

# IN OTTER NEWS

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## **Medals Galore!**



Last month saw another hugely successful **District Regatta** held at **Tewkesbury Cruising and Sailing Club** with medals being awarded to **TS Otter** teams!

Winners of each category will go onto represent **Severn District** at the Area regattas. **June 28<sup>th</sup>** will see the **Combined Rowing Regatta** at **Bristol**, and **July 12<sup>th</sup>** will be the **Paddlesports and Yole Regatta**, **Sutton Coldfield**.

### **THE RESULTS**

#### **Trinity Rowing, 1st in:**

Junior Sea Cadets

Junior Girls

Junior Boys

Open Boys (Worcester and Tewkesbury)

#### **Paddlesports, 1st in:**

Open girls and Junior girls

#### **Sliding Seat Rowing in Yoles, 1st in:**

Junior Mixed double, Open Mixed double, Open Boy, Open Girl

**BZ TO ALL!!!**



### **Random Navy Fact:**

The **Royal Navy** is **479** years old. During that time, over **13,000** vessels have served with the **Royal Navy**.

So, what has been the most often used ship name?

**HMS Ark Royal** has been used for **5** ships

Both **HMS Lion** and **HMS Dolphin** have been used **18** times.

**HMS Eagle** has been used **23** times, dating back to **1592**.

But the winner is.... **HMS Swallow**, which has been used an incredible **26** times in total. The last **HMS Swallow** was decommissioned in **1988**.

## **UNIT NEWS!**

A full-strength ship's company was in evidence at the Unit Review on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June. The District Officer and his team inspected TS Otter from stem to stern and spent time with cadets and volunteers. At the end of the evening, loads of awards were presented.

**Enrolments:** NEC Jolie, Archie & Adam

**Promotion:** Able Junior Cadet to Leading Junior Cadet, **Nathan**

**STEM Award ;** LJC Nathan

**Basic Seamanship;** Cadets **Nicky, Katie, Kelsey, Ella & Sophie**

**Start Kayaking:** Junior cadets **Bert & Amy.** Cadets **Adam, Archie, Kelsey & OC Betty**

**Row 1:** Junior cadets: **Riley, Marika, Caitlyn, Ophelia & Johnny** Cadets: **Adam, Jolie & Kelsey**

**Row 2:** Cadet **Nicky**

**(Onshore) Power Hand 1:** Cadets **Katie & Nicky**

**(Onshore) Power Hand 2 :** OC **Samson**

**RYA Start Motor Cruising:** OC **Samson & Callum**

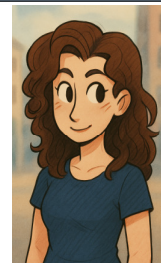
**Good Conduct (Two Years);** CFC **Johnny & OC Callum**

And finally, **AC Fin** has turned 18 years old and has reached the end of his time as a cadet. He was presented with an engraved tankard by the District Officer. Congratulations, **Fin**, and best wishes from everyone at **TS Otter!**

### **A Word from Claire the Chair.**

I want to thank everyone for all their help with the **Unit Review**. It was a team effort from volunteers and cadets. We showed everyone at **District** how proud we are of our unit and what it means to be part of the **TS Otter** family.

However, we need additional **volunteers**. Even if you can't commit your time regularly, we still need help with events and functions. Please email me at **chair@tsotter.org** to support the unit.



### **Event Date Ahead!**

We have a **compulsory** parade night coming up:

**16th July - This is our RNP (Royal Navy Parade):** All Cadets including Juniors (both Monday and Wednesday groups) are **expected** to attend. There will be a **compulsory** practice parade at the Unit on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July**.