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DYS Newsletter

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SAILING SPIRIT

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What a fantastic start to the season. Six races in and six different winners! Its all very tight at the top and all to play for! Have a fantastic summer of sailing.

Foundation Derbyshire Grant

We are very excited to announce that Derbyshire Youth Sailing are working with Foundation Derbyshire to assist sailors to begin their sailing adventure away from their home club.

First events at a different club can be a daunting prospect, not just for the sailor but also the adults taking on the task of moving boats around our county. To help with this we can now offer a limited amount of bursaries that will cover:

- Free entry for your 1st event away from home,
- Reduced entry fees for sailors who are Year 5 or below, for a max of 5 events,
- £15 off your first DYS training event,
- Plus, as always DYS will cover your boat hire cost for your first away event.

See website for more details. Please spread the word and encourage your friends to join in the fun of DYS.

We look forward to welcoming you to our next event.

Sailor Spotlight

Congratulations to Eddy Reid and his dad (crew) who came 1st in the North Sea regatta, in the Hague, sailing a Javelin

(let us know your achievements outside of DYS for our next Newsletter)

County Colours - NSSA Events

DYS, under the umbrella of DSSA, are the awarding body for Sailing County Colours. By representing Derbyshire at National events you gain points and when you have 80 points you will be awarded your County Colours. Our main events for gaining points are the National Schools Sailing Association (NSSA) events, which cover team racing, fleet regatta and 12 hour race.

Team Racing is all about short fun races where you really use the rules to your advantage and to the detriment of the other team. Very competitive and a great team spirit. Derbyshire have a great track record in these events and as well as developing your skills for your fleet racing it is also fantastic preparation for University sailing, which is all about team racing. Our three Derbyshire Teams (12 sailors) had a fantastic weekend at Banbury in March, where we finished 4th overall. Congratulations to them all! As a result of this weekend, Lily was awarded her County Colours (certificate and badge). Well done. Watch out for more team events and training later in the year. This year's single handed team racing will again be held in Derbyshire at Burton Sailing Club.



Patrick Hill sailing his Nacra 15 at the Youth Nationals in Weymouth.

Send in your best sailing photos for inclusion in our next Newsletter