

Hi Everybody,



What fabulous, but chilly weather we have been enjoying! This week's photo is from the Brass Monkeys who seem to enjoy the coldness. I didn't realise that the saying "freezing the balls off a brass monkey" was believed to originate back to the Navy where in preparation for battle, cannonballs were stacked up, in order to form a pyramid next to each gun and the lower level were constrained by a brass triangle affixed to the deck. In extremely cold weather the brass would contract causing the cannonballs to spill. You live and learn all the time!



Sailing Events & Angling

Some of the boat owners may wonder why the debris that has been fly tipped against our Car/Boat Park fencing in Harbour Road is still there after a few months, causing damage to the fencing and allowing readily access to anyone. We have been chasing this and Pagham Beach Holdings, who own the road, have contacted the residents Association of Harbour Road on our behalf. They have acknowledged that they instructed a contractor to leave the spoil for use to fill holes in the road – but it was left at the wrong side of the road and none has yet been used. They are now telling us that it will be moved within the next week. Let's hope that they do!

On a much happier note, from George, seven anglers fished our competition on Sunday with the weather conditions very similar to our last competition two weeks ago with bright sun and a calm sea making fishing very hard. This meant that we only had one Channel Whiting caught by Chris - one of our new members showing the rest of us there was a fish out there amongst the numerous crabs that enjoyed the anglers' baits!

Oy George! What's wrong with Crab linguine with chilli & parsley or a Crab & saffron risotto? Tell the Crabs that we still do like them!!!!

Boat/Car Park

For users of the Boat/Car Park the combination on the lock will be changed from the 1st March. The new number as always will be on the back of your new membership card which you will receive when you renew your membership. Until the 1st March the combination will remain the same.

If you don't renew your membership then you won't have access to the new combination so best you get your application in soon! And for other members – please do not circulate the new number so we can keep the area secure. Thank you.

Guests Signing In

Just a very polite reminder that all guests must be signed into the Red book when they accompany you into the Bar if they do not have membership, whether or not they are part of your family. Please also be aware that if you bring any non-member, be they your wife, husband, partner or a guest into the Club more than 6 times during the membership term then they must either apply to become a member or stop attending the Club. These are part of our Rules and are there to stop individuals taking advantage which I am sure you will understand and comply with.

Social Events

The girls were at it again on Friday night, showing the world that he who dares wins. Well, let's face it – would you want to challenge any of them when they are gathered together with drinks in their hands? Nooooooo way!



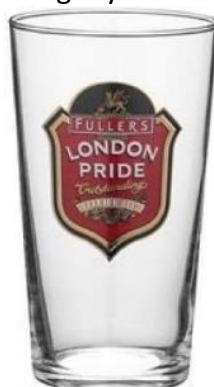
Keith was a braver man and risked running questions from the game show Mr & Mrs. I don't know what the particular question was that was being asked but Alison looks ready to go! I see Keith does his show in front of the First Aid kit and defibrillator. Just in case.....



Well, we've mentioned the girls so best we mentioned the boys who turned up on Saturday to firstly see Wales v Ireland (10-34) and then for England v Scotland at the Rugby Six Nations. That was when the situation became a bit tense and the front row (of PYC) came unstuck, especially when the final score was 23 – 29. Still, nice shirts boys! Do we think they last beyond England v Italy on Sunday 12th, then Wales v England on Saturday 25th, then England v France on March 11th and finally Ireland v England on March 18th? I don't think I will last that long, never mind their shirts!



From Sue, two special offers that she wants you to know about starting on Friday 10th February! Firstly, the Friday Night Supper from 7.15pm - Burger in a Bap with Bacon, Cheese, pulled BBQ Pork and Onion Rings for £4 per person!!! Sounds delicious so do get your name down for that.



And.....as a special treat, **for a limited number of days only, we are selling London Pride for £2 per pint!** Yes, I know. One of the times is this Friday Night Supper evening and the other two are the Sunday when the Lightning Brothers are joining us and the Saturday of the Commodore's Curry as listed below. Shame I don't drink bitter but life has its shortcomings. So, do make the most of this and enjoy the food and the entertainment afterwards – or half way through.

Some of you may remember RC Angling Paul's Crazy Golf sessions last year for our youngsters which progressed to the adults – after a few wines and beers. This proved to be so popular that he is running it all again on Saturday 18th February from 4pm for the kids until 8pm to allow the rest of us to take part. I'm not sure if any prizes are involved but I'll let you know once I have more details. As always, music will follow so we don't have to listen to how bad our play was – or who cheated!

From Commodore Paul, the numbers for his Curry which is going to be served at the end of the England v Wales, Six Nations Rugby on Saturday 25th have now reached over 24 but there is still time to get your name down. The kick off has a 16.45pm time start with either celebration or consolatory food after. There is Chicken Tikka, Chicken Jalfrezi and Vegetarian Tikka. All will be served with rice and naan bread at a cost of £10 pp. Do put your name down now and you can now pay by cash at the Bar. Sorry, no card payments.

Future Events

February

Friday 10th Supper Night 7.15pm for £4pp

Fullers London Pride £2 per pint

Saturday 18th Return of Crazy Golf 4 – 8pm followed by music

Sunday 19th Lightening Brothers Soul Band 3.15pm (after the Raffle)

Fullers London Pride £2 per pint

Saturday 25th Commodore's Curry at the end of England v Wales Six Nations Rugby 16.45 kick off. £10 pp list up

Fullers London Pride £2 per pint (if it lasts this long)

Sunday 26th Louise Connelly 3.30pm (after the Raffle)

March

Sunday 5th Sunday Roast after entertainment. Limited numbers as members have booked already!!!!

April

Sunday 2nd Sailing starts

Saturday 29th and Monday 1st May (Bank Holiday) – SailFish starts – look out for details

May

Saturday 6th – Monday 8th King's Coronation Events – details to follow

Friday 26th Sheerwater arrivals. Be warned that the Car park will be closed

I'm sorry, I just couldn't resist letting you have a bad joke to finish on:

A man follows a lorry around the M25 for 9 miles tooting his horn. Eventually the lorry driver stops and asks, "What are

you doing!!!" The man replies, "I've followed you and tried to stop you to tell you you're losing your load!"

The lorry driver replies, "I'm a bloody road gritter!". Boom, boom!
(Yes, I know they are getting worse).

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