

Iniscealtra Sailing Club. Newsletter.



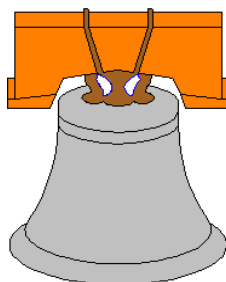
Autumn 2003.

Message from the Commodore.

As the dark evenings are quickly coming in and the kids are back in school, it spells the end of the sailing season for many. However our club racing is just beginning for September and October and I wish everyone the best of luck with the Autumn series of races. We look forward to seeing you all at our very special event the Annual Gortmore Bell Race on Saturday 13th September.

John McNamara.

Gortmore Bell 2003.



Briefing at 10.30 am in the Club harbour.

Officer's of the Day: Fran & Deirdre McCarthy.

Entry requirements to be completed before 10.30am on the day

- 3rd party insurance.
- Completed and signed Entry and Declaration Form, available in club house.
- Fee of €20 per boat entry.
- Specify Sail No on Sheet. If there is no sail number, highlight some other distinguishing feature.

Class start times, course, and prize giving information etc will be given at the briefing.

Lift Out

The Club Lift out is scheduled for Saturday the 1st of November 2003, further details and application forms will be available on the day of the Gortmore Bell Race on Saturday September 13th..The Committee contact's are John McNamara and Pat Mortell.

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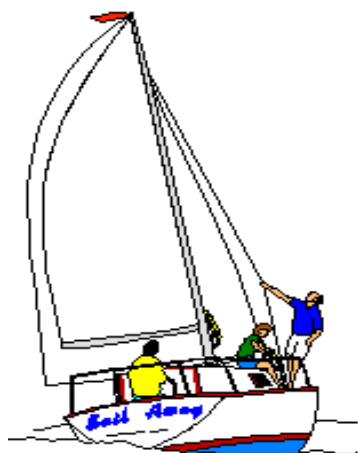
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Site Work

Work begins on upgrading the south pier of the club harbour on the weekend of 20th of September. All boats will have to vacate the harbour until work is completed, as machinery will be on-site. The work is estimated to take 2 weeks to complete and we ask for your corporation.

Hugh O'Neill.

Racing Update



The May series finished up with a very competitive edge, with Hydromania winning from Papillion and Chelgra 3rd. Crystal won the New May Novice series.....

Now that we have packed away the summer for another year, the Autumn Series is just underway with 9 boats out on the first Sunday and it was great to see some new boats joining the fleet....all are very welcome big or small!! Eclipse again showed that he means business taking first place...All results published and updated weekly on our website.

The two key racing challenges in Sept. for the Mountshannon fleet will be undoubtedly (a) retaining the Gortmore Bell trophy in the club - Chelgra being the current holder. (b) bringing home the Barge Wheel trophy (Garrykennedy SC's Trophy) on Sept 27th.

Best of luck racing...
Dan O'Donnell.

Autumn Racing Calendar.

A special deal for the Autumn Series is €40.00 , (Excluding the Gortmore Bell at €20); or €7.00 entry per race.

Race results are announced at 4.30pm after the race, in the club. All are welcome.

E.I.S. September Series

A series of 5 races for the September Series Trophy , one discard.

The Gortmore Bell takes place, as usual on the 2nd Saturday in the month, September 13th

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Briefing</u>	<u>Start</u>
Aug 31	Race 1	M/Shannon	12.00	12.30
Sept 7	Race 2	M/Shannon	12.00	12.30
Sept 13 (Saturday)	Race 3 Gortmore Bell	M/Shannon	10.30	11.15
Sept 21	Race 4	M/Shannon	12.00	12.30
Sept 27 (Saturday)	Race 5 (Gary Barge Wheel)	G/Kennedy	11-00	11.30

R. H. Condell October Series

A series of 4 races for the October Series Trophy, one discard.

The ISC perpetual cup is the final race in 2003.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Briefing</u>	<u>Start</u>
Oct 5	Race 1	M/Shannon	12.00	12.30
Oct 11 (Saturday)	Race 2 (Gary Visitors)	G/Kennedy	11:00	11:30
Oct 19	Race 3	M/Shannon	12:00	12:30
Oct 26	Race 4 (ISC Perpetual Trophy)	M/Shannon	12:00	12:30

Summertime Cruises.



Some of the many impressive cocktails on display at the Commodores BBQ on July 26th.



Busy night at the Club.

We had a much better summer this year than many previous ones, and this was evident with a very busy club harbour all season with everyone enjoying the great facilities of our new showers and toilets.

The first summer club event was the cruise to Portumna on Saturday 31st May. We had ten boats participate, this was to be a great weekend with the weather staying good to allow us enjoy a BBQ on the pier of Portumna on the Saturday night followed by a night of great entertainment in the local pubs. With many sore heads boats headed back to Mountshannon enjoying a light breeze and sunshine.

An impromptu BBQ also took place with great "craic" on Saturday 21st June. There were many boats in the harbour, the BBQ was lit and a bonfire followed later.

The Commodores BBQ on July 26th was a huge success with the 29 boats counted in the club harbour, it was full to capacity and a buzz of excitement was felt throughout the day. The weather held good, and we had lots of visitors and children, which was great to see. Tom Bolger set up videos of Shierk and Toy Story on the Club house wall, which kept the kids entertained for hours.

The dessert table really looked spectacular with an array of Desserts supplied by boat owners for our "Bring and Share". The cocktail competition was great, with an impressive display by our competitors, it made difficult work for our Judges and Tasters, Mary Sadlier, Pat Mortell and Pat Keville. Prizes were awarded for Presentation, Taste and Name for both the young and old. Get your thinking caps on for next years competition.

The talent really came out after dark at the bonfire with a selection of great music and singing which went on into the early hours. I would like to thank everyone for their help and participation on the night. It makes putting on Club events really worthwhile.

John McNamara.

A Warm Welcome to our new members.....we wish you many happy years sailing with the Club.

Elizabeth Mortell and family. Brendan O'Connor and family. Adrienne McCarthy and Brendan Wallace. Nic Hofmeyr and family. Philip and Lisa Despard and family.

Members of ISC let's brush up on our etiquette.

Pat Mortell

Mission Statement

That we the members of ISC commit ourselves to maintaining high standards in the use of our club facilities at all times and that we value what it is our good fortune to own. That we are involved in the running of the club and that without involvement there can be no commitment.

Club House.

The Club House shall be left clean and tidy after using any of the facilities. We shall leave the place as we would like to find it. Take special care of our keys.



Photo by Brendan Gleeson

Club Grounds.

Boats shall be hard standing as per arrangement and payment November/March period.

Trailers, Cradles, Chocks etc. shall be removed April/October period. Under no circumstances shall the club grounds be allowed to be turned into a **trailer quarry**. Members cars shall be parked space efficiently. Cars should not really be parked beyond the shoreline as it takes from the appearance of the lake view and has been a source of annoyance to local residents.

The slipway shall at all times have adequate access and egress for tenders and rescue boats.

Members of the public are given to entering and strolling in the Club Grounds. These people should be told by a member, present at the time, that they are on private property and they are not covered by insurance and are therefore trespassing.

Club Harbour.

The way that we use or abuse the club harbor, which is arguably the most important asset that we have, is almost entirely a matter of common sense. Leaving boats tied up for long periods invites others to do the same and leads to a clogged up harbor that nobody can use. Membership fee does not include a free berth in the harbour. The Harbor Master is also just a member and should not be put in the unenviable position of requiring a fellow member to conform to rules of etiquette. Boats overstaying reasonable period run the risk of being moved to the public harbour following two verbal warnings.

Moorings.

Boats on moorings should be carefully secured. The swing should be noted and checked so as not to cause damage to a neighbouring boat. Check to see that you have the mooring officer's name and phone number in the event of any mishap.

Green Shed.

This can be very useful for managed storage or just a dump. What is your preference?

Safety.

Each club member shall be familiar with safety practices applicable and appropriate to sailing and boating and shall insist that prescribed standards shall at all times be observed. Shall show by personal example; Shall know the club safety officer and his/her contact; Shall be familiar with safety procedures. It shall be the responsibility of each member to be familiar with safety practices applicable and appropriate to sailing and boating and to insist that prescribed standards shall be observed at all times.