



Friends of Langstone Harbour Newsletter

Spring 2011

Southern Water in Court

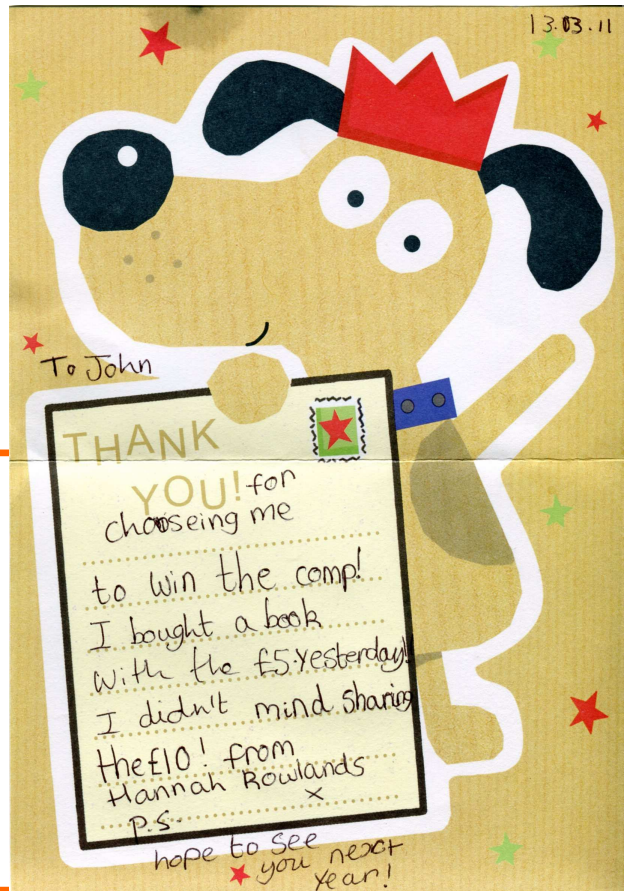
Southern Water are due to appear in court in Portsmouth on 14th April to face charges arising from their failure to maintain filters properly.

Part of the evidence will be a statement supported by pictures taken on a FLH work Party last year when we picked up inordinate amounts of sanitary rubbish on the beach at Budds Farm.

The notelet pictured on the right was received from one of the winners of the Junior quiz at the Portsmouth Water Sports Centre Winter Wildlife Day.

This year the FLH were on a stall of their own rather than serving refreshments. That was much more fun and it was good to see children and their parents finding answers to the quiz. In doing so they were learning something about the harbour and its wildlife

We hoped to recruit members. We gained two work volunteers but only one new member—better luck next time maybe.



Finance

Our income from members and other sources falls short of our anticipated expenditure this year and we need to correct that. We are not going to be broke just yet but there are some things we—you—can do to help.

- If you have not yet paid your 2010/2011 pay it soon please. Most of you have done so.
- Recruit a new member.
- Consider a donation above your membership subscription.
- Come along to our next meeting and make it profitable.

We spend money on stationary, postage, meetings and occasionally equipment for work parties. In the past we have made grants to Marine Institute students and the Harbour Board e.g. for interpretation notice boards around the harbour.

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Public Meeting

Monday 18th April at 7:30 p.m.

Tudor Sailing Club

Eastern Road Portsmouth

Lost Lands, Log Boats and other Liquid Losses

Jan Gillespie

Hampshire & Wight Trust for Maritime Archaeology.

A dive into maritime archaeological world of the forgotten Langstone Log boat, shipwrecks of the local area and lost settlements beneath the Solent

Over 4,000 shipwrecks appear on the Admiralty chart in the Solent area and many more are lost without trace, their vulnerable wooden hulls having disappeared through storms and time. In addition there are abandoned hulks, buried log boat and drowned landscapes littering the area. Identifying, recording, researching and disseminating the enormous resource is one which HWMTA and its volunteers are well acquainted with. The talk outlines some of the work of the HWMTA.

Suggested Donation: £2.

For further information call John on 023 9222 1361

Walks and Work

April Wednesday 27th See the orchids at Gunner point Hayling Island.

Join us at 7 p.m. for a two hour walk round Gunner Point to see the orchids and other wild flowers. Some of this walk will be on shingle. Meet at the old Gun emplacement layby on Ferry Road Hayling Island SZ 701 994 Suggested Donation £1.50

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May Wednesday 4th Explore Mengham Salterns for coastal flora

Join us for a 2 mile walk round the shore to Mengham Salterns looking for flowers and birds. The return will involve road walking. Meet at 7 p.m. the corner in St Herman's Road Hayling Island SZ 732 986 Suggested Donation £1.50

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May Wednesday 11th Walk on Milton Common for spring flowers and birds

Come for a 2½ mile walk around Milton Common where we should find interesting flowers and summer warblers. Meet at 7 p.m. in the car-park at the end of Locksway Road Portsmouth (By the Thatched House Pub) SZ677 998 Suggested Donation £1.50

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Work Parties

April 29 th	Date & task tbc if a leader is available.
May 28 th	Date & task tbc if a leader is available.
June 25 th	Beach Clean at Budds farm

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