

# WEYMOUTH AND PORTLAND NATIONAL SAILING ACADEMY NEWSFEED



## WPNSA WISHES TO CONGRATULATE SKANDIA TEAM GBR FOR THEIR SUCCESS AT THE QINGDAO GAMES



## NEWS ROUND UP

### Weymouth locals on the WPNSA podium after final Skandia Sail for Gold Regatta Race

WPNSA hosted Skandia Sail for Gold, from 15-20 September. With over 300 international competitors, including Olympic medallist Paul Goodison, it proved to be a busy week at the Academy. Local Weymouth and Portland sailors competed including Skandia team GBR members Nick Dempsey and bronze medallist Bryony Shaw, Nick finished 2nd with Bryony in 3rd place, both in the RS:X windsurfing class.

The fleets included younger development level sailors giving the new generation a chance to compete against the experienced medallists. Entrants to the regatta came to the world class facility from 10 nations around the globe to compete in what was the first International Olympic classes competition since the 2008 Games.

### Scottish and Southern Energy submit application to install silent wind turbine at WPNSA

WPNSA will be continuing their environmental support with the help of their sponsor 'Scottish and Southern Energy' (SSE). The energy company who won in association with the Academy the prestigious 2008 Sport Industry Award for 'Environmental Concern in Sport' has now submitted an application to instal a new 'loopwing wind turbine' at the Weymouth and Portland site. The looping will continue WPNSA's commitment to meeting LOCOG's target that 20% of electricity generated for the Academy is done so using renewable energy by the end of 2011.

For more details on the loopwing turbine please visit <http://www.loopwing.co.jp/en/entop.html>

### 'Dorset Gold' shows support of the Chesil Trust

Palmer's Brewery at Bridport showed their support for the 'Chesil Trust' by handing over a donation of £3,142.80 to David Dunn, Chairman of the 'Chesil Trust' at the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy during July.



## Children in Need

### WPNSA IS SUPPORTING THE BBC CHARITY CHILDREN IN NEED

**Event:** Pudsey Bear, the face of BBC Children in Need and members of the medal winning Skandia Team GBR will visit the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy in order to raise funds for this year's Children in Need Appeal

**Date:** Friday, November 7th

**Time:** 14:00 - 19:00

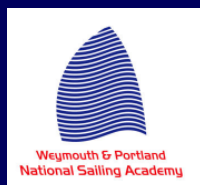
Pudsey will be 'experiencing a medal win' with GBR sailing stars and competing in the indoor children's rowing competition with over 100 local children. There is also a silent auction on site for signed sailing kit from members of Skandia Team GBR. The winners of the silent auction will be announced on Friday, November 7th.

If you would like to attend please RSVP to [Cailah.leask@fasttracksailing.com](mailto:Cailah.leask@fasttracksailing.com)  
M 07785 294321



# SAILING FOR THE WORLD





# WEYMOUTH AND PORTLAND NATIONAL SAILING ACADEMY NEWSFEED



## 5 MINUTES WITH.... Bryony Shaw on the Secret to her Bronze Medal

- *How long have you been windsurfing?* I first stepped on a windsurfing board at age 9 and loved it straight away, now at 25 I fell lucky that I can make a career out of windsurfing every day.

- *Did the amazing success of the sailors throughout Qingdao provide you with the confidence to succeed?* I am fortunate that my sport has been supported by such a successful and structured team. I have been swept along, surrounded by winners and athletes who want to win, definitely infectious. As members of Skandia Team GBR and Team GB kept adding to the medal tally I was determined to be a part of the success and bring home a medal.

- *Who has been your biggest support over the past few months?* A number of people, as I feel strongly that part of my medal belongs to each of them. My parents have supported me from the very beginning and give me immense energy and drive. My boyfriend, Greg King, fills me with confidence, reminding me that I am always the best. My coach, Dom Tidey, put so much of his energy and passion into the campaign that I was determined not to disappoint and all of the sailing team out in China who made the experience such fun and gave me memories I will cherish for life.

- *What are your current training plans?* I have been granted time out until after Christmas, I return to fitness in January with my first training event in March with the view of giving myself 7 months preparation to win the 2009 RS:X World Championships being held at WPNSA.

### PAST EVENTS

August 1-3 F18 National Championships  
 August 10-12 18ft Skiff Open  
 August 16-22 Tempest World Championships  
 August 23-25 RYA Youth Match Racing Finals  
 August 23-25 49er National Championships  
 August 25-29 29er National Championships  
 August 25-29 Byte World Championships  
 August 26-28 RYA Keelboat Training  
 August 30-31 RYA Women's Match Racing Event  
 Sept 15-20 RYA Sail for Gold  
 Sept 27-28 RYA South Zone Championships

October 4-5 RYA National Ranker Event  
 RYA National Match Racing Qualifier 4  
 October 4-10 Weymouth Speed Week  
 October 10-12 RYA National Match Racing Finals  
 October 11-12 RYA Laser Radial NYS  
 Hobie Dragoon Class NYS  
 RYA Laser Standard NYS  
 October 12-16 RYA Olympic Camp  
 October 17-18 RYA National Match Racing Finals

### UPCOMING EVENTS

October 25-26 RYA 420 NYS Training  
 RYA Laser Radial NYS Training  
 October 27-30 RYA Youth Camp Training  
 November 1-2 BUSA Sailing Championships

## WPNSA MARKS BEIJING HAND OVER WITH UNVEILING OF OFFICIAL 2012 FLAG

WPNSA marked the Beijing to London hand over on August 24th with the unveiling of the 2012 flag, given to the Academy by the London Organising Committee for the Olympic Games. This flag can only be flown at selected 2012 venues. It was the first time that anyone has viewed the flag designed to incorporate the Union Jack.

The flag was hoisted by Mark Stubbings, Chief Executive of the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy and local Weymouth and Portland residents were invited to attend.

The flag ceremony also marked the outstanding achievement of the Skandia Team GBR in Qingdao, pulling in a record medal tally of 4 gold, 1 silver and 1 bronze. The sailing heroes were a key ingredient to helping the whole Skandia Team GBR achieve the best medal haul for 100 years. A number of the sailing medallists live in the Weymouth and Portland region and provide a real inspiration for the community.

Mark Stubbings, commented, 'Raising the new 2012 official venue flag has not only marked the important Beijing hand over to London, but has also let us congratulate the whole Skandia Team GBR on their excellent results whilst remembering our past WPNSA Chairman, the inspirational Bill Ludow'.



# SAILING FOR THE WORLD

