

e-potternews

BBQ SUMMER ENDS....RLym AUTUMN PROGRAMME BEGINS

There's an update on the ferries and details of the Club's business meeting in November.

But this month the focus is on the social activities, with an excellent season of Lectures starting on 4th November, as well as a reminder that the London Boat Show is round the corner.

We will be giving ePotterNews a new look in the next couple of months and I look forward to your feedback.

For those of you who skim through please do go to the end where there is a request for help in selling advertising in Club publications and some excellent bargains in our new For Sale and Wanted section.

Ann Brunskill

Ferry Update October 2009

Since the Commodore last updated Members at the end of July (that update is on the ferry pages of the Club website if you missed it), the Club has continued to monitor the impact of the new larger ferries on our activities and to work with Lymington Harbour Commissioners (LHC) in connection with ferry related incidents involving our members. As we near the end of the season we would like to update you on the latest developments:

The latest update is now on the Club's website www.rlymyc.org.uk/Ferries/ferries.shtml and includes important information on:

- Incident Reporting
- LHC Notice to Mariners
- LHC Application for Increased Powers
- Lymington River Association (LRA)
- Updated Report from LHC Consultants

Phil Laurence, Rear Commodore Sailing

CLUB

Date for your diaries - the Annual Sailing and Club Review will be held on Saturday 7th November at 1100 in the Club.

Volunteers

This year has been an extremely active sailing season for our Club, all credit to our sailing Committee, with a large number of events and many notable successes on the water. It's also time to recognize the contribution our volunteers make. Our thanks therefore to all who serve on Committees, help in the Clubhouse, provide the infrastructure for racing and cruising, work with Juniors and Wednesday Junior sailing, and assist with the administration, decoration, and management of the Club. We couldn't do without you. Also the more involved you are with the Club, the more you get out of your membership.

On that note we are currently looking for volunteers to help with the Club's mailing shots (about three per year). This involves delivering between 10 and 20 envelopes to houses in your local area. It is not very arduous (I know

because Sue and I do it for East Boldre and East End) but it saves the Club several hundred pounds in ever escalating postage costs and guaranteed delivery, which can be doubtful in the current climate. So, if you can help particularly for Lymington and Sway areas, please let Kevin know.

Rod Perry, Commodore

Lottery

The likelihood of winning the National Lottery is about the same as that of being hit on the head by a meteorite. The odds on winning one of the nine prizes offered monthly in the Club Lottery are much better and it's just as good a cause. The new 42 inch plasma screen in the Sail Loft is already proving its worth for training and meetings; this was bought with funds raised by the Club Lottery. There is no limit to the number of £2 tickets you can buy with your Club card from the Bar or Reception. Alternatively you may take out an annual Bankers Order.

Why not subscribe to this worthy cause and maybe you can win the top prize of £200 - the Commodore did recently!

Phil Batten, Vice-Commodore

Events



September was another busy month at the Club with the Youth Classes Regatta, Autumn Dinghy Open, XOD Bobby Bongers race, the Lymington Challenge Rib race, Equinox regatta, SB3 Solent Series Open and the Solent Swim.

Staff

Kirsty Timmis - Many Members will have met Kirsty Timmis, who came to help us run our events this summer while on placement for the third year of her Events Management degree at Bournemouth University. We are delighted that she has agreed to stay on for the remainder of her placement year, through to the end of August 2010.

Peter Lowe - Peter Lowe completed 40 years of service to the Club this summer. To mark this outstanding service a presentation will be made to Peter on Wednesday 28th October at an informal supper (not cooked by Peter, but he might have a hand in it!). If you would like to attend, tickets are available from Reception at £13.50.

London Boat Show

Date for the Diary - Travel and tickets Thursday 14th January 2010

Harken are again offering their excellent coach trip and show tickets at £20 per head. The coach departs from outside the Club at 0730 on and leaves the show for Lymington at 1800. Details on the notice board shortly.

SOCIAL

Bridge Suppers - Monday 12th October 17.45. Suppers are on the second and fourth Monday of the month from October through March, with the exception of December, when it's the first and third Monday.

Members' Art Exhibition 16th – 18th October 2009. If you have any queries, or if you want further details, please contact Robin Leuchars on 01590 681961 or robinleuchars@tiscali.co.uk.

Annual Ladies' Lunch-Wednesday 21st October 12 noon Speaker Carolyn Brown (BBC Radio 4 Announcer)

Trafalgar Night Dinner - Saturday 24th October 19.30

First of the monthly informal Gentlemen's Lunch - Thursday 29th October

Bonfire Quiz Supper - Thursday 5th November

First of the Monthly Informal Ladies Lunches Thursday 12th November

Movie Night Tuesday 17th November

Annual Dinner, Saturday 21st November

St Andrew's Day Dinner, Saturday 28th November

For up to date information on these events, check the noticeboard at the Club or the website http://www.rlymyc.org.uk/Social/social.html

CRUISING

The three most recent successful meets were the Canals in France, the anchor meet at Chichester and the Gins Farm meet held in the first of the autumnal storms. Reports of these will shortly feature on the Cruising Section of the website www.rlymyc.org.uk/Cruising/cruising.shtml

Winter Meets

For newcomers, the Winter meets take place on an informal basis once a month when tides are favourable for

both going and coming home; lunch is arranged in a club or pub. Details are normally published two weeks beforehand. We also intend this winter to arrange some weekend meets which hopefully will attract those for those who are working and cannot get away midweek.

The first of the Winter meets will take place on Trafalgar Day, Wednesday 21 October, with lunch at a venue on the Hamble.

Yarmouth Fireworks 5th November

Arrive early evening and watch fireworks - followed by pub supper at Royal Solent Yacht Club. Either stay overnight on boats or return after the festivities.

Needles Relief 19th December

The Cruising meet will be held in conjunction with the Racing Division to thank and give donations to the local crews of the Rescue Services. Race or cruise over and watch the lifeboat and helicopter demonstration from the Royal Solent Yacht Club. Details nearer the time.

Log Competition

Please do not forget this competition – lots of prizes to be won including a new trophy for a cruising blog. Details are on the website and club notice board. Please let's have lots of entries this year. Cut off date will be mid January. Details of all awards are on the Club website. //www.rlymyc.org.uk/Cruising/log_competition.shtml

Cruising Dinner - Saturday 14th February 2010

Your committee is looking for a guest of honour to invite to the dinner. Last year we had John Blashford-Snell and the year before Michael Buerk. If anyone has any ideas or in particular contacts with a suitable person then please David Houlton know. The dinner is to be held on Saturday 14 February.

Croatian Charter Cruise 2010

After the successful Canal Cruise this year we thought we would go to sea next year and try a Croatian Cruise in September/October. Initially we will be asking people to express an interest so we can gauge numbers. A notice will shortly be published with ideas about dates and costs – so watch this space!!

Winter Lectures

The first two are:

Wednesday 4th November: Mary Falk - The QII Challenge.

Wednesday 11th November: Felicity Herring – Lady Elizabeth Butler, Marine Artist.

The lectures start at 18.30 followed by supper. Details of all the Winter Lectures are on the website: www.rlymyc.org.uk/Cruising/winter_lectures.shtml

RACING

Sail for Gold

The recent Skandia Sail for Gold Regatta held at the 2012 Olympic venue was well supported by the Royal Lymington Yacht Club; 13 Club Members were competing and 20 Members were volunteers in various capacities. The Club launch 'We're Here' and one of the RIBS were at Weymouth and the Club burgee was displayed on the board of sponsors and supporters.

Nick Thompson sealed the 2009 ISAF Sailing World Cup in the Laser class with his 7th place at Sail for Gold. Pippa Wilson and won the Bronze medal in the 470 women's class in only her second major event.

Club sailors also competing were:

Hannah Snellgrove Nick Rogers and Pom Green James Rushden and Ben Muskett Phil Sparks Sophie Weguelin and Sophie Ainsworth Richard Mason Charlotte Lawrence

There will be a full report in PotterShip



Nick Thompson with the ISAF Sailing World Cup

Racing Events

Ben Paton

Lymington XOD Sailing

Ado Jardine has the X Factor The 2009 Saturday points series ended on a high note with the last race being sailed in the Indian summer. John Morrow in *Annex* had a debut win in light winds in his first year in the class with William Norris/Bill Dunsdon in *Beatrix* 2nd. Overall results for the Saturday Series: 1st Ado Jardine, *Lucrezia*; 2nd William Norris/Bill Dunsdon, *Beatrix*; 3rd Eric Williams/Rory Paton, *Diana*.



The last Wednesday race was sailed in very light conditions with an ambitious long leg to a mark at Hurst, but shortened at the next buoy when the wind died completely.

The Cock Boat Cup which combines both Saturday and Wednesday points was won by Ado Jardine, Lucrezia, just one point ahead of brother Stuart Jardine in Lone Star with Eric Williams/Rory Paton, in Diana, just two points behind in 3rd.

The Autumn Series of eight races completes a busy season before the boats are put to bed for the winter at the end of October.

RS Elites

The RS Elite National Championships will be held at the Club from the 22nd to 25th July 2010. Club Members have a long-standing tradition of offering hospitality to visiting crews and Jane McKeon is coordinating offers of accommodation for this event. If you can help please contact Jane either by email: mckeonfamily@kandoo.hk or telephone 01590 626409.

Youth and JuniorsOptimists

The Optimist fleet continues to shine. At the Open meeting at Spinnaker amongst a strong fleet of 62 sailors, Club sailors claimed 9 of the first 15 places. The event was won by Max Moyles, 2nd Charlotte Boyle, 4th Millie Boyle, 6th James Eady, 8th Hattie Rogers, 10th Vita Heathcote, 11th Henry Collings, 12th James Eales and 14th Ella Bennett. The trophy for the youngest sailor went to William Heathcote (6yrs), who completed all 4 races to come an impressive 44th. Two more open events at Bosham and Chichester also produced excellent results with Lymington sailors in the top ten. The final race will be at Rutland for the 'End of Seasons', a major event.

For further information go to their website at http://lymingtonoptimists.org.uk/

TRAINING

For training information contact either Vince Sutherland (v_sutherland@btconnect.com) or Marietta Pinto (marietta@healinghouse.com) for details of the various courses being run through the winter.

CLASSIC CAR MEET

Nine immaculate classic cars were lined up in the car park outside the Club on 28th September with their proud owners enjoying a very convivial lunch inside. With fine weather and the elderly cars gleaming, a good time was had by all.

A final 2009 lunch is proposed for Monday 2nd November, when hopefully the weather will be kind to us again. The format will be the same as last time; 1145 at East Boldre House, East Boldre, SO42 7WR then drive to the Club for lunch. Please e-mail rodperry@sky.com if you would like to come.

ADVERTISING AND SPONSORSHIP SUPPORT FOR OUR POTTERSHIP MAGAZINE AND HANDBOOK

Advertising in these publications is a unique and extremely cost effective opportunity to promote goods and services directly to more than 2800 Members. If well supported advertising and or sponsorship can achieve a zero cost result for the club - or to put it another way it's about £10k off the overhead! Can you help by introducing anyone whose business would benefit from promoting directly to our Members? All you have to do is advise Andrew Salanson (07836 589 673 andrew.salanson@sky.com) or the office and they will handle it from there.

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FOR SALE OR WANTED

For sale

47 – 48 metres of calibrated 3/8" chain, in excellent condition (buyer collects) £100

Lofrans Cayman 88 Gypsy for 3/8" chain, in excellent condition £45.

Call Sally Priestley on 01590 688248

For sale

2 Genoa sails with a 53ft luff/hoist and 23 ft foot 1 Mainsail with a 49.5 ft luff/hoist and 18ft foot, no battens, originally intended for a roller

1 Mizzen sail with a 29.5 ft luff/hoist and a 11ft foot Used but good condition, from a 55 ft ketch.

USA Aluminium Propane gas cylinder. Apparently they have different fitting from European cylinders, so anyone cruising to the US may be interested. They are expensive to buy in the US.

Offers in the £50+ per item region with proceeds going to the Wednesday Junior Sailing budget for next year.

Contact Chris Baldwick on 01590 624093 or chrisbaldwick@hotmail.com

Email me the details and any photos and the ad will be in one month's ePotterNews. If you don't want your contact details published, interested parties can be asked to contact you via the club pigeon holes in Reception. Satisfied customers will be requested to make a small donation to Sailability or the RNLI.

The listing of items for sale or wanted in ePotterNews does not indicate that RLymYC has knowledge of the authenticity of the advertisement and does not recommend or guarantee the items advertised and the Club cannot accept any liability in this regard.

DISCOUNTS FOR CLUB MEMBERS

The first five give 10% discount on presentation of a Club card. Elmers Court discount is by arrangement.

- Kew Electrical Unit 730 Ampress Park Lymington
- Rivaaz (Indian Restaurant) Lymington High Street
- Henry Lloyd (Yacht Clothing) Lymington High Street
 - Yachtmail (Chandlery) Town Quay Lymington
 - Rainbow Copy Ampress Park Lymington
 - Elmers Court Lymington

Three ways to help your club

An introduction from you is all that is needed, the Club will do the rest. The leaflets are available from, or can be sent out by, the office

membership - join a friend

Current membership is 2800
people - the target is 3000.
There's no waiting list. So join a friend, they can become a provisional member immediately.

advertising & sponsorship

Do you know an organisation which would benefit from being associated with the Club by sponsorship or by advertising in club publications. If so let the office know

club facilities promotion

We offer • regatta management

- corporate event hosting
- business dining
- conference and meeting facilities. The office will take the bookings.

