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Dear all

First I wish you all a prosperous Year of Tiger. My 揮春 to you is

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We had a few group activities in Jan and Feb and I have posted the pictures on WebShot. You can see them by clicking the hyperlinks I sent to you with this Newsletter.

Jan

Sailing Trip Stanley to Repulse Bay

We had a trip in late Jan, 11 of us, sailing from the Main Beach to the Aberdeen Boat Club in Middle Island. Thanks again Michael Tsui's hospitality and arrangement of our lunch in the ABC. Wind was not always good during the day but we still had some good rides. The journey was a bit too long for Picos. I hope the Wong Shek trip in March with Laser 13 and the shorter distance can afford more fun.

Razor Hill Hike cum BBQ night

More than 40 members and their spouses/friends joined the Razor Hill hike in Jan 18. We started from the mid point of the trail to accommodate some not so regular hikers and a Stretching Session was held before the hike by professional sports trainer Calson. That was a record high attendance of the Interest Group. Seemingly hiking is much welcomed by members other than Sailing. The BBQ afterwards also had around 30 participants and we occupied three sites with gorgeous seafood as BBQ dishes.

Inaugural Joint Professional Sports Night and January windsurfing practice

Invited by the Institute, I and Frederick and other SRC SLIG conveners attended the Inaugural Joint Professional Night on Jan 22 with Wilson Fung, Institute's President, as well also with Susanna and Gabriel, leaders of SRC.

Feb

We did have a good hike on CNY 8 along the Wilson trail Stanley Section and on CNY 9 we had Fever and Spitali sailed to Bo Doi O for Spring Gathering 春茗.

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Cruising and practice

Both days were warm but CNY 9 was too weak for us to finish on time. The solar panel on Fever didn't work and we were towed back till it became dark.

A memorable first time experience indeed (including the use of spinnaker) and some beginners could steer the first time a sailing boat on Spitali. At lunch, we met a tall "Fortune God" in Bo Doi O.

Wilson Trail Stanley Section

It was getting warm by CNY 8 and a group of hikers attempted the most challenging trail on the Island side. They were much rewarded to see the Stanley isthmus at dusk. Female hikers did very well when climbing up the great wall like Twin Peaks trail!

Coming Activities

March

In the coming March to be held in Wong Shek we will have 3 Intro Sailing classes. There are still a couple of vacant and hopefully they can be fully filled. As well there will be a Racing Clinic and a dinghy trip. Glad to see indeed there will be many new faces in the coming courses.

Level 2 Sailors please book a boat, single or double handed, just join an informal race for fun and for an experience in Wong Shek at March 14. We are basically novices, don't be shy.

April till June

There will be two more Level Two training courses. For the Windsurfing Improvement Clinic, we will try to arrange a course.

Yachting hopefully too we could have a couple of practices or organize some intro classes. There are a lot of things to plan and to cater in the Yachting areas and I hope we can join more races and can source better performing boats. There has been a lot of thoughts and contribution of ideas. I hope to announce something more solid and encouraging in the coming Newsletters.

Re-union Dinner

As both sailing boats and dinghy sailing classes have limited quota each time for participants, I will see if we can have a Re-union Dinner for the fellow course mates. I do hear most members would like to get

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to know more sailing members, meet more often in addition to join the sports activities. I hope group members can be bonded better in smaller units, say Oct 2009 dinghy alumni, March 2010 alumni as such, etc.

So that's pretty lot this time. See you in the next issue.

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Cheers

William the Sailorman