

Hi Everybody,



What a fantastic week! The Club has been full to bursting every day over the weekend and it has been so much fun for all involved from the young, who came to their own Halloween party, to the adults who had their own amazing Halloween gathering all the way through to yesterday's sailing and the jam-packed Bar which didn't close until after 8pm. I'm shattered just thinking about it!



If you didn't make it to the Club to join in the fun, you missed out on lots of fun, humour and fantastic company!

Sailing and Angling Report:



From RC Sailing Kevin, no sailing took place on Saturday but Sunday morning saw strong winds greeting us with Force 5, gusting to 6. With high tide due at 2pm, it was touch and go as to sail or not.

After a discussion with rib crews and the sailors, and as it was the final fling, we decided to give it a go - but only doing one race.

Seven boats took to the water but after only a few minutes, Scottie in a Pico, decided it was too much for him and came ashore. This proved to be a wise move so we had six boats starting with only four finishing. With those conditions, there was a lot of capsizing keeping the rib crews on their toes!

With the winds getting stronger and shore dump getting worse, everyone was glad we only had one race and, thankfully everybody made it ashore safe and sound. A great effort by all with a special well done to Clive for finishing in very severe conditions.

Many thanks to everyone that helped out on and off the water over the whole season - far too many to mention individually and it has been a great season of sailing and one RC Kevin has personally enjoyed. He will see you all at presentation night and don't forget, if you want to eat, then get your tickets from behind the bar as soon as possible as we need to know numbers now. From RC Kevin, cheers to all and let's look forward to next year!

Sailing Results 30th October

Final Fling

1 st Nick Cook & Kevin Freeman	Wayfarer
2 nd Kevin Robbins & Stuart Ashwood	Dart 15
3 rd Simon Orde	Laser Radial
4 th Clive Briggs	Laser Pico
DNF Jack Goodland	Laser
DNF Steve Greene	D Zero
DNS Scottie	Laser Pico

Angling

From George, three anglers fished the beach on Tuesday but only two dogfish were caught. On Saturday three anglers attended the last Learn to Fish event helped by Paul and George. The winds were breezy causing rafts of weed making fishing very hard but, despite this, one Bass, one Dogfish, one Pouting and two Channel Whiting were caught - these being the first Whiting landed this Autumn by a Club member. It is intended to run the Learn to Fish events in 2023 as hopefully those that attended this year's events have enjoyed themselves.

Sunday's Beach match was fished by only three anglers with a couple of small Bass caught with a small Plaice, three Dogfish and four Whiting with Squid and Ragworm baits used. Whilst George managed to catch the most fish in the very blustery wind and rough sea conditions, the anglers however did have a very good view of our sailors have a very trying time – especially the difficult recovery of their crafts and the safety boat. Overall, it was a really good effort by both the anglers and sailors in such trying conditions.

Our next beach match is Sunday 13th November from 10.30am until 3.30pm with hopefully better conditions encouraging more Anglers to fish.



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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Serving Non-Members

For those of you who are really helpful by serving behind the Bar, or those of you who bring guests into the Club, please be aware that ALL non-members visiting the Club who wish to be served drinks, MUST be signed in. This includes guests of a member or as friends of a visiting Band/Performer.

Failure to do this will put our licence at risk should we be visited by a Licencing Officer.

If, however they tell you they are members and you are still unsure, please do ask to see their membership card. If they can't produce one – don't serve them!

Marion

I did it again! Last week I told you that we are holding our own festivity at the Club on the evening of Saturday 29th November to celebrate Marion's time with us – and I didn't look up to see that this would have been a Tuesday! Groan.... Fortunately, it's in November so you have enough time to put the proper date of Saturday 26th November – the night before the AGM, on your calendar. I bet you're looking forward to getting up in the morning after an evening of celebration? Just keep smiling.

AGM

Speaking of the AGM, I have taken the Election of Club Officers notice down and sadly we were still missing nominations for RC Planning, Communication & Press Officer and Assistant Secretary. Whilst we can co-opt these positions in the future if someone does come forward, if you are still interested in any of them, please do let us know of your interest so we can give you more information. Both of the Communication & Press Officer and Assistant Secretary are non-voting positions so they may appeal to someone who doesn't want to commit to the management aspect and the time involved, but is keen to keep active and make use of their skills.

The business that a member may request be discussed at the AGM has also now closed.

Saturday 5th November

Don't forget that we will be laying on a BBQ of Burgers and Sausages on this evening with a special kind of entertainment to keep everybody happy. The cost will be £10 for adults and free for children. Payment is by cash only and tickets can be obtained from behind the Bar. Please do look and see what the full details are as this is for members only and full details are advertised only within the Club. We need to know numbers very soon so don't assume that you can turn up and be fed!

RNLI Visit

A reminder about the visit to the lifeboat station at Selsey on Saturday 12th November, where we have to notify Selsey RNLI with a rough idea on numbers by the end of this week so they can arrange to have the right number of staff on duty. This is a fantastic opportunity for our youngsters, let alone members like me and you to find out what goes on behind the scenes and just what is involved in being a rescuer. If you are interested, let RC Planning planning@paghamyachtclub.com or myself know and I will pass your details on. The plan is to meet at the Club at 9:30am then all head off to Selsey just before 10:00am. This is a wonderful opportunity so make the most of it!

Entertainment



Sadly, I can't post all of the brilliant photos for you to see of the children's party and, more significantly, the adult Halloween party! Blimey – talk about letting your inner spirit out. Or should that be apparition, phantom, spook, ghost, wraith.....

NOVEMBER

Saturday 19th Prize Giving & Supper at 7pm (Tickets from the Bar)
The Minkees are appearing at the Mulberries, Village Hall. Please do contact Lesley Haynes for tickets for this charity do.

DECEMBER

Friday 23rd Smileys Christmas Show



Even the Brass Monkeys joined in the Halloween celebrations when meeting up with other swimming groups at Sel-sey Lifeboat Station yesterday. Lovely hats boys and girls!

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