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Now on a fast reach into summer there's a tangible sense of a revitalised club up at Scammonden Water. No more so than on a Wednesday evening with the buzz of excitement before the race at 7:30 pm. It's a single race, so it's all or nothing and a great way to break up the working week. We get between 6 and 10 Lasers out in the resurgent Laser fleet with 4 new boats joining from the ashes of the D-Zero fleet along with a very welcome return of Laser sailors form the past. Of course, all classes of single and double handed boats compete on the RYA handicap system so great sport for all. So, no excuses, dust off your old cover and get that Laser out on the water again - you'll love it.

Note: Any Laser sailors not already on the Laser Fleet WhatsApp group please message Jamie Holdaway to get you included and keep you updated with all things Laser. Other classes need not apply!

Committed Open Meeting traveller, Ian Lees, kindly took along Jamie Holdaway and myself to the Laser Open at Dunford Bridge's Pennine Sailing Club at the weekend. Twenty-two boats out on the water with good results for SWSC from Ian and Jamie, me less so, but having had a great day all the same, we need to do more of this. It all bodes well for our own Laser Open on 1st September.

Watch out for dates of the planned mass sail at Pennine SC this summer to mark their 60th year. The event is free to all boats with the club hoping to get 60 boats out on the water, which should be some spectacle. You will be made welcome and it would be great for us to support another local club.

Other outside events around the corner are the Filey Regatta on 28/29th June and Lord Birkett on 6/7th July with Scammonden members involved in both - and it is still not too late for you to join in the fun as well - so get yourself entered!

Still on the subject of Opens, SWSC was holding their own Supernova Open while we were away at Dunford Bridge. Seems like the winds were a fair bit lighter than up at Pennine that day but those Supernovas can still move forward on a sniff of wind. Congratulations to master Supernova sailor Stephen Yates recording a brilliant Silver. A good day enjoyed by all.

Watch out for Ben, Katie, Ian and Nick when they take on all comers on 9th June at SWSC's RS Aero Open. We are expecting quite a few top class visitors in this dynamic new fleet so should be good to see.

The club's Push The Boat Out day got 67 visitors out for a sail - quite a feat - and well done to all helping both before and on the day. The visitors can now take advantage of an excellent deal to join the club and training academy on a Saturday afternoon for a much discounted

price. Ben and his trusty Instructor crew will soon get any new members with a bit of enthusiasm up and out on the water.

Looking to the summer, there's an exciting proposal to hold a mid-summer party, probably Saturday 22nd June, to mark the grand opening of our newly refurbished clubhouse and bar. This will be a great opportunity to enjoy the beautiful outdoors, have a sail, have a paddle board, have a dip or even a walk. BBQ and beers in the bar. Camping is available, so why not go the whole hog and make a night of it. The committee will be in touch shortly with finalised details.

This new look Telltales will be guest written by members of your committee to keep you informed of events at SWSC.

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