



SHROUD & CLEAR

TONBRIDGE TOWN SAILING CLUB

APRIL 2026

SAILING INTO SPRING

The clocks have sprung forward, and when travelling to the club, one can see young lambs leaping and colourful flowers blossoming. Spring is upon us. The colder sailing season draws to a close and those who favour the warmer, more fair weather sailing conditions, are starting to take to the water once more. Happy sailing, all!



MEMBERSHIP

As we look forward to longer days, warmer weather and the joys of pleasant days on the water, don't forget to spread the word about membership options, with friends and neighbours.

<https://www.tonbridgesailing.org/membership>

WEDNESDAY CLUB

Wednesday club continue to use their practical skills to help keep our club functioning. Haybales are now in situ in the hope that they keep unwanted algae at bay. A shining example of teamwork at TTSC.



IT'S ALL HAPPENING! SUNDAY 26TH APRIL

FROM
12.20PM



CLUB BBQ

We'll provide the heat.
You provide the meat.
Bring your own food and drink

FROM
1.30PM



JUNIOR CLUB

FROM
2PM



CLASS OF 2025 REFRESHER

Catch up with friends
from your course last year

FROM
2.30PM



CLASS OF 2026 WELCOME

**BASICALLY, IT SHOULD BE A GOOD AFTERNOON TO
BE DOWN THE CLUB/OUT ON THE WATER!
SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE**

DUTIES

Thank you to everyone who has helped get TTSC's 2026 season off to a good start by doing their duties so well.

In order to keep our club running smoothly, duties need to be filled. If you haven't signed up for all your duties yet (or are able to offer to do an additional slot) don't forget to sign up via Dutyman. Access to Dutyman can be found on the members' area of the TTSC website.



QUOTE CORNER

"There is nothing — absolutely nothing — half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats."

Kenneth Grahame

Ratty from Wind in Willows, may just be right?!



EASY FUNDRAISING

Thank you to those who have signed up.

If you haven't done so yet, it's not too late.

Please do give it a try. It will cost you nothing and will help us to raise funds for safety equipment and to keep the club running for everyone. This will enable us to raise funds in the form of cashback when you shop through the app. It does not cost anything to use and features a lot of high street brands.

[Please sign up to Easyfundraising >>>>>](#)

BUDDY SAILING CONTINUES

For those who are not always free to sail during regular Club opening times, buddy sailing is permitted, so long as the club's rules and guidelines are adhered to. These can be found on the Members' Area of the website.

SOCIAL

SAVE THE DATE
CHICHESTER 2026
From Saturday 25th July

We hope you've seen the dates for the club's Chichester camping rally at beautiful Cobnor in Chichester Harbour on the calendar. If not, pop the dates in the diary. Come for an overnight, a weekend or the whole week. There's even the option to stay for two weeks if you're keen! Either way, it will be great if you could join.

For those of you who haven't experienced the joys of Chichester Week before, please find a few snippets of what previous years have entailed below.

Ice-cream

Shopping

Photography

Beach



SUP



Cricket

BBQ Night

Sailing



Bird-watching



Walking

Kayaking

Theatre

Chilling



Pub



Camping

Cycling

Tidal Trophy Race

CHICHESTER THEATRE

If you like a good night of musical theatre then you might like to join us at Chichester Festival Theatre, on the Tuesday evening of TTSC's Chichester camping holiday. There's usually the opportunity to meet from 7pm for a pre-show drink, if you wish too.

Tuesday 28th July
7.30pm

Soooo many good tunes to have in your head when returning to the camping field!

With a Little Bit of Luck
Wouldn't it be Lovely
The Rain in Spain
I Could Have Danced All Night
Just You Wait
On the Street Where You Live

chichester
festival
theatre

My Fair Lady

Tuesday 28th July 2026

7.30pm Performance
7pm drinks/catch up in bar

Book your own tickets
Join us there

www.cft.org.uk

TRAINING

The opportunity to participate in a “Start Racing” course is coming up.

The course is open to adults and juniors.

If you're are interested, check your diaries for the 25th April and 2nd May and see the flier below. The application form can be found by scanning the QR code below.

RYA Stage 3 and Start Racing

For junior sailors with RYA Stage 2 these courses will develop independent sailing and racing skills

Stage 3 will train you to launch and sail a triangular course confidently in moderate winds and covers:-

- Rigging and boat speed
- Upwind and downwind sailing
- Gybing & capsized recovery

For those with Stage 3, **Start Racing** will go on to teach you everything you need to know in order to join in club racing:-

- Race signals and starting sequences
- Essential racing rules
- Basic tactics for winning

Dates

- Stage 3 - Saturday 28th March & Saturday 4th April
- Start Racing - Saturday 25th April & Saturday 2nd May

Times: 0930-1700

Cost: £100 per course or £200 for both

Location: Tonbridge Town SC.

Sign up: Please scan the QR code below



YOUTH RACE TRAINING

Our younger sailors have been busy undertaking their Junior Stage 3 training and assessment at TTSC, visiting the Olympic sailing venue in Weymouth for the ILCA National Open, joining KSSA in Dover and competing in the RYA Youth Nationals at Hayling. Congratulations to all our young sailors for their achievements both on 'home' waters and further afield.

After competing in the RYA Youth Nationals, Jonathan and his crew Lena, can now legitimately claim to being the top U15 420 crew in the country! They have been selected to represent the GBR 420 class at the World Championships in Biscarosse, France this summer. Go Jonathan!



MODEL YACHTING

Haysden continues to be proving the perfect location for some model yachting fun.



EVERY LITTLE REALLY DOES HELP GET CHATTING!

**Know anyone who might be interested in sailing?
We know the joys, but do they?**

One of the best ways to boost membership is by word of mouth.

Next time you get the chance, why not mention sailing.

Where can you drop it into conversation? Waiting at the school gate, on the side of the football pitch, on the bus/train, in the staffroom, at the pub, at the park, walking the dog, in the supermarket queue, catching up with friends for dinner....

Help spread the word.



BAD JOKE CORNER

(SORRY, NOT SORRY!)

What did the sailor say to the Ocean?
Nothing. He just waved!

What do bored sailors play?
Cards - they always have a deck!



Happy Sailing