

Hi Everybody,

What a mixed bag of weather we have experienced over the last past week! You may have seen that we now have the marquee up – just in time for the spectacular overnight lightning and thunderstorms on Wednesday night which, I am relieved to say, had absolutely no impact on it. Hey ho!



Sailing and Angling Report:

From RC Sailing Kevin, it was yet another good weekend of sailing.

Saturday saw eight boats on the water for the afternoons sailing session but unfortunately, yet again due to increasing winds and rough sea state - plus the engine on the blue RIB playing up, they had no choice but to call all boats back to the shore. We can only thank the RIB and beach crew for their unending support in difficult situations.



Sunday morning saw a complete contrast with very light winds and flat calm sea, allowing seven boats rigged and ready to race. Even with the light winds both Spring Series races were completed and everyone enjoyed it. Once again, many thanks to the RIB crew and Race Officer as without their help racing just wouldn't happen.



Results

Spring Series

Race 7

1st Guy Hickman
2nd Simon Orde

Laser
Laser

3 rd Jack Goodland	Laser
4 th Andy & Carol Grout	Dart 18
5 th Joe Atherton	RS Tera
6 th Clive Briggs	Laser Pico
7 th Scottie	Laser Pico

Race 8

1 st Simon Orde
2 nd Guy Hickman
3 rd Jack Goodland
4 th Andy & Carol Grout
5 th Clive Briggs
6 th Scottie
DNF Joe Atherton

MAY

28 th	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION	13.30
29 th	SUNDAY THE MULBERRY SERIES RACES 1 & 2	11.00

JUNE

2 nd	TBA	
3 rd	TBA	
4 th	SATURDAY Triangle Series Race 1	14.00 PLS Cup for series highest placed PLS sailor
5 th	SUNDAY PLATINUM JUBILEE TROPHY RACES 1 & 2	11.00 1 Trophies 1-2-3 & certificates on the day
11 th	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION	13.30
12 th	SUNDAY COMMODORES CUP SERIES RACES 5 & 6	11.00 3
18 th	SATURDAY TRIANGLE SERIES RACE 2	14.00
19 th	SUNDAY THE MULBERRY SERIES RACES 3 & 4	11.00
25 th	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION	13.30
26 th	SUNDAY TYTHE BARN @ BRSC	11.00 Prize to highest placed PYC boa

Angling

From George, one boat went out on Friday with Dogfish and Bream caught. On Sunday eight boats fished with Bream, Bass, Dogfish, Smoothound, Thornback and Spotted Rays - along with a Garfish and the first Mackerel. Phew! So, hopefully it won't be long when fresh Mackerel will be on the BBQ after fishing and, more exceptionally, Steve Essery caught a Herring. Not a common catch.

Next Sunday competition is for the best Bream with 8am start until 4pm.

On another note, I am really pleased to see that some more of our Anglers have now come forward for **THE BIG ONE**, the Sailfish competition for 2nd and 3rd June making it a great challenge! Well done boys and girls!!!

Shearwater

You may be aware that we have been asked to host the Shearwater Nationals this year which will take place from 18th until 21st August. We anticipate that their fleet will arrive during the day and evening of Wednesday 17th and our Car park will be used by their members as a camp site for the duration of their stay. Please also be aware that they are family groups and will need to use our toilet and showering facilities.

As our Car Park will be turned over to our visitors it means that there will be no access for parking by our members. Marie from the Café has agreed that we can use their carpark on Thursday and Friday and during the evenings without charge but on Saturday and Sunday during the day, they will be charging £5 as usual. This will be a busy weekend for them and any income for the spaces is dealt with as a family matter so we cannot expect to disturb this.

I will remind you again nearer the date to make alternative parking arrangements with other members who live locally if you need to park your car. There will be more information nearer the time about practice and race times, storage of boats and trailers on the beach and entertainment.

Paddlers

Paddlers has got off to a very successful start so, if you are interested then this is a reminder that it is be running every Wednesday from 6 pm - 8 p.m. Do contact John D if you want to know more or, just turn up!

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Bar

I did say in last week's blog that Emma has put together a Bar rota for the Platinum Jubilee weekend which is being kept behind the Bar. I'm pleased to say that we do have some names down on there already but if you are on the Bar WhatsApp, please do let us know if you are free to help out on any of the days over the weekend as we are copying them across. Even one hour is just.....

Also, a couple of things that might make you feel a little bit happier about volunteering to do a Bar duty; Scottie and Dave, our Treasurer have just spent several hours working with setting up the Tills' function to make it easier to key in what a customer has just bought. Rather than spending five minutes looking at the screen to find Gordan's Gin or Smirnoff's Vodka, it will be just finding the one entry for a single or a double spirit and, on the beer or lager front, it will be finding a pint or half – no reference to the supplier or the variety difference in price. We are also now encouraging members to "buddy up" with an experienced volunteer member who can show you what to do and how much fun it can be so do give it a go. And for those of you who are not interested in helping us out in this way – can you return your glasses to the Bar when you've finished your drink please! It all helps us servants.

RYA

Please have a look at info@thegreenblue.org.uk which is a joint environmental programme from the RYA. The newsletter this month covers, amongst other things, invasive species and how you can prevent spreading invasive plants on your kit into the waterways of our country.

The May blog from the RYA talks about Discover Sailing, Steering the Course and More. Please take a look at what they are saying. <http://rya.org/licc50J1Azh>

Committee Members

A very big thank you to Olive (Clive B) who has made and then donated an amazing Committee Members Board to replace the paper displays that we have been using. This is now displayed in the Bar where all members can see it and identify who is on the Committee and who to approach for a particular problem or idea. Doesn't it look fabulous and show what we should be doing in our corridor to formally display names of Presidents and other members of the Committee? Carpentry is his talent and his job so, if you want him to make anything for you then please do contact him.



We didn't contribute the healthy basket of goodies to Olive but it does show that the good will always benefit as he won them in the Meat Raffle afterwards. Or shall we call it the Vegan Raffle? I really don't think so.....

Entertainment

Now, where to start? Sue has been a really busy bunny which wasn't made any easier when Sunday's entertainment, Petrol Money, had to cancel due to the singer losing their voice! Really good excuse and I'm not arguing with them. Sue wants to thank Gary S (Caroline's Gary) and Don from the Lamb for helping to find a really great duo, Chris Cox and Charlotte at short notice to cover the entertainment. Loved their music - Tell Me Lies, Fleetwood Mac? Oh yes! A good turn out again and although Petrol Money couldn't make it this time, they are booked for end of July so we can enjoy them then.



Next Friday we have Keith entertaining us again but this time taking on an alternative image. Do you remember Take your Pick? I remember Michael Miles hosting it! During gameplay, you will answer a series of questions without using the words **yes** or **no**. If you fail to answer all the questions, you will be [gonged](#) off. If successful, however you will answer more questions to win modest monetary prizes. I've heard we might be earning £5. At the climax of the show, you will be offered the choice of whether to "take the money" (take all money you have earned so far) or "open the box", which could contain good prizes such as a [holiday](#) (hah!) or a [washing machine](#) (blimey!). I really don't think that is going to happen to us so don't get your hopes up! It could also contain a [booby prize](#) such as a [mousetrap](#) or a bag of [sweets](#). I think that's more likely. So.....that is what we can look forward to next Friday from 8pm. See you then!

Coming back to reality, this is the final warning for baby photos as you have till a week on Wednesday to post them in the box as Sue will be taking it away so we can scan and put the photos up for guessing who's who. A few more would be good and a reminder that after we have finished giggling about how you have all turned out that you can win the hamper on display. And, as I have said, I will scan photos and return the originals so no harm will come to them as only the scanned ones will be posted up.

Now – begging begins. Can we please have more donations brought in for the tombola and raffle, no matter how small as every little helps and all of the profit will go to the RNLI. A big thank you to all that has been given to Sue so far. When you are shopping. Slip an small extra item in – smelly candle, pack of T-towels, face cream, men's stuff, photo frame, set of glasses, men's fancy socks, Recipe book.....I could go on and on and on and on.....(yes, I know I usually do).

Sue has a list of members making cakes for the Cake Stall on the Jubilee Saturday 12-2pm but more are always welcome!!! So, if there is someone that can make a lovely whole cake to put in for **Guess the Weight** – again, all money for charity? And, we also need a few to manage a stall if at all possible to help make this day to run smoothly. Please do let Sue know if you can do an hour or even half an hour so we can go for a wander.

Sue has had many people asking about reserving tables for the Sunday Jubilee picnic on the beach and we are still humming and hawing about what is the best way to do this - whether a small fee for the RNLI but still allowing RIB crew, sailing officers etc to have a table reserved for when sailing finishes and stopping others use it. You know what's going to happen! We will let you know. In the meantime, if you can, it might be a good idea to prepare to bring along a picnic table and chairs if you wish as, the more seating the merrier. A very big thank you to all that have offered to help as hopefully the sun will shine and it will be a great weekend for PYC.

If you have children in your family, don't forget about the Crown Making that is taking place on Jubilee Saturday from 12 – 2pm with a parade to follow to choose the winner later on in the day. Sue has some names already and they can with collect a crown to decorate either at home or decorate on the day at the Club. Email me if you want Sue to put a crown to one side and you are not able to get down to the Club put your child's name to her.

Still to come:

Saturday 28th May: Hi 5 Band. 8pm onwards

Friday 3rd June: Sarah Lancaster vintage singer 3pm

Saturday 4th June: Timothy Quinlan Motown & other singer 7pm – 9pm

Sunday 5th June: The Smileys 3 - 4pm & 4.30 – 5.30pm (this has changed)

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Please don't forget that the four-day Platinum Jubilee Celebrations have been posted in the Club and will be posted on our website and on our Facebook so, if you are unclear about what is going on, then do have a look in one of those areas. I will post what is happening again in the blog when we get closer to the date or when things change.

Do keep letting me know what's going on xxx

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