

# JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER

## The Cirdan Sailing Trust



Summer is here and the sun is shining. This time of year provides the opportunity to experience some good sailing weather, as well as some beautiful sunrises and sunsets.

Faramir has spent the last three months on a circumnavigation around the UK's coastline, working with early intervention in psychosis service users. The crews on these Adventure Therapy voyages have enjoyed watching porpoises, whales and dolphins!

Both Duet and Faramir have taken part in some challenging races. In July, Duet took part in the Round the Island Race, whilst Faramir battled 30 knot winds during the Tall Ships Race from Den Helder to Hartlepool and came second in her class and forth overall!

We have a variety of groups joining us for the remainder of the season, including high schools, YMCA, homeless, a children's learning difficulties charity and sea cadets.



# Founder Bill Broad celebrates 40 years of Cirdan

We were pleased to welcome The Cirdan Sailing Trust's founder Rev Bill Broad aboard Queen Galadriel in May to celebrate the charity's 40th anniversary. Surrounded by friends, family and previous Cirdan personnel, Bill spent a wonderful evening reminiscing about the charity and the many stories from years gone by.

Bill set up Cirdan in 1983 with Queen Galadriel as our first vessel. He was convinced that sailing in groups was a sure way of encouraging the development and motivation of young people.

“It is easy for the well-off and reasonably educated to choose their occupation and gain the good things in life. But for the unfortunate and disadvantaged this is often impossible. Sailing on well equipped and well managed historic vessels gives them a new vision in life,” says Bill.

Thank you Bill for setting up our wonderful charity and giving more than 35000 young people the opportunity to benefit from the experience of life at sea.



“I learnt that it's a beautiful world and life is worth living.”

Early intervention  
in psychosis  
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# Sail during September and October with extra funding

We have some dates available sailing from both the East and South coasts in September and October. Faramir will be taking part in the ASTO Small Ships Race on the Isle of Wight in October, and this week is available to book.

We are looking at working alongside families to support and encourage the family unit to work together in tackling problems that may face one or more of its members. A voyage can help to benefit and reinforce the support that a family can give to each other when working as a team.

If you are interested in organising a development residential for your family, school or organisation then please get in touch with Lyndsey to discuss options: 01621 776684 / [info@cirdantrust.org](mailto:info@cirdantrust.org)



## Obituary - Daphne Broad

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of Bill Broad's wife Daphne. She was instrumental in helping set up Cirdan with Bill in 1983 and was a steadfast supporter of Bill's work. Daphne was ever concerned for those less fortunate than herself. A keen member of ESOL, she constantly volunteered to help people learn English as a second language and pursued this practice over five counties. She helped form, and was an active volunteer in Justice First, a Teesside charity which helped those seeking asylum in the United Kingdom.

# 40th Anniversary Celebrations

The final preparations are underway for our 40th anniversary celebrations! All three of our vessels will be attending Hermitage Community Moorings' open weekend on Saturday 16th - Sunday 17th September, so do pop by and have a look around the boats.

In celebration of this milestone, we are aiming to raise an additional £40,000 this year. We are suggesting a donation of £1 for every year we have been running. A donation of £40 would help us continue to change lives at sea, but we would appreciate any monetary donation you can make.

**To help us achieve our additional target of £40,000 this year, visit [www.justgiving.com/campaign/cirdan40thanniversary](http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/cirdan40thanniversary)**

If you have sailed with us in the past 40 years, it would be great to see your photos and hear stories from your voyages, and if you are thinking of organising a voyage then we would love to welcome you aboard for a tour.

## Grand Draw Tickets

To celebrate our 40th Anniversary we have 40 prizes for 40 years up for grabs in our Grand Draw! Top prizes include a weekend charter on Duet, champagne afternoon tea for two at The Ritz, Tottenham Hotspurs FC tickets and . Winning tickets will be drawn at our 40th celebrations in September. To purchase tickets, please visit the store on our website or call 01621 776684.

## Merchandise

There are other ways you can help support our charity. We have a variety of merchandise to purchase on our website including t-shirts, hoodies, beanie hats and keyrings. A great souvenir after a voyage!



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