

Chairman's Welcome

Anne Oliver

The Right Reverend Tim Thornton, Bishop of Truro conducts the Naming Ceremony and Service of Dedication

Eternal Father Strong To Save

Led by Nankersey Male Choir

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who biddest the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

O Christ! Whose voice the waters heard
And hushed their raging at Thy Word,
Who walked on the foaming deep,
And calm amidst its rage didst sleep;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

Most Holy Spirit! Who didst brood
Upon the chaos dark and rude,
And bid its angry tumult cease,
And give, for wild confusion, peace;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

O Trinity of love and power!
Our family shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect us wheresoever we go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

Poem written by Ken Cooper
NRC Trustee

Read by Anthony Oliver MBE
NRC Trustee

Service of Dedication

The Right Reverend Tim
Thornton, Bishop of Truro

Extract from Dark Materials

Read by Stella Pilsworth
who suggested the name Serafina

Prayers

The Right Reverend Tim Thornton,
Bishop of Truro

Calm Is The Sea & Row Boatman Row

Nankersey Male Choir

Blessing

The Right Reverend Tim Thornton,
Bishop of Truro

Naming of Serafina

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Vote of Thanks

Nick Slade
Vice Chairman

Will Your Anchor Hold?

Led by Nankersey Male Choir
To accompany Serafinas launch
(Please do join in with the singing!)

Refreshments

The Royal Standard
-you can also see the timeline
photos of Serafinas build.....

Thanks go to everyone who continues to support Nankersey Rowing Club, but especially today to The Right Reverend Tim Thornton, Nankersey Male Choir, Roger of the Royal Standard, 64th Owners, Club Members, Club Sponsors and residents of Flushing.

**A message was received by the Club from Phillip Pullman
Author of Dark Materials:**

***Thank you very much for letting me know about this. I'm
delighted to hear about Serafina, and I hope that the spirits
of the Arctic will bless her and all who sail in her...***

If you would like to be added to the email list for regular updates, please
email info@nankerseyrowingclub.com and check out the website
on www.nankerseyrowingclub.com

**Could all club members and 64th owners who would like
to row in Serafina and Circe at the end of the Service, please
place their names in the buckets**

NANKERSEY ROWING CLUB or KOWETHAS ROEVYA NANSKORSI

In July 2008, four like minded residents decided to bring rowing back to all in the community of Flushing. Together we purchased a Flashboat 'Kernow' from Calstock Rowing Club and formed Nankersey Rowing Club – Nankersey being the original Cornish name for Flushing! This produced much interest in the village and in September, we were approached by a resident who offered a substantial donation, enabling us to purchase our own Cornish Pilot Gig, 'Circe' from Truro River Rowing Club. A committee was formed and the logo was drawn by Tom Hyde, a newcomer to both the village and rowing...

The boats were refurbished by a small band of enthusiastic members under the guidance of local resident Malcolm Fairweather and repainted in the club colours of blue and white and are now kept at Windsport, Mylor Harbour. Rowing takes place every Saturday and Sunday with Mix and Match Crews, whilst Racing Crews get together during the week to train.

In January 2009, we were awarded a grant of almost £6,000 from Awards For All. This, for a new cover, new oars, new trailer and safety equipment. Following a successful first year we recognised the need for a second boat and an order was given to local boat builder, Andrew Nancarrow (his 13th!) and with this came the hard work of raising £20,000. £10,000 was awarded to the Club by Sport England, £2,500 from Cornwall Community Foundation Grass Roots and donations from Golder Associates, Morgan Bradbury, Scrace & Co, Roger & Heather Gifford and Flushing Village Regatta. The Worshipful Company of Founders and Mylor Parish Council have donated almost a £1,000 for a new set of lightweight junior oars.

The remaining balance was sought from club members, friends, relatives, holiday makers – in fact anyone who showed an interest! – in the form of the sale of 64ths. On New Years Eve 2010, local benefactor Remington Hickeys wrote a cheque to the Club for £2,000 ensuring the shortfall was met!

Serafina is the first gig in over ten years to be built of Cornish Elm – the wood was sourced from Trevanno Gardens by local saw miller, Jo Burbridge (www.josawmills.co.uk)

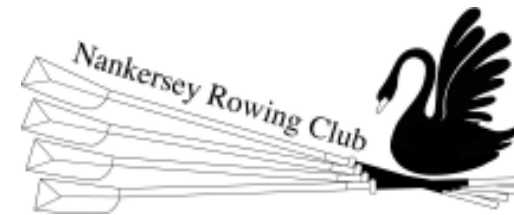
We have now become affiliated to Tremough University, giving us an influx of new rowers in the form of students, eager to take part in this Cornish Sport. We hope this project will enable residents of Flushing and the surrounding area, old and young alike, to row, increasing health and fitness whilst having fun and enjoyment within the marine environment, also ensuring that the Village of Flushing have a community based organisation which can continue to grow with the support from local residents.

We would like to thank everyone for their continued support and if you fancy joining us for a row, whether competitively or leisurely or even as a non rowing supporter, please check out our website on **www.nankerseyrowingclub.com**. We have a 'Try Before you Buy' system, which entitles you to four rows before you become a member just to make sure you like it first!

Greek Goddess **Circe** – a personification of the moon, lived on Aea and was visited by Ulysses and his crew on their way back home to Ithaca from Troy. Circe received her self invited guests graciously and ordered a great feast. Disgusted by their greedy behaviour, Circe started from her seat and bade them assume the form of swine ...! Her rudder depicts the phase of the moon when she was purchased...

Serafina Pekkala – chosen for 'no other reason than it is a lovely name' – a witch from Northern Lights written by Philip Pullman. Serafina flies on a branch of cloud pine to help Lyra escape Mrs Coulter....and return the Alethiometer to Lord Asriel – Hence Serafinas rudder shows a witch!

The name was among 30 suggestions including Nankersey, Kersey, Pencarven and various Greek and Celtic Gods & Goddesses – after a club vote Serafina won by a long way!



Nankersey Rowing Club

Saturday 5th February 2011 at 11am

Naming Ceremony and Service of Dedication of

SERAFINA

Fish Cross Flushing



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for Nankersey Rowing Clubs Naming Ceremony and

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