

Hi Everybody,



Well, what a change in the weather over the weekend! On Sunday it looked as if Spring had finally arrived – bright sunshine and no wind allowing some brave members to sit outside and enjoy a drink whilst watching the world. And then we had Monday morning.....



But – don't you just love it?



Sailing Events & Angling

2024 SAILING CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

10th SATURDAY WORK PARTY 10.00am onwards

24th SATURDAY SAILING MEETING 2pm

MARCH

30th SATURDAY SAILING PREP/RIGGING PARTY 10.00am

APRIL

7th SUNDAY SPRING LAUNCH RACES 1 & 2 11.00am Commodore's Invite to Sailors for cheese and wine

Angling

From George, six anglers along with an angler who wishes to join our club fished Sunday's competition with a Dogfish, three Rockling and a number of Channel Whiting caught with ragworm mackerel and squid the successful baits used. Steve E won the competition with Derek 2nd, George 3rd and Paul 4th.



The next competition is 11th February with a 10am start until 14.30 pm. High tide is 12.17pm

Calendar

Sunday 28th 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)

60th Anniversary

I am pleased to let you know more of the main event of our 60th Anniversary celebrations which will take place over the weekend of Friday 24th until the Bank Holiday Monday 27th May.

On Sunday 26th we will have three yacht races taking place - the 60th Anniversary Regatta, with a celebratory Hog Roast following the presentation of prizes (once the sailors have moved and washed their boats and themselves).



This event is for our members only and the Club will be subsidising the cost of the tickets to allow as many as possible to enjoy the day. This will be an "all trimmings" supply from a local company in Selsey who will provide a pig from their own farm and allow the Committee to relax and enjoy the event with you as well. There will be a veggie option to go along with the salad and roll provisions but we will need to be notified in advance. I will let you know more about the ticket price for this, plus details about the full entertainment planned for the weekend. It's really looking to be a really good weekend so do watch out for posters around the Club!

Meat Raffle

The Meat Raffle with seven prizes proved to be a huge success again so many thanks to Carole W who had just come back from Barbados and still managed to go shopping for us! I'm delighted to say that the Commodore won the Breakfast treat so we had Bacon, Pork Chipolatas Sausages, Black Pudding, Eggs, Mushrooms and a loaf of Toastie bread for us to get

through this morning! I'm not complaining you understand but it would have been nice to have won the Beef joint, or the Pork joint, or the Pork loin steaks, or the large Chicken or.....

Social Events

Another great Friday night with TreeAnna, who has visited us before, and who managed to get a really good crowd of us up on the floor to I Heard It Through The Grapevine, and Celebration and.....sorry about this, me being embarrassing in my alter ego Tina Turner singing Simply The Best. Well, we all have our downsides!



And then on Sunday we were treated to Ray Coombes and some fantastic songs from the 40s and 50s including a great version of a Nat King Cole song. Really enjoyed that.



The only thing that I didn't like on Sunday – and I'm sure that some of our members felt the same, was that Ray seemed to be “cut off” from his audience in that area by the beach door and that the accoustics are terrible for a singer like him. I know the Committee are looking at improving the Bar area and are aware of this issue but best we sort it out as I personally would be unhappy performing in such an isolation. A really good singer with a wide range that we do need to invite back again.

Six Nations & Curry Night

Oh yes, it is that time of year again with the Six Nations rugby starting early February and intend to show the games at the Club on the following dates:

February

Saturday 3 rd	2.15pm	Italy v England
Saturday 10 th	16.45pm	England v Wales *
Saturday 24 th	16.45pm	Scotland v England

March

Saturday 9 th	16.45pm	England v Ireland *
Saturday 16 th	20.00pm	France v England

On **Saturday 10th February** we are hoping to arrange some “nibbles” for half time so, if you're able to put yourself forward to provide something in the Galley that we can ask members to contribute towards then do let the Commodore Paul or

Membership Secretary Andy know. I've no idea of what they are talking about but, perhaps hot dogs in french bread with cooked sausages or mini quiches or something we can get from Bookers? I don't know!!! Come up with some good ideas that won't involve too much effort that you are willing to take on board, that we can charge for and that will make it a good afternoon for all.

Speaking of which, on **Saturday 9th March** the Commodore wants to submit you to his infamous Curry! You have been warned. This will involve an £8 ph cost - I think this is for the Emergency Ambulance crew or perhaps the Fire Brigade if he get's distracted by the game as the meal will be served at the end of the game. A list will be put up early February to ensure we have enough Ambulance crew on duty on that night. As the Guides said – "Be Prepared!"

Golf

From RC Angling Paul Cooper, he is busy arranging another Crazy Golf with Nachos competition for our younger members and all on Saturday 17th February from 6pm. Further details and a list will be published in the Bar so, do watch out for that to ensure you can be fed!

February

Surprise singer Sharon – details and date to follow

Saturday 10th 16.45pm England v Wales Six Nations Game with Nibbles at ½ time

Saturday 17th Crazy Golf with Nachos from 6pm

Sunday 25th **Lightening Brothers** from 3.15pm (Please note that we have booked them on Sunday 14th July as well!!!)

March

Saturday 9th 16.45pm England v Ireland followed by Curry at the conclusion. List will be up soon.

May

Weekend 24th- 27th PYC 60th Anniversary Celebration over the long weekend! Please do put this in your diary for the selling of tickets for Hog Roast!

Conclusion

Okay – now we have been talking about the rugby and the Hog Roast it must be time to have a joke to include the two of them. Here we go:

Two members of Pagham Yacht Club die and end up in Hell. (There's a surprise!) Satan decides to pay them a visit, so he walks into their room and sees them talking and laughing. Confused, he asks them why they're happy.

They tell him, "Well, we're so sick of the cold wind along the beach where we're from, and this place is nice and toasty."

Satan, annoyed, storms away and goes to Hell's boiler room, where he turns up the temperature.

He goes back to the PYC's room, along the way being begged by all sorts of people to put the heating back down. He enters the room to see them having a Hog Roast. Furiously, he asks them what they're doing.

"Well, we can't pass up this wonderful weather without getting out the barbecue and enjoying a Hog Roast!"

Satan realizes he's been doing the wrong thing. He goes to the boiler room and turns it down until it's at a colder temperature than ever seen on earth – even in Pagham.

He knows he's won now, so he goes back to the PYC's room, only to see them jumping up and down in excitement.

He shouts at them in fury, "WHY ARE YOU STILL HAPPY?!?!?!?"

They look at him and shout at the same time, "Hell froze over! That means that England won the Six Nations!"

Have a really good week and I look forward to seeing you all again soon.

Jill

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