

Hi Everybody,



## Sailing Events



On Saturday, I managed to get a couple of photos of Kev Robbins in the morning who was taking his catamaran out for a solo sale on a really great sea. I came back after lunch to see if there were any more youth members or others who wanted to use the relatively good conditions to free sail so I could get some more photos. Regrettably, it seems that only Kev was inspired by the circumstances and I found RC Sailing Stuart and his colleague waiting over 1 ½ hours to see if they were needed to take the rib out in case anyone turned up.

If you are thinking of sailing on a Saturday, please can you go on the Sailing WhatsApp and let them know that you do intend to turn up – or better still, that you are not turning up - because of the weather. We are all working together and Stu has a way to travel to the Club and, I'm sure, would rather be busy cutting his lawn than waiting around for sailors. (I made that bit up in case you were wondering!!)

I did try to take some photos on Sunday but only managed a few of the boats near to me whilst unloading extra alcohol for a certain person's 70<sup>th</sup> as we realised how many friends he has!!!

Sadly, I can't provide any sailing results for Sunday as it got called off halfway through so there are no results to give you, although I do hear that Joe came in with a broken mast as well which didn't help him. Not a good day all round.

## **SUPs Paddlers, Kayaks and Snorkelling**

Please can you put it in your book that it's fast approaching that time of year again when the sea is warming up and Paddlers can join from 1<sup>st</sup> May with the first outing on the sea on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>- always dependent on the weather, that is!

Paddlers will be running every Wednesday from 6pm - 8pm and, don't forget that **all under 16's will need a parent or guardian to accompany them**. We also highly recommend a wetsuit as it may get a little cold in the evening, and all – children, youths and adults will need to wear a buoyancy aid.

You will need to sign in so we can track you if we can't find you when everyone has signed off, and we know of any equipment that you borrow.

While the SUP's and Kayaks are on the water, the club's Jet Ski will be launched to supply safety cover and sometimes, a tow back to shore. It has happened!

Access to hot showers and parking are available if you haven't tried this experience before, and the Bar will be open for participants and observers to sit and relax after you have signed off and returned equipment – and enjoy a pre-ordered pizza! (See below for more information about this)!

Don't forget to check the Paddlers Facebook Page each Wednesday to see if it is being posted as a "GO" - "No Go" after we have checked the weather. I will keep reminding you about this.

## **Sailing Calendar**

### **April**

19th SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30

20th SUNDAY SPRING SERIES RACES 3 & 4 11.00

26th SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30

27th SUNDAY COMMODORES CUP RACES 1 & 2 11.0

## **Angling & Fishing**



From George, Sunday's first boat competition was cancelled due to the forecast, but four members fished the beach with only a Flounder caught. George fished Friday evening and caught a good number of Dogfish.

The next boat competition is on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April with a 08.30am start until 15.30pm, Ht is 12.24pm at 5.76m. Hopefully, this time with a good forecast for angling!

## **Pizza**

If you have a look on your phone, you will hopefully have seen a new WhatsApp called PYC PIZZA.

Does that ring any bells? Oh yes – Sam is back again with her delicious pizzas!!!!

On Wednesday from 7<sup>th</sup> May, the Paddlers, the snorkellers and the Kayakers will be back out on the water and Sam will be in the Galley doing her stuff with a selection of pizzas. All must be ordered well ahead and payment regardless of whether you turn up on the night or not.

I'll give you more information next week but I seem to remember that she needed to know the order by the Monday lunchtime – but I'll check that.


The link to join Sam's WhatsApp group to place your Pizza orders and keep in touch with what is going on is:-

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/L5SUtwlsYow4uaSKwMUIIG>

Do join in and let Sam know your orders well in advance so she knows what to expect. Aren't you glad that she has come back again? Whoohooooo!!!!

## **Social Events**

Things you need to know – and I'm afraid that there are quite a lot of them before we move onto the weekend.....

- Due to pressure from us White Wine drinkers and – now that we have those wonderful tall glasses with lots of measures on the side -we have now altered the Till to charge you £5.00 for a large wine! Or, if you prefer a normal 175ml then we will still carry on charging you £3.50.
- For the attention of those of you who wear lipstick, we still haven't taught the glasswasher to wash the varying colours off the rim of our glasses yet. Please can you think about wiping the smears off to make people like me happy when I get a glass of wine that looks like it's been well used by multiple women! Actually, I'm not  sorry about asking for that....
- A reminder to Bar Staff that we do have a little device behind the Bar to use to get lipstick off the glasses before you put the glasses in the Glass washer. Do speak to the Commodore about this.
- On a more important note, we now have the small defib pads for children. Should you be in the unfortunate situation of having to use them to perform CPR on a child, these pads are not contained within the defibrillator device but information as to where they can easily be found is located so they are safe.
- And, for those of you who keep boats in our Boat Park, you will have noticed that we now have 4 electricity charging points at various points in there, as well as the revamped water points. Can I take this opportunity to make it clear that these points are NOT for charging your electric car or saving your household bills for some other use. We do have CCTV cameras in the park and we will be monitoring any abuse of this. Be warned!

On Friday night, the weekend began with a really good crowd to join Keith for the Play Your Cards Right. As usual. The first round filled with lots of contestants didn't produce a winner but, in the second round with a jackpot of £110, Josie was delighted to be the champion! Just look at her face – stunned! Or was that what was in the bottom of the jar???



Saturday saw a fairly busy day in the Club with some of our members making the most of enjoying the sunshine and sitting outside - despite the breeze. It was still a fairly early closing before 7pm but I suspect that most knew what was coming their way on Sunday and were saving themselves.

## Sunday Meat Raffle

Sunday started with another successful Raffle event for Carole with lots of goodies as the rewards, including an Irish Beef joint with Mini Roast Potatoes, Cauliflower Cheese and Savoy Cabbage, and for the fish lovers there was also Smoked Mackerel, Smoked Salmon, Bread Rolls and an Italian Leaf Salad in addition to other treats. I have to say, I still wanted to win the fresh Raw Prawns with a Thai Green Curry Kit with fresh Vegetables and Noodles and guess what? Yes! You guessed it I didn't win.....Groan.....

However.....I'm pleased to say that two of the winners were Tina and that cheerful 70 year-old Party Giver Andy whatshisname who paid for the buffet, so we are aware that he now has enough food to keep him and Mary fed for the next week without relying on Easter Eggs! It can be hard when you get to 70 years you know.....well, if you miss your flight to the USA or all the other stuff that gets in the way of spending your Bar tokens! We are a nice place to be. 8-)





So, now that I have told you about the nice stuff, let me tell you about the wonderful stuff!! You may have gathered that Andy Day managed, without assistance, (or not that we know of) to reach the healthy age of 70 years! I'm not making too much of this as I am now 67 years old, so I don't see why he should gain as much benefit or recognition for another three years, just because he has paid for lots of drinks and a huge buffet!!!! Can you see what I mean? I may have to speak to my solicitor to see if this is prejudicial for a white man on the blog when I may be a slightly tanned sort of white female? OK - how about a Yorkshire female as we are all slightly tanned by the blazing wind from the moors? I'll let you know.



So..... to enjoy the party atmosphere, Andy provided a sumptuous buffet which sort of helped us forget how much alcohol we had consumed. Well, sort of. Well done to the girls for doing the hard work in the preparation such a good assortment. (Tina of course, but she was taking the photograph). It's just occurred to me looking at the photograph, did Myra Hindley or Rose West ever do catering? Just a thought that passed briefly through my mind when I can see the delight in their eyes when they were brandishing sharp knives..... The only problem with this evening of celebration was that there were two Andy D's born in the same month. Fortunately, one Andy D was four years younger – only four years younger!!! Thank heavens! The Band, Lightning Brothers came on after the Raffle as showed us what we had expected from them in the past. What a fantastic band! Where shall I start – Dancing In The Street by Marvin Gay, On the Grapevine by James Brown, I Feel Nice....Don't Leave this Me This Way...where shall I end?????? They were absolutely fabulous and I want to see them again, and again!





And then there was Keith. What can I say? This is a master of arts who can turn This Is Your Life into another history story that has you laughing and more than that – believing what you are being told! Well, I believed everything I was told about Buttercup! Some things about a boy Scout that need to be kept quiet.....shhhh.....(It's the bit about Mary's open flaps that I still have worries.....)

## PYC Golf Section



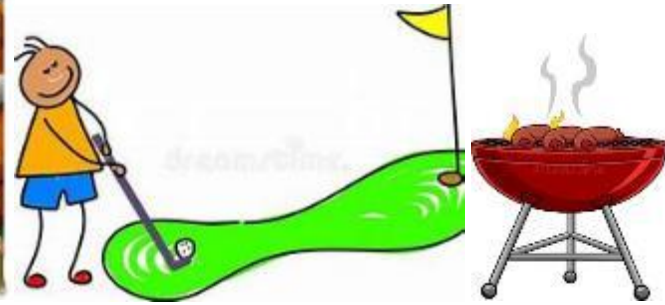
From the Commodore, he is now looking forward to sorting out our first PYC Golf Section event in May this year. The earliest he can look at has to be May due to the availability of suitable Golf courses within a reasonable travelling distance.

The Golf Section have historically played on a Friday, once a month, but now most courses will only let us play in the afternoon on this day. This means that we are now looking at either a Thursday – morning or afternoon, or a Friday afternoon. Paul needs our golfer members to indicate to him whether you are happy to play on a Thursday or Friday on the Golfer's WhatsApp, stating your preferences, so he can book up some Tee time. If you are not on the WhatsApp group yet, let the Commodore know of your interest, with your phone number, so he can add you on. [commodore@paghamyachtclub.com](mailto:commodore@paghamyachtclub.com)

## Future Events

Children's Easter Party on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April from 12noon until 1.30pm, with entertainment from Nick Clarke. If there are any names not down, please contact Jenna urgently please to ensure a place can be ensured.

If you have not paid, please can you do that in cash behind the Bar. Many thanks.



## Crazy Golf

In the evening next Saturday, after the Easter Party, there will be a Crazy Golf Competition for children and adults, complete with Burgers and Sausages from 6pm. Children will be charged £3.50 and adults (from 7.30pm) £5.00 for their food.

A notice will be put up in the Club for you to sign up for the competition and for food. Go for it!!!!

Please can you look on the Social WhatsApps for more information if needed!



On Friday 25<sup>th</sup>, along with Keith, we will see the return of Adrian who will be performing his Motown, Soul and Reggae songs from 8pm. Looks like yet another dancing evening – another whoohoo!

On Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Tina is bringing us a new local act from 3.15pm after the Raffle. Olivia Kinghorn is a live music performing pop, rock and country, jazz funk & soul singer with lots of personality. Something for us to look forward to – and get our bodies back on the dance floor.

If we can still move, that is.

I'm not saying anything at this stage.....



Don't forget at the end of the month we are having something totally different to our music entertainment. On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm, we are being treated to a talk by the Rangers from the RSPB Eastern Solent on the birds and wildlife at Pagham and the Medmerry.

To ensure you don't have to rush your mealtime to join us, the Commodore will be providing Cheese and biscuits to make an evening at the Bar an event to really look forward to – so you can find out more about the wildlife around us in a contented and cheerful way. Nothing like nibbles to improve learning!

The Bar will be open from 5pm for those of you who may wish to get down there early and start without me.

## VE Day Celebrations

### Dates for your diary:

#### April

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> - Kids Easter Party 12 noon – 1.30pm

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> - Adrian (with Keith) from 8pm

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> - Olivia Kinghorn singer from 3.15pm

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> – 6.30pm RSBP talk 6pm with Cheese & Biscuits

#### May

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Real Ales Beer Festival

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> – 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.

## Any Other Business

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