

## **Tata Steel Sailing Club CORONAVIRUS – 2<sup>nd</sup> UPDATE**

As we all know the lockdown was extended for Wales by another three weeks. In the meantime, however, the rules on certain outside activities have changed viz a viz being able to exercise twice a day and golf clubs can open their courses. Unfortunately for us, sailing keeps the status quo in Wales so, please, do not to be confused by the English rules.

I am actively talking to Tata Steel, as until they lift the restriction on the use of the reservoir, and therefore allow access, there will be no sailing no matter what the Welsh Government may decide after **30**<sup>th</sup> **June 2020.** However, I have got it on good authority that everything will be done by the Company to ensure a safe return to Eglwys Nunydd as quickly as is practicable.

As I speak, a Covid19 Risk Assessment is being prepared for the Club, so as it stands at the moment, I must give fair warning that initially, sailing at the club may not be as we know it, as there are many protocols to consider and we must abide by the 'Organised Activities and Events' ruling. Casual sailing will probably be Phase one with various necessary safeguards in place, if indeed, it will be allowed upfront of any Organised activites.

It's very difficult at the moment without any Committee Meetings being held, but I would like to assure you that the Management Committee will be overseeing and fine tuning the Risk Assessment once it's to hand, so that no stone is left unturned and every avenue, as far as possible, is covered.

I hope this alleviates any concerns you may about getting back on the water, but I would stress that the club is in total lockdown, in line with the RYA directive of "you are NOT permitted to visit boats, marinas or clubs in Wales" with no access to either the boat park or the clubhouse in particular.

In the meantime, please keep safe, and I so look forward to seeing you all at the Club in the not too distant future.

Best regards

Linda

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