Tendrr. Details on how it works / what to do below.



Tendrr is a CrewMatch platform that connects boats with crew across Flushing Sailing Club's entire season of events. Shorthanded skippers can place crew requests for each event and connect directly with available sailors.

<https://tendrr.co/club/flushing-sailing-club>

#### *How It Works*

Skippers looking for Crew: Click: [Find Crew](#). Once you've signed up for your free Tendrr account you can quickly create a crew request for one of Flushing's events or to cruise privately. Let potential crew know what kind of position or experience you need and your request will be visible to all sailors on Tendrr's platform.

Crew looking for a boat: Click: [Find Boats](#) . View the latest crewing opportunities for Flushing Sailing Club events and click Apply to Crew to begin messaging the skipper. Or click Follow on Flushing's Tendrr page to be the first to know whenever a new crewing request at the club is added. It's free to sign up and a quick and secure way to connect directly with available, competent sailors. For any questions please contact the Tendrr team at [hello@tendrr.co](mailto:hello@tendrr.co)

### **All-tide Pontoon at Flushing Sailing Club**

An all-tide pontoon has been proposed at Flushing Sailing Club, and the proposal is being considered for the Neighbourhood Development Plan. It sounds good for the Club, and for the village too. If you think this would be a good thing, please contact Mylor Parish Council at email:

[brightonjt@gmail.com](mailto:brightonjt@gmail.com) to suggest why such a pontoon might benefit the village of Flushing. Possible reasons why benefit might be gained include

- no-step access for less able people, not just to boats but the Water Taxi and Ferry
- potential for increased business from water users at the pubs, shop and restaurant
- benefit to the sailing club itself, including people coming back to the club after sailing in particular coming by boat rather than car
- visitors to Flushing village using the ferry rather than arriving by car and trying to park
- or any other reason you think might sway the argument

On the other hand, if you don't think it would be a good thing, you are of course free to say that too!