



News from the Yachting World Dayboat Association ywdb.co.uk JULY 2021

CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

I am delighted to be able to report that Dayboat Week 2021 went ahead and, despite some Covid related challenges, was a thoroughly successful and enjoyable event for the 16 boat fleet. There are a number of reports in these Notes describing the Week but I would just like to comment on this year's Long Distance race.

In the past this race has been the first to be cancelled to accommodate a postponed Points race. But this year's race, only went to show what a very uniquely different experience it can be. The 10 boat fleet started at Falmouth and beat up a completely empty Carrick Roads into a 10 knot breeze in full sunshine. The only mark of the course was the 'last' mooring buoy for ships in the Fal river above the King Harry Ferry, and all competitors were very helpfully provided with an extract of the harbour chart to help locate it.

As we entered the steeply wooded banks of the river Fal river we encountered a different set of challenges including a moored ship and unmarked mud banks! After rounding the turning mark we were able to enjoy a gentle 1 mile long run back down to a finish line off Loe beach where a number of boats stopped off for a well-earned picnic lunch before heading back to Falmouth. It was altogether an unmissable experience!

At the AGM on the Wednesday we said goodbye to some longstanding members of the committee and welcomed some new faces. John and Phil Lokier stepped down at Rock from their roles as Hon Chairman and Secretary and in Falmouth they relinquished their committee roles. Tim Parkinson also stepped down having served on the committee in various roles since 1978! At the prize giving Peter Hewitt made a very humorous thank you speech and presented Tim with an engraved jug and a bottle of champagne.

As many of you will be aware, for many years, Tim has very capably run the Association's website. For some time, we have been looking for someone to take over the role from Tim and I am very pleased to announce that Bosham based Mark Ross (DB640) has agreed to take on the responsibility. Tim and Mark will work together over the next couple of months transitioning the role.

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of all members of the Association to express our thanks to Tim for his huge contribution over the past 43 years and we look forward to seeing him racing his beloved Avocet at many future Open meetings and DayBoat Weeks.

Wishing you all good sailing for the remainder of 2021.

David Macfarlane YWDB Class Chairman

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Welcome to new members

David Lloyd is now sailing 635, Phoenix, formerly Young at Heart, at Poole.

Mark Ross, Bosham SC, has added wife Sue to his membership, and they both enjoyed sailing at Falmouth.

Nigel Trent, who joined us for Dayboat week, crewing for Tim Wilcox of Bosham SC

Welcome to you all, we hope you will all enjoy your Dayboats and have many happy hours sailing them.

| OPEN | MEETING | DATES |
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| Thornbury | 17 - 18 July |
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| Poole | 14 - 15 August |
| Gravesend | 11 - 12 September |

Cover pictures from Dayboat Week, Falmouth

- Rounding the mark DB653 in the lead
- At Loe Beach after the long distance race
- Race 3 start
- Dayboats on trots alongside The Royal Cornwall YC

FROM THE CLUBS

BOSHAM FLEET NEWS

I am writing this article surrounded by a large pile of sailing gear after returning from DayBoat Week in Falmouth!

DayBoat Week Given all the issues surrounding Covid it was very encouraging that 8 Bosham boats travelled down to Falmouth and competed in this year's event. As has been written up elsewhere in these Notes, it was a bit of a strange week with little chance to properly socialise or share a drink with DB sailors from the other clubs. Having said that, the on-water activities were second to none and



all the Bosham boats had at least one moment of glory to savour.

However, warmest congratulations go to Alastair and Jacqui Seaton (DB653) for sailing an excellent series to take the overall DayBoat Championship by one single point from Peter Hewitt (DB669). Not only was this the first time that a Bosham boat has been crowned champion, but we also had two points race winners in Alastair & Jacqui and Mark & Shirley Stanton (DB 673). Mark & Shirley sailed a phenomenally consistent series counting a 4th place as their discard and finishing in 3rd place overall. David & Fiona Macfarlane (DB597) came through strongly at the end of the week scoring two 3rd

places and finishing in 4th overall.

All our thanks go to the RCYC and in particular to PRO Neil Hopkins and his committee boat and mark laying teams for their exemplary race management.

Bosham Open Meeting.

As in previous years the Bosham open meeting was run in conjunction with the 3 Day Masters event. Due to Covid restrictions it was decided to hold the Open just on the Saturday and to count both the scheduled races for the title. However, like a large part of May this year, the weather was very unpredictable and on the day we had a combination of flat calm, monsoon rainfall and finally gusts of 20knts plus! 13 boats entered the event including 3 visitors, one of whom, Tim Parkinson heeded the ominous forecast and made the wise decision not to travel!

Alastair & Jacqui Seaton (DB 653) showed the form that they carried through to DayBoat Week and won both races to take the overall prize.

Overall Results: 1st DB653 Alastair & Jacqui Seaton Bosham SC 2nd DB597 David & Fiona Macfarlane Bosham SC 3rd DB673 Mark & Shirley Stanton Bosham SC A special merit mat was awarded to the youngest crew at the Open - 8 year old Henry Hewitt.

> David Macfarlane Bosham Class captain JULY 2021

THORNBURY SC

The Thornbury dinghy sailing season got off to a prompt start in the first week of April albeit with RYA suggested COVID measures in place at the club. Alberto Pau and John Gush quickly made their presence felt by becoming the highest placed YW Dayboat in the Spring Series. This means that Dave Allen finally has to relinquish his grip on the coveted Dee Dee trophy which he has won each time in recent years. Alberto and John's boat, 'Kittiwake' DB585, is of interest because she is the first ever fibreglass clinker hull which was commissioned by Barry Leat in 1980.



Thornbury SC from above (credit: Marc Rogers, TSC)



New members to our Dayboat fleet, Ruth and Jonathan Hazell launched their boat for the first time this spring. Their boat is an orange early Golden Arrow smoothie called 'Jaffa'. Ruth and Jonathan learnt to sail at TSC three years ago and have been racing a Buzz. They intend to use their Dayboat for cruising in the estuary. As a fleet, we are hoping to get out on some trips over this summer. Yet another Golden Arrow smoothie has graced our dinghy park with Dave Allen and Tim Parkinson's joint acquisition of 'Cumulus'. This boat is set up in cruising configuration and Dave and Tim hope it will entice yet another helm and crew into the growing Thornbury fleet.

Alberto Pau and John Gush in Kittiwake (credit: Martyn Hall, TSC)



There are now five YW Dayboats regularly out on the water and we are enjoying close fleet racing. Dave Allen in 'Attila' is currently leading the Dayboats in our summer series (3rd overall) with Tim Parkinson close behind (6th overall) after six races. In the midweek pursuit series, we (Paul and Julie Bowden) are lead Dayboat in 'Proud Mary' with Alberto and John and then Stuart Beale in 'Kiwi' hot on our transom.



Proud Mary, Attila and Avocet (credit: Tom Barnes, TSC)

Finally, our annual YW Dayboat Open is on Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th July. This coincides with the TSC Regatta. All Dayboaters are very welcome. There will be a nominal entry fee, free camping available in our extensive grounds, homemade cakes, refreshments and plenty of tide. A hog roast is planned for Saturday evening (pre-booking required, please get in touch). We hope to see you there!

Julie Bowden, DB 533 Proud Mary

POOLE YC

Sailing at Poole has made a slow re-start this year, with several 'regulars' being absent because of injury, and work or family commitments. For the same reasons we were only able to muster 2 entries for Dayboat Week at Falmouth congtatulations to Pete Hewitt for taking second overall after a close battle that was only resolved by one point in the



final race. But we expect a full Poole contingent next year at Brixham.

The Club races on Monday and Thursday evening, and on Saturday afternoons, have been reasonably well-supported, with 14 boats different competing in the current Summer Series and up to 9 Dayboats on the water in any race. Bob Clerwer in Déjà vu (670) has led the fleet in most of the races, with John Waters (Men behaving Sadly - 604) usually in close pursuit with other regulars including Ted Payne (Puddleduck - 642), Steve Wilson (Aurora - 675), Wendy Davies (Mandarin – 649) and Cherry Giles (Damon's Daughter – 606). The fleet welcomes new member David Lloyd Phoenix - 635) who is often near the front. Most of the club racing is held in the Harbour 'top triangle' but we have additional Trophy Races, including Bar Buoy race (17 July) and the Bournemouth Pier Race (24 July) which take us out of the harbour into Bournemouth Bay, and in-harbour races to Wareham and 'Round the Harbour Islands' in August. The Club Regatta will be on 10/11 July.

Our Dayboat Open Weekend (in conjunction with the GP14 fleet) will be held on 14/15 August, with a 'Round the Islands' race on Saturday and three 'round the cans' races on the Sunday for the Open trophy. Details will be published shortly and we look forward to welcoming visitors. We may be able to help with accommodation - me at wroydav@gmail.com.

Wendy Davies DB649, Mandarin

GRAVESEND SC

As expected not much to report as the club is not able to fully function due the Covid19 restrictions. But, on a positive note, this has allowed us to replace the club's somewhat dated and tired galley. The new, improved one will be fully functioning in time for the GSC Open. This will take place on 11th & 12th September. NoR and other details will be published next month.



Harriet with father Steve Davies take an early trip out in Widgeon DB660

With regards to sailing there have only been a few races but just as important a number of the DB sailors along with other instructors from the club have been helping out with level 1 & 2 dinghy training. The Club was also represented at DB week with 2 boats attending.

Geoff Honey

Ed: We would like to congratulate Geoff's daughter Alana on her recent marriage.

Dayboat Week Falmouth 2021 - the View from the front

What a different Dayboat Week! Our thanks to the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club for hosting the event, under such difficult circumstances they did a brilliant job, particularly Sarah ?? their commodore who worked tirelessly to make the event a success.

Unfortunately, a very local Covid incident forced all of the social events to be cancelled. However, it was still great to meet up with old friends and we had some fantastic sailing in a wonderful location.

We missed some of the Dayboat Week regulars who couldn't make it to Falmouth but equally it was great to see some new faces. Neil Hopkins was our chief point of contact at RCYC before the event and he also led their race



management team. The team set some fantastic courses, with unbiased start lines and true beats, no mean feat considering the shifty conditions and strong tides.

Sunday's first points race was a light but steady southerly breeze with a windward leeward course. We got off to a good start and just managed to round the windward mark in first place and then got a lesson in light wind downwind sailing from the Master Pete H and his crew Chris as they sailed the run as 2 reaches, to open up a significant lead that they held to the finish. The rest of the race for us was a tight battle trying to protect 2nd place from the pursuing pack lead by Mark and Shirley Stanton and Geoff and Margaret Pell.

Monday was a very different day, cold and wet and the wind had swung northerly and became gusty, shifty and patchy across the triangle sausage course. The strongest winds of the week over an incoming tide kicked up a nasty short chop and it was an interesting decision going up the beat between staying in the tide or aiming for the slacker flatter water. We had a steady first beat and were in contention on the first round but then got it wrong on the second beat and slipped back to 7th a position we were unable to improve upon. However, there were celebrations in the Bosham camp as Mark and Shirley sailed a masterful race leading from start to finish securing Bosham's second only Dayboat Week race win.

We missed the long-distance race on Tuesday which was a glorious day and the fleet raced up the river Fal as far as the King Harry Ferry. Congratulations to Geoff and Margaret Pell who just beat Pete and Chris to the line. Wednesday

dawned dry and bright and we left the moorings in a gentle breeze. The sun soon came out and we completed two great races in a reasonably steady northerly breeze. This time we had a reverse P course which added to the interest. In the first race the first beat was into the last of the ebb tide and Tim and Diana Parkinson sailed a masterful first beat short tacking up the St Mawes shore in the beautiful Avocet, the only clinker wooden boat in the fleet, and led at the first mark. Unfortunately, Avocet had a navigational error at the 3rd mark, which allowed us to slip into the lead which we held up the next beat before the old master Pete H, this time sailed through to leeward on the reach to take his 2nd race win. After the race we sailed over to congratulate Pete and jokingly said "one day we'll beat you over the line".



The 2nd race of the day was sailed on the same course. The tide had now turned which made for an interesting tactical but very close race with numerous changes of leader on the last beat. We just rounded the last windward mark first, hotly pursued by Mark and Shirley, David and Fiona and Pete and Chris. Three very stressful downwind legs followed, as we tried not to watch the 3 following boats and we crossed the line for our first Dayboat Week race win.

Thursday was forecast as overcast with a 6 -8 knot breeze, but yet again the weather gods shone in our favour and the sun came out, the breeze increased and we had a lovely and reasonably steady northerly breeze. It was incredibly close going into the last race. Pete and Chris had a one point lead over us with Mark and Shirley only 1 point behind us.

We were back to a triangle sausage course with 3 rounds. We started at the pin end and then worked our way up the middle keeping out of the tide and trying to pick up the best of the shifts. We managed to round first with Mark close behind us and Pete a bit further back. Not much changed on the reaches and we started the second beat clear ahead and decided to go up the middle again. Geoff Pell and Mark sailed out to the left and Pete went right. Geoff and Mark got it spot on and picked up a more favourably breeze and rounded first and second, David climbed into 3rd, we dropped to 4th and Pete was a bit further back.

On the run we decided to sail out to the right of the course for more wind and managed to get past David and close up on Mark, Geoff meanwhile had opened up a significant lead which he held to the finish to secure his 2nd win of



the week. On the 3rd beat we had a hard-fought battle and crossed tacks numerous times with both Mark and David but we just managed to round the windward mark in 2nd. The final 2 reaches to the finish were very tense as we felt the wind had eased and we were being hunted down by the following pack. We held our 2nd place closely followed by David, then Mark and fourth was first timer Tim Wilcock and his crew Nigel, Pete was closing up fast in 5th. The finishing order secured us the series win by just one point over Pete and only 2 over Mark to conclude one of the tightest Dayboat Weeks for many years. Fourth overall was David and 5th overall was Geoff.

We were able to have a brief and socially distanced prize giving in the RCYC marquee but unfortunately no prize giving dinner. A special thanks to Bob and Kath Davis for joining us in Falmouth and their hard work in supporting the event despite not being able to sail. David made a special presentation to Tim Parkinson in recognition of his 43 years on the YWDB committee and also awarded him the Seamanship prize. Tim had not realised, but we had watched from the quay with total admiration as he calmly stood up on the foredeck, as Avocet swung on her mooring, and proceeded to drop his mast before resteping it and going sailing.

On behalf of all the competitors Bob made a small presentation to our Chairman David Macfarlane who did a fantastic job of steering the event through such difficult and continually changing circumstances and for providing his daily updates to all competitors. Our thanks again to the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club, it was our 2nd visit to this stunning location and we look forward to coming back again.

Dayboat Week - from a newcomer.

As Dayboat week approached one could be forgiven for being apprehensive as the glorious sunshine of the previous couple of weeks was certainly not forecast and then the rising COVID rates meant the RCYC would be unable to host any of the social programme.

I am delighted to say that this was not the case and as a first timer to DB week I was reminded why we had decided to return to sailing after a hiatus of circa 25 years. While the Seatons and Davis' team took honours in the one social event that could go ahead (quiz night), the week was all about the racing in the wonderful Carrick Roads. For Nigel (my crew) and I, the long distance race was a highlight. Warm sunshine, 10 knots of steady breeze (well until the River Fal) and an upwind leg using the full length and breadth of the Carrick Roads was a joy, not to mention saying hi to a friendly seal along the way.

Of course the rest of the racing programme was managed faultlessly with triangles, sausages, reverse P's and learning that sailing low downwind was the way forward (just a shame we didn't). The championship went to the wire and we were lucky to be close enough in that last race to watch the battle unfold. It

seemed like Pete Hewitt had too much to do, although only a fool would count him out. While Geoff Pell sailed off for the win, the Stantons and the Seatons were neck and neck and changed position at least once. Our Class chairman David McF was right between them, but who would claim that all important 2nd. Congratulations Alistair and Jacqui, what a race!

The Association committee did brilliantly to keep us all informed of changes during the week. The brief moments of socially distanced gathering were friendly, fun and meaningful. It was great to meet all the crews and I simply can't wait until Brixham. Thanks to all who made this fabulous week happen when it could easily have fallen victim to our present times and been cancelled.



Tim and Nigel far left appear to be getting a good start

Tim Wilcock DB614 Casspiain

... and his Rookie Crew.

When Tim Wilcock phoned to ask if I would crew for him in the YWDB Week 2021, I immediately said yes. Having not been dinghy sailing for many years, I assumed that the Covid restrictions would prevent me from travelling from my home in the USA, but at least I would have sounded willing to help him out! However, after many PCR tests and days with the Q flag flying, I made it to Falmouth for what turned out to be a fantastic week.

The first thing to say is a huge thank you to everyone for making me feel so welcome. Even with the understandable disappointment that Tim was not with his usual crew, his wife Gerry, I was immediately made to feel part of something quite special. Everyone was so friendly, chatting before and after the races, extending drinks and dinner invitations, and sharing those all too scarce restaurant reservations.

I was also struck by the knowledge and passion for sailing, and the determination to sail the event even if the programme had to be jury rigged to keep it going. And what an event it was, with competitive sailors throughout the fleet, a beautiful location, fair winds and outstanding race officer team.



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The Dayboat itself was a joy to sail. Despite ours being specifically rigged to wrap the jib sheets round my legs on every tack. It felt like a "proper" boat and tracked across the water beautifully. It is also clearly in the DNA of Dayboat sailors to help each other keep those boats sailing. Whether it's a lost shackle (us), a broken tiller, or a collapsed trailer (us again), everyone immediately starts problem solving until its resolved; the true spirit of sailing.

Thank you all so much for a week of great sailing and excellent company.

Nigel Trent, Crew for Tim Wilcock, DB614

| Sailed: 5, Discards: 1, To count: 4, Entries: 16, Scoring system: Appendix A | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1 | Мојо | 653 | Bosham | Alastair & Jacqui Seaton | 2 | (7) | 2 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 7 |
| 2 | Merlin | 669 | Poole | Peter Hewitt & Chris Lockett | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | (6) | 14 | 8 |
| 3 | Icarus | 673 | Bosham | Mark & Shirley Stanton | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | (4) | 13 | 9 |
| 4 | Yellow Peril | 597 | Bosham | David & Fiona Macfarlane | (8) | 4 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 24 | 16 |
| 5 | Dazer | 672 | Shearwater | Geoff & Margaret Pell | 4 | (17.0 DNC) | 7 | 8 | 1 | 37 | 20 |
| 6 | Groovie | 678 | RYA | Michael Hewitt /Steve Creasey | (9) | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 29 | 20 |
| 7 | Aurora | 675 | Poole | Steve & Annette Wilson | 5 | 6 | 5 | 9 | (10) | 35 | 25 |
| 8 | Casspiain | 614 | Bosham | Tim Wilcock & Nigel Trent | 10 | 5 | (13) | 7 | 5 | 40 | 27 |
| 9 | Avocet | 565 | Thornbury | Tim & Diana Parkinson | 6 | 8 | (9) | 6 | 7 | 36 | 27 |
| 10 | Daisy | 640 | Bosham | Mark & Sue Ross | 7 | 10 | 11 | 10 | (12) | 50 | 38 |
| 11 | Liquid Luck | 674 | Bosham | Barry & Jan Colgate | 11 | 11 | 8 | 12 | (15) | 57 | 42 |
| 12 | Attila | 572 | Thornbury | Dave Allen & Alfie Allen | 13 | 12 | 10 | 13 | (14) | 62 | 48 |
| 13 | Widgeon | 660 | Gravesend | Penny & Steve Davies | 14 | 9 | (16) | 14 | 13 | 66 | 50 |
| 14 | Snazzie | 646 | Bosham | Paul & Christine Sheldrick | 15 | (17.0 DNC) | 12 | 15 | 9 | 68 | 51 |
| 15 | Vis Vitae | 618 | Bosham | Adrian & Jane Weller | 12 | (17.0 DNC) | 14 | 17.0 | 11 | 71 | 54 |
| 16 | Hazy Daze | 612 | Gravesend | Richard & Debs Twyman | (17.0 | 17.0 DNC | 15 | 11 | 17.0 DNF | 77 | 60 |

FINAL RESULTS

DAYBOAT WEEK REMINISCENCES

I didn't think I was going to miss going to Dayboat Week as much as I do, not so much for the sailing as I am past it now, but for the enjoyment of seeing old friends (and enemies) and generally catching up with the crowd.

However I thought your readers might like to hear a few anecdotes, nothing to do with the racing or me (apart from the last one).

1963 - Chichester. Barry Frampton DB 344 decided to sail to the nationals that year from Poole. The trip took longer than anticipated (surprise, surprise) and it was dark when he arrived at the entrance to the harbour. The only thing visible to ensure he was on track was the then (and now?) bright blue neon sign on the building "Hayling Island Sailing Club", panic over.

1966 - Southend, Royal Alexandra Yacht Club. They had an all male bar and were distinctly sniffy about children in the club house. Has it fallen into the road yet? We can only hope. (Ed. See note)

1967 - Brixham. On visiting to book accomodation the proprietor was advised that one of our number, Jimmy Proctor was profoundly deaf. On the way down to Brixham Jimmy was advised that the proprietor was profoundly deaf. Result? several days (maybe 10mins) of each of them shouting to the other at close range.

1970 - Plymouth. Eric Lister, DB 287, enjoyed a cigarette and on the trip down as usual flicked the dog end out of the car window. In those days we sailed real Dayboats ie ribbed clinker, and the dog end ended up still burning between the rib and garboard plank. Result ? just a bit of charing, the story would have been better (not for Eric and Pat) had there been a proper fire, but fortunately there wasn't.

1979 - Salcombe. Long distance race course... "out over The Bar and turn left, follow the lead launch". On enquiry by the leading boat "How far to the mark?" reply from launch hand "About here" where upon said mark was produced from the cockpit and with words "there you go sir" dropped gently over the side

Richard Cake, DB 583, Instant Sunshine

NOTE: "In November 1972 the club suffered a dreadful blow when an electrical fault behind the bar caused the most terrible fire. The steward saw smoke coming from the clubhouse and called the fire brigade, as they opened the front door the whole lot went up and it was very lucky that no one was hurt. Many of the club's treasures miraculously survived but it was a sight that anyone who saw it will not be likely to forget."

From https://www.sailenterprise.co.uk/locations/alexandra-yacht-club/

Random thoughts on 'trots' and other things,,,,,

Most Dayboaters will be familiar with the term 'mooring on trots' – trot moorings are sometimes laid specially for us at Dayboat Week. I was (slightly) curious about where the term comes from, and it seems to derive from the common phrase 'on the trot' which means 'one after the other'. (e.g. "we visited five pubs and two takeaways on the trot" – perhaps the other meaning of 'trots' might come to mind here!).

So trot moorings allow boats to lie in a line, with a ground chain anchored at each end carrying buoys, spaced more than a boat's length apart, to moor to. Reading the learned nautical information on the internet (and more experienced sailors will already know this) it appears that the conventional use of trots is to moor boats at bow and stern, so they stay more-orless in line in all wind and current conditions.

At Falmouth (and previously at Salcombe) we moored boats at the bow only to swing, which is fine if there is room on



Ed Notice one out-of-line boat on the trots at Salcombe - no saying whose

either side, and all the boats will tend to remain parallel and cannot touch. An observation - leaving your plate down on a swinging mooring can cause the boat to take up odd angles due to the combined effects of wind and current, so better avoided. And on a different tack, leaving your boat to dry out with the plate down is not a good idea, either. I did this at Rock in 2019 and at low tide the boat was stuck at 45 degrees with the plate half-buried in the sand - it would probably have filled when the tide rose. It took some digging out, much to the amusement of the Hewitt family (who did help after the laughing died down).

Bob Davis



At Falmouth



Best to do a thorough check before leaving your mooring.

The Falmouth Dayboat Week Sea Shanty - Gravesend SC

On many occasions in the past at Dayboat Week we have enjoyed a social evening with some singing - led by Gravesend SC. This did not happen this year, but they did write a sea shanty specially for the occasion.

There once was a wee laboratory Folk say it's where the virus got free It travelled fast o'er land and sea And Boris took a stance.

Chorus: Soon may the virus be done And we can return to all that's fun Hoist the sails for out comes the sun And we can sing and dance.

All we wanted was to race with sail Shout "starboard" loud and tell the tale. But all of this was to no avail As all we heard was "can'ts"

Soon may the virus be done And we can return to all that's fun Hoist the sails for out comes the sun And we can sing and dance.

We couldn't have just any old crew A household member would have to do Dear Boris took the lockdown view Life was a game of chance.

Soon may the virus be done And we can return to all that's fun Hoist the sails for out comes the sun And we can sing and dance.

No more than six to be inside And thirty only to marry a bride. We're all wanting a change of tide. That's what a sailor chants. Soon may the virus be done And we can return to all that's fun Hoist the sails for out comes the sun And we can sing and dance.

This Day Boat week was touch and go How many sailors would hitch then tow. How many boats would make a show And what's the greatest distance.

Soon may the virus be done And we can return to all that's fun Hoist the sails for out comes the sun And we can sing and dance.

The RCYC has hosted our class Thanks to them and let's raise a glass For Covid's been a pain in the arse But we'll still sing and dance.

Soon may the virus be done And we can return to all that's fun Hoist the sails for out comes the sun And we can sing and dance.

The scientists they then hatched a plan Let's vaccinate every woman and man Then we can lift the meeting ban. And freedom can advance.

Soon may the virus be done And we can return to all that's fun Hoist the sails for out comes the sun And we can sing and dance.



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