

#### **NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2017**

### <u>Portobello regatta - this Saturday</u>

We have an 18-strong team signed up for the Portobello regatta on Saturday (10th June). There are lots of races, including a relay (two-crew changeover) and a mix-up race where our four nominated rowers could end up in any boat. *Everyone will get at least two rows*. David will try to circulate a list of races, crews and coxes ahead of the day.

Can people please *be there for 945am* (on the sand near The Beach House) ahead of the coxes' briefing at 10am and the first race at 1020am. There is a morning medal ceremony at 12pm and racing starts again at 1pm with the last race around 330pm and the final medal ceremony at 4pm. People will gather again in the Dalriada later for sea shanties and drinks from 8pm.



Everyone who is rowing on the day needs to pay £5, which will be a flat

fee for every regatta to pay petrol money to the people towing the boat. The club has also bought a tent for regattas. If people are not rowing, please come along to support the team if you can. It will give you a good idea of how a regatta works and it really is fun to watch. This picture shows us ready to turn around a buoy at Portobello.

Ahead of Porty, we are meeting at the boats at 8pm on Friday night to give them a clean, followed by drinks at the yacht club. Gaynor is on bar duty.

# Merchandise - online shop

We are very close to setting up an online shop to allow members to purchase club merchandise. As well as T-shirts, hoodies and caps, you'll be able to buy zip-up tops, bags, etc - and add your initials if you like. We'll let you know as soon as it is ready.

### <u>Club survey – please do it!</u>

If you haven't filled in the club survey, **please can you do so by Monday 12**<sup>th</sup> **June**. Around half of the members have filled it in, but we would like everyone's opinion on how you would like to take the club forward. Click the link <u>here</u>



## If you can't make it...

If you need to pull out of a row at the last minute, please call or text a committee member - use David's mobile 07802 206695 as a default. Please don't make a really late change on Big Tent. And remember we have two boats, so if 5/6 people are signed up, don't be put off as we can often get extra people at short notice to fill two boats up.

**New website:** Committee member Kate Allan is in the process of creating a new club website. We were thinking of having a slogan and suggestions are: **The honest rowers** or **Hey ho - let's row** or something completely different – suggestions to <a href="mailto:eskmuthe@gmail.com">eskmuthe@gmail.com</a>

**Help Scouts learn to row:** We cancelled a taster session for The Scouts due to bad weather, but it is rearranged it for Tuesday June 13<sup>th</sup>, 7-9pm. We hope to use both boats and need a few club members to help out. Please sign up on Big Tent (Discussions).

**Sunday August 6th - club fun day:** We will not hold a formal club regatta this year, as there is lots going on. Instead, all club members are invited to a fun day on the beach, with races between the two boats, beach games and a barbecue. More details to follow.

**Sharon's skydive:** Club member Sharon McFeely is doing a charity skydive for Scottish Motor Neurone Disease on Saturday 24th June. If you would like to support Sharon, go to Justgiving.com/sharon-mcfeely2

<u>Dunbar fun row, June 24th:</u> This is an enjoyable social row. There will be one race followed by a row around the local area and a picnic on a beach nearby. We can swap crews to give everyone a row. Sign up here