

Hi Everybody,



If you can spot him, there is one of our members, Mike Naish surfing the water in front of the Club on Sunday morning. Who needs to go to Hawaii to enjoy a life – they believed that riding a wave could cleanse the soul and bring harmony into your life! Well, that's assuming we don't need to call the coastguard or the paramedics out that is!

Who cares. What an incredible sea we have just seen! Eat your heart out Bournemouth/Boscombe Surfing Reef at a cost of £3 million. I think we were cheaper.



Sailing Events & Angling

Don't forget to get your ticket for the Prize Giving Supper on Saturday 18th for £15pp, aged under 12 go free but let us know that you need feeding, cash only from behind the Bar, to include your pizza, a roll and a pint (or soft drink).

As I have said, we need you to let us know now of numbers please.

Angling

From George, due to the weather he isn't aware of any angling taking place over the last week.

Sunday's competition on the 12th starts at 8am and ends at 12.45pm, of course subject to a suitable forecast and, just in time for the bar to open! He tells me that's due to his good planning.

Calendar

November

18th SATURDAY PRIZE GIVING SUPPER 19.00 Tickets are available from the Bar, cash only

Pizza

Sam is saving herself up for providing stupendous pizzas for the Prize Giving for the Sailors and Anglers so I'm afraid that the rest of us will have to wait until they are pizza'd out! Good word – I think I've just created a neologism!

Do look it up. 😊

AGM

I'm pleased to let you know that the papers for the AGM will be emailed or, posted out to you, in the next day or so if you don't have an email address. Please do check your junk email if you think you haven't received it by the end of this week as we are all aware that it where a lot of "heavy" emails end up.

The actual AGM starts at 10.30am but we ask that members, Full or Social (who cannot vote) arrive and sign in well in advance as the door will be shut promptly at 10.30pm.

If you are a Full member and are unable to attend and wish to submit a proxy vote, please read the accompanying details on when and where you need to submit your votes.

If there are any issues with your proxy papers submitted me ie. not signed on each page or two persons included in one envelope, I want you to be aware that your votes cannot be counted so, please do take your time to read what you need to do and to take your time to do it.

NB: Social members do not have a vote. Sorry about that but, you are free to become a Full member at any time after the AGM.

Any questions leading up to the AGM I am very happy to answer so, just speak to me if you see me or, just email me.

Mulberry

Now that we are fast approaching Armistice Day on 11th November, you may be interested to read more about Pagham during the wartime and why we have the one of the Mulberry structures on our shoreline.

Do have a look at http://www.relaysystem.co.uk/1944_Pagham_at_War.pdf which tells you more about the Phoenix Caissons, 48 of which were towed to an offshore location between Pagham and Selsey. The total number of these manufactured was 147 in numerous locations along the south coast and the Thames estuary and the codename for this exercise was Mulberry. They formed part of the plans for the D- Day landing to make Mulberry Harbours to ensure the supply of food, goods and ammunition on the French coastline for our men, vehicles and tanks.

The design by British engineers, how they managed to transport the Mulberry Harbours A and B to Arromanches and St. Laurent on the coastline of France is fascinating. Do have a look and spend time reading what actually happened as this is something so close to us and does involve the real Pagham Harbour before it was silted up, with Hawker Typhoons practicing firing dummy rockets at a small ship there. Quite a bit different to what we see today.

We are surrounded by amazing history that perhaps we are not even aware of.

Well worth having a look.

Dinner Dance & PYC 60th Anniversary

I know that there have been enquiries about the date for our annual Dinner Dance and I have to let you know that it has been decided to concentrate instead on our 60th Anniversary Celebration dinner dance which will be held late May 2024. I will let you have more details when the date has been finalised, but the intention is to have a marquee on the beach at the Club to allow as many members as possible to join in the food and the enjoyment.

Whilst we are talking food, another date for your diary is Valentines Day. Again, more details will follow but we are looking at offering a romantic evening with an exceptional 3-course meal which, as it will be a special event, will have to be for limited numbers. If I'm not invited the Commodore will suffer!

Social Events

Friday night saw a relaxed evening in the Bar, mainly due to the winds and rain that discouraged many members from even stepping out of their houses – myself included. It did allow for those hardened Committee members to meet in the Snug and, over several pints, discuss the 5 Year Plan, water heaters, air source heat pumps and other fascinating subjects! Bet you wish you were there? It was either that or a darts match and, believe it or not, the boring stuff won.

So, looking ahead to next Friday at 8.45pm when we are hoping that Keith will be back with us, we still have the £604 Jackpot for the Play Your Cards Right sitting there waiting to be won! If you ask me, beats talking about water heaters!



On Sunday we were treated to the return of Sarah Saville. What an amazing voice! Every time she sang a song by a different artist – it sounded just like that artist. Stunning! If we closed our eyes, we had Yvonne Ellermann and Tina Turner amongst others, as our guest singers! And we had a packed audience to enjoy the music. A fantastic afternoon!

Don't forget that next Sunday we have the 3 of Diamonds band, with our Terry on his harmonica entertaining us with the rest of the group in accord. As usual, the raffle will be called at 3pm so do turn up in good time to get your tickets as the prizes are looking good!

I've just looked at the weather forecast for Sunday and they are saying light showers and moderate breeze so it should be ok to have a good afternoon's entertainment without getting totally wet on the way in or the way out so, come on down and enjoy!

Future Events

November

- Friday 10th Play Your Cards Right c.8.45pm
- Saturday 11th Bonfire Event from 7pm
- Sunday 12th 3 of Diamonds band 3.15pm
- Sunday 19th Lightening Brothers band 3.15pm
- Saturday 25th Triple X Band 8pm - Evening event
- Sunday 26th AGM – 10.30am Advance warning for your diaries
Louise Connolly - vocalist 3.15pm

December

- Friday 8th High Tide Band 8pm
- Friday 22nd Adrian Fraser – Singer 3.15pm
- Sunday 31st New Years Eve Celebration! Ticket entry only to this event and now on sale behind the Bar, cash only.
This includes buffet, free drinks and entertainment by



The Brass Monkeys were at it again today – just couldn't resist the blue sky but, brrrr! At least with Mike and his surfing the sun was out and shining!!!!

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