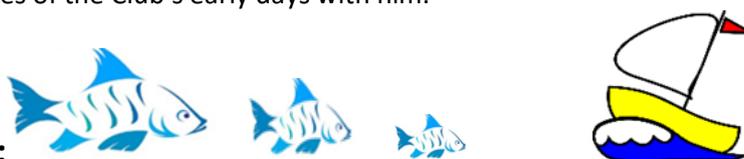


Hi Everybody,

Sorry to start the blog off with some sad news this week but I need to let you know of the death of one of our founder members of our Club from a heart problem. Some of you will remember Viv Haverly from the good old days, from when the Club was over the road where the Car Park is now, and from where it finally made it to our lovely beach front position. Viv was the wife to our lovely Derek who is still serving as a Trustee to our Club and I'm told that she was a member from around the late 1960's or early 1970's. Someone will tell me the year for sure. During those early years Viv helped entertaining the members as Social Secretary with Dirty T-Shirts and Back To School evenings – those were the good old days! Don't ask for more details please! She also helped serve in what was known then as the Canteen, the rear end of the what we have known as Pebbles but, in those days could only accommodate three adults standing side by side. I'm told that the popular food served then was a slice of bread folded up with a cooked sausage inside it. Did I hear, "What's wrong with that?" They were definitely less fussy in those days.

Our sympathies go out to Derek and his family and I look forward to seeing some photographs that you may have so we can all remember the good times of the Club's early days with him.



Sailing and Angling Report:

It's happened again! Our weather managed to catch us out this weekend again but we have a fantastic supply of photos to remind us of what we have been up to over the Summer. Remember Bart's Bash? Don't our sailors have a great time when they eventually do get out there on the water? Love the one of Louise with the sun reflecting on the water!



RC Sailing Kevin Mason would like to give his thanks to those useful and enthusiastic members who turned up on Saturday morning to help clear and sort out the Car and Boat Park ready for the winter season. Well done to all that turned up that were rewarded with a hamburger prepared by the Commodore, and a snifter from the Bar. It now looks so much better – and look at the increased room now that it has been re-organised!



From RC Angling Pete Wakeford, sadly nothing to report as Sunday's beach match was cancelled due to wind and weed.

The next competition is on Sunday 18th October, fishing 11am – 3pm with longest Whiting the target that takes the money. Failing that, longest fish will win.....excluding Eels.

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Social Membership

Just looking back at what's been going on this Summer and viewing the photos of the two Marquees which we had to take down due to the threat of 50 – 60 mile per hour gales. Blimey, it seems so long ago! Well, the good news is that we decided to buy the new stronger marquee at a reasonable price which has allowed us, with permission from Pagham Beach Holdings, to re-erect it on their beach land for a limited amount of time by our slipway. This will allow some of our members to sit outside, under cover if it looks like we are exceeding the number allowed inside or the weather improves. Yes, I know that possibility is looking increasingly unlikely but.....we have also spoken to our neighbour Ian (who is also a member) to get his approval and reassure him that this is not an indefinite situation and that we will be listening to him, PBH and the weather.

Now, back to Bar duties please. I am pleased to say that despite the face masks that members are legally required to wear until they are seated, with our servers who must carry on wearing them, we still have members volunteering to act as servers. That is really great news. On the downside, we still don't have enough volunteers. Sigh.....

If you are still interested in serving behind the Bar then please be aware that you do not have to wear a face covering at all when behind the Bar and, now that we have the new laptop ordering system working full tilt, members can email their requirements from their phone orders@paghamyachtclub.com The wonders of technology!

We also have the NHS Covid-19 venue check-in up and running with the QR Code sign all over the Club for you to use with your phone and that seems to be very effective, so do keep using it rather than signing in.

Going back to annual events, I'll let you know more about the annual Dinner on the 14th November at The Bear once I have more information from the Vice Commodore about how this is progressing with potential entertainment and numbers. We were close to our numbers but that was before the 10pm close down so who knows.....

Moving on to the Annual General Meeting, I have now put the list up on the noticeboard in the Bar area for the Election of Club Officers for 2020 – 2021 as required by the Club's Rules. This went up last Sunday morning and will be up for 28 days. There are quite a few vacancies and I'm sure that the list will change as the month goes on. If you are interested then please do put your name down with a proposer and a seconder. If you need to have any further information then do talk to the current incumbent about what is involved or email me and I will put you in touch. The Commodore and Committee are currently looking at the choices open to them of how to progress the EGM and AGM within the Covid-19 laws and I will report back to you once a decision has been taken about the means for this. Quite exciting!

Do keep in touch and let the Committee have any questions or, indeed myself via the blog as I will pass them on. This is this is going to be a busy time,

Jill

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