

# BERWICK-AMATEUR ROWING CLUB NEWSLETTER



BARC appreciate the time taken to read our newsletter and hope you enjoy!

Over recent years we have been growing and achieving at competitions throughout the country. Currently the club has various members ranging from junior, novice elite and masters, whom enjoy rowing and sculling.

This is a very important year to us all at BARC as it marks our 150<sup>th</sup> year. Various events are to take place however we are very proud to highlight the year rowing on the famous Henley waters after being invited by Sir Steve Redgrave.

This newsletter details all the events taking place this year, all are very welcome. Please respond should you like to attend any, so we can ensure we cater for you. If possible, please email us your most recent email/address so we have correct information for all older and past members.

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# Club/Race Updates

Currently the club is a very positive place to be, we have been very busy from balcony renovations to purchasing some new equipment.

Thanks to receiving some legacy money from Graeme Henry we have been able to purchase two new boats, one coxless quad & four alongside a new double, these new boats are being used to compete at some of the main regattas in our region. This fantastic equipment has certainly helped us become strong competition for the huge clubs we race against!

BARC will be forever grateful for this donation and we are committed to following the wishes of Graeme when using the legacy fund.

Club Officials- President- Ewan Brewis; Captain- Amy Faragher; Vice Captain- Chris Eke; Treasurer- Hilary Cairns; Secretary- Julie Riley

Race Update-

Impressive start to the year, here are some of our successes-

- Chris E & Andrew C 2- win Durham 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb
- CE & Ian Black 2x win Tyne Head 16<sup>th</sup> Feb
- CE, IB Robin Morrison & Andrew Dickson 4x win Tyne Head
- AC band 2 8 win Tyne head
- Hilary C and Lee F win in composite band 2 8+ Tyne head
- CE & IB 2x win Strathclyde 27<sup>th</sup> April
- LF- 8+ win in composite 8+ Strathclyde 28<sup>th</sup> April

Explore racing takes place on the first Sunday of each month, crew members are Julie Riley, Scott Capes, Susan Rutherford, Kevin Butler & Mike Warnock. So far the crew are doing very well winning 3/4 races at the latest event at Durham. Last season we won the Sunday league for the year so we are defending our title!

# Event timetable-



- Sat 11<sup>th</sup> May- Gin tasting day, 6.30pm start. Including 5 gins to taste with a glass of fizz on arrival! All local gin £20 per ticket.
- Sat 29<sup>th</sup> June- Ale Day, 6.30pm start, 4 ales to taste locally sourced also. £15 per ticket
- Fri 5<sup>th</sup> July- Row past Henley crew members Ian Black, Hilary Cairns, Lee Fenton and Will Dalgleish
- Sat 20<sup>th</sup> July- Dinner dance, 7pm start venue is the rugby club including sit down meal and live band, £35 per ticket or 10 seat table for £300.
- Aug 17<sup>th</sup>- Annual Trades 4 events, £60 per crew.
- Sep 7<sup>th</sup> Sep- Race night, 7pm start, free entry.
- Sep 14<sup>th</sup>- Paddlers, Peddlers & Plodders 1pm start at the chain bridge, refreshments after at the rowing club.
- Sep 20<sup>th</sup> Wine and cheese 7pm start, free entry.
- Sep 28<sup>th</sup>-Old style race day/regatta, we will be inviting other clubs to attend and race for the day, all welcome to support racing club members and enjoy refreshments.
- Oct 5<sup>th</sup>- Bingo evening, starts 7pm free entry.
- Oct 26<sup>th</sup>- Long distance sculls, feel free to attend and watch the crews racing for the day.
- Nov-16<sup>th</sup> Quiz evening 7pm start free entry.

Venue for the above events will be the rowing club unless stated otherwise, we would very much like to welcome all old, new, alongside current club members to our events and hope to make this a very special year.