



PRYC Newsletter March 2025

2025 membership

We retained most of our members going into this year, just losing a few for various reasons. We have already approved a few new members this year, so hopefully we will soon surpass our peak last year.

Winter series

We've had some great racing during the winter series, everything from named storms to shifty light breezes to test us. As we move into the spring series, we can now remove some of the layers and should be able to start to top up our vitamin D levels whilst racing.

Spring series

Yes, Spring is here! Please note we have added a Classic IOM Spring (and Summer) series to the calendar this year, which is Tuesday afternoons.

DF racing moves to its usual weekday evening slots, starting at 6pm for the first couple of weeks.

Open events

We had an excellent turnout for the IOM open in January. Please see our website for the full report. Once we know the lake drain has happened, we will see if we can reschedule the end of March event we had to cancel.

We already have the A PRACC scheduled for the 8th/9th November.

I'm also pleased to announce that we have decided to add open meetings for the DF classes to the calendar for this year. The DF65 open will be on the 6th of December and the DF95 on the 7th.

We deliberately put them back-to-back, so any helms travelling from other clubs have the option to make a weekend of it, if they wish. I will publish NOR's nearer the time. Note – as this is just a club open you don't have to be a member of the MYA to take part.

75 years of PRYC

The club regatta is set for 26th of July. Keep an eye on our website and emails, as we will start to

publish more details re this event over the coming months

Longham

We seem to be hampered with issues trying to use Longham. Extreme weather and now the safety boats being vandalised. Hopefully, we are getting past all of this, and we can start to enjoy this fabulous venue more.

Lake maintenance

As already conveyed in my recent emails the lake drain is now scheduled to happen at the end of April. I will confirm exact dates nearer the time.

Weed

The weed has been much less of an issue over the winter, but it does reappear depending on wind direction. We will have to keep an eye on it and if it starts to become a major issue this summer, and impacts the quality of the racing, we might have to switch racing to Longham, assuming that Longham doesn't have a weed issue too!

MYA Southwest District Rep

After a period of us not having an MYA rep for the Southwest, Dave Morris of Dartmoor MYC has stepped forward to fill the roll.

I have spoken to Dave, and he is very keen to reignite racing in our region, as there is a severe lack of events in the SW this year.

PRYC on Facebook

It turns out the club has had a Facebook page since 2016, but nothing has been posted since Covid. We have restarted posting again, as we want to try and reach a wider audience than we currently do. We're getting a lot of views and positive feedback and have already had one new member apply who saw our Facebook page, so it appears to be having the desired effect!

Happy sailing Everyone

Paul Robson (Club and Sailing Secretary)