

Hi Everybody,



I just had to post pictures of a glorious mid-day today when the sun was shining, the sea was calm and the temperature felt around 18°C when I was walking towards Pagham Harbour but.....we are November and rain and 11°C is coming our way! Ho hum. Never mind, it was good while it lasted. But doesn't it look beautiful?

Sailing and Angling Report:



From RC Sailing Kevin, whilst there is nothing to report on the sailing front, he does want to remind all sailors that next Saturday 19th at 7pm we have the prize giving and pizza buffet evening. We hope to see everyone there to celebrate and look back at a great sailing season.

Angling

From George, four anglers fished the beach match on Sunday and caught Channel Whiting, a Conger and a Silver Eel with the troublesome weed and fresh East, SE winds causing a few problems. The winner was Pete Wakeford who caught seven Whiting. Well done to Pete!

Next Friday evening, 18th November at 7.45pm, RC Angling Paul is holding the second fishing meeting of this year. Amongst things to discuss are the general interest in arranging a Charter Boat trip in the near future, a review of the 2021/22 Angling Season and a discussion of the proposed 2023 PYC Angling Calendar. This will be held in the Training Room, is open to all PYC club members – and the Bar will be open should you need refreshments to keep you going! George has also commented on the annual awards event by suggesting that it would be very nice to see a very good turn-out of Club members as this year has been so successful. I agree with him!

Future Matches:

27th November 10:30 till 15:30.

11th December 10:00 till 14:30.

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AGM

Hopefully you will have received your papers for the AGM, either by email or by hand. If you haven't had them by email, please do check your spam as they were quite a "heavy" package and some members' systems don't like this. If you still haven't received your papers, do email me and I will send them out again to that email.

Now that the papers have been circulated with information about each item, our Auditor Simon T has come forward to let me know that all of the public accessible pathway that runs at the side of the Clubhouse from East/West Front Road, and the portion across the beach to the Monument now belongs to Pagham Parish Council, not Pagham Beach Holdings.

Further, Simon has posted a copy of the 2021/22 Accounts on the noticeboard inside the Bar to make it easier to clarify any queries as those copies emailed did suffer a slight dislocation of the presentation of information.

Another reminder that only **FULL** members can vote at the AGM or can complete the Proxy voting papers which need to be returned by **10.30am on Friday 25th November**. Any proxy forms must be sealed from individual members, separately from other members, and marked accordingly.

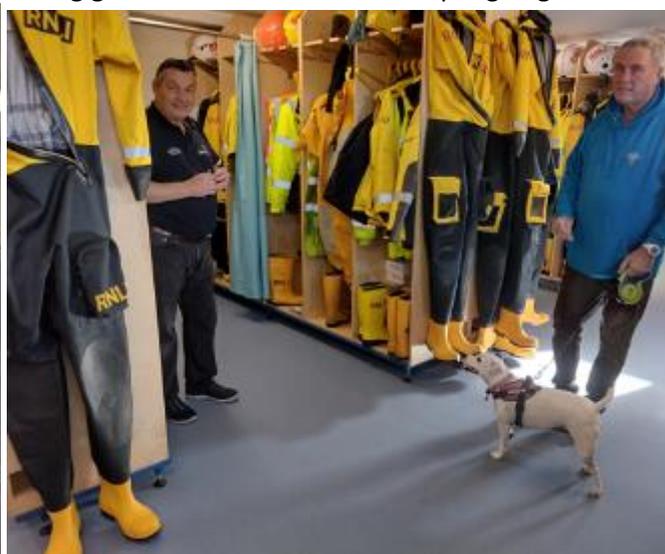
If you have any queries before the meeting on Sunday 27th November at 10.30am, then please do email me and I will see what help I can arrange for you.

RNLI Visit

What a stunning visit to the RNLI Lifeboat Station at Selsey! If I start by telling you that the main boat, the Shannon Class – Denise and Eric, which cost the RNLI £5.5 million with the trailer, then it gives you some idea of what I am talking about.



The Shannon is the latest class of all-weather lifeboat to join the RNLI fleet. She's the first modern all-weather lifeboat to be propelled by waterjets instead of traditional propellers, making her our most agile and manoeuvrable all-weather lifeboat yet – but what engineering goes into that!!! – and to keep it going!





They also have one of the D Class, an inflatable lifeboat which is highly manoeuvrable and usually operates closer to shore than the Shannon lifeboat. She (I love that they refer to her as “she”) comes into her own for searches and rescues in the surf, shallow water and confined locations - often close to cliffs, among rocks and even inside caves. An absolutely beautiful boat!



I have to say that our younger members were VERY well taken care of. A fantastic (and deafening) morning when they were told how to use the loud speakers/callers on Denise and Eric. Whose idea was that? And the hand-made cakes???

Groan..... A really huge thank you to Vaughan Turney the Chair of Selsey Lifeboat Station who arranged for our visit and to all of the men who have up their free time to show us and explain to us what they do. It’s another world – it really is a place where you need a background in engineering or mechanics along with a sea worthiness astuteness. Tell me – do you think you can do what they are doing as volunteers?

Love ‘em to bits – they have saved my life in 2014 and without them I would undoubtedly be history. The Club is keen to support the RNLI in whatever way we can so, if it just you going online and buying Christmas gifts from their website or perhaps putting your spare change after buying a drink in their boat on our Bar....then PLEASE just do it! We need to support them.

Don’t forget, it might be you and your boat that needs them in 2023.

Marion

Aaargh.....I’m in trouble again! At least you know that it’s that the same mistake – paste and copy!

There I was trying to do the AGM papers ready to send out, and trying to do blog at the same time.....and I copied and pasted the wrong date from before – “please sir, your honour – I didn’t mean to do it!”.

Never mind, either hang me, or look at when I apologised last time when you saw that we are going to have a knees-up or down from 5pm (so the kids can be involved) on Saturday 26th November. Food and disco will be provided so you have been warned – still enough in advance!

Kevan has asked that if you have any photos of Marion, please can you bring them along so we can put up a memory board so every one can have a look back to see what was going on in the past. If you do have any photos, any details, such as dates, years and names would be fantastic! Something like this would be great for me as I only knew her

over 13 or 14 years and I knew she was a member of the Club for so much longer than me. And she came here as a child. Another world and she was so strong to carry on to maintain what the Club saw as their rights. Lovely lady xxx.

Entertainment

Coming up –



I know I have warned you about this before but Santa's secretary has been emailing me and, oh boy!!! is she stropky about getting names in on time! Don't forget that you have to let Sue know if you are turning up on Saturday 17th December for the Children's Party as Santa is being specially flown in from the North Pole to give away presents. If you haven't let Sue know, then Santa's secretary can't sort everything out and, not only won't you get anything you want but we'll have to buy Santa's secretary flowers and a card apologising for mucking her about!

Don't do this to us!

So, deal with this now.

Tickets are being sold from behind the Bar, cash only, and they will need to be booked quickly now as Santa has already spoken to Air Traffic control to arrange his departure time to prevent his reindeer collision with airlines.

We are now worried here as everybody is going on strike so we don't want to squeeze any extras in in case we have to look at alternative air routes. Flippin difficult with reindeers leading the way.

I'm sure that I don't have to remind you that on Sunday 18th December we will have the delicious Pork and Turkey baps served by Sue and her team to go along with the drawing of the Christmas Raffle tickets for the Prizes. (Yahoo!) More importantly than food, the Squares for choosing your raffle ticket numbers are now being circulated so if you have a special number, best you approach Sue or whoever has the board/s and give them your money before someone else puts their name in your magic square!!!!

NOVEMBER

Until Sunday 18th December - Christmas Raffle Squares still available to purchase!

Saturday 19th Prize Giving & Supper at 7pm

The Minkees are appearing at the Mulberries, Village Hall. Please do contact Lesley Haynes for tickets for this charity do.

Saturday 26th **Marion** - Don't forget that, starting at around 5pm, we are holding our own festivity at the Club during the evening to celebrate Marion's time with us. Buffet food and disco music provided! We may need extra help on the Bar so please have a look on the Bar WhatsApp and help out for ½ hour or so to make the evening (and the drink) flow.

DECEMBER

Saturday 17th Children's Party with Santa. Posters will advise times.

Until Sunday 18th - Christmas Raffle Squares still available to purchase!!!!!!

Sunday 18th Pork & Turkey Baps and the drawing of the Christmas Raffle (definitely will need extra help behind the Bar)

Friday 23rd Smileys Christmas Show from 7pm (extra help behind the Bar please)

Sunday 25th Commodore's Tot from 12noon till 2pm

Saturday 31st New Years' Eve – Singer, buffet and more to come!

Please do watch out for a poster with more detailed information as this is will be a limited ticket event due to past response where members did not stay to enjoy the full celebrations after the buffet as they went to other establishments to enjoy their entertainment after we had paid for their food – with no cost to them.

Whilst we do want all members to be able to use the Bar on the early part of this evening, we do need you to watch out now for our posters explaining what the difference will be for ticket holders who have paid for food, entertainment and alcohol. Let's make sure that we can all enjoy the evening without any queries or uncertainties as all will have been answered beforehand. Watch this space.

Another memorable week but let's hope you have great week and do come down to enjoy what's going on at the Club soon,

Jill

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