

Silvery Light Sailing News

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Square Rigger Newry Canal 1888



Dutch Barge Volharding Newry Canal 2020

Welcome

This is the first edition of an occasional newsletter to promote interest in Northern Ireland's Community and Sail Training Charity, Silvery Light Sailing. It is intended in the main as a means to publicise the sailing activities and opportunities of the charity. As a minimum it seeks to provide a communication network one with the other and in doing so, raise the profile, knowledge of and support for community sail training and promoting the opportunity of sailing on bigger vessels visiting local ports and coastal communities.

2020 REFIT WORK PARTY INVITATION

To prepare Volharding for the 2020 Sailing Season, You are cordially invited to demonstrate your expertise in painting, sanding, varnishing and general boat maintenance Refit Weekends are scheduled for: 29 Feb/1 March – 7/8 March – 14/15 March – 21/22 March

(Stay onboard overnight – meals and craic provided)

Pre Season Shakedown voyage 28/29 March - (Refit helpers given first preference as crew)

Bring your working clothes and lots of enthusiasm Volharding is berthed at the Quays, Newry RSVP to silverylight1884@gmail.com

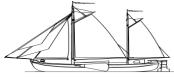
WE ARE AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ORGANISATION - YOU ARE GUARANTEED A GO AT EVERYTHING!

SUPPORT GROUPS

Silvery Light Sailing is seeking your help to publicise, fundraise and support community and Youth Sail Training. The charity would like to establish support groups throughout the country but especially in Belfast and Derry. Could you organise a group of like minded individuals willing to promote and perhaps organise a sailing activity for your area?

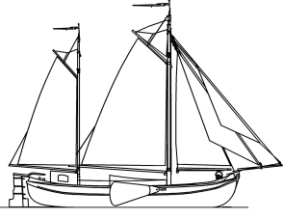
Volharding can come to you!

Silvery Light Sailing Registered NI Charity NIC 106339
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Shore Based Administrator (P/t 16 hrs per week)

We are recruiting an Administrator to manage the Silvery Light office with emphasis upon the efficient operation of the charity's administration, vessel shore side support and voyage bookings. The post is based in our Newry Office. Salary is negotiable based upon relevant experience. Closing date for applications is 25 February 2020. For further information and job specification Email: silverylight1884@gmail.com



YOUTH VOYAGE MENTOR TRAINING COURSE

Dublin based Sail Training Ireland are recruiting Volunteer Youth Voyage Mentors. The Mentor is a valuable member of the vessel crew and is the interface between the embarked trainees and vessel crew. Full training is given and those selected would be requested to complete a minimum of one voyage per year in the mentor role. This is an ideal opportunity for those with an interested in Youth work. The next training course will be held in Dublin from 17 – 19 April 2020

For further details E Mail: silverylight1884@gmail.com

Charity Director – Trustee Appointments

Silvery Light Sailing are seeking to increase and strengthen the charity's board of management through the appointment of an additional three Director- Trustee posts. Experience of Sailing, Marketing, Finance, Fundraising, PR, Youth or Community work an advantage but not an absolute requirement. To discuss what is involved as a trustee, contact the Chairman, Gerry Brennan Tel 07968992647

VOLUNTEER - HOW YOU CAN HELP...!

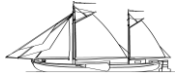
Fundraising - Help to keep us financially afloat...!

Social Media - Develop and manage our Website and Media Presence

Volunteer Crew - Help to Crew and maintain Volharding

Professional or DIY Skills - Annual refit and ongoing Maintenance If you cook, sew, paint, weld, have plumbing electrical or carpentry skills you can help

For the Afternoon Tea Voyages we urgently require Tea sets (Cups, Saucers, Side Plates) Tea Pots, Milk Jug, Sugar Bowl and Cake Stands. Keep us in mind when next you visit your local Charity Shop



NEW FOR 2020

Welcome Onboard

Enjoy a Leisurely Afternoon Tea Cruise or a Relaxing Evening Sail on the Picturesque Newry Canal onboard our comfortable 100 ft Dutch Barge, Volharding, sailing from the Albert Basin to Victoria Lock and return.

Enjoy a delicious Afternoon Tea served on deck or in our comfortable saloon with a selection of sandwiches, cakes, fruit scones, strawberry jam, cream tea and coffee

**Maximum 12 Guest Passengers - Tickets £20 per person
*OR ALTERNATIVELY***

Enjoy an Evening Cruise with Prosecco and Pizza

Sail the canal from the Quays to Victoria Lock and return

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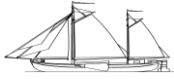
For sailing dates and tickets

www.silverylight.org or <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/silvery-light-sailing-28292167493>

Can you spare an hour or two - Could you organise and serve afternoon tea or act as an evening host on our Newry Canal Trips. Your help as a third crew member onboard Volharding for one or more of the canal trips would be much appreciated

Call 0044 (0) 7968992647 if you can help.

REFIT WEEKENDS



Over the month of March it is intended to refresh the paint and brightwork (varnish) on Volharding. There are many interior and exterior jobs to do plus the annual safety checks of safety equipment, fire extinguishers, Gas and Heating (hot water) systems. Most of the work will be done at the Quays, Newry but it will be necessary to move Volharding to Carlingford (20 – 23 March) to dry out in order to check the sea cocks etc,

We have an urgent need for Gloss paint (Black, White, Red) We can never have enough paint brushes and rollers, paint cans, scrapers, sandpaper, wipes (rags) and white spirit. If you know where it might be possible to get a good deal (or sponsorship) for paint etc from a supplier, please let us know. (Next time you are in Poundland or wherever you might purchase and donate a pack of paintbrushes to us)

Please come along and help. Overnight accommodation and evening meal provided.

2020 Sailing Programme

Attached is the intended Sailing Programme for 2020. Whether or not a specific voyage takes place is down to having sufficient uptake to make it financially viable. The programme is therefore subject to alteration. We require a considerable annual income to maintain the charity and keep Volharding Sailing. If you can help find sources of grant funding to support a voyage bursary, maybe convince a sponsor to come onboard or just 'out of the box thinking' on how to support sailing, it will be much appreciated.

Silvery Light Sailing is first and foremost a community based and run sailing organisation. Success depends on your voluntary support. Please if you can spread the word and get others, particularly young people involved. Can you get your local paper or radio station to do a piece on the only Community and Youth Sailing organisation in the country.

Thank you for your support and please do not hesitate to get in touch if there is something we can consider for the future or how we can make improvements



2020 Sailing Programme (Subject to Change)	
Date	Event
MARCH	
29 February - 27 March	Weekend Refits (Fri - Sun Live onboard)
27 - 29 March	Volunteer Shakedown Crew Voyage
APRIL	
4 - 13 April	Newry Canal Public Afternoon Tea/Evening Voyages
14 - 18 April	DFA Cross Border/Community Voyage 2
19 - 20 April	Carlingford - Belfast
21 April - 3 May	Belfast Lough Sailings
MAY	
4 - 6 May	Sail Training Voyage Belfast - Belfast
7 - 11 May	Howth Festival
13 - 18 May	Newry Canal Public Afternoon Tea/Evening Voyages
20 - 31 May	BallyCastle - Rathlin Festival Day Sailings
JUNE	
1 - 3 June	Ballycastle - Carlingford/Newry
4 - 6 June	Newry Canal Afternoon Tea/Evening Voyages
07-Jun	Positioning Newry to Drogheda
08 - 12 June	Sail Trg Ireland Drogheda Bursary (one)
15 - 19 June	Sail Trg Ireland Drogheda Bursary (Two)
21 - 24 June	Sailing Voyage Drogheda - Wexford
25 - 30 June	Wexford Maritime Festival
JULY	
01 - 04 July	Open Voyage Wexford - Newry
05 - 10 July	Newry Canal Afternoon Tea/Evening Voyages
11 - 12 July	Open Voyage Newry to Belfast
13 - 17 July	Sail Trg Ireland Belfast - Derry
20 - 24 July	Sail Trg Ireland Derry - Belfast
25 - 26 July	Open Voyage Belfast - Dublin
27 - 31 July	Sail Trg Ireland Voyage
AUGUST	
31 Jul - 03 August	Old Gaffers Vge Belfast - Peel IOM - Newry
04 - 09 August	Newry Canal Afternoon Tea /Evening Voyages
09 - 18 August	Maid of the Mournes Warrenpoint Voyages
19 - 20 August	Newcastle Airshow - Belfast
21 - 27 August	Belfast - Portpatrick - Bangor
28 - 31 August	Bank Holiday Bangor - Rathlin Island
SEPTEMBER	
1 - 6 Sept	Ballycastle - Iona - Ballycastle
7 - 9 Sept	Ballycastle - Newry
10 - 13 Sept	Iuir Cinn Fleadh Newry
14 - 20 Sept	Newry Canal Trips
21 - 24 Sept	To be confirmed
24 - 30 Sept	To Be confirmed
OCTOBER	
Voyage/ activities to be Confirmed	

