

Hi Everybody,



The end of the day on Easter Sunday, a peaceful Resurrection Day, or Pascha.....



Sailing Events



On Sunday, six boats and the rib went out but sadly, the day just wasn't going to work in our favour. Firstly, the Lady Margaret had the centreboard jammed making sailing so much more difficult and, to make matters even worse for the remaining boats, we believe the steering cable snapped on the rib. This caused problems to get it back safely up on the beach. More problems were caused when the big waves didn't assist by filling the rib the water making it harder to get it onto a trailer, A big thank you to Olive from RC Sailing Stuart for stepping in at short notice to go back home to collect his kit to allow him to join John B on the rib and to help with all the hard work of recovering the rib back onshore. Despite all of the problems, it showed the great team work that we have in our Sailing section.

SUPs Paddlers, Kayaks, Snorkelling & Windsurfing

Another reminder that, provided the weather is kind to us, all of the above under the title of the Paddlers Season will open on 1st May. And don't forget to sign up for the pizzas which will be available from Sam every other Wednesday – provided you have ordered them in good time! The first date is 7th May and I see that many orders have already been made on the PYC Pizza WhatsApp so do get your order in now.



Sailing Calendar

April

26th SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30

27th SUNDAY COMMODORES CUP RACES 1 & 2 11.0

Angling & Fishing

From George, he is unaware of any fishing in the last week so, nothing to report there.

Next Sunday's boat competition will be 8.30am until 15.30pm, with Black Bream the target species. The high tide is 12.24 and 5.76m. If cancelled due to the weather conditions, George says that we will try our luck off the beach 9am until 3pm. Good luck to all!

Social Events

The Easter weekend in the Bar started slowly on Friday despite an early lunchtime opening.....accompanied by lots of rain! Everything improved on Friday evening with Keith introducing Take Your Pick and some amazing prizes. Well, when I say amazing, I couldn't think of another word to replace "horrendous" that my laptop would allow me to use to describe the framed Merry Christmas Tapestry or, the out-of-date perfume, or the Christmas Cracker Making Kit, or – oh, never mind all of those castoffs that had been discovered in the back of someone's cupboard!!!



When everyone had finished enjoying taking the mickey out of those odds and sods, and several cheers later, Brenda finally picked the envelope containing £35!! Well done to Brenda!

This allowed Keith to move on to Play Your Card Right. A much better idea Keith. I think the crowd had exhausted their efforts earlier in the evening as, despite a good number taking part, no one managed to get anywhere near the final card on the top row and there is now consequently a £35 rollover until next week.



Children's Easter Party

On Saturday afternoon, the Children's Easter Party with Nick Clarke as the magician was a huge success. Well done to Jenna and her helpers for making it so enjoyable for all involved – particularly the adults from what I hear! (Who needs a band or singers – we could just get a children's magician in to entertain our adults on a Saturday night??)



Crazy Golf



On Saturday evening, the fun and games continued with the Crazy Golf accompanied with a BBQ of Burgers, Sausages and the usual nibbles.

I'm sorry that the number of photos of the children are limited but I suspect that the adults were busy at the Bar or at the Burgers. Amy S won the Children's game but, sorry Amy that I don't have a photo to show you with your winning trophy. In contrast, funnily enough I have been sent lots and lots of the adults in their competitive mode! Fortunately, I can only print a limited number (thank heavens). Rocky won the men's games and Jenna the women's game, with Jenna being the overall winner. I think this has something to do with her mind set and the look on her face that would put fear in anyone – let alone Rocky! (He hasn't seen her in the gym either!)



Sunday Meat Raffle

The Easter Hamper Winner was Sarah R who picked up the goodies contained yesterday when she performed her first duty behind the Bar. Well done to Sarah – and a big thankyou to all who bought tickets. As Carole has said, any money raised at the raffles will be used to buy those extra items for the Club that we would love to have but that are not part of the Club's budget.

Future Events

Coming up next weekend we will have the singer Adrian on Friday night performing his Motown, Soul and Reggae songs from 8pm, accompanied by our Keith to entertain us.



On Sunday, after the Raffle at 3.15pm, we will have a new singer to us Olivia Kinghorn. Olivia is a live music performing pop, rock and country, jazz funk and soul singer with lots of personality. A great way to end the weekend!

On Wednesday 30th at 6.30pm, we will have a fascinating and hopefully captivating talk by the Rangers from the RSPB Eastern Solent on the birds and wildlife at Pagham and the Medmerry.

As I have said before, as special treat and to ensure you don't have to rush your mealtime to join us, the Commodore will be providing Cheese and biscuits to make the evening an event for you to really look forward to whilst finding out more about the wildlife around us in a contented and cheerful way. Don't want any tummy rumbles to interrupt the talk!



VE Day Celebrations

We will let you have more formal information next week about the events that have been planned for Thursday 8th May, in alliance with Pagham Parish Council, to make it an extraordinary occasion for all.

Dates for your diary:

April

Friday 25th - Singer Adrian (with Keith) from 8pm

Sunday 27th - Olivia Kinghorn singer from 3.15pm

Wednesday 30th – 6.30pm RSBP talk. Cheese & Biscuits from 6pm

May

Friday 2nd – Sunday 4th Real Ales Beer Festival

Thursday 8th – 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

If you are a Rugby supporter or perhaps a member of Bognor Rugby Football Club, you will see that the PYC Management Committee have now sponsored a digital No.7 shirt for the coming 2025/26 season where Bognor RFC is competing on three fronts in the Hampshire RFU Counties Men's Competition.

This allows PYC to receive weekly social media exposure as our shirt will be sponsored on Instagram, Facebook and X as well as on BRFC's website. The shirt will also be shown in BRFC's clubhouse.

PYC has always had a good relationship with BRFC and has some shared members. As we are both Clubs that are part of our shared community, we are hoping that this will encourage younger members or parents to find out more about what we can offer them in a sporting environment. We'll let you know.

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