

Hi Everybody,



What a difference in these two images of Pagham – both taken over the past weekend. Don't you just love it! And some welcome visitors too ...



Sailing Events & Angling

Count down time.....only 2 weeks before the start of the Sailing season!

A big thank you from RC Sailing Kevin to all the people who turned up on Saturday morning for the work party. It was a great turnout and a lot was achieved. Also, an appreciation to Commodore Paul, Martyn and Lin for the bacon rolls which no doubt was the reason why everybody is looking cheerful whilst working.



From George, although he is not aware of any anglers fishing in the last week, RC Angling Paul has been told of one fisherman on the beach on Friday night who caught three Whiting and one Flounder. Blimey! There are still fish out there!!!! RC Paul is holding the first fishing meeting of the year at the club this Wednesday 22nd at 7pm with hopefully a good number attending to discuss the boat park and several other important issues. Do turn up and find out what's happening.

Another big thank you from both George and RC Paul to everyone who attended the boat park clean up and the removal of the shingle from the ramp area and recovery of the matting. What a difference this has made.

Membership & Cards

Another quick reminder about completing membership forms and paying boat park fees, or letting our Membership Secretary, Andy Day know if you are having problems with the fees at membership@paghamyachtclub.com Don't forget to carry your cards with you whilst on the Club's premises and don't forget to sign any guests in please.

First Aid Course

Felpham SC has a RYA First Aid course booked in for [Saturday 25th March](#) and are happy to open the course to those from neighbouring clubs. The price will be around the £35 to £40 + £10 for the certification and book (compulsory) which PYC is willing to pay for a member who is volunteering to assist with any duties involving our sailing and fishing boats.

A valid First Aid Qualification is needed for DI, SI & PBI etc. and the qualification has a three-year validity. If you are keen to qualify and help out, do contact jill, honsec@paghamyachtclub.com or RC Kevin, sailing@paghamyachtclub.com

Golf

The Golf section met again in the pouring rain on Friday 17th at Petersfield Golf course after, I should say, a full English breakfast. Fortunately, the weather did brighten up later in the day so the 3 Four Balls that went out did enjoy a sunny day. Bernard was the winner with 34 points, Guy was second with 30 points.



Prizegiving was at the Petersfield course as the four guests needed to depart early, but the remaining players gathered back at PYC to finish the day off with takeaways - and a few beers of course! Shhhh.....don't wake Andy D up. He's had a very hard day!

Social Events

Well, what can I say about the Ireland v England Six Nations Rugby? Not a whole lot. Best I move on to commend Commodore Paul who provided and cooked a sufficient amount of Chilli to feed the 35 dismayed spectators who were still seated at the end of the game. Much better than ploughing your way through Irish stew! Good move Commodore!

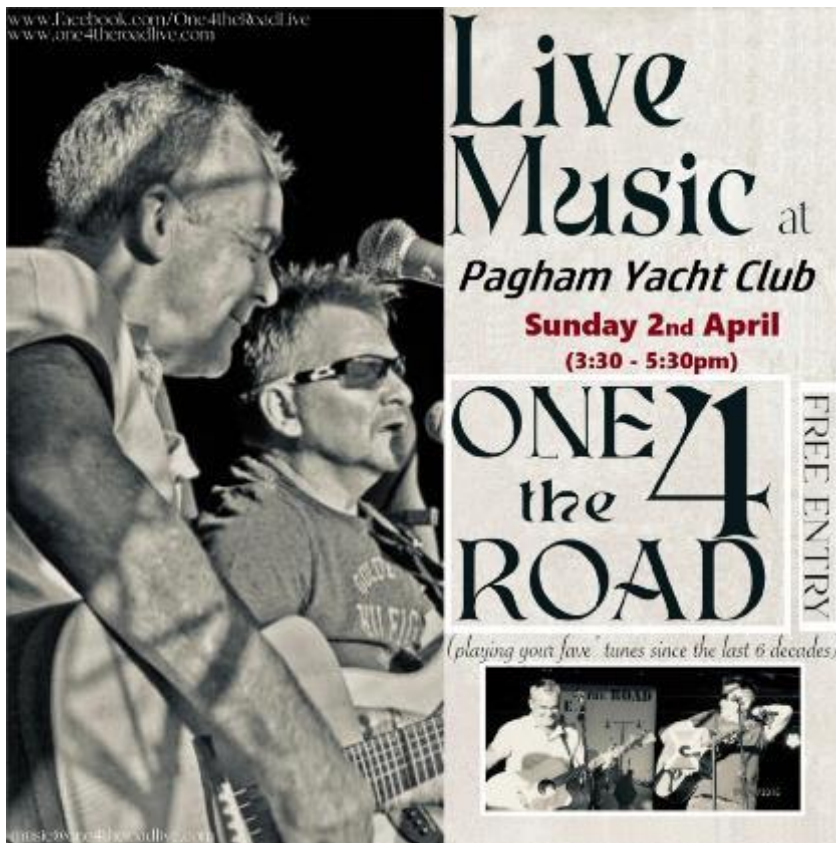
Sorry that we don't have any pictures to show you – I think they were too busy either crying or eating.

I couldn't make it into the Club this weekend as that nasty sore throat and sneezy bug has finally found it's way to me but, I was sent these photos of some of our troublesome members who are still managing to have a good time without me! I must check the Rules to see if that is allowed?



So, assuming that I will continue to survive, don't forget we are being treated to Men behaving Madly after the raffle this Sunday 26th! The name actually reminds me of Dave and Skudder behaving Badly above. I can however assure you that the Men Behaving Madly have been with us before and they are brilliant so, do "come on down" and enjoy the afternoon with us. We'll tie Dave and Skudder up somewhere if they don't behave.

The following week we also have One 4 The Road coming back so we have two weeks of great entertainment coming our way. Well done to Sue for keeping us very busy at the weekend.



Future Events

March

Saturday 25th Evening - 18th Birthday Party for Cerys. Guests on list and members only. Please bring Membership Cards.

Sunday 26th Men Behaving Madly after the raffle c.3.15pm (Inside event)

April

Sunday 2nd

Sailing starts

One 4 The Road after the raffle c.3.15pm (Inside event)

Friday 7th – till Monday 10th Easter Weekend (Bank Holidays)

Friday 7th Evening – Bingo with Keith from 7pm and our new Bingo machine!!!!

Saturday 8th Kids party 12.30 -3.30pm with entertainer from 1-2pm. List is now up.

Sunday 9th Slim Jim and the Wildcards after the raffle c.3.15pm (Inside event unless the weather is good)

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

Evening - 80th Birthday Party for Maggie with High Tide playing from 7.30pm. All members welcome.

May

Saturday 6th Posh Tea with King's Coronation on Big Screen
High Tide band from 7.30pm

Sunday 7th Eve Lesedi, a singer and a saxophone player (possible outside event dependent on weather)

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

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

August

Sunday 13th Lightning Brothers c.3.30pm (outside event)

Okay – a longer joke for this week as we are rapidly approaching the start of the Sailing season:-

A group of Skippers from Pagham is walking through Chichester looking for crew, when they see a five-storey building with a sign that read, "Crew Association: Ship's Crew Available" Since they are without their crews, they decide to go in.

The Security Guard, a very salty type, explains to them how it works. "We have five floors. Go up floor by floor and once you find what you are looking for you can go there and make a selection. It's easy to decide since each floor has a sign telling you who's inside."

Everything seems wonderful, so they start going up and on the first floor the sign reads, "All the crew on this floor are beginners." The skippers laugh, and without hesitation move on to the next floor. The sign on the second floor reads, "All the crew here are experienced, smart but weak."

Still, this isn't good enough, so the Skippers continue on up. They reach the third floor and the sign reads, "All the crew here are experienced, smart and strong." They still want to do better, and so, knowing there are still two floors left, they kept going. On the fourth floor, the sign is perfect, "All the crew here are experienced, smart, strong and Former Cup Champions." The Skippers get excited and are about to go in when they realize that there is still one floor left.

Wondering what they are missing, they head up to the fifth floor. There they find a sign that reads, "There are no crew here. This floor was built only to prove that there is no way to please a Skipper!"

Boom, boom!!!!!! Wait until next week when there is only one more joke before you are let loose on the water again!

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