

Hi Everybody,

A Happy New Year to everyone at PYC!





What a fabulous evening – and a wonderful first 2024 morning!

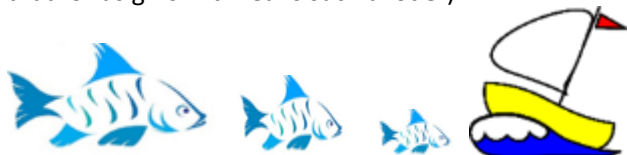
A huge thank you to all of the people involved in setting the Club up to make it a brilliant place to welcome in what we are hoping will be another successful year for PYC.

It was lovely to see some new faces who are now recent members, as well as welcoming back some familiar faces who were definitely enjoying themselves.

A big thank you to all for making it a memorable and, above all, a really jovial evening!

In particular, thank you to Sue our RC Social & Fundraising as it was a great choice to have Sarah Wood back again as our entertainment as she is such a brilliant singer with a wide range of songs that had everybody up on the dancefloor shaking their stuff all over the place! Wonderful! Other thanks go to Mary and Jenna for helping Sue with the buffet and to Jackie and her colleague Dee for the hot food. Oh, and we mustn't forget April with some assistance from dad Ryan, who set up the Training Room for the younger members to enjoy some space for themselves.

And this is what makes PYC so very different – I passed the Galley around 1am to see that our Assistant Secretary Tracey and her guest had just finished the washing and drying up of all the plates and cutlery! Thank you for thinking of doing that for us girls – it means such a lot 8-)



Sailing Events & Angling

2024 SAILING CALENDAR

MARCH 30th	SATURDAY SAILING PREP/RIGGING PARTY 10.00
APRIL 7th	SUNDAY SPRING LAUNCH RACES 1 & 2 11.00 Commodore's Invite to Sailors for cheese and wine
13th	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30
14th	SUNDAY SPRING SERIES RACES 1 & 2 11.00

20th	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30
21st	SUNDAY SPRING SERIES RACES 3 & 4 11.00
27th	SATURDAY SAILING SESSION 13.30
28th	SUNDAY COMMODORES CUP SERIES RACES 1 & 2 11.0

Angling

From George, RC Angling Paul blew the cobwebs away and went off the beach on Monday and caught the first Dogfish and Channel Whiting of 2024 – all safely returned to the water for those of you who may be concerned.



RC Paul will advise later this week if Saturday's away-day boat charter competition is on or cancelled. This weather is still not in our favour this week unfortunately.

The first beach competition will be held on Sunday 14th January 10.30am until 15.30pm so we are hoping for a good turn-out for that. Don't forget that we have the Meat Raffle at 3pm/3.30pm so, it might be worth popping up early or sending someone to buy your tickets and leave your name on them to be drawn. Just in case you don't catch anything 8-(

Calendar

Sunday 14th January 10.30am – 15.30pm Beach Angling Competition

Sunday 7th April 2024 - Ice Breaker Sailing with Commodore's Invite to Sailors for cheese and wine (afterwards).

Website

I think I may have mentioned this before but I wanted to remind you that David, our Treasurer, is currently doing some work on our website to improve the information on there and the way it is presented.

Now that we are into a New Year and the Sailing season is on the horizon, do continue to have a look at what's going on and encourage anyone interested in our Club to do the same.

Don't forget that membership will be due from 1st March, so make sure that you tell us of any useful information that we should be letting you and others know about to maintain interest.

Meat Raffle

Now that you have eaten and drunk your way through December and taken the pledge – dry January?.....we thought it was time to start the Meat Raffle up again and encourage more healthy eating!

From this Sunday 7th January at 3pm/3.30pm we will be holding the Meat Raffle so do come along and buy your tickets and indulge!!!!

Children Behind the Bar

A quick and simple one. Children under the age of 18 are **NOT** allowed behind the Bar. A Youth member aged 16 years can work behind the Bar if an adult member is with them and is acting as a supervisor for him/her, and this arrangement has been approved by the Management Committee.

Social Events

Play Your Cards Right: Oh yes – now that the excitement of Christmas and the New Year season is dying down, the anticipation of who is going to win £776 sum from November has finally come around again and will be played on Friday 5th January with Master Host Keith in charge.

Do we think it will be won this time? Wouldn't that be a really nice late Christmas present?

As we have had so much interest in this game due to the large "pot" that is now involved, we want everybody to be clear that there are certain rules for us to follow to enable Keith to continue to give us all a fun evening!

- * You must be 18 or over to purchase a ticket to play and only one ticket per person (who must be 18 or over).
- * Children can assist their family with the cards being turned over with the family member accompanying the child member. If a winner, the adult is to collect the winnings and can distribute it at their discretion. (Yes – I’m over here! Hello!!!)
- * It must be a club member only taking part. Unfortunately, we have had to clarify this to ensure that there will not be any doubts raised concerning the number of visits by a guest as we are aware that some guests are deliberately not being signed in on their every visit. Sadly, we know this is true for only a very few who have used and abused our system but we are not going to call in the FBI to examine our books over this. (I did try but they were busy!!!!)
- * As already said, one ticket per person and that person must be in attendance physically on the premises. If not, the ticket is forfeited and the game continues.

Hopefully this will clarify what is essentially an entertaining evening for this one “pot” which will ensure that we can continue to have fun and games with our lovely Keith in charge!

We will be talking to him once this “pot” is won about if he wants to change the format a bit to reduce the cards each time to encourage a winner but, we’ll see what he says and let you know. Unless I win and I’m in Grenada in which case you’ll have to wait!

Future Events

January 2024

Friday 5th Play Your Cards Right – from 8pm

Sunday 7th 3pm/3.30pm Meat Raffle

February

February 14th Valentines Dinner

May

Weekend 26th/27th Anniversary Celebration – possible outside within a Marquee with food & entertainment with Louise Connely or other options to be looked at by a sub-Committee led by Vice Commodore.

More details to be circulated

And finally.....



9am on New Year’s morning - and too many Brass Monkeys to count!

How on earth did they manage to get out of bed after all that alcohol and expose their bodies into that cold air?

Truly Bonkers!

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