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I have been away in the Caribbean for three weeks and missed the cold of England. Easterly breezes every day, 25 degrees and sunny. Why don't we hold a regatta in the British Virgin islands in winter?

I have just received my mooring licence for Cowes harbour for the year and the note says that the positioning of moorings have had to be changed because of the resurgence of the XOD fleet which is up to **14!**

Marketing committee met in January and are going to recommend to the Class Committee the appointment of a **class broker**. Neil Clifford of AAA Marine International in Cowes. e-mail yachtsales@aaamarine.co.uk. Neil is a member of the Cowes division and owns Curlew X121.

The Class Committee has also agreed to award a **new trophy** in Cowes week to the best performing boat with the helm and at least one of the crew of **under 25 years** old.

As you may be aware, many boats have changed hands recently and we would like to ensure that as many boats as possible turnout for the centenary in 2011. There have been up to **40 inactive boats** in recent years. Please do your best to persuade owners to get them back on the water and ensure they do not deteriorate in yards or gardens.

Can I remind you all of the **Westmacott Regatta** to be held in the eastern Solent on the 6th and 7th June. This is organized by the Royal Naval Club and Royal Albert Yacht Club. All Westmacott one design classes have shown interest and there will be a full programme culminating in a prize giving ceremony for the overall winner who will receive an enormous gold and silver trophy. To benefit from the earlybird entry **discount** you will need to enter before the end of March. Details on www.rnc-rayc.co.uk/sailing.

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