

Hi Everybody,



This recent good weather has shown what a popular place Pagham is, especially the beach. We are so lucky to have our Club positioned where it is, with the Car/Boat Park so close to allow us to take full advantage of this.

These are our Paddlers showing the world that enjoying the sea doesn't have to end at Tea time on a Wednesday so, have a look at what John D has to say.

Sailing and Angling Report:



From RC Sailing Kevin, another good week on the water, starting on Wednesday evening with a fantastic eighteen paddlers and kayaks on the water so a well done to John D.



Saturday afternoon saw only four boats for leisure sailing with fairly strong winds so, a very well done to youth sailor Bertie who was out on a topper for the first time. This showed a great perseverance, although he capsized a couple of times and had to be towed in by the rib. Even an experienced sailor would have struggled to sail in those conditions so a brilliant effort by Bertie. It's great to see our Youth members meeting the challenges and good to see that we can support them. They are the future of the Club! Sunday morning saw seven boats rigged and ready to race 3 and 4 of the Mulberry series and we even managed to get RC Sailing Kevin out there as well, crewing for Andy Grout in his Dart 18. We are instructed to tell Andy, "Cheers, he really enjoyed it!". Best we get him out there more often Andy!

Results

Mulberry Series

Race 3

1 st Simon Orde	Laser
2 nd Kevin Robbins	Dart 15
3 rd Nick Cook & Kevin Freeman	Wayfarer
4 th Andy Grout & Kevin Mason	Dart 18
5 th Joe Atherton	Topaz Uno
6 th Stuart Ashwood & Alan Phillips	Hobie Tiger
7 th Guy Lawson	Laser Pico

Race 4

- 1st Andy Grout & Kevin Mason
- 2nd Simon Orde
- 3rd Kevin Robbins
- 4th Nick Cook & Kevin Freeman
- 5th Joe Atherton
- 6th Stuart Ashwood & Alan Phillips

JUNE

- 25th SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30
- 26th SUNDAY TYTHE BARN @ BRSC 11.00 Prize to highest placed PYC boat

JULY

- 2nd SATURDAY TRIANGLE SERIES RACE 3 14.00
- 3rd SUNDAY THE MULBERRY SERIES RACES 5 & 6 11.00
- 9th SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30
- 10th SUNDAY RNLI MIKE COLE MEMORIAL RACES 1 & 2 11.00 1 RNLI Prizes awarded on the day
- 16th SATURDAY TRIANGLE SERIES RACE 4 14.00
- 17th SUNDAY THE MULBERRY SERIES RACES 7 & 8 11.00
- 23rd SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30
- 24th SUNDAY COMMODORES CUP SERIES RACE 7 & 8 11.00 3
- 30th SATURDAY TRIANGLE SERIES RACE 5 14.00
- 31st SUNDAY SUMMER SERIES RACE 1 & 2 11.00

Angling

From George, three boats went out on Tuesday in lovely conditions - for a change, with Mackerel, Bass, Smoothound, Bream and Dogfish caught. Mackerel and Squid used as bait for the Smoothound, Bream and Dogfish and lures for the Bass and Mackerel. Sammy the seal was patrolling the harbour entrance on Tuesday afternoon but the boys didn't see him catch anything, although large shoals of Mackerel were between the inner Mulberry and 400 yards off the harbour entrance.

Our kayak anglers launched early on Saturday morning with Kian showing the senior kayak anglers how to catch a good Bass (2 Bass, one Schoolie and one Keeper). That is what it is all about! Well done lad!

Next Sunday's competition is 7.30am start to 4pm with Bream the target species. Good luck to everybody!

Paddlers



From John D, they had a fabulous Paddlers last Wednesday with eighteen intrepid kayakers and Paddleboarders taking advantage of the glorious weather. Many went out to the Mulberry but a few took the new club angling kayaks and, actually caught their supper. Don't tell the Angling Section!!!!

The good news is that tomorrow is looking even better weather wise so it would be great to see even more Club members out enjoying the water and then back to the Club Bar for refreshments.

Let's try and break the 20 paddlers barrier and make a splash (groan 🙄) for PYC. (That was John – not me!)

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Membership

A slightly different message from Andy D about paying fees from this July until next February as they are naturally slightly less than the till is set up to accept.

Please can you pay any fees from now, ideally by BACS or, by cheques or cash (NOT through the till) to save any complications with the current set up of the till. This allows us to change the fees on the till in the future without lots of interim hassle which you wouldn't know about unless you have spent endless hours doing it! Thank you in anticipation of your co-operation in this from the stressed persons who are doing this.

Entertainment

What can I say? Following last weeks' Blog when we had High Tide playing on Saturday for Maggie and Brian's 40th Wedding Anniversary celebration generating a great afternoon and evening with terrific music, followed by our own Elvis generating the moves on Sunday! And we didn't think it could have got better.

We should have known better.

It started with Keith on Friday evening with his questions on Take Your Pick, resulting in Alison betting £40 for a win out of the box to discover it was a slice of bread! Oh dear, Keith. What are you like? The good news is that all profits go to the RNLI so it was worth paying for the laughter that lasted forever when they saw what had happened. Thank heavens it was someone with a sense of humour who made the bid! Keith will be carrying similar feats out every other Friday so you have been warned to come equipped with your cheque book or card.

Having celebrated a Wedding Anniversary, on Saturday the Club were allowed to revel in Rob's 65th birthday party. It started in a fairly civilized manner with the boys enjoying a civilised round of Golf on the Saturday morning/afternoon which they appeared back from in a fairly sober manner.



Then, from around 7pm onwards... that's when the real fun started!





A huge thanks to Nicolette and Andrea, two of our unpaid Bar volunteers, as they took on a huge section of the evening's rota to serve members and their guests and, without them doing all of those hours the evening wouldn't really wouldn't have been a possible success.

Another thanks to our BBQ operators – what a fantastic chicken skewer with sausage hot dogs and beef burger feast with all the accompaniments they produced in the steaming night hot air! Whoa boys! (Glad I didn't have to do their washing, let alone the plates!!!) A very Well Done to Vice Commodore Rocky, Pete W and Steve P for working together to make sure that we all had our one x skewer, 2 x hot dogs and 1 x burger with an enormous salad to keep us going! Groan...

Shame we can't do medals for this in the hot temperature we have been exposed to as it was beyond what we normally ask for. What do you mean – give them a beer? Sorry, no, no, need to do more than that!

Having enjoyed that, we thought that we may not have too many members turning up to enjoy what we have to offer them on Sunday – especially as it was Fathers' Day and we didn't know how many members would be travelling the county, or country to make amends or enjoy what Mother has to offer for lunch. Didn't matter. We had the pleasure of Men Behaving Madly to let us know where we could still be entertained. And, were they good???! Oh Yes!!!! Yahoo!



Let's hope that we can see them again, very soon as they were very, very good! Sorry if you missed them. Your loss!

In the meantime, this is what we have coming our way4

JUNE

Friday 24th Take Your Pick with Keith 7pm

JULY

Friday 1st Take Your Pick 7pm

Saturday 2nd Malc de Redding 7 – 9pm

Friday 8th Play Your Cards Right with Keith 7pm

Sunday 10th Mike Cole RNLI Day

Turn Pike Alley 3 – 5pm

Strawberry & Cream Scones & Pimms

Friday 15th Take Your Pick 7pm

Sunday 17th 5 Piece Soul Band 4 – 6pm

Friday 22nd Play Your Cards Right with Keith 7pm

Saturday 23rd Jo's 40th Party

Sunday 24th Louise's Solo Singer 3 – 5pm

Friday 29th Take Your Pick 7pm

Saturday 30th Petrol Money 7.30 – 9.30pm

Hope you can make some of the above and, in the meantime, I hope to see you again very soon.

Jill

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