

# Newsletter

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**Hickling  
Windsurfing Club**



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## **AGM 28 November** (7:30 for 8.00pm)

This is your opportunity to hear a summary of the past year at the club and also what's in store for 2012. There is a lot of hard work going on behind the scenes, and if you would like to join the committee then please let the chairman know prior to the meeting. It's also a chance to meet socially over a drink.

A fresh venue this year at the Feathers Pub, Town Lane, Wymondham, NR18 0PN

Directions: Go through the town past the market cross and follow the road for about ½ mile. The pub and car park is on the left. A map is included with the agenda.

## **Tom and Bryony - update**

We haven't heard from Tom Bennett-Lloyd for a while. As you can see he's been working and playing hard in the Canaries. Both Tom and his sister Bryony are leading the national rankings in their fields. Well done guys.



Tom "I had a great summer over in Tenerife working at the OTC and sleeping on their office floor on my board bags (not during opening hours!) which was definitely an experience... I learnt so much and I'd definitely recommend the OTC in Tenerife as a year round holiday destination for anyone who can waterstart! All this practice really helped me at the Tiree Wave Classic, where I won the Youth category! With only one more event to go hopefully I can claim the top spot in the overall standings and take the youth title!

Meanwhile, sister Bryony is proving a force to be reckoned with on the water, sailing 420s where last year she was in the National Youth Transitional Squad and, along with co-pilot Annabel Cattermole from Herts, they are ranked 1st UK under 17 girls! "

## **Fun day report**

Warm, sunny, moderate winds, and a great turnout – perfect. It's strange how similar the fun day weather has been over the last 6 years. There has also been a steady rise in the attendees each year, which is a good indicator about the rising popularity of the event.

And they're off...



Stronger winds before lunch saw the short boards dominating in the first two races. After lunch things slowed down due to both the lighter winds, and an overload of sausages in some cases.

Overall the short boards (Martin and Gareth) came in first followed by Dave on his trusty race board. Wendy, Marie and Lisa took the top ladies slots.

No parrot this year, just a rabbit – don't ask.

Check out the website and galleries for more details and pictures.

*Martin pipping Gareth to the post*





*Lisa enjoying the sail, and taking 3<sup>rd</sup> place*



Thanks also go to Neil and crew of Quayside windsurfers who supported the event having returned from the Canaries and Holland to be with us. They turned up in style with their very big van and loads of kit for members to try.

*Dave on his long race board*



*Carnage at the buoy*



*18 windsurfers in one picture – a first for Hickling?*



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Fun day pictures courtesy of Keith Winter



## Free showers for 2012

Despite increasing the number of tokens in circulation it's still been difficult to get tokens to all members who want them and so we are making the showers 'token free'. The showers will be free from Spring 2012, so you therefore have a few months to use up your cache of tokens.



## Winter Exclusion Zones

The usual exclusion zones come into force **1/11/2011** to **28/2/2012**. These are the areas shaded on the map below and will be marked with buoys. The areas are set aside for winter bird refuges, so please keep away from these areas.

