

NEWSLETTER

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Hickling Windsurfing Club
www.hicklingbroad.co.uk

Picture this - cloudless blue skies, thirty degree's C, force 4/5 southerly wind, warm water, empty beach, no wetsuit just baggies and a harness. Where am I? On such a perfect afternoon (Sat.10th July) no venue in the world could be better than sailing my own kit on my home ground, Hickling.

In response to the results of the questionnaires sent out in 2009 the club has addressed three main areas where improvements could be made.

1. WEBSITE

Thanks to club member James Tremlett who has developed the **new** website, we now have a more user friendly, easy access site with all the latest news, views and forums. Same add. check it out!

2. CLUB LOAN EQUIPMENT

Great news, after weeks of waiting the club has finally secured a grant from Sport England which will enable us to purchase new equipment. The club intends to buy boards and rigs of various sizes to suit beginner/early intermediate levels. We also intend to replace the recovery boat.



Sport England is proud to award

£8,511

to

Hickling Windsurfing Club

as part of our

Small Grants Programme

Richard Lewis
Chairman
Sport England

Jennie Price
Chief Executive
Sport England

Awarding funds from
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3. INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

Six committee members volunteered to attend a course in windsurfing instruction during the summer. As a result we now have six fully trained RYA Start Level Windsurfing instructors. With the help of 'Active Norfolk' full costs were met by the European Social Fund.

BUDDY SYSTEM

This now means that a 'buddy system' has been set up whereby any member can contact one of the instructors below and go sailing with them on a one to one basis. If you are new to the sport or relatively inexperienced then please take up this unique opportunity and get in touch today. Please visit the web site for more information.



The new instructors are l to r:

Tony West, Darren Knights, John Christie, Martin Harwood, Richard Houghton, Philip Peaston seen here with RYA instructor Philip Winfield.

COME AND TRY DAY

I cannot recall the C & T day ever being cancelled before but the conditions were totally unsuitable for coaching beginners. The amount of forward planning and availability of club members during the summer holidays deemed it impossible to rearrange for a later date. If, like me, you are sorry you missed the social side of the event then why not come along to the Fun Day it's open to all especially family and new members.

W4CR

Those members that took part in the national event of Windsurfing for Cancer Research will be pleased to know the total now stands at just over **£55000**. Club totals are yet to be calculated as the treasurer is on a windsurfing holiday!

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