

# PotterNews



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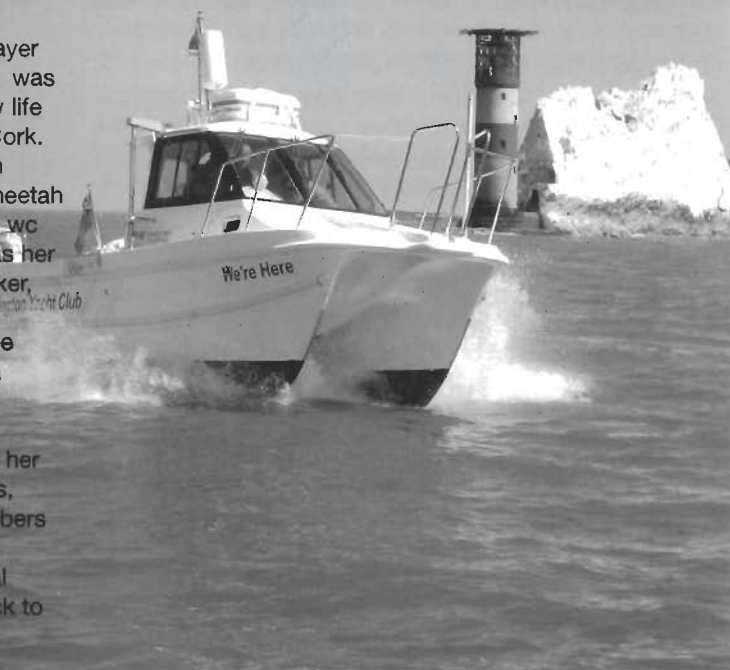
## She's gone.....



Back in April our 24ft open Saltram launch *We're Here*, which had given 34 years of service to the Club as race support boat, mark layer and committee boat, was towed away to a new life as a fishing boat in Cork.

The new *We're Here* is a 7.9 metre catamaran, with twin Honda outboards, built to the Club's specification by Cheetah Marine on the Isle of Wight. She has an enclosed cabin, wc facilities, wheelchair access and is three times as fast as her predecessor. On Thursday 19 April Barry Smith, Phil Baker, Jon Chittock and project manager Michael Derrick were taken in the Club RIB Valiant to meet the new boat at the Needles. After some photographs with the Needles as a dramatic backdrop, the boat was taken to Yarmouth to complete the Maritime and Coastguard Agency coding inspection and was then driven to Lymington to take up her new role. In May Annie Littlejohn, a Member for 61 years, named the Club's new launch in front of a party of members and staff who had been involved in the selection and specification of the new boat. Annie broke the traditional bottle of champagne over the bow and wished good luck to *We're Here* and all who sail in her.

## ....and We're Here



I'm writing this on our new Mainframe, at anchor off the town in Dartmouth towards the end of our summer cruise: from Pembrokeshire where the boat was built to the Scillies, Helford River and the Fal to here, on the last leg of our maiden voyage. It is a wonderfully sunny day, with a moderate SE'ly breeze, due to freshen and back to a bit of a blow and rain heavily: again. No problem for us snug in Dartmouth but how typical of this summer and what a change from last year's glorious summer.

Despite the weather, and as reported elsewhere in this issue, we can all be cheered by and take pride in the achievements of our young sailors, with Jasmine Husband's Gold at the 420 Europeans, Ben Paton's Gold in the Laser Radial Worlds and a Silver for the Sophies Ainsworth and Weguelin at the 29er ISAF Worlds; many others successes have been on the notice boards. Such triumphs say so much about the commitment and enthusiasm of many parents and the coaching skills which lie behind these and other similar successes.

This summer has seen an America's Cup that gave some spectacular television for those of us not lucky enough to be there with ringside seats but who were glued to Sky and the Virtual Eye for some fantastic racing. Sadly, Emirates Team New Zealand with Ben Ainslie couldn't overcome Alinghi. At this year's Club Annual Dinner on November 24th Bob Fisher

## FROM THE COMMODORE

will talk about being in Valencia with not just a ringside seat but also a lifetime's experience and an incomparable knowledge of the Cup based on deeply researched history. I'm sure it will be an entertaining and absorbing evening.

As the summer draws to an end the Flag Officers and the Club's committees will be resuming their work on the management and development of the Club and its future sailing and social programmes. There is more from my colleagues in this issue, particularly about the exciting new balcony on which work begins later this year.

Large on my work list, and not just figuratively, are Wightlink's new ferries, due in service some time next year. The General Committee approved a position paper early this year expressing its concerns about the potential impact of the new, larger ships; this has been displayed on the notice board for some months.

This is not the place and nor is there space to address all the issues. The General Committee and Flag Officers are becoming increasingly concerned about aspects of the new ships' operation that cannot be mitigated by slower speed, which particularly affects our Community Wednesday Junior Sailing programme. I will ensure that Members are kept informed of material developments.

GEOFF HOLMES COMMODORE

# SOCIAL AND HOUSE NEWS

*The House Committee have been focusing on three aspects of House during the past six months.*

1. Infrastructure, looking at the development of the building, its maintenance and ongoing refurbishment.
2. The House programme for social events, catering and bar development (menu and wines) and the understanding of members needs
3. Service delivery to members, staffing and purchasing

## INFRASTRUCTURE

### Balcony Extension

Following the last AGM, when the balcony extension was approved, we invited three firms to tender against a closely defined specification, timescale and price guide.

After several iterations and negotiation, Dunford Construction Ltd was selected.

The work will commence mid October and complete early January, this schedule based on the least impact to Members.

### The Bar

The second major infrastructure project related to the Bar. The current bar is tired having seen over 25 years of liquid service and is in need of substantial and urgent work.

For those interested in Club history, the following is an extract from the Club's 1947 Bulletin, when the first bar was created.

*A gang of local Members headed by the Vice-Commodore and ably assisted by the Club Boatman, carried out a frontal attack on a walled partition which collapsed into a heap of rubble, and presently emerged as an up-to-date Bar with all modern conveniences including a fluorescent lighting effect which is reputed to have caused the Club Steward to resort to the make-up box.*

How times, expectations and regulations have changed!

The aim is to replace the existing bar in the same overall 'footprint' and address some of the aesthetic and operational aspects. These include:

- Removing the unsightly grille shutters after closing time.
- Oak panelling the bar (in the style of the dining room), creating an attractive ambiance
- Improving the working space behind the bar to improve Members' service
- Removing the canopy over the bar to improve lighting and views from the River Room

The aim is to keep the look and feel of a traditional club bar, give better service access for members and staff and provide an environment that we can all be proud of.

We have received initial input and indicative costs from three suppliers and having selected a very experienced specialist bar designer, we are refining plans and obtaining quotes. The intent would be to have the new bar operational in February 2008 with a three-week work program commencing in January, subject of course to financial plans and budgets.

### Maintenance

The Gents toilet refurbishment is complete and we have replaced windows in the front of the building. We will replace 'blown' double-glazing in the bar and river room and look at the refurbishment needs in the river room.

The ladies toilet vanity unit needs replacing and the ladies shower room flooring needs tiling; the library needs freshening up and some kitchen appliances need replacing. All these items will be scheduled in line with available funds and according to our financial resources.

## HOUSE PROGRAMME

### Social Events

The winter social programme has been closely reviewed keeping many of the favourites from last year whilst adding some new ideas.

We continue with Quiz and Bridge suppers but add a second bridge supper to include members with differing skill levels. The Jazz supper has altered to a music supper to cater for a wider choice of music.

Some of the new themes include for:

- St Andrews Day Lunch and Scotch tasting (30th October)
- St Georges Day 'Best of English' dinner based on finest English food
- Halloween supper
- Christmas Carols for the family (with Santa!)
- Tommy Cooper evening and dinner
- Three famous chefs menu dinner (limited to 40 people)
- Pancake Lunch (savoury and sweet)
- Two bridge suppers per month (for players at all levels)

The Club programme gives details of these and forthcoming events.

### Bar and Catering Development

We are continuing to work with Mark and his team to develop the range of menus.

During the summers Peter, Fergal and the team have presented a range of new dishes, including:

Lobster (Thermador and Nurenborg)

Chinese Beef with onions, sweet chilli noodles

Italian Buffalo, mozzarella and ham

Chicken Chorizo

These have proven highly popular and with autumn and winter coming, we look forward to more tasty menus.

The Club Wine List is under constant review by the Wine Committee, which meets at regular intervals to taste and identify wines of character, which represent good value for money. Since the beginning of this year, three changes have been made to the List and others are pending.

The Wine Committee is also responsible for organising the Wine Appreciation events, which are planned for the Winter Programme. The first of these, on Tuesday 6th November, will feature a tasting of wines from a specific region covering prices across the spectrum.

In spite of the impact of poor weather, with many Thursday Evening Races being cancelled, Mark and his team have delivered financial results that exceed the budget; a true reflection to on their hard work.

### Members Needs and Expectations

The understanding of member's needs and tastes are critical to our efforts to continually improve the catering and bar services and we are trying to establish ways of getting continuous feedback and achieve ongoing improvement. Please do not hesitate to talk to Mark or myself.

# SOCIAL AND HOUSE NEWS

## **SERVICE DELIVERY**

Earlier this spring we tried hard to recruit a third Chef, but in keeping with most other restaurants and pubs there proved a desperate shortage of people with the high level of skill we needed.

We have a programme of training for staff and decided to restructure based on some excellent skill development of more junior staff. This in the event has worked very well

both in people motivation and additional skills. The feedback from members and the performance against our budget has been very good.

In summary the House Committee and members of staff, have developed plans and made some notable achievements with an excellent financial performance. This will help fund the plans and future developments.

DAVID HAYLES REAR COMMODORE HOUSE

## **SECRETARY'S NOTES**

### **Staff changes**

Following Stephen Carden-Noad's departure for Itchenor SC, the Club decided not to appoint a Deputy Secretary. Jon Chittock now heads up a strong waterfront team; Anna George has completed her first season co-ordinating the sailing programme; Andy Lewis has again been our seasonal Assistant Boatman and Kerry Friday, our new Accounts Manager, is an able successor to June Gifford.

### **Refuse from Members Boats**

Refuse disposal costs us in excess of £3,000 a year. It would help considerably to keep down our costs if Members took their refuse home for disposal. Please do not dispose of hazardous waste, e.g. batteries, oil, oily rags, etc in the bins as that is outside the terms of our waste disposal contract.

### **Business Lunches**

Article 34 does not prohibit a member from entertaining a business acquaintance in the Club, but only to prevent the carrying out of business within the Clubhouse. Briefcases and other business impedimenta may be left with Reception or the Steward.

### **Membership**

The Club welcomes new members and the best source of new Members is the recommendation of existing Members. If you have friends who sail and who would make active Members, please ask the office to send a 'welcome pack'. There is no waiting list for Membership. If necessary the office can advise on the requirements for proposers and seconders and for those who are unable to indentify a proposer or seconder, Provisional Membership has been introduced which can be held for a year; within which period the candidate is required to identify a proposer and seconder to support his application for full membership.

### **Training Courses**

There is a NEW training page on the website which has details of the training courses offered by the Club. You can secure a place by paying the fee at reception and you will find that our course fees are considerably less than those charged at a commercial training centre.

### **Volunteers**

We could not run our sailing programme without our dedicated volunteers; but we need more, new faces are always welcome. There is a role to suit everyone. In particular, we need more people to help with computing race results and race officers. Training is given. Please contact Anna George if you would like to get involved.

Hand delivery of Club mailings saves a substantial sum of money. Can you help by delivering envelopes to Members who live near you? If so please contact the office.

### **Tickets for Functions**

If you order tickets for a function and cannot attend please let the Office know as soon as possible. Arrangements for refunds are:

Turkey and Goose Christmas Dinners, Christmas Party, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day: No refunds for cancellations less than 7 days before the function, unless the tickets are resold. All other functions: No refunds for cancellations less than 2 days before the function, unless the tickets are resold.

### **Club Lottery**

Members are encouraged to join the Club Lottery. The proceeds have helped the Club to buy the binoculars in the Bar, the electronic projector for lectures and recently the magazine table for the first floor landing. Cash prizes range from £200 to £75, a meal for two in the Club, or bottles of wine. Tickets cost £2 per month each and you can hold more than one ticket. More details from the Office.

### **Menus**

The Club must run the only restaurant in the area where the menu can range from a cheese sandwich to a Beef Wellington in the same sitting, and then turn its hand to a formal dinner later the same day. On Fridays and Saturdays throughout the year the bar is now open all afternoon, and a range of hot and cold snacks is available, and don't forget coffee mornings on the first Wednesday of the month, with Peter's mouth-watering home-made scones. Bring your friends.

### **Permits for Defaced Ensigns**

Members holding a Permit to fly a defaced ensign will know that registration under either Part 1 of the Merchant Shipping Act or on the Small Ships Register is a prerequisite. Permits are now issued only for the unexpired period of registration, rather than indefinitely as has been the case. When registration has been renewed, the office can issue a new permit for the life of the new registration. Permit holders are requested to check that the validity of their Permit does not exceed that of the boat's registration. Members are particularly asked to note and comply with the guidance notes regarding defaced ensigns given in RLymYC Regulation 4.

### **Winter Dress**

Members are reminded that after 1900 smart casual dress is required in the dining room. Members or their guests who are inappropriately dressed for the dining room can use the river room. Members are also reminded that young children are not permitted in the dining room after 2000.

Enjoy your autumn sailing.

IAN GAWN SECRETARY

# **RYA Community Award for John Bence**



John Bence has been a lifelong sailor. He first became involved in the organisation of sailing with the Sigma 38 Class, of which he became Chairman.

In 1999 John was elected as a Member of the General Committee of the Royal Lymington Yacht Club. The following year he was elected the Club's Rear Commodore Sailing. Apart from the usual responsibilities of the role, John was closely associated with a number of significant community sailing initiatives. He helped to broker the eventual agreement whereby Merrill-Lynch provided a major grant to Lymington Sailability. John also concluded that agreement under which Yacht Havens Ltd have for the last five years contributed substantial financial support to our Wednesday Junior Sailing Community sailing programme. As a Member also of the Lymington Town

Sailing Club, John did much to foster improved relationships between the two Clubs and with Salterns SC, the local children's sailing club.

John was nominated by the Lymington clubs for election to RYA Council representing Clubs in the Southern Region. Following his unopposed election, John, with the support of his wife, Jennifer, was assiduous in visiting other clubs so as to be best able to represent their views, and in attending Southern Region meetings. With the reorganisation of Lymington Harbour Commissioners under Trust Ports legislation, John was appointed to Lymington Harbour Advisory Group representing leisure interests, and was elected Chairman. He has been assiduous in supporting the interests of users, especially the sailing and rowing clubs, particularly in relation to increased controls on sailing proposed by the Commissioners, and the proposed larger Wightlink ferries.

The current healthy state of the sport of sailing across the community in the Western Solent and around the Lymington River owes much to the vision, commitment and energy of John Bence. His efforts richly deserve recognition by an RYA Community Award for Lifetime Commitment

## **NEW CHART ROOM**

If you go down to the sea today  
Mysterious and wondrous changes have occurred of late  
within the darkened hallows of the Chart Room. Lurking  
therein, entrapped in a web of electrotrickery magic, a  
marine phantom lies in wait, its wonders to perform. If  
you've not been into the Chart Room recently and if you  
should venture there now – beware. There are powerful  
forces capable of transporting you to places from whence  
none but the knowledgeable return.

Through the kind generosity and commercial wisdom of C-Map, to whom all cartographic praise must be made, the previous planning software 'OceanView' has been replaced and updated by the all-powerful and all-conquering 'Max-Pro'.

The very latest evolution in charting technology, Max-Pro is designed for use on advanced, high performance chart plotters and PC-based navigation systems. Max-Pro has

the familiar appearance of Raster charts, yet has the full power of Vector charts.

New features include: 3D 'virtual earth' display, satellite overlay, real-time updating, weather overlay, plus all of the existing MAX features, such as striking colour, tidal heights and streams, extensive aerial and sea level photography, and the most complete and up-to-date port and marina database available on any electronic charts.

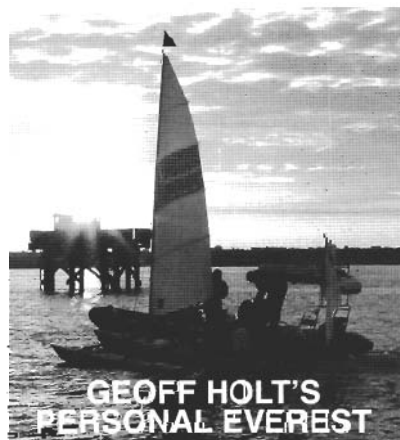
The Chart Room, with Max-Pro and SeaTrack, possesses charting facilities probably unmatched in any club anywhere, covering the world and almost every nautical venture of which fantasies are made.

So, open the door, tempt the fates, sit back and let your voyaging imagination expand its informed horizon.

You may find yourself where you've wanted to be.

And who knows where that could lead?

ALLAN COLLISON



**A**s Potternews goes to press, Geoff Holt is nearing the finish line on day 102 of his 1,600 mile journey around Great Britain. Geoff's trimaran, Freethinker, is shown in the photograph on his way past the Club's starting platform. Paralysed from the chest down and confined to a wheelchair, ex-professional yachtsman Geoff is the holder of many disabled sailing endurance records and the Personal Everest Challenge will be exactly that. Geoff is a former chairman of the Trustees of RYA Sailability, one of the Club's two officially supported charities.

Lymington was Geoff's first port of call in May after having to postpone his start due to a capsizing and a period of atrocious weather. Geoff and his support team spent two nights at the Club as our guests and our Vice Commodore hosted a supper for them with guests from Lymington Sailability. We provided space for his Land Rover and two motor homes in which his family and support crew slept, and we provided electricity, water, showers etc.

It is a fantastic achievement for anyone to have sailed round Britain in a small boat but for Geoff the achievement is massive; you can find more about the preparations, the daily blogs and the triumphs and tribulations around the coast at

<http://www.personaleverest.com/>. The Club rarely speaks to Members about charities but perhaps this is a good exception, particularly as RYA Sailability is one of the Club's officially sponsored charities and it is in their support that Geoff is sailing his Personal Everest Challenge. You can donate to RYA Sailability via Geoff's website, via <http://www.justgiving.com/personaleverest> or to RYA Sailability at RYA House, Ensign Way, Hamble, Southampton SO31 4YA.

GEOFF HOLMES

The Club has had an exceptional year so far in International Regattas.

In Portugal at Cascais recently, in the ISAF 2007 Sailing World Championships, Pippa Wilson with Sarah Ayton and Sarah Webb were the winning Gold Medal crew in the Yngling class. Nick Rogers with Joe Glanfield came 8th in the same regatta in the 470 Class.

Sophie Weguelin and Sophie Ainsworth won Silver in the 29er class at the 2007 Volvo Youth Sailing ISAF World Championship in Kingston Ontario, Canada.

Ben Paton, came 2nd (in a fleet of 235) in the Laser Radial Class at the Laser Grand Prix at Hyeres, he then won in Warnemunde Germany sailing in a Laser Radial Europa Cup event against 139 other boats, and most recently he has just won Gold in the Laser Radial World and European Championships!



Pippa Wilson, Nick Rogers and Ben Ainslie were selected for the pre-Olympic Regatta in Qingdao, China; Ben Ainslie took the Gold Medal in the Finn Class; Nick Rodgers and Joe Glanfield, won Silver in the 470 Class and Team GBR scored 5 Golds and 1 Silver.

Congratulations to Jonny Moss (Fishers Green S.C) and Ben Muskett who won the Silver medal at the 420 Junior European Championships in Medemblik, Holland. They finished 3rd Overall, and second European boat, in a highly competitive International fleet of 116 boats representing 19 nations

Meanwhile, as if to prove the longevity of sailing as a sport, Stuart Jardine won the J24 class in Bermuda earlier this year.

Locally, the XODs won the team racing in Cowes.

Jasmine Husband with her helm Claire Walsh were 1st female crew in both the Spanish and French 420 nationals, and then won a Gold medal in the Open Ladies 420 Europeans in Istanbul



Stuart and Caroline Watson together with Matthew Jones won the UK Nordic Folkboat Championships in Poole. Simon Osgood was 3rd at Cowes week sailing a Nordic Folkboat in IRC 9. In fact the first 3 boats in IRC 9 were Folkboats, the winner being Ed Donald in Madelaine, who sails in the Lymington fleet and he was only a fraction of a point away from winning the entire Black Division at Cowes. Ed had earlier won the Gold Roman Bowl in this years RTI race. The overall winner of Folkboat Week was *Crackerjack* sailed by Stuart and Caroline Watson and Matthew Jones with *Tak* sailed by Jeremy Austin, Stuart Jardine and Bill Dunson in second place. A good year for the local Nordic Folkboats.

Jane Pitt Pitts won the Lymington River Scows Nationals.

On the off-shore IRC front, JEBA, a First 40.7 has been having a busy RORC racing season, representing the Club in the Myth of Malham race, the Round Eddystone Race and the Morgan Cup. Owner John Nicholas report can be

read on the Club website, which leads me to add that we welcome reports from members to put onto the website.

The Club were successful in this years RTI with Class 3 team winners for the Club:

*Sundowner* - Jo Hutchison

*White Mischief* - Andy Hind

*Cloud 9* - Martyn Wheatly

Rolex Fastnet race **Leopard 3 Breaks Record**

ICAP *Leopard 3*, the 30 metre canting keel maxi owned by Mike Slade, finished in an elapsed time of 44h 18m. The previous record of 2 days 5h 8m by *RF Yachting* in 1999 was beaten by 8h 50m.

If I have missed your results, or if I have mis-reported them, my apologies. My only excuse is that it is difficult to keep up with so much Club success; the answer is to send the Club secretary or myself an occasional email so we can keep track of your achievements!

CHRIS BALDWICK CAPTAIN OF RACING

## THE POTTERSHIP RACE 2007

Saturday 6 October (reserve day Sunday)

- place the date in your diary now
- get your crew organised
- fill in the entry form
- scrub the bottom of the boat during the week before the race
- and enjoy good sailing with fellow Club members

The race is open to monohull keel boats owned and helmed by Club Members

There are three classes

- Class 1 Yachts with a TCF of 0.750 and over
- Class 2 Yachts with a TCF of 0.749 and below
- Class 3 XOD

The race committee will allocate a Lymington handicap (TCF)

The race is traditionally the Club Race-of-the-Year. All boats start together on the Club line and sail a simple course around the Western Solent. It is a fun-race, open to both all-out racing boats and all others who cruise or potter about. The handicapping system work well and there are some magnificent trophies to be won.

JANE PITT-PITTS PRO



**HISTORIC ARCHIVAL MATERIAL**

Our Club's official 100th birthday is in 2022! The General Committee have agreed that we should produce a commemorative book for the occasion, and to this end my thoughts turned to the collection of historical archival records and material.

Luck was on my side, in that the container at the side of the Club is being dispensed with and had to be cleared out. Jon Chittock had heard I was looking for old records and asked me to go through it with him. We unearthed some boxes full of real treasures which I am currently wading through.

In passing I told John that I was particularly looking for copies of the old Bulletin. To my delight he found a folder of them from 1946 – 1986, with just two missing, 1952 and 1953.

Extracts from these Bulletins will be published in the Pottership and the whole content will be placed in Archive on the Club Website.

We found an old tin trunk with 'Lymington River Sailing Club Building Co' painted on its side (full of archival records). Do any more elderly members know anything about this?

If anyone has a copy of the missing Bulletins, or any other material, information sheets, members handbooks of an old variety, especially pre 1946, I would be most grateful for sight of them. Old photos would also be of great interest to me, which we could scan and return promptly, so please look in your lofts!

**AND THE PHOTOGRAPHIC LIBRARY AND COMPETITION**

Where are all your photos for the Club photographic library and archive?

We need your best photographs of sailing / club related subjects, preferably on CD or DVD and sent to the office. We need quality and quantity!

Don't delay, please contribute your proudest work to the library now!

We will be judging contributions from these categories:-

Racing (XODs, Scows, Folkboats, Dinghies, Cruiser/Racers)

Junior (Cadets, Optimists, 420s, Lasers)

Social

Cruising

Any kind of sailing related photograph is eligible, e.g. action sailing, character shots, seascapes, tranquil anchorages etc. All photographs must be taken by a member or Junior member.

Entries must be submitted by September 20th 2007

JUDY RUFFELL

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE**

The Club's website is the best place to keep up to date with news, information, events and training.

There is a NEW training page which has details of the courses available and many of the race entry forms are available to download from the regatta pages.

Why not set the RLymYC.org.uk as your home page?

Please make the website your first port of call for information and please keep the Club up to date with your new email address. Changes can be emailed to [sail@RLymYC.org.uk](mailto:sail@RLymYC.org.uk).

**RNLI FUND RAISING**

Lymington RNLI the would like to say a big "Thank You" to all those who donated jumble, charts and sails for, and who supported the branch at The Beaulieu Boat Jumble. £3,710 was raised and the ladies of the RNLI Lymington Guild sold £730 of Lottery tickets.

**LYMINGTON RNLI CAR BOOT BOAT JUMBLE**  
Sponsored by BHG Marine

Sunday 16 September Woodside Park Lymington  
Setting up from 8.30am Open to public at 10.00am  
Cars £6 Vans £9 Trailers + £3  
Enquiries: 01590 676706

Thursday 25th October - 7.00pm. for 7.30pm.  
**SOCIAL EVENING WITH RNLI BRANCH & GUILD  
AND REPORT ON YEAR'S FUNDRAISING.**  
at Lymington Town Sailing Club. Tickets £8.00 from  
Karin Spink 01590 679205 or Sandra Allpress 01590  
643268. Speaker - Claude Hamilton from the MCA.

Monday 29th October.  
**BRIDGE DRIVE & PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH.** 12.00pm  
- 4.30pm. at Lymington Town Sailing Club. £30.00.  
per table. Contact Sandra Allpress 01590-643268.

Saturday 24th November  
**LIFEBOAT CHRISTMAS FAIR** 9.30pm - 2.00pm.  
at St. Thomas Parish Hall, Lymington.

**RLymYC ART EXHIBITION**

The Club's Annual Art Exhibition will take place in the Clubhouse on 26-28 October, opening at 1030 on 26th, and closing at 1530 on 28th. New exhibitors are always welcome, and entries should be handed in directly to the organisers, in the Library on Wednesday 24 October between 1000 and 1530. For those coming to view, tea, coffee and other hot drinks are available throughout the day. Entries will be for sale, with 20% going to the RNLI. Pictures may be collected between 1530 & 1630 on Sunday 28th or from 0900 to 1200 on Monday 29th. Further information - Christina Young (01590 642489).

**ELMERS COURT HEALTH SPA**

In partnership with Vital Health & Fitness, reduced fees for RLymYC members will again be offered through the winter at a reduced rate of £38 a month for a single and £72 month for a dual subscription, paying no joining fee. For further information contact Andy Elsey.

Vital are hosting an open evening for the RLymYC members on the Wednesday 26th September 2007 from 7pm-9pm, where from 7pm-8pm members can have complimentary use of the facilities, and from 8pm-9pm enjoy a glass of wine and cheese and biscuits in the recently refurbished Sails Bar & Restaurant. Places are limited so call Andy Elsey, on 01590 646506 .

**CLUB CLOTHING**

Rainbow Copy can embroider the Club burgee on clothing. Rainbow Copy is at Unit 10, Ampress Lane, Ampress Industrial Estate, phone 01590 673186. Harken also supply Club branded clothing from their shop on the Quay