

Hi Everybody,



Just couldn't resist putting both these photos at the start of the blog to show what a wonderful place we live in. What a brilliant weekend this has been!



Sailing and Angling Report:

From RC Sailing Kevin, another interesting weekend sailing.

Knowing the blue rib needed fixing before going on the water, Paul the Commodore was going to take out the Jet Ski for Saturday afternoon sailing, leaving Kevin free to repair the blue rib. Unfortunately, the Jet Ski refused to start but thankfully Pete W kindly allowed us the use of his rib so we could sail. Many thanks to Pete for that!

There was a good turnout for Saturday afternoon sailing with ten boats, including two new sailors, Andy D and Geoff L. With Paul covering on the Safety boat, RC Kevin managed to get the blue rib fixed and water tested ready for Sunday's racing. Phew!

Sunday morning saw agreeable sunshine, light offshore winds and a calm sea state making ideal sailing weather with twelve boats getting rigged and ready to sail.



Both races were very competitive with some good banter on the water, lots of water and starboard being called and a few near misses between boats and a few mistakes being made under pressure to catch each other.

Simon O made a schoolboy error of tacking onto a reach, then wondering why he was drifting with the tide. Only then did he realise - quarters of the leg, he had forgotten to push his dagger board back down! Then Andy G and Molly S trying to catch Steve G, tacked too early and managed to get marker 2 caught in between the hulls of his dart! Happy days!

The banter between the sailors continued off the water, all good and friendly.

Many thanks to Race Officer Sally Smith and the rib crews of Bailey, Tiff, Lola and Molly.

Race Results Sunday 25th September

Autumn Series

Race 1

1 st Jack Goodland	Laser
2 nd Simon Orde	Laser
3 rd Steve Greene	D Zero
4 th Louise Greene	Laser 4.7
5 th Nick Cook & Kevin Freeman	Wayfarer
6 th Andy Grout & Molly Stewart	Dart 18
7 th Joe Atherton	Topaz Uno Race X
8 th Kevin Robbins	Dart 15
9 th Guy Lawson	Laser Pico
10 th Scottie	Laser Pico
11 th Clive Briggs	Laser Pico
DNS Stuart Ashwood & Alan Phillips Hobie Tiger	

Race 2

1 st Jack Goodland
2 nd Simon Orde
3 rd Nick Cook & Kevin Freeman
4 th Steve Greene
5 th Joe Atherton
6 th Louise Greene
7 th Andy Grout
8 th Stuart Ashwood & Alan Phillips
9 th Clive Briggs
10 th Kevin Robbins
11 th Guy Lawson
12 th Scottie

OCTOBER

1 st	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30
2 nd	SUNDAY AUTUMN SERIES RACES 3 & 4 11.00
8 th	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30
9 th	SUNDAY AUTUMN SERIES RACES 5 & 6 11.00
15 th	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30
16 th	SUNDAY COMMODORES CUP SERIES RACES 13 & 14 11.00 3
22 nd	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30
23 rd	SUNDAY AUTUMN SERIES RACES 7 & 8 11.00

Angling

From George, not much activity in the last week to his knowledge but three club members fished the beach on Wednesday evening as the weather was lovely. Sadly, the fishing very poor with only two very tiny Skate caught and frankly, a magnifying glass was needed to see them!

Next Sunday's competition is the last boat competition for this year with a 7.30 am start until 2 pm finish with the best Cod the target species. If a Cod is not caught, the best Channel Whiting will decide the winner yet again, as normal subject to favourable weather conditions.

From RC Angling Paul, on the fishing side he's not aware of anything substantial being caught this week but he knows that George and three others did fish Wednesday evening off the beach, results as above.

Just also a reminder of the next Learn to Fish being held on 15th October and a notice will go up this week in the club to remind all of this event.

RC Paul has also spoken to RC Sailing Kevin regarding a trip to the RNLI station at Selsey with a preliminary date of 22nd October at 9am. Please can you let RC Paul or RC Planning Bob Newman know if you are interested in this so we can we check for interest as Bob will be the main contact.

Next Learn to Fish event - Saturday 15th October 1pm till 16:30. All will be very welcome.

Beach match calendar:

30th October 11 am till 16:00

13th November 10:30 till 15:30.

27th November 10:30 till 15:30.

11th December 10:00 till 14:30.

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Golf

The boys have been at it again, this time at Horsham golf and Country Club last Friday which resulted in a fantastic day out for all – once the rain had stopped! Oh, apart from incidents when the rain got to two members. Good thing you can't read what Andy Dennahey is saying when his trolley decided enough was enough, and went for a lie down. Kevan on the other hand seems quite pleased to show the world that wearing shorts was a good idea if you feel the need to fall over whilst sober and split your leg open. Never mind, at least we know you saved on the washing.



The winner was Olive (Clive) with 34 points, second was Guy with 33 points and all the golfers donated their winning for the nearest of pins and longest drive to the Macmillan charity event at the Club. Thank you boys!!!!

The Brass Monkeys

You may remember the picture of the Brass Monkeys last week after they emerged from the water, celebrating the Queen's send off with a BBQ of Sausage baps followed by a hot toddy and Sherry? If you missed it in the blog, I'm pleased to say that the picture, with a full story, made it to the Observer on Friday. Great to know that they now have made national news!

World's Biggest Coffee Morning for Macmillan Cancer – 24th September

What a fantastic event! Many thanks to Sue for organising this and arranging the various events that made it such an enjoyable day.

Did you have a go with the donation of a £1 to win the huge bottle of Vodka? No? (Who won then???) Or, how's about the tombola or the Cake and bacon and sausage roll sale and lots of other things on Saturday? And then there was the auction on Sunday for the leather ladies' bag and Mountain Bike donated by Alison and Dudley – in that order!!!

The really good news is that apart from having an enjoyable couple of days, PYC managed to achieve £1,136.20 which.... watch this space.....was then increased to **£1,500** by cash donations from Pete W and Geoff L!!!

A very big thank you to everybody! An absolutely stunning amount achieved!

Dinner Dance

I'm pleased to say that payments for the Dinner Dance have really increased but from past experience I know I will have to carry on chasing you until the very last week! Please surprise me this time and make a payment to whoever is on the Bar when you are there as they have access to the tickets and the payments list.

If you want to invite additional guests - or if you are a member and haven't done anything yet, it's not too late to get those names down (and payments in)!!!

It's on Saturday 15th October at the Inglenook Hotel with arrival at 7pm for a 7.30pm sit down with formal wear or smart casual if you don't own a DJ – or it doesn't fit you anymore! We can be understanding about these things.

As I keep repeating, I need payment to confirm that you are attending so we can let you know about the table set ups for you to arrange who you are sitting with as I said, the numbers are looking really good. So you had better get a move on.

RC Planning

Just looking ahead to when the Election Of Club Officers 2022 – 2023 and Notification of Business notice will be posted on Sunday 2nd October and taken down on Sunday 30th October. No further nominations will be accepted once the notice is taken down so if you are interested in stepping forward to take an interest in the role of RC Planning then please do come ahead and ask for more details.

This is a job that covers the following for the Rear-Commodore Planning shall:

- Support the Commodore to further develop and implement the club 5-Year Plan.
- Oversee any supporting 5-Year Plan documentation.
- Establish realistic timelines for each element of the 5-Year Plan.
- Work with the committee and any sub-committees to ensure all officers are proactively engaged in the programme.
- Provide updates to the Trustees, Committee & Membership on delivery of the 5-Year plan.

If you are interested in this and would like to know more, do come forward and speak to either the current RC Planning Bob who is stepping down, or to speak to Paul the current Commodore.

Entertainment

It really has been an active weekend with lots of the members calling in on Saturday from 11am until after 4pm to donate their money towards the Macmillan Cancer, which was followed in the evening by Mark's 56th birthday with some amazing food that kept everybody very happy!



On Sunday, we were treated to more of the food hidden in the fridge from the night before that had been bought to spoil those of us who couldn't make it to the party (and indulge those of us who could), plus the two auctions for the Mountain bike and the ladies leather bag.

Having indulged ourselves, Louise Connelly joined us once again as a Solo singer in the afternoon and made it a fabulous afternoon by performing so many songs from different singers. She is so stunning to listen to! What a fabulous voice..... (fantastic to hear that the favourite Gloria Gaynor song was still as a survivor as it was even better by Louise! Yahoo!!!)



OCTOBER (please note that all entertainment from now will be indoors)

Saturday 1 st	Members Birthday Party	7pm - till late
Sunday 2 nd	One 4 the Road (duo)	3.30 – 5.30pm
Sunday 9 th	Duncan McKenzie	3.30 – 5.30pm
Saturday 29 th	Kid's Halloween Party	3 – 5pm
	Adults	7pm – till late

NOVEMBER

Saturday 19 th	Prize Giving & Supper	7pm
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DECEMBER

Friday 23 rd	Smileys Christmas Show	
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Any Other Business

Don't forget that from Saturday 1st October we have the Winter Bar opening sessions.

Days Open

Wednesday

Hours

6pm – 11pm

Thursday

Closed

Friday

6pm – 11pm

Saturday Afternoon

1pm – 4pm

Saturday Evening

Open only for advertised functions

Sunday

1pm – 6pm

Christmas & Boxing Day

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Another "Don't forget" - that on the Sunday 2nd October a notice will be put up in the Club detailing Management Committee officers that are re-standing for the post they currently hold and others co-opted to the Committee that will be re-standing. It will also detail where there are vacancies and inviting interested members to stand as candidates for election to any of the positions.

Do have a look and if you want to put your name down but have not been a member of the Club for two years plus, please do speak to a member of the Committee as we will need to take this back for discussion to permit it to go ahead.

Take care and we look forward to as many members coming forward to find out more about the Club vacancies or, if they are interested in any of the other posts.

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