

Pagham Yacht Club Youth/Cadet Newsletter

Firstly may I introduce myself as your new Cadet Captain having been elected at the recent AGM. I look forward to seeing you all down at the Club both during the winter months, and when we once again return to the water in the Spring next year.

In an attempt to keep everyone on board and not lose interest over the next few months myself, with a lot of help from Phil Isom and Tim Wright have organised some trips and events, mainly on Saturdays, that we feel will prove of interest. These are detailed below, and are strictly on a first come first served basis, so if you wish to attend any of these, contact Myself or Phil as soon as you can!

FRIDAY 17 December: End of year Christmas Party with DISCO and KARAOKE. In the Clubhouse. Please bring along some food that can be shared.

WEDNESDAY 22 December: Last Youth/Cadet night this year. Christmas break begins.

WEDNESDAY 5 January 05: Youth/Cadet nights restart for 05.

FRIDAY 7 January: Briefing for those going to Portsmouth QHM Tower.

SATURDAY 8 January: Visit to the QHM Tower in Portsmouth Naval Dockyard.

FRIDAY 14 January: Sailing Quiz Nite versus a team from BRYC Cadets . Our Club.

SATURDAY 29 January: Visit to the Survey Vessel “Algier Rose” on the water at Littlehampton.

SATURDAY 12 February: Visit to Portsmouth Historic Naval Dockyard to See HMS Victory, Warrior and Mary Rose.

THURSDAY 17 February: Presentation/Training seminar by Steve Cockerill, “The boat whisperer” of Rooster Sailing in the Clubhouse starting at 19.00hrs.

FRIDAY 18 February: Sailing quiz Nite versus BRYC Cadets at Bognor Yacht Club.

SATURDAY 26 February: Visit to Solent Coastguard MRSC headquarters. Lee on Solent.

WEDNESDAY 2 March: First “Get ready for Sailing session” in our Clubhouse.

FRIDAY 11 March: Second “ Get ready for Sailing session”

WEDNESDAY 23 March: Third “Get ready for sailing session”

FRIDAY 25 March: Final “Get ready for sailing session”.

Other events still awaiting to be confirmed are: Talk/visit from Nick Gibb M.P., Presentation by R.N.L.I. Sea Safety Team (live flare firing demonstrations), Sailing Quiz against Felpham SC Cadet Team, and a Presentation by HM Customs and Excise on smuggling and piracy along the coast.

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We would be very grateful if some of your parents can offer help with transport for some of the trips, which will all start and finish at our Clubhouse.

Hopefully, after all this, we will be able to put the theory into practice and get ourselves out onto the water again in April, but it does depend on the weather, and we will only sail when air and seawater temperature are safe.

Another plea to your parents and guardians is to get in touch with me about helping out on Wednesday and Friday sailing evenings. I would like to get enough volunteer adult assistants to set up a rota, so that it is not always the same people who are being roped in to help each time!

Another new initiative this year is for YOU to start and form a Cadet Committee to meet on occasions and keep me informed on the way you want the Cadet training and sailing to operate. I am hoping you can elect four people for this Committee, along with Myself who will represent all the Youth section. Ideally it should be two from the under 14 year olds, and two from the over 14 year olds, with one boy and one girl from each age group. Some of you listed below have already volunteered, and if there are others among you who wish to stand, contact me as soon as possible, and the Committee will be elected by you on the Christmas Party Night on Friday 17 December.

The nominations so far are; Under 14s. Eric Sharrad and Chris Power.

Over 14s. Nathan Goodland, Tom Grout, Curtis Barrow, Rachael Wright,
& Stephanie Page.

For further information please contact Sam Barnes or Phil Isom at the club or via email or telephone:
Pagham Yacht Club: 01243-265025 (Clubhouse)

Looking forward to seeing you ALL down at the Club.

Samantha Barnes.
CADET CAPTAIN.

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