

Hi Everybody,



Great pictures from RC Angling Paul Cooper.



Sailing Events & Angling

Nothing to report on the sailing front.

Angling & Fishing

From George, five members fished the beach match with all the Anglers landing fish with Rockling, Chanel Whiting and a Thornback Ray being caught. Unfortunately, the weed was a problem making the fishing hard for most of the time. Jim won the match and landed a 53cm Thornback Ray with Derek 2nd and Gary 3rd.

The next Competition is Sunday 16th February, 11.30am to 4pm.

From RC Angling Paul Cooper, he tells me that he was trying to talk up his catch of one Witting but the hook went through the mouth of the white bait and caught the Witting as well. Possibly a bad fisherman's story? He wants to know if this is Truth or Lie! (I think he's practicing for the Fisherman's Evening on 21st February....)



Social Events



The Commodore served his traditional **Irish Stew** after England unfortunately was defeated by Ireland in the Six Nations Rugby match on Saturday when they proved to be much more successful! We are happy to say that all of the stew was eaten, along with some French bread to mop up any of the savoury moisture and that cheered the atmosphere up enormously. Well done, Commodore!

Sadly, not only did England have a bad day but the group Wishing Well who were booked for the evening had a family emergency and had to cancel. Fortunately, Tina our Social Secretary was able to find a local band from Chichester, Midnight Dynamite, who proved to be absolutely brilliant! A four-piece band with a lady singer providing lively dance music that made for a really good night. Let's have them back again!!!!



So, having made the most of England letting us down against Ireland, we now have England v France on Saturday 8th February from 4.45pm. Not to be defeated, the Commodore is now planning to do a Chicken Masala and a Chicken Madras Curry to cheer up our Rugby members at 6.45pm if the worst happens again. And if not, and we win, then there's nothing like a Commodore's Curry to keep you happy!



A list is on now up on the Notice Board in the Bar so do let us know if you want a Masala or a Madras - £5 per head, cash only. If you can't get into the Bar before Friday then please do email me at honsec@paghamyachtclub.com as we need to get sufficient goods together to ensure that it is worthwhile cooking for everybody who wants to get involved.

Play Your Cards Right

I don't know why I even think that I can win! Every time I take part in this mind over matter challenge, I never make it past the first card!!!! Never mind. At least I know I'm not the only one, am I G? Well done to Karen who was the winner of £50. Bah humbug!



Membership

It's another reminder that you now have until 28th February 2025 to renewing your membership and, where necessary, your boat park fees. The start of the new membership year is on March 1st. I have heard that membership fees are rolling in so well done to you all!

First Aid Course

Now that we are approaching the start of the Sailing season, we will be running a First Aid course on Saturday 15th March from 10am until 2pm. This will be run by two of our members, one who is a registered nurse and the other who is an authorised First Responder who will cover First aid techniques such as CPR, treating wounds and bleeding, head injuries, resuscitation and other incidents that are essential skills that can make a significant difference in emergency situations.

This will be a first come first serve situation as we are not charging for this course, and feel it is essential to get as many members trained before the season starts. If there is a good interest in this course then we will look at running a second course.

Please do put your name down asap as the list will be put up on the sailing board this week.

Future Events
Sunday 16th February

Live music – Pop, Rock & Folk
from 3.15 pm with
Citizens of Somewhere



Friday 21st February

FISHERMAN'S EVENING

Friday 21st February, 7.00pm

HAPPY HOUR, 6.00 - 8.00PM

9.00pm Fisherman's stories
"truth or lie" that is the question?

Win a prize with our compère Keith,
followed by Shanty music.

Fish Pie, Steamed Vegetables with
Spicy & Plain Potatoes.

RESERVATION LIST ON NOTICE BOARD FOR FOOD

Dates for your diary:

Saturday 8th England v France from 4.45pm, Commodore's Curry at 6.45pm

Sunday 16th Citizens of Somewhere from 3.15pm

Wednesday 19th February - Sussex Underwater presentation by Paul Boniface for members and their guests from 7pm, for a minimum donation of £2 per head on the night.

Friday 21st February – **Happy Hour from 6 – 8pm** to be followed by a Fisherman's Tale evening with Keith from 7pm.

Saturday 15th March – First Aid Training Course from 10am – 2pm

Sunday 16th March – Melissa singer from 3.15 – 6pm

Thursday 8th May – VE Day. Lighting of **Beacons** and **Lamp Lights of Peace** at **9.30pm**, the raising of a unique VE Day flag at **9am**? More details to follow once decided.

Any Other Business

Really bad joke time – but I'll keep it short this week and in line with what was on the blog:

Why should you always have thyme in your first aid kit? Because thyme heals all wounds! Boom, boom +

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