

Hi Everybody,

A different start to the blog this week as it has been such a busy and rewarding couple of weeks that we think that this needs to be the lead item for you to see.



From Sue, who with Clive organised events to raise money for our charity **CANCERWISE**; “I would like to thank everyone who’s helped in any way to make both parts of this great charity **CANCERWISE** a fantastic success. It has been really is overwhelming and what a brilliant two days this weekend has been! I will give the total raised to Jill on Wednesday this week when all sums have been counted but we are anticipating that it will be in excess of £3,000. Fingers crossed! This sum is to go with the £4,220 raised at the Golf last week.

The Tombola and cake stall was a big success, plus the brilliant auction of the whole cakes by our newly promoted Auctioneer Keith. His wife Sandra bid £45 for Sylv’s Lemon Drizzle cake and we paid £25 for a Victorian Sandwich cake – I don’t think that even Harrods charge this, but it was fun!

Sandra donated lots of new clothes from Warners in different sizes for all ages and sex which made for an unusual attraction. Even Andrea brought a body warmer because she was cold in the Club with the doors open.

After the singer Louise and the Raffle, the Saturday evening Auction was just what we needed to finish the day off on a high. Pete W got the hamper with a very generous £250, Geoff got the bottle of Champagne for £150 that Clive donated so that was a worthy gesture.

Ronnie F donated a tent, windbreak and camping chair to raise money and it was brought for our junior member, April. She’s going to enjoy that! Bless her, a very happy little girl.

On Sunday we carried on selling the clothes and the cakes, plus as an extra we plated up scones with a pot of cream and fresh strawberries. Well, it seemed such a good idea and I have to say that it went down extremely well!

Once again, thank you so much to everyone for making is such a success despite the weather and a very well done to Paul G and the bar staff as we couldn’t have done it without you!”





From myself, Sue forgot to mention Angie who raised £20 donated from Sandra by eating a Jar of spicy Gherkins in under 30 mins – which she did! Blimey, I hope she had access to some good mouth wash afterwards! I bet no germs were left in her mouth after that experience!!! (That would have been a safe bet)



### Sailing Events & Angling

No sailing on Saturday due to high winds and rough seas.

On Sunday, the Sailing support team was reduced to only Dave G due to other family members BBQ and sickness so the racing was cancelled. Notwithstanding this, it did not stop the four boats under the control of Kevin R, Jack, Alan and Stewart, Charlie and Nathan going out with Dave lending excellent support in the blue Rib. The conditions were hard work but deemed safe by all but, despite this, Alan and Stewart did a couple of runs and then decided to submit to the conditions and retire. Jack, after two capsizes did the same. A really good move if you are unsure.

With Charlie and Nathan getting wet three or four times, Dave decided it was also time for them to call it a day.

With a broken mask clip not helping their last capsized and, after a few attempts the boat was righted and then towed back to the Club, Kevin R was still upright and claiming it was the fastest he had "Sparky" go! What does that mean? Please don't ask. A great day with everybody pulling together and making it a memorable one so a big thank you to Dave for allowing the Kamasutra members to test their skills – without calling out the RNLI or the Ambulance Service or using our CPR! Phew.....

## Calendar

### July

29th SATURDAY	SAILING SESSION	13.30
30th SUNDAY	SUMMER SERIES RACES 3 & 4	11.00

### August

5th SATURDAY	SAILING SESSION	13.30
6th SUNDAY	COMMODORES CUP SERIES RACES 9 & 10	11.00
12th SATURDAY	SAILING SESSION	13.30
13th SUNDAY	SUMMER SERIES RACES 5 & 6	11.00
19th SATURDAY	SAILING SESSION	13.30
20th SUNDAY	SUMMER SERIES RACES 7 & 8	11.00
26th SATURDAY	PYC REGATTA RACES 1 & 2	13.00
27th SUNDAY	PYC REGATTA RACES 3,4 & 5	11.00

## Angling

From George, three boats with Chris S, Peter W and RC Angling Paul and their crews went out fishing during the week. They caught Horse Mackerel (also known as Scad), Mackerel, Dogfish, Black Bream, Conger, Tope and a Cuckoo Wrasse with most of the fish too small to eat which were returned alive to the sea.

From RC Angling Paul C, he went out with Kian and his friend on Tuesday and caught 35 Mackerel. Shall we start publishing Mackerel recipes at this rate? How's about smoked Mackerel pate, or Peppered Mackerel Fishcakes? Oh yes! Or how about a Smoked Mackerel, Chilli and Lemon Fishcakes Recipe? That looks really nice. Okay – I give in. I'll be quiet.



The next competition on Sunday starts at 8am until 4pm with the best Bass the target species. Having said that, the weather forecast doesn't look very promising yet again for our competition this time.

## Paddlers and Snorkelling

Sadly, Paddlers didn't happen again due to that stormy sea. Never mind – the pizzas didn't mind the weather and the sales all went ahead as planned to cheer everybody up! Snorkelling is still on hold again, due to the sea condition. Still, it could be worse – we could be experiencing what is happening in Greece where they can't put their feet on the sand as it's too hot! Let's think positive!

## Bar

We have had such a good response from our members to see us through our very boozy Charity weekend which couldn't have happened if we hadn't had the support to keep the Bar opened and supplied with the essentials such as er.....tonic water, still water, lemonade....er.....ok lots of the other stuff that comes through pumps.

On that important note, I have been instructed by the Bar Manager Paul G – I think he's on a power star role after our success this weekend (don't ask him for his autograph!!!), to let you know that we our new Brewery provider Molson Cools are re-fitting our Bar (pumps etc) on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August** and will hopefully be ended by around 5.30/6pm. Unfortunately, it has to be that Friday or we will have to wait another 2 months which we don't want to do so, if you are desperate for a pint before 5.30pm on that particular day it may have to come in a bottle! Sorry about that but, we do have lots of bottles in stock to keep you happy for an hour or so.

### **Sam's Pizzas & Pebbles**

Sam has been incredibly busy over the past two weeks raising £180 on Wednesday from the sale of her pizzas and £150 on Saturday from her sale of those stunning salad and ham rolls and toasted cheese and ham sandwiches, which she has donated to our charity **CANCERWISE**. That's another £330! Well done to Sam and a big thank you from all of us to her for all of her hard work as it's not easy trying to supply a constant stream of different orders for hungry people.

On a different note, as the summer holidays have now decended on us and many members have just taken the opportunity to take a holiday, this has meant that the orders for pizzas this week have made it not worthwhile for Sam to open. Sorry about that but I think she deserves an evening off! Back to normal next week.

(Just a discourse BUT why go on holiday this week when it's raining in England, the roads are full to travel by Ferry to France and beyond, Gatwick are on strike and Greece and the continent are burning up? Just a thought)

### **Social Events**

Sunday saw the band, Rewind come along to entertain those members who had survived Saturday evening and managed to find the paracetamol to enjoy the variety of music now on offer to them before the Sunday roast



I wasn't able to be there (no it wasn't a hangover but a family birthday BBQ!!!) but I'm told they covered soft rock, Pink Floyd, the Sex Pistols all the way to Whitney and some slow music! Isn't it just typical that I missed out on the best stuff! Never mind – I'll grovel to Sue and see if she can get them back soon.

I heard that I also missed out on the selling of the remaining clothes (there goes the Christmas presents!), cakes and scones with a pot of cream and fresh strawberries. I just can't win!

Julie and Ken are celebrating their joint birthday at a party with entertainment provided by them with Adrian Fraser who, you may remember from a previous visit to us, is a musician. singer. performer of Motown, Reggae, 60's, 70's plus so much more! All are welcome to join them in their celebrations and enjoy the evening. Do make it an evening for them to remember! I will be there.



If you can't make it on Saturday evening to join in the fun, as he was so popular on his previous visit, I am pleased to say that Adrian has agreed to join us on Sunday after the Raffle to remind you that the Summer fun has only just begun. Can I request Ventura Highway (America), Blinded by the Light (Bruce Springsteen), and Philadelphia Freedom (Sir Elton) please, as I know he does all of these....and, as I have said, so very much more? I've checked the weather forecast and it's looking good. Slight breeze and sunny intervals. Yes!

### **Other Future Events**

#### **July**

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Joint Birthday Party for Julie's 65<sup>th</sup> & Ken's 80<sup>th</sup> with Adrian Fraser

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Adrian Fraser (after Raffle) 3.15/3.30pm

#### **August**

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Lightning Brothers c.3.30pm (outside event)

#### **September**

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Bart's Bash Race

### **Odds and Sods**

This weeks' blog has been changed by our Phantom Blogger to allow your special BT phones to accept it! If you haven't seen it for several weeks then it wasn't our fault – blame your provider who doesn't like us and our format. AND I was being blamed for including too many photos!! Or was that just my rambling? Never mind – let's see how many non-deliverables I receive. Of the blog I mean.

We will be publicising the donors of all of the amazing presents we have had on the blog and on our Facebook and Website, along with the final totals to show how much we are donating to our charity so, please do watch out for this as it is our way of thanking the generosity that we have received.

See you soon!

*Jill*

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