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**Cover photo:**

*Hannah Mills and Saskia Clark win gold in Rio*

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## Editorial

Well, here we are with our Olympic edition, squeezed in between a wealth of members' sailing (and laying-up) experiences far and wide: Russia, Finland, Sweden, Brittany, Corsica, Spain and the Azores, not to mention Rio. All this plus racing and cruising much nearer to home. Please enjoy!

2016 marks the 10th anniversary of the Molliette in its present form and 13 years since I took over as editor from Faith Tippett who first thought of it in 1993. The Molliette would not have developed as it has without Faith's original inspiration and the support and encouragement of successive Commodores, for which I am very grateful. I am now standing down as Editor and look forward to handing over to my successor early next year.

Meanwhile please send any contributions via the Club Office. Ideally send text in MS Word or as an e-mail attachment. Pictures, with suggested captions to identify persons/boats/places, are best as JPEG files, highest resolution possible but not embedded in Word files and, for large numbers, on a CD or memory stick.

As always, early contributions and boat names in italics will be much appreciated.

**COLIN CAMPBELL**  
Editor



*Another classic at the Brest Maritime Festival*  
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Photo by Paul Gosling

**'Sunny' is well known on the Orwell and has sunk many a dinghy doing this.**

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