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The 2008 programme has been attached to this newsletter. In structure it is very similar to last year. None of the major season points series have changed. There are 4 mini series and 4 crews' races, which will be included in the results of whichever points that they fall in.

5 box leagues are incorporated and again sailed over 2 weekends, the first starting on the 12th April. Of special note the Pub race is scheduled for the 29th June and the Dragon summer Party 26th July so please put them in your diary. An addition to the calendar (but no date has yet been

fixed) will be a team race against the Squibs, followed by a dinner in the evening. I am sure it will be taken seriously on the water but it is meant to be a fun get together between the classes.

Dragon Easter Trophy

It is now only just over 2 weeks away have you entered yet? Please help me and get your form in as soon as possible as it makes the organisation that much easier. It will only cost RCYC members £60 this year which is half the price of last year.

There will be a practice race followed by a 6 race series as usual. They will be run from the RCYC line, which means you can come ashore between races and enjoy hot food if the weather is inclement. On the social front there will be events each night. Please

note that on Saturday, there will be a Bistro meal upstairs while Zoot Goose will be playing in the lounge. On Sunday evening the Dragon Class Cocktail Party will be followed by the Class Dinner.

Dates.....dates.....dates

It is very early this year, but the club Fitting Out Supper is on the 8th March if you have not booked you need to quickly

and support the Dragon table. Then the following weekend is our first race. It's Sunday 16th for a bottle of Champagne

and the only chance to get your boat "shaken down" before the Easter weekend!

Dragon Team Racing

With no Hamburg event this year, our only trip will be to Moscow leaving on the 30th of May. In the last newsletter I asked for people interested in going to contact me.

So far I have only heard from 2 boats! I went on to the web last week and currently there are BMI flights available from £191 return, and if two years ago are any guide your only

other major cost will be the hotel! Hurry, hurry, as with visa etc. to arrange we will soon be running out of time!

dates for diaries

- 8th March Club Fitting Out Dinner
- 16th March Sailing Season Starts
- 21st March Dragon Easter Trophy
- 12th April First Box League
- 29th June Pub Race
- 26th July Dragon Summer Party