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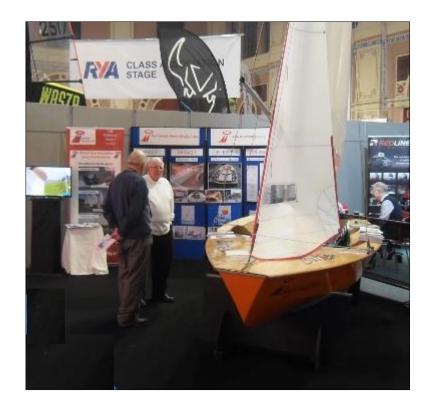
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Nationals: Bala 5th-10th August 2018

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Items for the next issue to the Editor by 1st June 2018.

Editor's Corner

A new season dawns and there's plenty to look forward to. Whitefriars, near Cirencester, is the new open meeting venue this year and should be in easy reach for our members in the south.

The other big new initiative is the Ullswater Cruising event. Brian Worrall has been organizing this in one of the fleet's favourite venues. With a treasure hunt and relaxed sailing (safety boat cover both days), camping on site (though no caravans) and some catering in the clubhouse, it should be a lovely relaxing weekend chilling out with fellow Miracle and SigneT sailors. There's even going to be live music on the Saturday evening at the bring your own BBQ.

And Bala, having visited the area I can see why everyone raves about it, and I'm really looking forward to going. It truly is a beautiful place.

Oh, and before I go, can I just say sorry to Shustoke for publishing the wrong results last issue of Halo. The right ones are on page 23 of this Halo and if anyone would like a replacement sheet please contact me and I'll send one out. I find it interesting to discover how many members have back issues. Digging through the old ones can be fascinating. If you would like to have a look



the copies for 1975 to 1988 are in the members' area of the website. If nothing else Phil Twinning's cartoons in the early 80's are worth a look. Gillan Gibson, Miracle 3670

Chairman's Desk



Hi folks,
Springtime is
here. There's
sailing on
Sunday if I've
done all the odd
jobs on my
boat.

Alexandra Palace Dinghy Show went really well. The

attendance was good despite the snow (last year the event was held on Mothering Sunday and the numbers were low). There was a lot of interest in the Miracle on show, kindly lent by Dave Butler (Butler Boats). A massive thank you to all the people who helped to man the stand, which was already set up when we arrived. Thanks to Ken, Gillan, Dave, Michael and the girls (sorry girls, when I asked for your names I was told "Tiger and Monkey!) and Martin, Brian, John, Cathy, Leah, Ian and Lilly. It was great to see Ken Newing from Port Dinorwic, a blast from my Enterprise days, perhaps we can persuade him to sail a proper boat! Unfortunately the Robinson family were stuck in Bristol due to snow. Seven new members signed up and we sent literature to many clubs whether they had a Miracle fleet or not. A welcome feature this year was the provision of tables and chairs set up around the hall, and a fun game for children which involved the collection of stickers from various stands. The film

made by Ian and Lilly about the Nationals, featuring their introduction to sailing and Lilly's cup for being the youngest competitor, was much appreciated and was the subject of many compliments. The stand will be booked again for next year and we will be looking for someone to loan a new GRP Miracle. So, if you are thinking of buying one, this is your opportunity to have it featured at the Show.

Saturday and Sunday 9th and 10th June is the Ullswater Cruising event, organised by Brian Worrall, find the details on page 9 and with limited numbers please send your entries in early.

Looking forward to the National Championships at Bala on 5th to 10th of August. Let's have a bumper attendance at this fabulous venue. Bala has everything, great sheltered sailing water, great club and facilities, good race team, good accommodation, and choice of camping in this holiday area with many attractions. We checked it out the last month. Save yourselves some money, £20, by putting your entries in now. The Mifsud family will be competing again, but I need to find another crew for Pierre so please e-mail me if you fit the bill. Rene Savelli is making good progress after her accident and is talking about sailing again.

In the meantime, good sailing, and I am looking forward to seeing you at open meetings this year.

Cheers, Louis.

Louis Moulden, Miracle 4036

Are you going???

Miracle website feature

Do you want to know who is going to a particular event or is coming to yours? Well, sailors can register their interest using the "Count Me In" feature on the website on the Events page where there are a couple of buttons.

OK, so an intention to go does not necessarily mean you will get there, but it does give some indication to you and others and helps with a club's planning.

Facebook

The Facebook Page was set up so sailors could keep in touch and find out what was going on and who was going where. It was great at the Rutland Nationals for reporting the results and goings on, so why not make use of it this year for open meetings? It can be found at: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Miracle-Dinghy-Class-Association/965046153558785

Crews wanted and available

Don't forget this facility to advertise for crews wanted, and those wanting to say

they are available to crew, is on the website on the events page

Ullswater Cruising Event9th & 10th June 2018

Contact: brian-w@miracledinghy.org
Further information page 9



Save £20

Enter by the end of April

Miracle Nationals

5th-10th August 2018

Meeting Calendar 2018

Welton North East	(HU15 1PT) Area Champio	21st & 22nd April nship	www.weltonsc.org
	rold (DE73 8DL) ea Championsl	28th & 29h April hip	www.shsc.org.uk
Port Dinorw		12th & 13th May	www.pdsc.org.uk
Delph Northern A	(BL7 9TS) rea Champions		www.delphsailingclub.co.uk
Ullswater Cruising Eve		9th & 10th June	brian-w@miracledinghy.org
Whitefriars Open meet	,	16th & 17th June	http://whitefriarssc.org/
Girton Puddleduck	(NG23 7HX)	23rd & 24th June	www.girtonsc.org.uk
	(LL23 7BS) ampionships	5th to 10th Aug	www.balasc.org.uk
Shotwick Welsh Area	(CH5 2LL) Championship	15th & 16th Sept	www.shotwicksailing.org/home/
Shustoke End of Seas	(B46 2BE) on Champions		www.shustokesailingclub.co.uk/

Going to an open meeting: Give it a go

If you've wondered about going to an open meeting but were not sure what was involved there was an article in the Spring 2010 issue of *Halo*. Along with other

articles from the magazine it can be found on the website. Clicking on "Downloads" will bring up a page with a list of articles one of which is on going to open meetings.



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A plea for good turnouts

As a Miracle dinghy class supporter from the Redoubt Sailing Club in West Hythe, Kent, I find it difficult to understand some of the reasons/excuses for not attending some of the open meetings. "It is more than 50 miles", or "more than 100 miles away"!!! "It takes an hour each way"!!!, or "two hours each way"!!! For the Redoubt members the nearest two day event is 108 miles – 2 hours each way. The next nearest two are 198 miles and 202 miles - four hours each way. Often longer on a Sunday evening, negotiating the M25 after either the M1 or A1(M) and M11. Not fun - but if good racing comes out of it, its's worth it. Not worth it if the fleets diminish too much. Not too far back some of the two day events had fleets of 30 plus. As for the Nationals, we invariable have to travel for 6 or 7 hours, or even more, each way. On the odd occasion, such as Netley, less, and a bonus. Again if there is a decent sized fleet, worth it. Too many pathetic excuses. Even Netley was not that far for people from the north. Come on Miracle sailors, think again, and make an effort,

particularly for the Nationals. Way back when we first attended the Nationals numbers were in the 70's. Let's see if that can happen this year at Bala. No excuse for it being too far for those from the north. No excuse about being on holiday, the date was out in the summer Halo. Nationals have always been one of the early weeks in August, so these weeks can be avoided, unless of course it clashes with the Nationals of another class which a Miracle crew also sails, but how many does this affect, maybe one or two.

Must add that Netley was amazing last year. Sailing off the club, easy for sailors to reach in a very short time.
Brilliant for spectators too. Camping on site. Very welcoming club members only to happy to please. Cheap prices in the galley and very cheap for camping. A good friendly atmosphere amongst sailors and supporters and probably, taking all things into consideration, the best Nationals we have ever attended.

Marion Smailes

Nautical Sayings

Loose cannon

Used for some one unpredictable it has a nautical origin. Cannons aboard a ship were very heavy and dangerous. They had to be properly secured or else they could either become thrown around the deck during rough weather or cause injury due to the massive recoil action during firing.

Duffle bag

The name given to Sailor's personal effects is derived from the Flemish town of Duffel, near Antwerp where they made rough woollen cloth which was used to in the manufacture of sailors clothing. Hence the bags that sailors used to carry their belongings were named Duffel Bags.

Courtesy of www.harbourguides.com











http://www.ullswateryachtclub.org/

Do you own a Miracle or SigneT dinghy?if so come and join us for a cruise on Ullswater in 2018!

Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th June 2018

No racing involved - just lots of fun!

Meet fellow sailors and buddy up with another boat to search for treasure hunt clues on Ullswater

Friday evening meal & breakfasts available in the clubhouse (at extra cost)

BYO BBQ on Saturday night with live acoustic singaround

Bar available (also at extra cost!)

Boat Jumble Sunday morning

Advice on boat set up

Free sailing Sunday afternoon

Full safety boat cover provided on both days

Full changing and wash room facilities all weekend

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If you want to join us please e mail brian-w@miracledinghy.org for a registration

form: a £50 deposit will be required by return

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Note

Higher fees apply for motor homes and large tents. Above price applies to medium sized tents. £20 reduction if no camping required. £10 if only one night camping.

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Family Members Two Boat Discount

For Family Members bringing two or more boats to the 2017 National Championships a £50.00 discount on their second boat (First, third and subsequent boats pay standard fees)

First Nationals discount

For first time entrants to the Nationals a discount of £50.

Note - Electronic Payment available - See **Entry Form**

Entry fee includes:

- Racing
- Boat space parking
- Car parking
- Commodore's Reception for all
- 2 tickets for Prizegiving meal, for helm and crew (Additional tickets adults £17, children £9.00)

Starts scheduled: 11.00am Sunday to Thursday, 11.30 am Friday, see Notice of Race on website.

Miracle **Nationals**

2018

5th-10th August

http://www.balasc.org.uk/ http://www.visitbala.org.uk/

See p21 for things to do for all ages

Social programme

In the evenings there will be a social programme which is being arranged, currently confirmed are:

> Sunday Commodore's Reception Monday Free evening Tuesday Free evening Wednesday Meal and Quiz Thursday AGM

Friday

Prizegiving Dinner

Midweek meal

f10.00 Everyone: Adults Children £6.50

Tickets at registration.



Bala town

National Championships 2017

Trophies

Daily Mirror Cup	Overall Winner	Dave Butler & Ross Fleming	Michael Robinson Trophy	Youngest Competing	Lilly Brown
John Bray Trophy	Silver Fleet Winner	Brian Jones & Abbey Mumford	Michael Robinson Trophy	Crew	LIIIY BIOWII
Bob Ferguson Plaque	Bronze Fleet Winner	Paul & Nathan Robinson	West Wales Observer Trophy	Highest Placed under 16	No qualifiers
Practice Race Shield	Practice Race	Dave Butler & Ross Fleming		under 16	
Bell Woodworking Trophy	1st Points Race	Simon Reddicliffe & Mark Atherton	Ullswater Cup	Highest Placed over 16 under 18	No qualifiers
Trimnell Trailer Trophy	2nd Points Race	Tracy Amos & Hannah Mumford	Water Lily Trophy	Highest Placed Helm	Andrew Mifsud
International Paints Trophy	3rd Points Race	Dave Butler & Ross Fleming	, , ,	18-29 Years	
Jack Holt Trophy	4th Points Race	Dave Butler & Ross Fleming	Claires Cup	Highest Placed Helm 30-39 Years	No qualifiers
Sovereign Cup	5th Points Race	Tracy Amos & Hannah Mumford		30 33 rears	
Charles and Diana Cup	6th Points Race	Dave Butler & Ross Fleming	Master's Trophy	Highest Placed Helm 40-54 Years	Tracy Amos
Bala Challenge Cup	7th Points Race	Graham Watts & Helen Jacks		Highest Placed Helm	
Cornwall Trophy	8th Points Race	Dave Butler & Ross Fleming	Senior Master's Trophy	55-64 Years	Dave Butler
Miracle Association Cup	9th Points Race	Andrew & Michaela Mifsud	Ancient Mariner's Trophy	Highest Placed Helm	Dave Herbstritt
Starboard Cup	10th Points Race	Tracy Amos & Hannah Mumford	тионен с тори,	65 Years and Over	
Young Junior Championship Trophy	Junior Youth Championship	Leah Murphy	Woodwind Trophy	Highest Placed Helm and crew both 70	David & Jean Reed
Junior Championship Trophy	Junior Championships	No qualifiers		Years and Over	
Youth Championship Trophy	Youth Championships	Andrew & Michaela Mifsud	Gracie Trophy	Highest Placed Helm 70 Years and over	Louis Moulden
Travellers Trophy	Travellers Trophy	lan Brown		and no other prizes	
Newton Crum Trophy	Winner Non Spinnaker Race	Brian Jones	Ton Up Trophy	Highest Placed Helm and Crew 100 Years+	Graham Watts & Helen Jacks
Casper Cup	Winner Single Handed Race	Steve Fischer	Senior Helm Trophy	Eldest Helm	John Tippett
Crews Cup	Winner Crews Race	Peter Mifsud			

National Championships 2017, Netley Saiing Club Youth and Junior

Pos		Club	Sail No	Pts
1	Andrew and Michaela Mifsud	Birzebbuga / Malta	3825	2
2	Andrew and Jonathan Robinson	Whitefriars	3101	4
3	Hannah Mumford and E Main	Redoubt	4099	6
4	James and Paul Robinson	Whitefriars	4110	6
5	Leah Murphy & Gathy Goodwin	Port Dinorwic	662	11

Non-spinnaker

Pos		Club	Sail No
1st	Brian Jones	Maidenhead	4021
2nd	Ian & Lily Brown	Delph	4098

Singlehanded

Pos		Club	Sail No
1st	Steve Fischer	Aldenham	124
2nd	Peter Mifsud	Birzebbuga / Malta	4100





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Pos	Name	Crew	Boat	Miles	Events	Total
1	lan Brown	Lilly/James/Patrick	4098	746	5	3730
2	Graham Watts	Helen Jacks	3813	762	4	3048
3	David Turtle	Zara Turtle	4026	756	4	3024
4	Tracy Amos	Gemma Gibson	3692	1006	3	3018
5	Simon Reddicliffe	Mark Atherton	4007	498	4	2880
6	Dave Butler	Ross Fleming	4060	566	3	1698
7	Wayne Atherton	Angela Sweeney	3383	524	3	1572
8	Dave Reed	Jean Reed	4052	458	3	1374
9	Neal Gibson	Keith Macey	4040	600	2	1200
10	Keith Martin	John Whitehouse	3755	556	2	1112
11	Gillan Gibson	Ken Gibson	3670	356	2	712
12	John Tippett	Kathy Boulton	4020	322	2	644
13	Eamonn Cuthbert	Thomas Cuthbert	4016	258	2	516
14	Louis Moulden	Gillan/ Ross	4100	248	2	496
15	Yvonne Mumford	Brian Mumford	4099	396	1	396
16	Brian Jones	Paul Cook	4064	204	1	204
17	Geoff Weir	OJ/Keiran	2881	116	1	116
17	Cathy Goodwin	Leah Murphy	662	116	1	116
19	Richard Brameld	Todd Brameld	3131	114	1	114
20	Rob Cocking	Tom Donaldson	3657	104	1	104
21	Ashley Southwell	Michelle Raines	4010	30	1	30

The objective of this Trophy is to encourage members to attend Open Meetings and to reward the member who travels the furthest in support of Open Meetings. The formulae used is based on the distance travelled between home sailing club and venues multiplied by the number of events attended. All Open Meetings qualify, except National Championships and Regattas. The qualification period runs from one National Championships to the next. Presentation of the Trophy and any prizes are awarded at the National Championships. These results cover 8 meetings. David Reed, Miracle 4052

Netley Sailing Club: the Phoenix stirs

The story of the Royal Victoria Country Park dates to when the area was a huge military hospital complex that dated back to the days of Florence Nightingale and the Crimean War. When the site was expanded in WW1, then again for WW2, the number of service men serving there increased. Being located so close to the water sailing was an obvious pastime, with this being something of a casual affair up until the early 1970s. The Army sailors then decided that they wanted a clubhouse and when two redundant squash courts were identified at Army HQ at Aldershot, the Royal Engineers were called in to dismantle, move, rebuild and convert as an exercise in military planning.

Of course, this was always intended to be a stop gap measure but, in the way of so many things, the building took on an air of permanence, except that it was starting to fall apart more quickly than it could be patched up. Getting a new clubhouse though was far from an easy matter, as

firstly the site, by the sea and at the end of a single-track road through what was now a busy country park, would not be either cheap nor straight forward. There was though a bigger issue, those that have been to Netley would have noted the area of reedbeds behind the dinghy park. This is still part of the Club curtilage but is an SSSI, so any building work would need to be aware of the extremely sensitive environmental nature of the site. There was also the major issue of needing to finalise the (luckily) amicable divorce from the Military, for Netley is now a 100% civilian operation, with the club now owning their site. The next phase was a lengthy process of fund raising, planning and management of when we could build without disturbing bats, nesting birds and other local wildlife we share the area with.

Not long after the Miracles and SigneTs had their Championships week at the club, all the lights finally went green and the first stage, the demolition of the

> old clubhouse, could commence. Even this had to be done with some real sensitivity (not a term normally used in a demolition) and all the debris trucked off site for disposal. The wonderful idea of a big bonfire was just too risky.

With the site cleared and the shores of

Southampton Water looking very bare, work commenced on a new oversite and then as we moved into the new year, a new and exciting building started to emerge. And what a building it is shaping up to be, with a wide first floor balcony on three sides that will give spectators panoramic



enlarged bar will be upstairs, with state of the art showers and changing facilities (with disable access) and improved kitchen area, this really is a building that will

support members and visitors in the years to come.

The membership and Committee at Netley can be rightly proud of everyone at the club, as they've taken control over from the Army, sorted out the ownership of the land, raised the funds and are now managing the new build. 2018 will be a

work is completed, club sailing (which is somehow continuing during all the building work) will be so much better. As will the welcome the Club will be able to offer to classes looking for that event that comprises well run sailing afloat with a little bit of something extra ashore. If you enjoyed yourself at Netley with the old building, we think you'll love to come once the new clubhouse is complete and fully functional.

David Henshall, Netley Sailing Club



Ullswater Cruising Event 9th & 10th June 2018

Contact: brian-w@miracledinghy.org Further information page 9





Remember to Check, Clean, Dry

Did you know that one adult Quagga Mussel can produce up to one million larvae in a year? And that's just one of the reasons why it's so important for all dinghy sailors follow 'Check Clean Dry' to stop the spread of this and other alien species around the UK's freshwater sailing venues.

The Quagga Mussel comes from the south-east corner of Europe and was discovered in Wraysbury Reservoir and the Wraysbury River in 2014. Along with other species such as the Zebra Mussel and Killer Shrimp, it is highly invasive and can cause immense damage to the environment, from clogging up water treatment equipment and outcompeting native species for food to encrusting sailing equipment and propellers of RIBs and tenders.

Non-native species are species that have established themselves outside of their normal range. The most likely way the species arrive in the UK is in ship ballast water, on hull fouling, through aquaculture escapes or the plant and animal import trade. Once in the UK, recreational boating, including the dinghy racing circuits, can provide a secondary means for a species to spread into new water bodies.

Eradication of most invasive species is extremely difficult which is why The Green Blue - the joint environment project of the Royal Yachting Association and British Marine Federation - is urging all boaters to follow the Check Clean Dry routine.

CHECK

Check equipment and clothing for live organisms – particularly in areas that are damp or hard to inspect before moving to a new location.

CLEAN

Use clean water to thoroughly hose down all parts of the boat, launching trolley, trailer and equipment that come into contact with the water before leaving the site. Remember to get into the nooks and crannies, such as tyre treads. Drain water from every part of the boat and all equipment that can hold water. Soak equipment and clothing in hot water on site or when you return home as this will improve the chances of killing adults and microscopic larvae which are invisible to the eye.

DRY

When you get home, let the boat and sails dry out for as long as possible. Also dry clothing, footwear and buoyancy aids – some species can survive for up to two weeks in damp conditions!

How to identify a Quagga Mussel

Quagga Mussels are small (no more than 4cm across) with a dark brown and light brown stripy shell. When placed on its front it will roll to one side and it has an undulating (as opposed to a straight, horizontal) seam between the shells.

If you think you may have found a Quagga Mussel, send an email with a photograph and location details to: alertnonnative@ceh.ac.uk

To find out more visit

- www.nonnativespecies.org/alerts/ quaggamussel
- www.thegreenblue.org.uk







Notice of Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Miracle Association will be held at Bala Sailing Club near Southampton

on Thursday 9th August 2018 at 7.30 pm (room location to be advised)

Agenda

- Apologies for Absence
- 2. Approval of Minutes of AGM held on 10th August 2017 at Netley Sailing Club
- 3. Matters Arising
- 4. Chairman and Officers Reports
- 5. Treasurers Report
- 6. Proposals for changes to the Miracle Association Rules of the Association
- 7. Proposals for changes to the Miracle Association Rules of Measurement and Construction
- 8. Election of the Committee
- 9. Any Other Business

According to our Rules of Association any proposal for consideration at the AGM shall be proposed and seconded by full members and submitted to the Association Secretary no later than 19th May 2018.

Being on Committee

Being on the Committee does not necessarily mean taking on some mega job and spending hours organising things. Some people do and their work is highly valued. But there are also the other people who's views and thoughts and willingness to contribute to occasional email correspondence, and hopefully come to meetings, who are also needed. They back up the people who are doing the practical work and help in decision making. Also, with more people on the

Committee there is a better chance of having a good turnout for the three meetings we hold each year (expenses are paid). One of those is at the Nationals so is easy for those attending that event.

If you would like to know more about the Committee's work please talk with one of the Committee members and see how you could help. It does not have to be a major commitment.

Gillan Gibson, Secretary

Bala: things to do for all ages

http://www.balasc.org.uk/

Penllyn Leisure Centre, Bala

Pensarn Road, Bala, LL23 7SR https://www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/en/ Residents/Leisure-parks-and-events/ Leisure-centres/Penllyn-Leisure-Centre,-Y -Bala.aspx

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http://www.beicsbrenin.co.uk/trails/

Dinorwig, Electric Mountain, LLanberis. http://www.electricmountain.co.uk/ Visit by coach an underground Hydro Electric Power Station.

http://www.visitbala.org.uk/

Llanberis Lake Railway

http://www.lake-railway.co.uk/index.php/en/

Snowdon Mountain Railway, Llanberis http://www.snowdonrailway.co.uk/

Surf Snowdonia, Dolgarrog, LL32 8QE https://www.surfsnowdonia.com/
300 metre long surf lagoon, Family Crash and Splash (a watery assault course) and other activities.

Zip World: 3 locations in North Wales https://www.zipworld.co.uk/locations

Zip World, Penrhyn Quarry, LL57 4YG Zip line

Zip World Forest, LL24 0HA Zip Safari, Treetop Nets, Skyride

Zip World Slate Caverns, LL41 3NB

Deep Mine Tour, slate workshops, Titan zip line, Bounce Below, Zip World Cave

Miracle Association Committee

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End of Season Championship Shustoke 21st & 22nd October 2017

Pos		Club	Sail No	Points
1	Wayne Atherton & Angela Sweeney	Delph/Bolton	3383	3
2	Simon Reddecliffe & Mark Atherton	Delph/Bolton	4007	9
3	David & Zara Turtle	Shotwick/Shustoke	4026	13
4	James & Paul Robinson	Whitefriars	4110	18
5	David Butler & Ross Flemming	Welton	4060	21
6	Tracy Amos & Gemma Gibson	Reboubt	3692	24
7	David Herbstritt & Josie Airns	Shotwick Lake	3770	27
8	Graham Watts & Helen Jacks	Staunton Harold	3183	27

Apologies for the wrong results

Please can I apologies for publishing the wrong results for Shustoke in the last edition of *Halo*. Above are the correct ones. If anyone keeps their issues of *Halo*

long term and would like a replacement sheet please contact me and I will be happy to send one out. Gillan Gibson, Editor



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