

NEWS

Spring 2011



Whoopie! We are back on the water again!

It must come as a surprise to no-one that this past winter has been particularly long and cold – conditions which have been particularly frustrating and miserable for the Junior section. With the harbours and waters frozen (yes - for those of you in more southerly homes – frozen!) it has been clearly impossible to launch anything out of our harbours.

Whilst we have been focusing the juniors on gym and theory work and as many trips to the swimming pool as possible in the end we are here to sail and we have had occasions where it was

simply preferable to let everyone spend more time with their families!

The frozen waters have led us to re-arrange some events and our winter regatta will now be an Easter one, but I am sure that someone will think of suitable prizes - chocolate Easter egg anyone? ;-)

Ann-Marie Mohr is spreading her excellent skills over a slightly (!) bigger empire and as well as the Junior section will now be in charge of the Royal Sailing Academy - an excellent move for all concerned.

ROYAL DANISH YACHT CLUB

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Plus ca change....

Well, as we enter the new sailing year there is always a reflection on the year past and anticipation of the year to come.

After a very hectic and exciting year I have to announce the departure of our Managing Director Morten Lorenzen. Morten originally joined us for a period of 4 years and often stated his desire that his tenure should not last for very much longer than that. So, while his departure was not planned it was not so much of a surprise either. The club is now a very different one from the one he joined!

The Royal Danish Yacht club is closely involved with the discussions within the Danish Sailing Union regarding the future of the sport of sailing. Our positive and successful experiences with our elite and 'friendly' sailing programs for our juniors is proving to be valuable input. Stated in short 'if you have no junior sailors, you have no future'. It appears that in the Royal Danish Yacht Club we have a bright future!

Apart from the events and activities mentioned here in the NEWS we are continuing to put a lot of work in our 'OL Performance Centre' in Rungsted. We have also recently reached agreement with our 2 closest neighbours in Skovshoved and Hellerup to co-operate on a development plan for providing junior sailors there with a performance program.

The ice in the harbours has finally melted and I am looking forward to doing what I like best – messing about on the water!

I wish you all the best for the coming season.

Kim Andersen

Commodore, The Royal Danish Yacht Club



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Some clubs are focused on one particular class or size of boat and others are focused around a particular group of friends and the sailing activity develops as they do (!) One of the greatest challenges, which the Royal Danish Yacht Club gives itself, is that we look on sailing as a 'Cradle to the Grave' sport and we deliberately give space to events of relevance to the different ages and interests in the club. To highlight this we have provided a short (!) summary of the major events that we will be running during the course of this year. More details can be found on the www.KDY.DK website.

Evening formal and informal matches, CB66 (in conjunction with Kiel, Marstrand and Stockholm), Henri Lloyd Cup (Aphrodite 101, Dragon, Knarr, Soling and Ylva), IKC for Knarr (a tradition rich event!), BDO Optimist Cup, J/80 World Championships, Snipe World Championships, Ba-

Fun time learning!

Educationalists and sports coaches are rapidly heading toward the same philosophical and practical space. Complete and successful sportsmen have developed their minds as well as their physical abilities and that the learning process needs to be as accessible and pleasurable as possible.

Completely the opposite of traditional techniques? Well not completely – but almost!

In Skovshoved the Royal Danish Yacht Club has established the 'Skovserholdet' ('the Skovshoved Team'). It was formed as a reaction to old fashioned training for juniors. Parents and juniors alike expressed the view that they loved the water and sailing but felt that 9 years old was too young to be training to win regatta's.

As with developments within the Danish Sailing Union, the Club took the view that modern educational techniques used with in schools in Denmark probably had a place in learning to sail.



The Skovserholdet are a relaxed group who sail in a variety of boats with a variety of crewmen and with dinner cooked by the parents after the boats have been packed away. Excellent tuition is on hand with 2 primary goals: (1) to maximize the enjoyment of being on the water and (2) to respond to the sailors with first class tuition. Why? Well individuals learn through a process of discovery and experimentation and this is particularly powerful if the feedback is positive. It is also an arrangement that encourages people to participate in a sport, not because they want to win an Olympic Gold but because they enjoy it! Which has to be the healthy way to grow and strengthen the sport of sailing...



resso 12 Meter Cup (classic 12m racing – stunning!), Pirat Pokalen (too difficult to explain, but they seem to know what they are doing and definitely enjoy it!), Brede Vin Cup (handicap racing, large numbers of entrants and lots of wine to be consumed!), Thiele Cup (again very popular particularly with the bigger boat classes, 40 – 50 boats on the course) and finally the Royal Danish Yacht Club Autumn regatta which has now been renamed 'Race Rig-Tig' – an excellent end to the season in October.

You may note that I have not included any match racing, well there is rather a lot of it! The Royal Match Racing Centre's calendar is full with every grade of event from beginner to elite - in men, women's and open classes. The Junior and Youth sections' calendars are also full and we could not forget to mention the cruising section... in fact perhaps you should join them on one of their notorious adventures!

Sailing Events Calendar for 2010 (selected events)

April

10th	Rungsted	Easter Cup – Optimists
19th	Rungsted	Evening Racing starts
16th-17th	Skovshoved	Grade 4 Match Race and Training for Officials
26th	Skovshoved	Season start for the Youth department
30th – 1st	Rungsted	CB66 event

May

1th	Rungsted	Raising of the Club Burgee
6th-7th	Skovshoved	May Match Racing Challenge (grade 3)
14th – 15th	Rungsted	Henri Lloyd Cup
27th – 29th	Various locations	Cruising spring tour
28th – 29th	Skovshoved	IKC Knarr regatta

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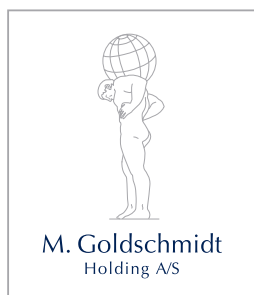


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