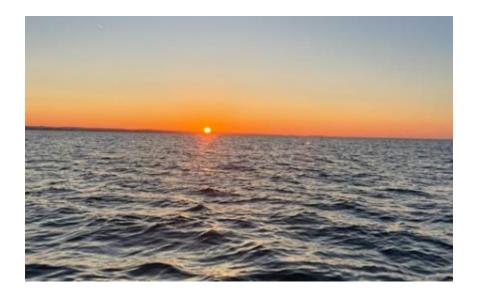
Hi Everybody,



Early Monday morning and the sun rise over the sea at Pagham.



Sailing Events & Angling



From RC Sailing Kevin, sadly no sailing on Saturday due to high winds and very poor sea state making it unsafe to launch and recover boats.

Sunday saw much better weather and thankfully, we had four boats rigging for races nine and ten of the Commodore's Cup.

Unfortunately, Stuart and Allen had problems with the Club dart 18 and didn't get out on the water. Sorry boys! Many thanks to all the volunteers that helped as, without them then sailing doesn't happen. Just look at the skies on the photos which shows what a great day sailing it was!

Race 9 and 10 - same results for both races!

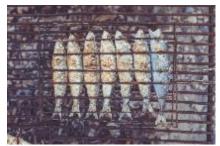
1st Steve Green D Zero

2nd Nick Cook / Kevin Freeman wayfarer

3rd Kevin Robbins Dart 15

SailFish, Skittles & BBQ

Apologies for the short notice but, SailFish will be either on next Saturday 12th or the next Saturday 19th, provided the winds are moderate to allow fishing. A decision will be made on either this Wednesday or Thursday and we will let you know if we have to cancel via the Sailing WhatsApp. In the meantime, have you got a partner and sorted your boat out? If it goes ahead, fishing from 8.30am till noon and Sailing from 2pm.









Either way, we will STILL hold a fish BBQ around 6pm and the Skittles (with prizes!!!) will go on regardless of the weather at 7pm so, do come and join us and give it a go! (and win!!)

Calendar

August

12th SATURDAY	SAILING SESSION	13.30
13th SUNDAY	SUMMER SERIES RACES 5 & 6	11.00
19th SATURDAY	SAILING SESSION	13.30
20th SUNDAY	SUMMER SERIES RACES 7 & 8	11.00
26th SATURDAY	PYC REGATTA RACES 1 & 2	13.00
27th SUNDAY	PYC REGATTA RACES 3,4 & 5	11.00

Angling

From George, to his knowledge only RC Angling Paul went out on Friday afternoon with Kian showing his dad how to catch Bass, catching three in one go on his mackerel feathers - quite a feat! He tells me that one Bass was taken home to eat which we all know was sure tasted even better to Kian knowing what he had achieved.

I did walk past Charlie and another of our youth anglers on Friday at the Boat park getting their Kayaks out ready to go angling but I haven't heard how they did. I did ask for any photos but

You will see that the SailFish on is Saturday, weather permitting, with hopefully a good number of anglers taking a non-anglers out in their boat to catch fish for the BBQ.

Sundays' competition starts at 8am until 4pm with the best Skate the target species.



From RC Angling Paul C, he sent me the above photo – is that of the Bass caught by Kian with the one 44 cm that was taken home for tea? I'm sure he will tell me.

They also went out early this morning but unfortunately, not much was caught between the two boats, the other manned by Pete W, only three Mackerel and a few Horse Mackerel - but a great sunrise, which we've used as our first picture!

Paddlers and Snorkelling

It's those famous words that we are getting tired of hearing for last week – "no paddlers due high winds and rough seas!" I am hoping that we won't be using next week as the weather forecast for next Wednesday is 21°, sunny and a gentle breeze! Yahoooooooo! Get out there everybody. Is this the summer that we were promised?

Boat Park & Parking

Well, what can I say? Despite stating in last week's blog that the piece of land at the bottom of the Club stairs is only to be used by the Bar Manager or persons stocking up the Club or for cleaning, I have seen a member's car parked there on two occasions for well over 4 hours each time this week (I went home then) who wasn't using our Club. So, stop taking advantage of your membership and preventing other members using this space to carry on their unpaid duties! And, dare I say it..... start using ours or another Car Park and walking!!!! Don't forget, we do know who you are as your car is so recognisable.

Sam's Pizzas & Pebbles

Sadly, Sam has just been through the loss of a close family member and is having time to herself. Naturally, we have put the provision of Wednesday night's pizzas on hold for the time being and I'm sure you will continue to give her your support at this difficult time. We will let you know when orders are re-started via the Social and Sailing WhatsApps.

The Blog

Surprisingly, at this time I haven't been deluged with lots of interest in taking over the blog. In fact, I haven't had anyone approach me! Either, I'm doing a good job — which would be lovely to believe, or no one wants to take it off me. I cannot believe that we do not have a talented person in our membership who would eat up what I am currently producing and put their own ideas in to make it better. Where are you?

Come on you talented persons, can you spare a couple of hours a week to generate an improved or enhanced blog with a new approach? As I have said before, I am quite happy to ensure that any information and pictures are still forthcoming until the blogger is firmly established. Do have a think about taking it on and let me know as I do know you are out there and just hoping to be identified!

Social Events

Where were you on Friday when we were there competing at the Play Your Cards Right with Keith for the Jackpot of what, when we started on the evening, was around £190? Blimey – nothing like a bit of competition to increase the stress level and the amount of alcohol consumed. I didn't think I was a gambler and when April was winning with her guesses it confirmed that was not my chosen career. (I think I only made one guess before being thrown out and keep having



So, if you were not there do you want to know who won the final sum of £259 that was reached? Do you? Hah! No one!!! It is being carried over for us all to pull our hair out again next week. See you there if you want to be rich!!!

Quite a few Sunday events comings up, starting with the Lightning Brothers this week. A fantastic Soul band playing Motown, Classic Soul, Funk and Disco from the 60s to the 80s. My kind of music! Sunny intervals, moderate breeze and 19°c so no problem about the weather getting in our way of our boogying! Is that how you spell it? Oh well.

Sue has booked the Middlemen the following Sunday, with Wayne Woodward the following Sunday 27th. Do have a look below to see what they are up to as they are so very different but all well worth watching.

For those of you who like to keep busy all weekend, it's Olive's birthday on Saturday 26th so best you check your outfits, shoes and paracetamol supplies as we are in for a really busy couple of weekends!!!! And this time he can't blame his Golf score on his behaviour.

This is a 70's and 80's event (when was Olive born?) so, do you still have bell shaped flared bottom trousers and crochet tops? Or how about those mini-skirts. And the men – floral shirts with huge collars!!! Starsky and Hutch look out! (1975 – 79 – can you believe it was that long ago?) Right you lot – you have been well and truly warned that we have lots of fun coming our way.



On a more important note, Sue is planning a Macmillan's Coffee Morning on Friday 29th August, which she wants to run more or less all day starting after 10am. We will be putting posters up soon but if you could start to spread the word now and think about whether you would be able to donate some cakes or homemade biscuits, then that would be a brilliant step forward and cheer everybody up.

New Years Eve Looking even further ahead, we want you to know that we are holding again a New Years Eve celebration to welcome in 2024 – ticket only, as it was so successful last year. The price will be £40 per head and we will be asking for payment at the time of issuing tickets. Again, the ticket price will include a wristband for entrance on the evening to allow food, all drinks (non-alcoholic if you prefer) and entertainment by Sarah Woods the singer. We have also decided early this time that members will be able to invite their family and close friends but, as usual, we will be looking at numbers if we suspect this is being abused. Posters advising when tickets are on sale behind the Bar will be published soon so, do look out for them! Any other information I will let you have as things develop. Blimey – talk about being organised......

Other Future Events

August

Sunday 13th Lightning Brothers c.3.30pm (outside event) with the sun shining (Get the Gazebo out

Sunday 20th Middlemen c.3.30pm - Five Piece "covers" band. Bringing the party to you! Best you get your dancing gear on as they know all sorts of music hits......

Saturday 26th Clive's 70's & 80's Birthday Party!!!!

Sunday 27th Wayne Woodward c.3.30pm Singer and entertainer – he was a runner-up on the Britain's Got Talent competition so well worth seeing!

September

Sunday 17th Bart's Bash Race

Friday 29th Macmillan's Coffee Morning (all day event)

November

Sunday 26th AGM - Advance warning for your diaries

December

Sunday 31st New Years Eve Celebration! Ticket entry only to this event.

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Donations for CANCERWISE

A big thank you to Pete W who did the BBQ at home due to inclement weather on shore on Saturday evening to keep everybody well fed and satisfied to make sure that they carried on throughout the evening with Burgers, Chicken Kebabs and sausages with the usual onions and salad bits to look healthy.



The final total was an amazing £8,865.87 which was raised to £9,000 by a further donation from Clive and his company Signs4golf.

A big thank you to the following who contributed to the **CANCERWISE** charity event of last weekend and the Golf event of the week before. The gifts were used as part of the Golf Day, as part of the Big Raffle or, some were auctioned off to raise

some **substantial** amounts.

Golfing Holes Sponsored By:

Signs4golf (Clive) Main sponsor Warren Roofing (Pete Warren)

John Sweeney Air Conditioning

Grays Executive Cleaning (Natalie & Paul)

Floyd Gray New Home Sales Solution

Hendy Ford (Guy Lawson)

Mark Harding Roofing

Chichester Golf Club – for the free use of their course for the day and for the provision of a splendid buffet!

PYC Cash Donations:

Clive Briggs

Steve Parker

Allan Fry Kim & Alan

Geoff (Raffle Winnings)

Sam - Pizza & Saturday profits

Big Raffle Prize Donations:

Jordans Chemist – Pamper set

Alex - Tinwood Hamper

Sue & Natalie - assorted prizes

Brass Monkeys - 3 Bottles of Whiskey

Sandra, Keith & Sam – assorted brand new clothes

Ron Fisher – Tent, Camping Chair & Windbreaker

Zee - Avon goodies for Tombola

Various other items such as the dry robe from NEXT that were bought from the cash donations to be added to the Raffle

Cakes

A final mention to everyone who baked or bought cakes to be sold or auctioned that added to the fun and the grand total. We couldn't have done it without you.

To those that we haven't mentioned - it was quite simply a team effort and we all know that the total says it all! You are all stunning!!!!!

Sue & Clive