

Hi Everybody,



What could have been a wonderful sailing weekend for the Shearwater teams ended up with raging sea water on both days, leaving us with nearly losing Andy Grout on Sunday in the Committee boat when the waves filled it and took his engine out.

Never mind Andy – you survived (thank heavens). So as not to be defeated, Shearwater decided to make the most of the sunshine on Sunday afternoon before heading home to show us how to enjoy yourselves by the seaside! Doesn't it look good fun? Hope to see them again next year.







Sailing Events

A reminder to all sailors from RC Sailing Stuart that Bognor Regis SC are holding the Bracknell Town Cup race next Saturday 13th September at 2pm for all interested. All sailors wishing to compete will have a briefing at 12 noon to discuss weather conditions but Stu will need boat sail numbers and PYC numbers before Friday to inform the BRSC race officer. Please give BRSC a shout and let us give good support for this please.

And don't forget that we will have two races in aid of Bart's Bash on Sunday 14th here at PYC so the more the merrier to both - either join in or to watch the sailing.

Sailing Calendar

September

13th SATURDAY SAILING SESSION	13.30
14th SUNDAY BARTS BASH RACES 1 & 2	11.00
20th SATURDAY SAILING SESSION	13.30
21st SUNDAY AUTUMN SERIES RACES 1 & 2	11.00
27th SATURDAY SAILING SESSION	13.30
28th SUNDAY AUTUMN SERIES RACES 3 & 4	11.00

Angling & Fishing

Angling Competition Calendar

We still have 14/09/2025 8.00 till 14.00 16.49 4.84m Plaice in the calendar. I'll let you have any pictures if this goes ahead.

Paddlers/WaterSports

Sadly, no Paddlers last week due to the sea conditions. I've just looked at the weather for this Wednesday and it's not looking any better – 18° and 60% chance of rain with 19 SSW. Obviously, we will let you know on the day if it's worth coming out as this is England and everything changes hourly!!!! But.....

PYC Pizza & Friday Night Suppers

Sam's now back at work for the busy Autumn term so, we may have to wait and see if she is able to free up any time for us and our hungry stomachs if the Paddlers are able to get out there on the water whilst the weather carries on doing its thing. I'll let you know if it is looking possible.

Having said that, don't forget that now we are into Autumn, our **Friday Night Suppers** have started. The next one is booked for Friday 28th September and the list will appear as if by magic on the noticeboard, along with the menu as the Chefs are due back from their renovation, sorry overhaul, sorry holiday – soon! (Or now?)

Meat Raffle

Yes, I know - I forgot to take any photos as I promised!!! And I forgot to win again!!! Aaargh! Never mind as the prizes looked really yummy and I hope that whoever won my beef joint (that I had put my name on) enjoyed it! My delivered chicken fried rice just didn't taste the same..... Snot my fault!!!!

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Hoping that not only that you can join us, but that you can invite some guests to be with you and enjoy an afternoon in our lovely Club on the beach sampling the Coffee, Tea with Cakes whilst having a look on the bric-a-brac stall and spending some money on guessing the number of sweets in the jar on Friday 26th September from 3.30pm! That should be easy for some of our children! (or the men!!!!!!)

The weather report is not showing what is going to happen yet but do put this date and time in your diary or on your calendar and do come and join us as we can always be hopeful of a glorious afternoon in the sunshine!

Breast Cancer Now Charity

Speaking of raising money.....this is the article that is being published about the money raised by PYC for the Breast Cancer Now Charity - and matched by Zurich Insurance as one of our members, Tracey Robinson taking part in the money raising, is an employee of theirs. Just look at the final amount raised because of their support. Absolutely stunning!

“In a heartwarming display of community spirit and generosity, a local initiative led by Pagham Yacht Club managed and organised a week-long of events to raise money for the Breast Cancer Now Charity. A brilliant team of club volunteers helped to raise money for this charity after several members battled with the cancer. A whopping **£3,075.01** was raised by the club for the charity and this was then matched by Zurich Insurance creating a successfully and astonishing **£6,150.02** for Breast Cancer Support.

Breast Cancer Now Charity, known for its life-changing work, provides essential services to those affected by this cancer, offering medical, emotional, and financial support. The £6,000 raised will go a long way in helping the charity continue its mission and make a positive difference in the lives of countless individuals and families. The event was a resounding success, thanks to the tireless efforts of everyone involved. The funds were raised through a series of activities, including charity auctions, events, and generous donations from the community.

This remarkable achievement highlights the power of collective effort and the impact of community-driven initiatives. The event was part of Zurich Insurance's "MyImpact" program, which encourages employees to engage in charitable activities and give back to their communities. The initiative saw enthusiastic participation from Pagham Yacht Club members and the local community.

The local community has been incredibly supportive, with many residents and club members turning out to participate and contribute to the cause. The event has not only raised much-needed funds for the charity but has also strengthened community bonds and highlighted the importance of coming together for a good cause”

Bar

Our Club has been reviewing all of the products that we sell over our Bar and one of the decisions made was that Fever Tree tonics were to be discontinued, permitting only the Mediterranean option to be stocked. This would allow the Schweppes choice being the preferred supplier at the lower price of £1.00.

We have received some feedback that this decision is unpopular with some members so naturally, we are going to let you as the customer, make the final decision. Starting on Wednesday the 10th September, there will be a clipboard on the bar for each member to indicate their preference.

Please do help us with this as we want to make both our lives - and the ever-increasing cost, as easy as possible. We will not entertain any other option than those indicated below as sourcing and storing too many variations is becoming incredibly unyielding. To put it bluntly, it is costing too much in petrol and hassle for a small Club where the prices are kept down where we cannot keep on doing this to please a small number of members who do not help out in other ways.

There are two options for you to consider:

1) Stay as is now; (Schweppes as the main mixers) and Fever Tree Mediterranean tonic being the only non-Schweppes option.

2) All mixers will be changed to Fever Tree where available BUT option 2 will increase the price of mixers from the current £1.00 for Schweppes to £1.30 for Fever Tree.

We will not carry on stocking both a mixture of both and fiddling around on the stock and the Till with two largely different prices as we are a small Club who wants to do the best for our members.

Please take the time to complete the survey if it affects you. Please only update the list once per member to enable us to complete the review without any prejudice.

A hearty thank you from David Gosnell, Bar Team Coordinator who wants to make this work for the Club.

AGM

Another reminder about the AGM on Sunday 30th November at 10.30am. I am aware that there may be several vacancies on the Management Committee – my role as HonSec being one of them. I know I have said this before but I am very willing to talk to anyone who may be interested in what this role involves as I have managed to survive it for it in excess of 13 years – I think it may be that long or longer! One of the items that is being brought to the AGM for approval is a re-vamp of the descriptions of each role which should be better for all members to understand what is required.

One of the other roles that may be vacant is the Treasurer so, if finance is an area that you are familiar with then do come forward and see what is involved. We are a small Club and the demands are not huge, just recurring and usually common. As I have said, do come forward and ask what is involved in good time so you can have a chance to think about it.



The wait is almost over – our new website is launching in the next couple of days

We're excited to share that final checks are now complete, and we'll be launching our new and improved RYA website on **Wednesday, 10 September**.

Just to recap, after listening to feedback, the new site has been designed with you in mind. The updated site includes a fresh look and intuitive navigation that works across all devices, providing you with a better online experience.

Everything you know and love is still there, but we're replacing Club Zone with RYA Network to support you in your roles.

RYA Network is your new go-to hub designed exclusively for clubs, volunteers, affiliates, recognised training centres and instructors – your one-stop shop for information, programme resources, guidance, and advice.

What you will need to do

If you already have a MyRYA account:

When you log into the new website for the first time, you'll be prompted to reset your password for security reasons.

If you do not have a MyRYA login or you've not logged in within the last two years:

The new website will guide you through the process of creating a new MyRYA account.

Social Events

Pagham Yacht Club is proud to show all games of the Women's Rugby World Cup involving the Home Nation

Quarters/Semi and Finals all on BBC1 or 2

Quarter Finals 13th & 14th September 12.30pm & 4pm

Semi Finals 19th September 7pm (Friday)

20th September 3.30pm (Saturday)

27th September (Saturday) ³/₄ Playoff 12.30pm
Final 4pm

And then we have to move on to our magical Friday night when there was Keith with his wonderful **Play Your Cards Right**.....and in the second round Commodore Paul won £130! Yahoooooooo!



As usual for the Commodore, the winnings had to be shared with a purchase of drinks with all present to show our guests from Shearwater how we do it. This was after the karaoke and the lads showing us how to dance to Queen with the mops and the vacuum cleaner. Made for a great evening for all involved. Do you not just love it????

Entertainment

We are welcoming back Louise on next Sunday which, unfortunately coincides with the Quarter Finals of the Women's Rugby World Cup. Not to be undone, we will rearrange the TV coverage so you can enjoy both. (After the Raffle that is!)



Coming Up!

At the end of this month on Friday 26th we will be holding our MacMillan Fund Raising Coffee Afternoon. To make this a successful afternoon, please can we ask our wonderful Cake bakers to provide us with some of their delicious goodies to go with the Tea and Coffee. We are also needing a large glass jar to use in the How Many Sweets In the Jar?

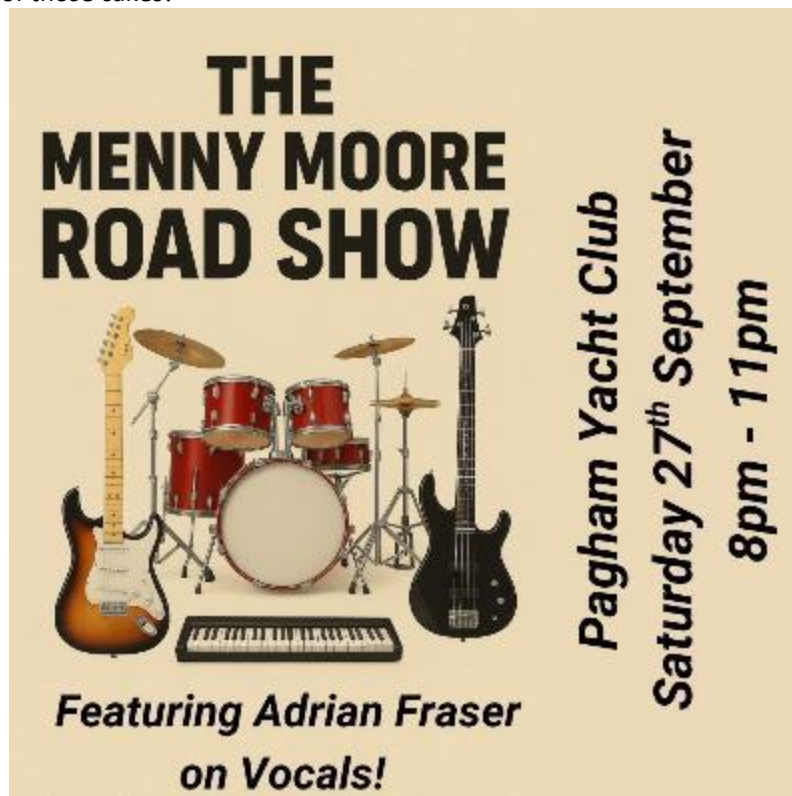
As well as this, we are also looking for any unwanted but usable items that we can sell on our bric a brac stall, as well as Raffle prizes. A big thank you in advance as we know you will help!

After the Coffee afternoon, we are welcoming back Adrian Fraser, accompanied by the Menny Moore Road Show on the Saturday evening. Should be enjoyable after all of those cakes!




**MACMILLAN
FUNDRAISING
COFFEE
AFTERNOON**
AT PAGHAM YACHT CLUB
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 26TH
FROM 3.30PM

Enjoy coffee, tea and cakes
Bric a brac stall, raffle
Guess the number
of sweets in the jar
roll a pound to win the bottle



**THE
MENNY MOORE
ROAD SHOW**



Pagham Yacht Club
Saturday 27th September
8pm - 11pm

**Featuring Adrian Fraser
on Vocals!**

And then.....Aaarghh.....it's be scared time!!!! Whoohooooooooo!Don't you just love to be afraid?



PAGHAM YACHT CLUB
GHOULISH
PLAY YOUR CARDS RIGHT
WITH OUR COMPARE
SCARY KEITH

FRIDAY
31ST
OCTOBER
8PM TO LATE

ARE YOU BRAVE ENOUGH FOR
THIS GRUESOME GAME?
COME ALONG FOR SOME
DEVILISH FUN



PAGHAM YACHT CLUB



**SPOOKY
HALLOWEEN
PARTY**

SATURDAY 1st NOVEMBER
8PM - LATE

LOTS OF SPOOKY FUN, MUSIC
GHOULS AND WITCHES WELCOME
FANCY DRESS ESSENTIAL

Dates For Your Diary

September

Sunday 14th 3.15pm Louise Connely – a re-visit by singer (Barts Bash Races 1 & 2)

Friday 26th Macmillan Coffee Afternoon from 3.30pm

Saturday 27th 8pm The Menny Moore Road Show featuring Adrian Fraser

October

Saturday 4th 8pm Luke Elder – Singer & Guitarist

Sunday 12th 3.15pm Olivia Kinghorn – Pop, Rock, Country, Funk & Soul singer

Sunday 19th 3.15pm Archie Mac – Vocalist

Friday 31st 8pm till Late – Ghoulisn Play Your Cards Right!

November

Saturday 1st 8pm till Late – Halloween Party

Any Other Business

And finally.....and yes, this is my final note to you. No more bad jokes (sorry about that), no more upside-down pictures and no more wrong names from me. This is my last blog to the members of PYC as I am stepping back to finish my time on the Management Committee until 30th November and preparing for the forthcoming AGM when I will be retiring to kill the weeds growing in my garden and finally making full use of my Gym membership.

Sarah R will be taking over and I can only thank her for taking this on and wish her as much enjoyment as I have had doing this.

It has been so much fun!

Bye for now.....

Jill & Sarah

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