

A Winning Antifouling

Championship will be held at the club this season. The Mirror dinghy class was 50 years old in 2013 and although it is thriving in some areas in the UK, it is less so in Scotland. The Scottish Championship will be held as part of the HSC Youth Regatta on 14/15 June.

Teams of three boats will be competing for several Scottish trophies including Single-hander, Masters, Youth, Junior Team and Best Junior from the host club.

If you are interested in taking part or putting a team together, contact Mike Heath at Helensburgh Sailing Club. Mike is the Scottish representative for the Mirror Class Association.

- Helensburgh SC's winter series begins this month. The popular open event takes place over four weekends during February and March when most clubs close over the winter. There are eight races over four Sundays: 2 February, 16 February, 2 March and 16 March.

Sailing instructions and entry forms are available from the club website www.helensburghsailingclub.co.uk.

HSC is also hosting a series of RYA winter training academies again this year. The training weekends are organised by the RYA for Topper and Optimist dinghy classes.

The five weekends held from November through to April are well attended by people from across Scotland.

- Well done to Fiona Gilgore at New World Yacht Care chandlery and electronics based at Rhu Marina.

Fiona came third in the Helensburgh Winter Fest 'dress to impress' competition with her Twelve Days of Christmas theme.

During the festival fortnight the public were able to vote for the best dressed window.

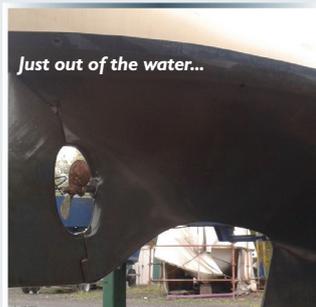
STEVE and Heidi Kitchen won a supply of Seajet Shogun antifouling in a YL competition at the start of last season. After application, a summer afloat and an end of season pressure wash, our readers had this to say:

'Our boat is a Sovereign 32 called Sardelle and this was her first season afloat for us after a total refit over four years!

She spent the season in Kip Marina and around the Clyde and west coast before coming out at Inchinnan Cruising Club for the winter.

'We were very pleased with the performance of the antifouling and other club members also commented, asking what we had used!

Prior to applying we simply gave the existing antifouling of unknown type a scrub down. The Shogun was easy to apply, and we would most certainly consider using this again. The black colour even grew on us after a while!





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