

Hi Everybody,



Christmas Day at PYC



Commodore Paul was delighted to welcome so many members, of all ages, to the Club for a Christmas Tot with him on a dry day. This allowed an enjoyable couple of hours for everyone before heading for their celebratory lunch with their families.

Boxing Day & The Pram Race

What a fantastic start to Boxing Day with Father Christmas making a personal visit to Pagham! Bless him – he must have been so tired after all climbing down all of those chimneys all over the world. I suspect that's why he chose to give Pagham an extra visit with all of the bungalows and railway carriages we have – must have been easier on his legs!?



PYC had our Sailing Dinghy enter the race around the circuit pushed by Jenna, Ryan and Terry, with Kevin taking control of the fuel tank and steering – well, steering them towards the beer tank actually. Jenna, one of the healthy, non-drinking ones tells me that our entry managed to complete the course in a super speedy 25 minutes! Well done you hale and hearty lot! (Doesn't it make you feel fat and unfit.....?)

To join in the fun and to raise money on our behalf for the Pram Race charities for this year, we also had the Brass Monkeys and their buckets which were overflowing with coins by the time G and Bertie had finished with the surrounding audience. Who could resist them? And thank heavens they didn't try to do that in their swimwear as we know they do look better fully clothed!!!



And I think the winner was the most amazing Galleon which was the final element in the procession. What a wonderful thing to produce for a small seaside village such as ours. Absolutely stunning!



New Years Eve Celebration!!!

Finally, we still only have a few tickets that hadn't been paid for but I am pleased to say that those are the last-minute ones ordered via WhatsApp or a couple who have been away. Phew!

One change to let our ticket holders know about is that sadly, Sarah Woods the singer originally booked for the evening has been unwell with tonsillitis and, as feared, isn't able to join us. That's the bad news. The good news is that Tina had anticipated that this might happen and we will now be joined by Jake Sheppard with a blend of his live guitar and vocals over his well-arranged backing tracks to give him the full band sound for you to enjoy! Happy days and a big thank you to Tina!

A reminder that the fun begins on New Years Eve from 7.00pm with entrance only from the beach door, as the West Front door will be closed to admittance and will be used as an emergency exit only. Any smokers **MUST ONLY** use the beach door to go outside to satisfy their needs.

This will also mean that the any children using the Training/Family room cannot let themselves out and fling themselves down the metal stairs – or escape from their parental care!

This arrangement conforms with fire regulations and if I catch anyone interfering with this then they will lose their membership – and see me in a very bad mood. I'm getting very good at that!

Please ensure that you bring your tickets with you as they will be exchanged for a PYC wristband by myself, without which you cannot gain access to any of the drinks on offer from the Bar.

Let's start the fun and have a storming good time to bring in 2025 before, or when the fireworks start!!!!

Website

I am delighted to let you know that we now have a brand-new layout to our website enabling you to navigate around it and see what we have been up to – and more importantly, what events and activities we are planning. The gratitude of the Committee goes to David Gosnell who has spent many hours of his time working on this to produce an easy to traverse site, full of lots of interesting and up to date photos along with better information. Please do go and have a look and see what he has been up to (and what we have been up to)!

New Year Club Open Times

Tuesday 31st New Years Eve 7.00pm till late with Jake Sheppard and fireworks at midnight

Wednesday 1st January 2025 Bank Hol opening 1pm – 4pm, followed by normal opening if sufficient interest and if any staff come forward.

From then onwards we are back to the winter opening times so do come forward to put yourselves down for a Bar duty.

Future Events

January 2025

New Years Day Bar Opening 1 – 4pm plus

February

Saturday 1st Ireland v England 4.45pm – Commodore's Irish Stew at end of game. Price tba

Saturday 8th England v France 4.45pm – Commodore's Curry at end of game. Price tba

Saturday 15th Stewart's Twins 30th Birthday Party – open to members

Saturday 22nd England v Scotland 4.45pm – Commodore's Haggis Pie at end of game. Price tba

All of these events are published on our website – including more, so do keep an eye on what is being put on there.

If you are not included with one of the lucky ones coming to our New Years Eve celebration then I do want to take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy New 2025 Year!



With lots of love and smiles for a great year ahead.

Jill

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