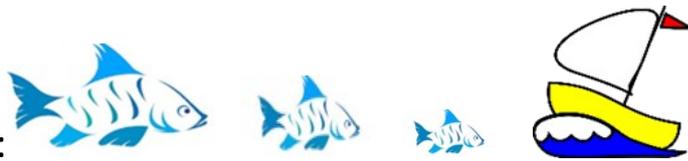


Hi Everybody,

I'm so pleased to start the blog off on a positive note again. Have you seen how impressive the Club now looks as you walk down towards the beach, and when you are on the beach? Wow! Stunning! Especially with the sunlight on it. I'm not too sure about that dodgy looking bloke doing the work. And he keeps singing! Just can't get the help nowadays. I really like the dark blue trim, and the flower boat with it's blue with a white trim. We really have something to look forward to next Spring when we get some pleasing flowers in there. I did want Pagham Pink to go with the flowers but I was over-ruled. Did you have a Pagham Pink bathroom suite when you moved or were born here? Quite overwhelming, especially with all those pink tiles and green shag pile carpet. Ah, those were the days. Very well done to the Management Committee for updating the outside of the Club, and particularly Russ for his hard work.



Sailing and Angling Report:



From RC Sailing Kevin, no sailing this weekend due to heavy waves dumping on the beach with all sailors agreeing it was too dangerous to launch. I do wish they would find another phrase to use other than dumping on the beach. Makes me think of.....anyway, we can't win at the moment. Last week it was no wind and this week too much. Never mind, still two more Sundays to go!

Just a reminder from RC Kevin to all that for the final fling on the 31st October we will be having a buffet for all sailors and helpers that have been there throughout the season.

On the angling front, George believes that boats went out but no one has passed him back any details! What are you lot like? You need to tell us what you have been up to. Makes me think it wasn't a successful weekend for you? A couple of members fished off the beach yesterday but only a small Conger, a Flounder and a small Bass caught.

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AGM

As the AGM is fast approaching, can I take this opportunity to remind you that any business that you would wish to raise to be discussed at the AGM must be submitted in writing to the Hon Sec by 31st October. This is also the closing date for candidates for election to the Committee and the date when the notice will be taken down.

There are still two places on the Committee where no candidates have come forward – the Bar Manager and RC Planning. I know that both members who are currently volunteering to fill these posts would be

happy to talk you through what they do and fill you in with the challenges and enjoyment that they come with. Both really can be the most enjoyable roles – ask and find out.

## Green Awareness Campaign

I got into trouble last week as I forgot to include this to bring to your attention what the Management Committee is trying to encourage the members towards. Please have a look and, where you can, try to follow what the RYA would like us to do. Simple measures that will mean a lot to the world around us.

**THE GREEN BLUE**  
SAVING THE ENVIRONMENT SECOND NATURE

# HOW GREEN IS YOUR DINGHY?

**HELMING**  
When you spot wildlife slow down, keep a steady course and keep your distance to minimise disturbance.

**ON-BOARD**  
Secure all items to prevent them falling or blowing overboard.

**RECYCLE**  
Find ways to recycle old equipment. There are companies that welcome old sails to turn into reusable bags!

**PROTECTED?**  
Dinghies can get closer to shorelines and reach shallow, more sensitive areas. Take care not to approach and disturb resting, feeding or breeding wildlife e.g. birds and seals.

**LANDING & LAUNCHING**  
Try to use recognised slipways as shoreline and bankside habitats support a rich variety of wildlife.

## INVASIVE SPECIES REMOVAL

Aquatic invasive plant and animal species can cause damage to your boat and equipment, disrupt your boating activities and harm our local environment. To ensure we do not introduce or spread them around our UK waters follow these steps:

**CHECK**  
for any visible biofouling on your craft, remove & dispose of in the bin.

**CLEAN**  
your craft, equipment and trailer as well as flushing the engine with fresh water to remove hidden biofouling.

**AIR DRY**  
your craft, equipment and trailer for as long as possible. Species can survive several weeks in damp conditions.

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## Social Events

First of all, let's start with the Dinner Dance! Initially there was unhappiness with the number of places that we were able to supply due to our trying to provide a local popular venue and because of this we were forced to cancel. A very well done to Rocky, our Vice Commodore, who has worked his butt off to search for an alternative place for the original date and I'm pleased to say that he has managed to secure the Beachcroft Hotel at Felpham on Saturday 13th November, our original date, for £45pp to include the raffle tickets. The list is now up in the Bar along with fantastic menu choices and we are asking that you return the completed menu choice form either to the marked sleeve by the list, or to scan it to

[honsec@paghamyachtclub.com](mailto:honsec@paghamyachtclub.com).

A copy of the menu is also on our website. We are asking that payment by card or cash is made by Sunday 7th November and that you ask whoever takes your payment to record it in the book behind the Bar marked Dinner Dance.

We are fortunate that our numbers are not so heavily restricted this time as there is more room but, we do ask that you plan ahead so we are not dealing with any last-minute bookings - and please can we suggest that you do keep an eye on the list as to who is also going to see if you could share pick-ups or taxis on the return journey.

Hopefully, you will have seen the list is up for our Bonfire Night on Saturday 5th November with a BBQ at £5 each. I forgot to tell you that the children's menu is only £3 each so I've been in trouble for that as well! Groan.....so, get your money out and treat the whole family to a really great evening or no one will be talking to me! (Again!)

The list will be taken down on 31st October to ensure that we can order the correct amount of food and, as tickets will be sold from this list, do make sure you put your name on it before it is removed. Don't forget that we are also asking members to bring along a selection of their own fireworks for all that are attending can share it to enjoy!!!



Don't forget that again in November on the afternoon of Saturday 20th we have Duncan McKenzie coming back to entertain us. Duncan is to be followed by the Prize Giving Supper at 7pm that RC Kevin has reminded you about so, it's down to me to remind you to keep an eye out for the food list. I think it will be a buffet so unless you have a special food need, you just need to make sure your name is on the list to be fed!!!!

Again a reminder about The Smilies on Saturday 4th December and the need for you to join in the Pre-Christmas Special with platinum classics covering all those famous songs from my record collection – no, I'm joking about my record collection which only starts with the Partridge Family, but I do think I may have some from the The Drifters, Diana Ross, The Supremes and the Beatles. And when it comes to being dressed from the 50s or the 60s.....no problem!!!! I wish I hadn't had my hair cut. Oh, actually it was a David Cassidy cut from 1970 so I couldn't have got away with it even now with my blonde highlights. What do you mean grey?!!!! Who said that?

Anyway, I'm sure that there are men members out there who have hidden away those flares (before you plan on wearing them – see if the zip closes, or if you can get them over your rear? Or – the bump bit in front!). If not,

shorts are good with an embarrassing T-shirt, lots of beads and a bad hair cut – just like the good old days!

## Other Social Events

Don't forget that when considering having a party or a meeting that we do have a Bar and a Galley that can cater for say 10 to 100+ people for an informal or a more formal event, rather than go somewhere else to use any other prescribed places in the village. We can provide facilities for a gathering to provide sandwiches and light refreshments to a more formal sit down meal, subject to agreement.

Have you ever considered PYC when thinking about celebrating an 18th, 21st, 50th or 60th Birthday? We have done all of them all – with huge success. We did my middle daughter's 21st birthday party here with her friends from Liphook and Guildford!! Huge success – did a mini-bus and had to drag them back from the sea to eat the BBQ! Don't think they had seen the sea since they were 10!

Would you like a formal sit down meal for a limited number followed by an evening buffet for a larger number with a disco? Not a problem. (That is called a wedding).

We have also provided facilities to allow a Wake when a member is involved in the wider family to permit grieving relations from afar to gather in a friendly environment during the day, using the Galley and the Bar and our car park. It makes such a difference to know that they belong to that broader family.

Why not ask us what we can do. You will be surprised. And why not tell your friends? You may be one of those that's invited to their special event?

Do let me know of anything you want included in the blog as it's all for you. Any photos or any stories. Don't forget that we are about you as members and that I do look forward for you to letting me know what is going on.

Again, full details of any forthcoming events are published on our website so do check for any updates.

See you very soon,

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*Honorary Blogger*

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