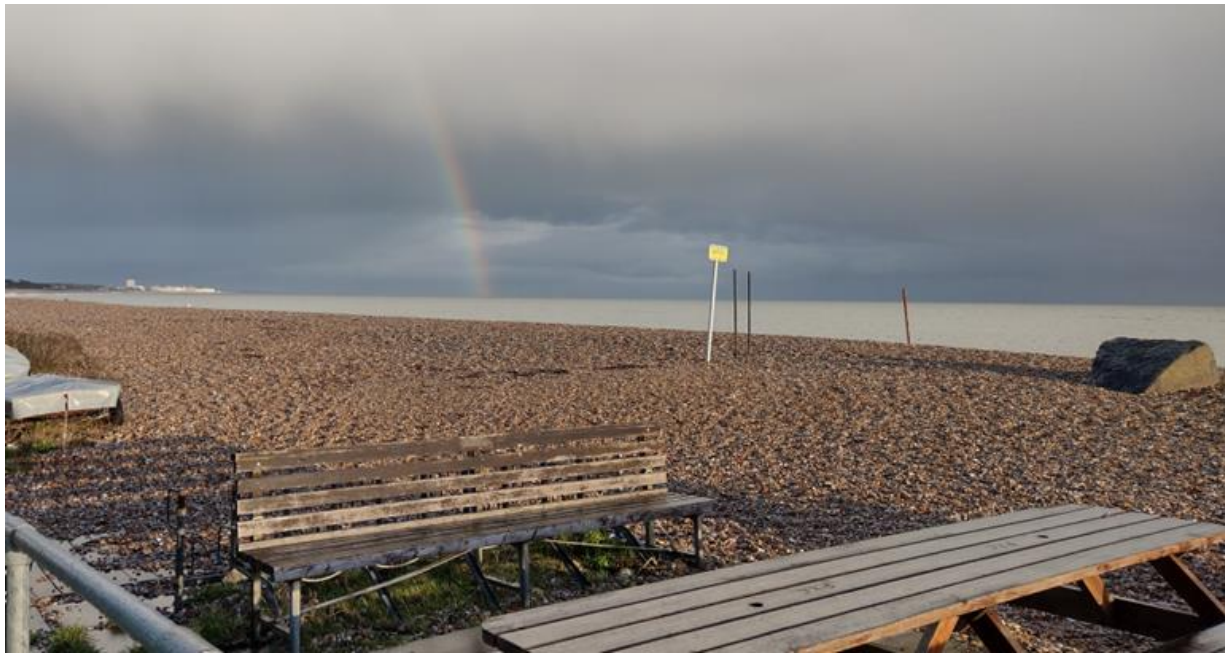


Hi Everybody,



Can you see the rainbow? Both pictures taken at the same time on Sunday afternoon at around 3pm with waves crashing out to sea and then onto the shore and around the spit leading to the harbour entrance at one side and the rainbow on the other side of the Club.

What a difference! A much calmer sea with a rainbow forming between us and Aldwick. Sorry about my photography but it does show how we are caught in the middle of many different pulls and impacts of the sea. We are very lucky that the beach has stayed with us in its various degrees and shapes and sizes so, let's be grateful that we have another year of getting out there soon to enjoy what the Club has to offer us in sailing, swimming, snorkelling, paddle boarding, etc, etc.....!

On a sadder note, for those of you who have been members for a few years then you will remember Peter Boteler who you may not have seen since late last year. This was because Peter had terminal cancer and had recently been admitted to St Wilfrid's hospice where he recently passed away. Peter left a wife Donna and three children Jade, Lea with a grandchild Mariee and Aimee, along with his sister Jill and their parents, Allan and his wife. When we know more firm details about when the funeral and the Wake are settled then we will let you know as we are sure that some of you will want to be there to show our support to the family.



## Sailing Events & Angling

From George, he has nothing to report due to our lovely British weather but maybe a couple of anglers will try if the weather permits during this week.

Next Sunday's competition starts at 9am until 13.30pm with hopefully better weather conditions than two weeks ago allowing us to start the 2023 Angling season.

From RC Paul, they are aiming to fish next Sunday - if the weather looks promising. At the moment he has no reports of catches from the beaches but hopefully, he thinks they can give a go next week!

He is going to arrange a work party at the end of the month to create more space so please do keep your ears open for this as his wants to create at least one space, or perhaps two or three more for new Anglers joining. Also, RC Sailing Kevin may also have new sailing boats needing spaces so we need to think ahead for this as well.

### Future Beach Competitions: 2023

22<sup>nd</sup> January 09:00 till 13:30

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## Social Events



We had our Sylvia enjoying her 65<sup>th</sup> birthday with us on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – and from what I have heard this carried on Saturday evening and from what I saw today it carried on till Sunday! Nothing like a three-day celebration Sylvi!!!!

Speaking of which.....our RC Social & Fundraising Sue was taken out for a pre-birthday celebration by some of the PYC ladies on Friday (doesn't she look sober?) but I have just heard that the PYC ladies and the Commodore have got to her again before she can leave the Club tonight (whilst I am writing this) to make sure that she can celebrate her birthday that happens tomorrow!

Oh dear!!!! And I wasn't involved – so don't blame me if she can't peddle home on her new electric bike!!!!

So, going back to sane persons, don't forget that for our Youth members on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> we have Allan our Youth Officer inviting them back to prove their expertise in another **Fifa Tournament** at the Bar starting at 1.30pm. If you missed it last time then you have been warned that this is a good set up with snacks and drinks to keeps you going until someone wins!! I have no idea what goes on but if I am doing the Bar, then I'll let you know! I'm sure those who will have a desire to win will have seen the seen the WhatsApp but do get in touch with Allan for more information if needed.

On the same evening we are being treated to our own **High Tide Band** from 8pm so do get your dancing kit out! I'm looking forward to that as we haven't enjoyed them since last summer. Blimey – did I say summer?

I've just checked the weather forecast and, although it may be a bit nippy, no rain just light cloud and a gentle breeze so we can have the doors open and walk home afterwards. That makes for a good evening.

I am pleased to say that I have checked the list tonight and there are still places left on the **Sunday Roast dinner**, starting next weekend on 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5.30pm. The list will be taken down on Wednesday evening so do get your name down now. The cost is £7 with an additional £3 if you want a pudding. Sue is talking about doing another one in March if this one is a success.

The other one that is looking very popular is **Burns Night** on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>. Skudder, our Colin, will be in charge of the cooking which will be served from 7.30 for 8pm with a two-course meal, a tot of whiskey at £10 pp. Again – get your name down soon!!!!

Advance diary warning of the **Commodore's Curry** on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February the at the end of England v Wales Six Nations Rugby. As I have said before, we know this is a 16.45 kick off but we don't know if the Curry may be a celebration or a joint sinking of the alcohol that had been consumed at the end of the game? If you have enjoyed a Commodores Curry before then you know what to expect. If not then.....more information will be published nearer the time including cost and menu.

## Future Events

### January

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Youth Members – Fifa Tournament in the Bar with Allan, 1.30 pm start  
High Tide Band 8pm start

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Roast dinner at 5.30pm, £7 or £3 extra if you want pudding. The list is up, cash payment only. Payment to the safe behind the Bar when putting your name down please or it will be discounted.

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Burns Night from 7.30 for 8pm. A two-course meal, tot of whiskey, £10 pp. Limited number c.40. The list is up, cash payment only. Payment to the safe behind the Bar when putting your name down please or it will be discounted.

### February

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Commodore's Curry at the end of England v Wales Six Nations Rugby 16.45 kick off. More details to follow and a list will be posted in the Bar.

### April

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> and Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May (Bank Holiday) – SailFish starts – more details to follow.

Do have a lovely week and we look forward to seeing you again at the weekend to enjoy some more of our Entertainment (and food!)

*Jill*  
*Honorary Blogger*

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