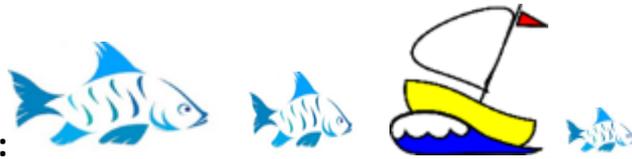


Hi Everybody,



Another fabulous weekend with the most amazing scenes from the water and from the land. Aren't we blessed? Who cannot help love being here? It's just so wonderful.



Sailing and Angling Report:

From RC Sailing Kevin, what a fantastic weekend both on and off the water!

Saturday saw four picos out on the water enjoying the light breeze and calm sea and, as you can imagine, we had the inevitable question from the youth section, "Can we do capsizing practice?" Oh Groan.....



Still, Bertie managed to turtle and de-mast his pico. I think it's a talent that only a few have – fortunately! Thankfully, Joe M was on hand to jump in and assist Bertie in righting his boat and reattaching the mast. Well done to Joe! One thing RC Kevin likes about this current group of youth sailors is that they have all become good friends and always ready to help each other. That really matters and hopefully will last until they become adult sailors and all that goes with their ages. It has been a week of accomplishments with a big well done to Jay Steer, who last week passed his level four and Seaman-ship qualification. Whoa Jay!!!

Another bonus for our youth members who were out on the water Saturday evening, Joe M and Tom E who were out paddle boarding and snorkelling and managed to find a pico rudder in amongst the weed. This was one we lost two weeks ago. Well done to the boys who found it and saved us heaven knows how much! Don't you just love 'em!

I'm pleased to say that we have some amazing photos for the sailing this weekend! If you have been out on the shore and taken any photos then please do send them to me as a shot from any directions can produced some amazing photos. And it isn't just the boats – it's our members and what they have been up to that makes the world go round. Don't think it's just us that makes the blog – it's you! Let me know what you have as we need you.



Sunday saw fifteen boats ready for Race 9 & 10 of the Commodore Cup series. With light winds and calm sea, there was a lot of jostling on the start line, ending in the inevitable false start by three boats. After Race Officer Commodore Paul informed the safety rib, they had to take the punishment of a 360 degree turn. The event resulted in some good individual battles going on.

With the winds getting stronger, Sam A used the gap in-between the two races to come ashore, grab his harness so he could go out on the trapeze. A smart move Sam as, in the second race a heavy squall came through with a different direction to the wind, confused the sailors but, thankfully, they all managed to cope.

Many thanks to Paul as Race Officer, Bailey and Jack on the safety boat and David working hard as beach crew.

Sailing Results Commodore Cup series – 14th August 2022

Race 9

1 st Guy Hickman	Laser Radial
2 nd Nick Cook & Kevin Freeman	Wayfarer
3 rd Stuart Ashwood & Alan Phillips	Hobie Tiger
4 th Sam Atherton	Topaz 14
5 th Jay Steer	Topper
6 th George Bramley	Laser Pico
7 th Nathan Wyborn	Laser Pico
8 th Charlie Donoghue	Topper
9 th Joe Atherton & Bertie Kirby	Topaz Uno
10 th Andy & Carol Grout	Dart 18
11 th Kevin Robbins & John Stanley	Dart 18
12 th Steve Greene	RS Feva
13 th Alan Fry	Laser Vortex
14 th Clive Briggs	Laser Pico
15 th Scottie	Laser Pico

Race 10

1 st Sam Atherton
2 nd Guy Hickman
3 rd Jay Steer
4 th Nick Cook & Kevin Freeman
5 th Joe Atherton & Bertie Kirby
6 th Andy & Carol Grout
7 th Kevin Robbins & John Stanley
8 th Steve Greene
9 th George Bramley
10 th Clive Briggs
=11 th Charlie Donoghue
=11 th Stuart Ashwood & Alan Phillips
13 th Scottie
DNF Alan Fry
DNF Nathan Wyborn

Future Events:

AUGUST

18 th	THURSDAY SHEERWATER NATIONALS 11.30
19 th	FRIDAY SHEERWATER NATIONALS 11.00
20 th	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30 SHEERWATER NATIONALS 11.00
21 st	SUNDAY SUMMER SERIES RACES 5 & 6 11.00 SHEERWATER NATIONALS 11.00
27 th	SATURDAY PYC REGATTA RACES 1 & 2 13.00 2
28 th	SUNDAY PYC REGATTA RACES 3,4 & 5 11.00 2 CAT Cup extracted from results
29 th	MONDAY SAILFISH TROPHY 11.0

PB2 Course

Congratulations to Molly and Tiffany who have successfully completed their two-day RYA PB2 course over this last Saturday and Sunday. I'm told that they enjoyed brilliant weather, fantastic instructors and that it was great fun! Well, let's face it, they look happy enough.

This is a perfect boat training course for the absolute beginner or a stepping stone to further courses by sharpening any existing skills. If you are interested, the RYA work on full sea going boats that includes taking you and putting you to sea so they are ideal for our members. Do let us know if you are interested as we are keen to get as many of our sailors trained at various levels as we can. This is called survival.



Angling

From RC Angling Paul and George, what a great turn out for the late Don's new trophy Memorial Cup with 18 members on seven boats fishing the targeted Bass.

Despite lots of hope and dreams of catching buckets of fish it just did not turn out that way. August is always a poorer month overall but, a few Bass, Mackerel, Bream, Dogfish, Wrasse, Pollack and Conger were caught and, on the day, Evie caught a 43cm Bass along with Ted catching the same size respectability. However, RC Paul wore his lucky shorts (don't ask!!!) and managed to catch one 45cm to win the day. As George has pointed out, it was fitting that RC Paul won the competition in recognition for all the work that he does for the Angling section and the Club in general.



There were some other fish caught, doggies a few Mackerel and also Alex had a nice Wrasse. They were hoping of doing a fish BBQ but I'm afraid everyone would have gone hungry! Mind you, the winning Bass looks very good Paul.

On another note, George tells me that one boat noticed quite a few swallows passing them and heading out to sea so maybe a sign of the weather changing? Oh well, it's been a very good summer so far so we just cannot complain.

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Sheerwater

We only have less than three days before our friends from Sheerwater are coming to join us. Can I just remind you that from Wednesday, our car-park will be out-of-order to our members as it will be used by our visitors as a camping ground. Please can you respect this and be discreet with our neighbours about where you find alternate parking.

Also, as they will be staying with us, they will be using our facilities for showering etc so you may find that it gets busy at certain times. If it looks as if we are running out of certain items such as loo rolls or paper towels then please do let us know so we can stay ahead of any problems as we have enormous stocks now!

Work Party

Many thanks to all of the members that turned up on Saturday morning – some of them very early to avoid the sun, to clear the rubbish that has accumulated around the site over the past year. Looking at the photos, I think we should have issued a hazard warning against some of those male bodies, let alone the rubbish!!!



Dinner Dance

Just to let you know that after this weekend we will be putting up an invitation for the annual Dinner Dance which this year will be held at the Inglenook Hotel in the village on Saturday 15th October, which should save quite a few of us taxi fares!

A list of the choices of food, the cost of the ticket and what is included will be on the item to be posted, along with the final date for places. Something different for you to look forward to! Get it in your diary now!!!! (Yes, I know I have compulsory OCD but it helps when you are surrounded by people who keep changing what they want you to put in the blog!!!) At least I'm not charging them a price or that would be a nightmare!

Annual General Meeting

Another date for your diary, Sunday 27th November for the Annual General Meeting. I know it seems a long way away but don't forget that the notice for the AGM will go up on Sunday 2nd October which is just around the corner! That is the list showing who is standing again for the positions on the Management Committee and where there will be vacancies. It is important that should you wish to stand for one of the roles that you approach one of the Committee to find out what is involved, to make sure that this is something you could enjoy and carry on doing.

One of the roles that we know will be a vacancy is the role of RC Planning as Bob can no longer devote the time, he has given over the past year +. I know he would be delighted to talk through what the role involves but essentially it is involved with the Club's 5 Year Plan, where we are going, what needs doing etc – which we all know is a constantly changing affair!

Entertainment

What a weekend! Blimey! It all began with Happy Hour on Friday from 6.30 – 7.30pm in readiness for One 4 The Road – which we are going to have back again early October as they are so popular. This time they will be coming back to us as a duo so we can have them indoors. And who let Russ loose with a tambourine????

We had Sarah Saville on Saturday and, for those of you who missed her, she was brilliant! We must get her back again as her range of songs is astounding and she is so relaxed!!!! She would be a good inside performer for during the winter months as she is great to dance to. (Can you hear me RC Social & Fundraising?) As an aside, speaking of the AGM, best we support Sue enormously as she is doing such a fantastic job! Would you want to do her job? Aaargh!!!



And then with Russ on the tambourine!



The fabulous Sarah on Saturday in the evening, followed by the Lightening Brothers on Sunday with another of our own personal "boogie-on-down" mini dancer who showed us what to do with our legs for at least half an hour without stopping whilst they checked their volume and presentation. I'm not sure that our later "senior" dancers displayed as much energy or talent as the earlier dances to compete with her – well, apart from Olive that is! (**but** I'm told he has a special licence- in what capacity I don't know so we won't challenge that!!!).



Coming our way.....

AUGUST

Saturday 27th Malc de Redding & ELVIS from 3 till 6pm



and

Monday 29th Bank Holiday

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 3rd Lou Taylor

Bar Open 12 – 4pm with volunteers please

Solo Singer 7pm? tba

Sunday 11 th	Timothy Quinlan	3.15 – 5.15pm (perhaps indoors unless weather is good)
Saturday 17 th	The Smileys @ Pagham Village Hall 7pm (tickets only – charity function)	
OCTOBER	(all entertainment from now will be indoors)	
Sunday 2 nd	One 4 the Road (duo)	3.30 – 5.30pm
Sunday 9 th	Duncan McKenzie	3.30 – 5.30pm

Bar Rota

I'm pleased to say that our Bar Manager, Scottie and his wife Emma, who has thankfully taken the Bar rota back over from me are now with us after finally exhausting their bank accounts by touring the world by cruising – no, don't ask me where they went as I don't get involved in spending money any more as it really hurts just to think about it!

Emma has taken over again fully now from tonight so do let her know if you want to help as she needs you to sort out what is going on. We all need to work together and we are relying on you – and your smiles to make it all looking good!

Any Other Business

Charity Bank Holiday Saturday 27th August

From RC Social & Fundraising Sue, she is in the process of organising a Charity Swim where members of the Club can be dropped off by the Mulberry and swim back around 10.30am ish on Saturday 27th August, watched by our Safety Boats. Please be aware that this is dependent on tides etc. The members involved will be asked to submit a £10 entry fee, which would include a barbecue. So, either swim with an eating part **or** to just eat will cost you £10 and all monies going to cancer charity. Oh yes!

Sue is hoping that this is ok with everybody. When you enter there will be a list and when you pay you will be given a ticket to show you how to get your food (if you are fit enough to get off the beach!!!). Members and guests can enter and we are hoping that with this simple exercise we can bring the club alive for a great event!

If you can't swim – put your name down to sponsor a swimmer and for this you will have a BBQ. In fact, you don't have to sponsor a swimmer to enjoy the food **BUT** wouldn't it be nice if you choose to do that?

Simplessssss. £10 per head and most of that is on sponsorship.....and you get a burger!!!!!!What a nice person you could show them that you are.



Look out for the "sponsorship" form that will be posted in the Club house.

Pagham Village Hall Dooo

For those of you who know our Smileys and what a brilliant night they offer, they are playing at Pagham Village Hall on Saturday 17th September at 7.30pm. I'm told that tickets are available from Lesley Haynes, our CPO and Comms and Press Officer. You can contact her on her personal number 07833971620 to purchase tickets at £8.00 each and they mean that you bring your own food and drink for the evening as all profit goes to support local charities. I've checked, and we don't have anything at our Club on that night as the marquee will be down so, please **Go For It** if you want to support them and enjoy our Smileys!

It can only get better!

Jill

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