

South & South East Regions



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Welcome!

What a great season! I
have been to many clubs

during the summer and seen so many kids on the water having a great time, this is great for our sports! Could I thank all the volunteers that have put in the time and effort to make this happen. Recognise your volunteers and clubs my registering for Volunteer and Club of the Year. Details are on the RYA website.

News

Volunteers at Herne Bay Sailing Club were rewarded for their hard work by being filmed for a series on volunteering for Kent TV. This documentary went out in late September, it should be available as a pod cast shortly.

The RYA has been awarded £1.1 million for improving and increasing performance environments. If you teach children (whether at a Volvo Champion Club or OnBoard centre) or are working towards it, please get in touch to see how we can help with volunteer training.

Inspections of RYA training centres have been going very well. The standards continue to improve year on year, well done to you all. If you have still not had an inspection and your inspector has not contacted you, please drop me a line.

Some clubs have been running Power refreshers before they use powerboats to reduce the number of people not using killcords. This is a simple and effective way of increasing safety.

Need funding? There are so many different 'pots' out there that it is difficult to know where to look. Drop me a line if you need any help.

Who's out there?

Not sure who is out there that can help? Sport England's new 'Delivery System' is there to help you all.

Most of you won't have heard of CSP (County Sports Partnerships) or CSN (Community Sport Networks). They look after sport on a county and local level, can give you advice, support and help on generic club and coaching matters. I have contact details for most of them, please give me a shout if you need them.

Need more volunteers? Marketing, web design, accountant, sport specific? Contact your local volunteer centre or visit www.volunteering.org.uk

Keeping you in the picture

Check out the RYA South East regional website for up to date information on volunteer instructor courses in both regions: www.ryase.org.uk/site/news.php

On Facebook? Join the group for the RYA South and South East Regions www.facebook.com.

Conferences

All change for the conferences! This year we aim to change the shape of the Instructor conference and base the majority of it on the water. We will give you input, training, answer questions and let you try the latest kit. Don't miss your regional conference - limited places so sign up early!

South East Club conference

Sat 3rd Nov, Datchet

South Club Conference

Sun 4th Nov, RYA HQ

South East evening instructor Conference

Wed 20th Feb, 6pm, Chipstead Sailing Club

South and South East Instructor Conference

Sat 29th March, Hayling Island Sailing Club

Windsurf Conversion Courses

We are planning a conversion course in April at Aquasports (date to be confirmed). Please contact me if you are interested.

Resources for you and your club or centre

Volunteer Development Officer: Jackie Bennetts

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South East region website

<http://www.ryase.org.uk/site/news.php>

South and South East RYA staff supported posts

We are here to help, but who does what in the region?

Regional Development Officer: Andy Hooper

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Role: to develop regular participation in sailing and windsurfing, and to maintain and improve standards of safety, training and volunteer management at RYA affiliated clubs and recognised training centres in the South and South East.

Onboard Development Officers

Poole: Pip Woods

Tel: 0870 7770541

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Dover: Stuart Bishop

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Role: to develop a school to club (and centre) link programme to increase the number of young people sailing and windsurfing. These are part-time posts.

High Performance Managers

Chris Atherton (South and South West)

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Paul Wren (South East and Eastern)

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Role: primarily responsible for developing junior dinghy and windsurf racing in the regions.

Regional Volunteer Co-ordinator: John Pockett (Southern Region)

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Role: To develop a link between volunteers in the region and the national development officer also assisting the RDO in club development in key strategic areas.

Regional hire fleets

South East Oppies and Toppers

Julian Irons: *julian.iron@btinternet.com*

Boats also available from West Sussex Schools Sailing Association. Contact martin.tomlinson@westsussex.gov.uk

Southern region Oppies

Hermione Garner: *hermione@cye.co.uk*