



CLUB NEWS

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Commodores report

Weather!!! The Solent Rally was hit this year, causing members problems in getting to the Solent. Three yachts managed to make it to Gosport on Sunday, and another joined from Eastbourne for the second week. Poole was out, but we enjoyed a selection of Solent harbours for the fortnight's sailing. I hope we get a decent crossing to France in August.

Regarding the rally to Littlehampton in September, please note that bookings should be made with Ann Headon as soon as possible. Only six berths are available to us as another club has also been invited to the Arun Yacht Club's "Last Night of the Proms" and Dinner. This should be a fun event if previous AYC events are anything to go by.

I would like to remind members that we have a pressure washer for their use on application to the Bosun. Our life raft has been renovated and repacked but is not "licensed" and is for practise purposes only. We intend to have further demonstrations with it in the future.

There seems to be little happening with the Marina at present, except to say that the mud is increasing rapidly in some areas, severely limiting access times, and it is hoped that dredging will take place soon to improve this.

Sadly, our membership secretary, Colm McDermot, has been transferred to the Chester area, and he will no longer be able to carry out this important club function. I would be grateful for a volunteer to take on this task. Please phone or email me if you can help.

In the meanwhile, Good Sailing

Nigel Cooper

From the Waterfront

Solent / Poole Rally

Left Newhaven on Saturday 11th with anticipated return of Saturday 25th July.

Three boats – Minos (Jane Twyman), Moody Blue (Mike Price) and Zeta made it to Gosport on Sunday 12th July. The wind had actually turned out to be favourable on that day, although the forecasts had not been good, causing some to abandon the trip, and were not good for the remainder of the rally.

After a sumptuous meal on Moody Blue, we prepared for a windy week's Solent sailing. Next day Zeta and Moody Blue made it to Bembridge – Minos was hit by crew illness and was unable to move on. Despite

high winds and rain, Ann Headon managed to get the Bembridge BBQ going, and we enjoyed a draughty if slightly damp barbecue.

Weather forced a second night in Bembridge, and on Wednesday we sailed on to Yarmouth, where Zeta remained for four days. Thank goodness we had brought our bus passes – we made good use of the Island bus services, and spent the time visiting Ryde, Newtown and Osborne House and Yarmouth Yacht Club. The Club was hosting the laser SB3 racing, which in the gusty conditions, proved spectacular to watch from the comfort of the shore. Mike and Nina in Moody Blue managed to move on to Lymington after two days, and then faced the 35 knot gusts on the homeward leg on Saturday.

The second week was supposed to include a visit to Poole which was by now a lost cause, so instead Zeta made for Hythe Marina in Southampton Water. A very pleasant and sheltered location, close to the village and the New Forest. Bus passes in hand, we set off on an interesting ride through the Forest to Lymington, where we managed to pick up a few bargains at local chandlers.



A view in Hythe marina.

Mike and Eileen Edwards in Ruby tried to get out of Eastbourne to join us, but were driven back twice by the bad conditions. They valiantly made it in rough conditions to Newhaven on Monday at their third attempt and to Gosport by Tuesday.

On Wednesday we met up with Mike and Eileen at The Folly Inn in the Medina River, and enjoyed the pub's best fare. Next day we set off for Bucklers Hard, and after a short wait on the visitors pontoon, managed to get into the marina. We enjoyed fine weather, and a good long walk around the area, visiting the museum and the pub (only for a meal of course).



Left – Drinks at Beaulieu.

Right – BBQ at Bembridge.



On Friday we set out on our return journey, and after a good sail we called in at the Itchenor pontoon. We made use of the river taxi to get ashore to tour around the area. Itchenor has no shops, only a pub, so we really had no choice but to relax with a drink or two after our long walk. Very pleasant. Saturday, last day for Zeta, we set off for Newhaven, and had a rolling ride home, mainly just under genoa. Ruby broke the journey with an overnight stop at Brighton before returning to Eastbourne.

The weather did not completely ruin the event for those taking part, as the Solent provides many interesting places to visit, but hopefully next year's rally will be more fortunate. Nigel.

Power Boats

With co-operation from other motor yacht skippers to come forward with preferred dates and destinations events can be organised. Peter Llewellyn will be pleased to hear from you on telephone 01323 897339.

Racing and Buddy Sailing

BUDDY SAILING

This is a part of the clubs objectives. Which is –

A scheme to promote an interest in and to teach the rudiments of sailing to those interested but without experience. They will later be invited to join the NYC and to have the opportunity to crew on rallies and races. See under “Membership” for joining details.

The scheme has changed and all enquiries for buddy sailing should be made to Graham Irving 07968 53272 who will co ordinate your name with the skippers available for you to phone direct,

Skippers – please note that we may need to discontinue this service if there are no further offers to make boats available. It is a very worthwhile social service to the community, an important part of club life and a means of getting new members.

Sailing & Events Diary

See also the NYC notice board on one of the buildings of Simpson Marine.

Buddy sailing – Due to difficulties in getting firm times from skippers we are no longer giving dates in this calendar. For more information see Buddy Sailing above.

Saturday 15th – 22nd August – Rally to France

Newhaven LW 1221 BST 2.09m – HW 0553 BST 5.20m

Both power and sail are invited to join us for the weeks.

Organiser Nigel Cooper coopernp@hotmail.com 01273 30284 and 07836739501

Monday 31st August – Bank Holiday

Saturday 12th – Monday 14th September - Littlehampton Rally

Newhaven HW 0420 BST 5.63m. Both power and sail are invited to join us for one or both days.

Arun YC invite us to “Last Night of The Proms” and dinner. Dress is smart casual

A meal can be booked at a cost to be announced. There is very limited space so early booking is advised. Organiser Ann Headon 01273 885942 pa.headon@ntlworld.com

Saturday 19th September – MOB discussion with RNLI – clubroom - 1900

This is preparatory to the event on the 20th and Bill Walton of the RNLI will discuss tactics. There will be coffee and biscuits.

Sunday 20th September – RNLI Man overboard practice – 1000 leave marina.

Newhaven HW 1158 BST 7.10m

The life boat will drop two victims for rescue. There will be two NYC yachts with crews of five to make the rescues. There may be places on the lifeboat for spectators who should apply for places to Nigel coopernp@hotmail.com 01273 30284 and 07836739501

Saturday 17th October – Trafalgar Night Event – Clubroom 1900

A member of “Savage caricatures” will attend to draw as many of those attending as is possible and at least the first twenty should be drawn. There will be a meal costing £8.00 of fish and chips, a dessert (£2.00 included towards caricatures) and a bar

Organiser Nigel Cooper 07836739501 coopernp@hotmail.com

Sunday 25th October – BST ends

Sunday 8th November - Remembrance Sunday (1100 at sea) at about a mile off Newhaven

Low water Newhaven GMT 1440 hours 6.03m

Organizer Nigel Cooper on 01273 302846, 07836 739501, or coopernp@hotmail.com,

Please take one or more veterans with you. A few days before the event, those boat owners, who intend to go out to the wreath laying ceremony, should telephone Nigel and let him know how many persons you are prepared to and can safely take out.

On the day, the skippers, or a member of the crew, go to the **RNLI Building on West Key** by 0930; 10.00 at the very latest if you wish to get to sea in time for the service. Introduction will be made to those to whom you have been allocated after which you can take them to board your boat and proceed to sea in time for the 1100 service. Although the lifeboat will be present skippers should not need to be reminded that all passengers require a lifejacket. On return, it is usual to meet with the others, this time at the RNLI. Regardless of whether you take a visitor you are most enthusiastically welcomed to attend. There have been times, quite recent, when the sheer number of boats makes it a most memorable occasion and it is such a spectacle that is nice to repeat. The object is to get as many boats out as possible.

Saturday 21st November – AGM – 1800 Clubroom.

This is a most important meeting which affects the running of the club for the following year and the election of the committee. Please consult your copy of the constitution.

Note that this is immediately followed by the Laying Up Supper starting approx 1900

Saturday 21st November – Laying up Buffet – Approximately 1900 following the AGM

The cost will be about £10.00 and there will be a bar. Although the event will be organized by Ann Headon she will be away on holiday so those wanting a meal please contact Nigel Cooper 07836739501 coopernp@hotmail.com

Contributions of food or money for the commodores Christmas party will be noted at this event so please be ready to state your contribution.

Saturday 5^h December – Commodore's Christmas party and buffet in the clubroom at 1900.

There will be a bar. Organiser Ann Headon 01273 885942 pa.headon@ntlworld.com

ANNUAL EVENTS for which claims must be made prior to each AGM. Full details are shown on the website.

THE KITTIWAKE CHALLENGE PRIZE to encourage a spirit of adventure, personal challenge, club pride, safety and consideration. The prize is £250 to the skipper who sails further than Kittiwake's 10,500 miles in a 13-month period, Challenge ends July 1st 2012.

THE SPIRIT OF KITTIWAKE CUP for the most audacious cruise by a NYC Club member in the past year/cruising season. This is for members whose voyage is a personal special major achievement although it may not be so to others.

SEVEN PORTS CUP – The skipper to first visit in the year the ports of Bembridge, Dover, Ramsgate, Eastbourne, Littlehampton, Shoreham and Rye or Chichester.

ALL PORTS CUP – Skipper visiting most ports in the year.

RYA Courses

See calendar for current events. The course Principal Tony Titchener 07784 713612 or tonytitch@aol.com will give details and advise on courses you wish to request. Jane Twyman is our qualified RYA Instructor.

Club Shop

NYC sweaters and rugby style shirts are available at £16.60. There is a choice of colours and the NYC logo and your boat name can be added for an additional £1.60. Available via Ann Headon on 01273 885952

NYC Burgees. These differ from the originals in that they still have the Newhaven logo but not the words NYC. They are £15.00 each and can be obtained from Gerald Simmons 01273 515189

Small Advertisements

Note 1. Advertisements are run for only one issue after which it is necessary to re-apply.
2. The newsletter is shown on the website and members may now place their own advertisements and messages with a password available from the commodore and to be kept from non members.

For Sale

1. Small craft additions of Admiralty charts,
 - a. SC5600. The Solent and its approaches. 10 charts. £20-00
 - b. SC5601. East Devon and Dorset coast. 10 charts £20-00
2. Imray Mediterranean Almanac.
Covers over 400 Harbours in the Mediterranean. £20-00
3. South and West coast of Ireland Pilot by the Irish Cruising Club and Admiralty charts C56/57, covering the south and west coasts of Ireland. Both items are in mint condition and were purchased in 2008 for a trip to Ireland. £50.00
4. SEAGO Life raft with cradle. £475.00
5. FIRDEL Radar reflector with Stainless steel mast brackets £45.00
6. LOADSTAR Dinghy complete with inflatable floor, oars, foot pump and Johnson two stroke outboard motor. £475.00

Graham Jones 07900386274, 01273 569849, najadatsea@gmail.com

Co-owner wanted

The owner of as well appointed "Sail 28" seeks a co-owner to share the joys of sailing. The vessel is berthed in Sovereign harbour with all modern shore facilities.
If interested contact Mr. Derek Last 01424 842428

For Sale

Moondance – a 21 foot sloop built 1974. Owned by Jack Baker
YANMAR 10hp engine fitted 2003. Mainsail STACKPAK fitted 2004. Complete with GPS and VHF.
£6,950.00 OFFERS INVITED

For full details apply to

Simon J. Thomas, Lochin Marine International Ltd. Incorporating Simon Thomas Yacht Sales
00 44 +(0)1273 515085 stys@lochin.com

Membership

Application forms are available from the membership secretary and new applications and also renewal fees (**due by the 17th of January**) should be sent to;

NYC Membership Secretary - **Commodore is dealing with this until a new secretary is available. Volunteers please!**
Colm McDermott, Pilsey, Framfield Road, Buxted, E. Sussex, TN22 4LE Tel. 01825 732844

The entrance and subscription fees are as follows;

Full member £45.00 Family member £50.00 Joining fee for new members - £20.00

For those joining after 1st October the above fees will cover them until the end of the following year.

A £5.00 discount to existing members on the above membership figures is given if paid with standing order by mid January. Standing orders will substantially reduce the membership secretary's time and the expense of collecting fees.

Editor's Note

All contributions for the next issue must be received by the first Monday of the month and should be sent to the Club Secretary – Alan Ball. 40 St Mary's Road. Tonbridge TN9 2LE. 01732 359170
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