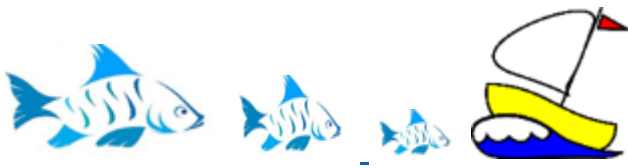


Hi Everybody,



Sunday afternoon. Chilly and windy. Much better inside.



Sailing Events & Angling

Prize giving got underway with a video call to Morocco to present Sally Smith with a glass thanking her for supporting the sailing this year. This was followed by the presentation of glasses to John Sibley, David Gosnell and Paul Palmer again for their support to the sailing through the year.

RC Sailing Kevin, with the assistance of the Commodore proceeded to award the trophies for the years' racing, starting with the Spring launch.

Louise Greene being the first recipient in 3rd place, collected by an unenthusiastic Steve, 2nd place went to Sam Atherton and, to be a recurring trip through the evening, Simon Orde took the 1st place.

For the Spring series, Stuart Ashwood and Alan Phillips took 3rd place with a very excitable Kevin Robbins in 2nd. Simon Orde made his second visit to collect the trophy for 1st.

The Mulberry series had Simon Orde in 3rd, Jack Goodland in 2nd and a far more enthusiastic Steve Greene in 1st.

The Summer series had Nick Cook and Kevin Freeman in 3rd with Simon Orde 2nd and Guy Hickman 1st, with these placings repeating themselves in the PYC Regatta.

The Youth Regatta had Jay Steer in 3rd, Charlie Donoghue in 2nd and Joe Atherton 1st.

The Commodores cup gave Kevin Robbins in 3rd with much excitement, his second trophy of the evening, with Nick Cook and Kevin Freeman taking 2nd and, in 1st place Simon Orde.

The final awards of 2023 were for the Autumn Series. For their fourth set of trophies of the evening, Nick Cook and Kevin Freeman took 3rd place with Andy and Carol Grout extremely pleased with the 2nd place. And, with his seventh trophy of the evening, in 1st place was..... Simon Orde!

All the recipients received loud cheers and various comments of support throughout the evening.

Nick Cook thanked Kevin for all he had done as Sailing Commodore which was followed by lots of cheering and clapping.

The final words went to Simon Orde who highlighted the fact that everybody helps and supports each other launching and recovering and the friendly atmosphere within the sailing community. Well done to all 2023 participants and the fun begins again on the 7th April, 2024!

Angling

From George, please find below the awards list for the Anglers as presented on Saturday evening.

He is unaware of any fishing taking place in the last week, due again to the weather.

Next week's Sunday competition starts at 8am and ends 12.30pm with hopefully a good turnout and weather forecast.

The anglers in the Angling Section wish to express their appreciation to RC Angling Paul Cooper for all of his hard work during the last months. Let's hope that an improvement in the weather we see more successes all round!

Just a few photos of the presentations to the Angling and the Sailing section to give you a taste of what went on as there were so many. Hopefully we can display a good selection in the Clubhouse. The phone contact is of Sally and Chris Smith who are currently in Morocco proving you can't get away from us as you now know Sally! Lastly, the crew of the Cheeky Monkey (minus G) who won the SailFish Trophy.





Pagham Yacht Club Angling Section 2023 Trophy Winners

Beach Competition THE JOHN SIBLEY CUP

1st GEORGE SNELL 24pts, equal 2nd PAUL COOPER 18pts & DEREK BOOKER 18pts, 3rd PETER WAKEFORD 14pts

Best Beach Specimen - DEREK BOOKER 1.04oz CHANNEL WHITING

Best Bream SEA ANGLING TROPHY - GEORGE SNELL 43cm

Best Bass CHARLWOOD TROPHY - PETE WARREN 57cm

Best Plaice GEORGE GREENHOW TROPHY - GEORGE SNELL 43cm

Best Smoothound - DEREK BOOKER 100cm

Best Conger SIDNEY BOSLEY CUP - GEORGE SNELL 10lb

Best Ray DIXIE POT & RUSHBOWL - CHRIS SMITH 15.04lb

Best Boat Specimen - CHRIS SMITH UNDULATED RAY 15.04lb 100% of Specimen size

Charter Boat AWAYDAY CUP - ANDY TOLLADAY

Dons Memorial Trophy - ROCKY ROBINSON & PETE WARREN 42cm BASS

Mug of the Year - Best Whoopsie Moment, CHARLIE while out fishing for Bass and not paying attention to his rod, a Bass pulled the rod overboard and it was never to be seen again!

Top Orkney Skipper & Top Boat Angler PATERNOSTER & ORKNEY BOAT TROPHY - GEORGE SNELL

Ladies Champion LADIES CUP - 1st SALLY SMITH 259pts, 2nd EVIE WAKEFORD 105pts

Junior Champion - KIAN COOPER 24pts equal 2nd MATHEW GREENE & TOMMY

ESSERY JUNIOR CUP - Club Championship

6TH PAUL COOPER 92PTS

5th EVIE WAKEFORD 105pts

4th SALLY SMITH 259pts

3rd DEREK BOOKER 316 pts 3RD OVERALL CUP

2nd CHRIS SMITH 485 pts 2ND OVERALL CUP

1st GEORGE SNELL 702pts COMMITTEE SHIELD OVERALL CLUB CHAMPION

Calendar

November

26th Sunday Beach Angling Competition 8am until 12.30pm

AGM

A reminder that **Full** members who cannot attend the AGM meeting and still wish to vote via the proxy form must return the form in an envelope marked **PROXY Form for AGM** with your name and membership number on the outside and delivered to myself as the Hon Secretary **48 hours before the AGM**, by 10.30am Friday 24th November 2023.

Bar Manager

Still no volunteers to take this on! Aaargh!

New Years Eve Celebration

Again, tickets are available from behind the Bar for a cash only purchase of £40 per person. Do make sure that your name is ticked off the list against the ticket number to show that you have paid. We've got to make sure that you get your tipples to go along with the food and dance to the fabulous singing from Sarah Woods!

Social Events

Friday saw Take Your Pick return to PYC with slightly different prizes this time. The good news is that Jenna won the cash prize of £44 but the bad, or slightly mad news is, that G won the mankini which he loves!!!!

As we cannot guarantee who may see the content of this blog, and G was doing this for the love of showing the sea what he was made of whilst swimming, (who's he kidding?) we have had to edit the picture. Sorry about that.



Don't forget that next week we will have Play Your Cards Right on Friday night for the sum of around £700! I'm being vague about the final sum as I lost interest when I got it wrong fairly early on and needed the solace at the Bar.....BUT, no one else won after me!!! Yahoo! Watch this space.

Saturday saw a great Presentation Evening for the Sailing and Angling sections with superb pizzas, chicken strips, salad and garlic bread delivered by Chef Sam, along with roast potatoes from the sous Chef Commadore Paul. That's what making a good team is all about - feeding the troops!



On Sunday, despite the rain which kept a few of our ardent Soul fans away, we welcomed the Lightening Brothers back again. I know I'm biased but there is something about "I heard it through the Grapevine" by Marvin Gaye that just makes my hair stand on end. Fabulous song! And James Brown? I feel good! What a fantastic diverse collection of songs to entertain us. Loved it!



Next week we will be opening on Saturday evening for the Triple X band who perform songs from the 60's right through to the present day. I'm told that they are covered with both fun and vitality so best we make sure our energy levels are up so we can get up and dance!

All three members are ex-professional musicians that now play for fun and their love of the classic rock era that was the late 60's, 70's and early 80's. They play a mixture of rock covers that includes Cream, The Who, The Police, Aerosmith, Rolling Stones, Free, Bad Company, Deep Purple, Steely Dan and Toto amongst many, many others. So, there should be something there for everyone, myself included.



Hopefully, using all that energy won't allow you to sleep in and prevent you from joining us at the AGM the following morning. If you are thinking of having a lie in, the least you can do is to look forward to listening to Louise Connolly, that wonderful vocalist who will be joining us in the afternoon. Boy, do we spoil you or what?!

Future Events

November

Saturday 25th Triple X Band 8pm - Evening event

Sunday 26th AGM – 10.30am Please do register before 10.30am as that is when the door will close.
Louise Connolly - vocalist 3.15pm

December

Friday 8th High Tide Band 8pm – evening event

Friday 22nd Adrian Fraser – Singer 8.15pm evening event (wrongly printed as an afternoon event!)

Sunday 31st New Years Eve Celebration! Ticket entry only for £40 pp to this event and now on sale behind the Bar, cash only. This includes buffet, free drinks and entertainment by Sarah Wood!!!

Other Business

I've had an email from a member with the following suggestion:

"I wonder if you might consider including a section titled 'Random Corner' in your newsletter.

Members would be invited to send in photos and captions and other stuff reflecting the character of PYC and the area we enjoy, so that the essence and community of the club could be reflected. I think it could be very popular and entice many members to engage in a relaxed non-judgemental way."

What do you think? I always thought that we welcomed any comments or photos, bearing in mind that we are limited to the number of photos we can deal with. Do let me know what you think.

With that in mind, a new non-alcoholic Cocktail seems to have gone down well with two of our youth members.....shame we haven't been enjoying Caribbean weather to make the most of it!



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