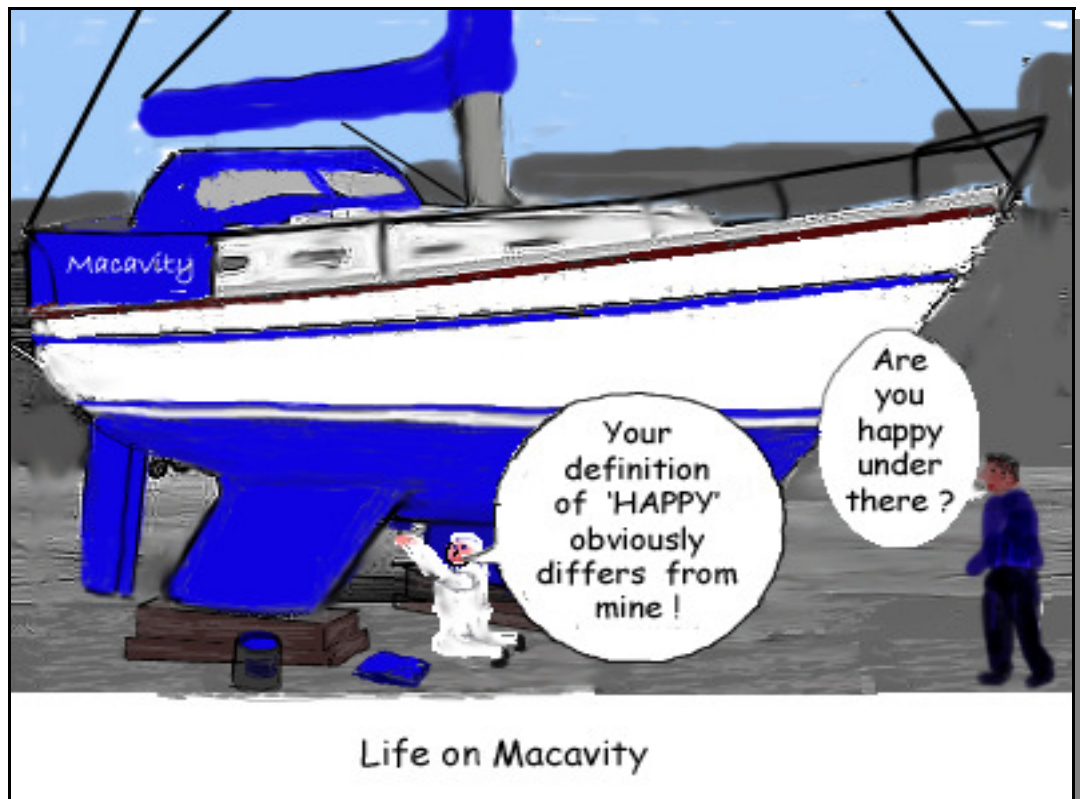


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*The official newsletter of the
Fareham Sailing & Motor Boat Club*
June 2015



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Please try to get your articles, pictures, adverts etc. to the editor by the 20th of the month to ensure their inclusion in the following month's edition.

As you will know by now, Les Ballard, Trustee for FSMBC, sadly passed away on 5th May after a short battle with cancer.

Always a staunch supporter of all Club matters, his presence and guidance will be much missed and condolences have been sent to Sue, Mark, Darren and families from us all.

The family wanted family flowers only so we have sent a cheque for £150.00 to Macmillan Cancer research as requested on behalf of FSMBC.

On a happier note, the Club is welcoming more visitors from other Clubs around the area and we can expect the Drascombe Luggers based in Portsmouth Harbour and Langstone SC in the near future. This is proof that we are on the 'map' as a place to visit. My thanks go to those who make our visitors so welcome. Even St. Ives Sailing Club have sent us an invitation to visit them when any of us are in the West Country. More details to follow.

Something to think about over the winter months. I've received a few requests for the Club to run RYA courses; First Aid and VHS Radio amongst them. Do we have any Club members able to run/co-ordinate these? If sufficient numbers are interested but we can't run them internally then we could look towards getting someone in from the RYA to formally run them. I guess the first step is to find out who would like to attend. Please forward an e-mail to me at dee.orme@tiscali.co.uk to register your interest by the end of June and I'll take my findings to the Management Committees monthly meeting for discussion.

The Management Committee will try to support any sound suggestions for Club activities as much as possible but due to time constraints already in place for Club duties, they can't do everything. If you would like to do something for the benefit of Club members, let the Committee know via e-mail, letter or a note in the Suggestion Box in the Club House and we can take it from there.

June promises to be another busy month on the Club calendar:-

6th Pirates Day (20 boats turning out - fantastic!), in the evening the Interclub Nab Tower race party in the Workshop with Brigands Brew,

13th Jenny Walsh's birthday bash in the Club House - all welcome,

Lugger races throughout the month,

20th Island Harbour Rally,

21st Fathers Day celebrations in the Bar,

27th RIR, good luck all Fareham boats entering!

Last but not least, 7 FSMBC boats are heading to Vannes in South Brittany to join in with the Twinning Association's celebrations on the 1-7th July.

As you see, loads going on!

If you're taking pictures of these events, get them onto our Facebook page and share with us so we can all see FSMBC enjoying the variety of events we put on or attend.

See you in the bar or on the water soon

Dee

Forthcoming Events



Buddy Cruising
GAIN OR SHARE EXPERIENCE

Next Cruise
Chichester Harbour
Friday 10th – Sunday 12th July

For further details
contact Chris Hare
on sailing@fsmbcnet.org.uk



Pirates Day
Saturday 6th June
See Dave Branscombe
and posters in the club

**GET READY FOR THE
ISLAND HARBOUR RALLY
June 20th 2015**

If you haven't yet done so check
the menu on page 6 make your
choices and let Chris Hare know
by 12th June.

on
sailing@fsmbcnet.org.uk

Interclub Nab Tower Race.
Saturday June 6th
After Race Social in the
Club Workshop 19.30 hrs
Live music with Brigand's Brew



**Jenny Walsh's
Birthday Bash**

Sat 13th June
at the Clubhouse
8 pm onwards

American Supper
All welcome

Get ready for the annual
Fareham Creek Regatta
18th & 19th July

Gig Rowing practices:-
Wednesday 10th Jun 18.00 hrs
Sunday 21st June 14.00 hrs
Thursday 9th July 18.00 hrs

The bar will be open to rehydrate you
after your efforts.
To get involved contact Nick How

Any items for inclusion in the July edition to be emailed to publicity@fsmbcnet.org.uk
by 20th of June by the latest as I will be out of email range for much of the time.

Editorial

This is a somewhat shorter issue than usual due to your editor being otherwise engaged with things nautical. Boat cleaning, polishing and generally getting ready for the summer cruise has, I'm afraid, taken preference over putting pen to paper, or rather, finger to keyboard. It has been more a case of putting roller to antifoul and polish to cloth.

Still it will all be worth it as we bask in glorious June sunshine moving briskly on a beam reach responding to steady force 4 taking us in, on the tide, to a picturesque Breton port just in time to wander to the 'Café du Port' for a tasty supper and a carafe of vin rouge. Sorry! I'm fantasizing again. Knowing my luck it will be more like being soaked in the rain, reefed down in a gale and arriving in port just as the bars close.

We are, of course, looking forward to the rally of Fareham boats in our twin town of Vannes in the Morbihan in Brittany. We, in Macavity, did this rally 12 years ago and had such a good time that we promised ourselves that we would do it again. This time, being the old fogies that we are, we do not have to rush back to fulfil work commitments. (There really are some advantages to 'getting on a bit' you know.) This rally consists of boats from the four sailing clubs within the borough of Fareham. Besides ourselves at FSMBC there are boats from Portchester, Hill Head, and Warsash taking part. Seven boats from FSMBC are booked in to participate, two of which are currently sailing the Brittany coast so have a head start on the rest of us. The other five boats are hoping for favourable winds so that we get there in comfort.

For those of you cruising sailors left behind do not get disheartened. Fear not! Your needs are being looked after. David Ardon is kicking off his 'Buddy Cruising' scheme with a weekend cruise to Chichester and Chris Hare has arranged a cruise to Island Harbour. See elsewhere in this newsletter for further details. Do remember that the organisers put a lot of effort into arranging these events. Please support them. Register your interest nice and early so that they know how many berths to book and make the effort to take part. You will enjoy it. Just look at the photos on the website of previous rallies. What you will see is a lot of smiling faces.

If you attend these events, do take lots of photos and send some to me for inclusion in any future issues of this rag. Also, get some uploaded to the website so others can see what fun we have. I can assure you that the participants of the Vannes rally will bore you to death with lots of photos.

If you have a favourite port that you would love to visit in company then let the rest of us know. You can either organise a cruise in company or get assistance from someone who has done it before. Advertise it in this newsletter, get a few posters put up in the club and then enjoy the result. We will not hold you responsible for any bad weather, lack of wind or gales.

Whatever you do, enjoy your sailing.

Boat Maintenance

As you may have noticed, Macavity has been missing from her berth for the past few weeks. She has been getting ready for her summer cruise to Vannes.

As she pottered over to Trafalgar Wharf for this attention to her hull and bottom it was noticed that the boat ahead of her was her neighbouring boat Nauka. Not only that, the catamaran Meercat was also ashore there. Since then, Aldebaran has made an appearance and Charlie Coxwell was also spotted checking things out. Talk about 'home from home'.

Corinne from Trafalgar Wharf tells me that their offer runs until August.

See below.





DO YOU NEED TO DO SOME MAINTENANCE ON YOUR BOAT AND WANT TO SAVE MONEY?

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Death

Les Ballard passed away peacefully after a short battle with cancer at Queen Alexandra Hospital in Portsmouth on the 5th May.

He was a longstanding stalwart of our club and will be sorely missed. Our sincere condolences go to his family.

Les's funeral is at 11am on Monday 1st June at Holy Trinity Church followed by the wake at 13.30 in the Masonic Hall in Queens Road.

MENU FOR ISLAND HARBOUR RALLY 20th JUNE

Starters

Hot and spicy chicken wings

Served with a cooling tequila and lime mayonnaise and salad

v Homemade soup of the day
Served with a warm ciabatta bread

v Breaded brie

Deep fried, served with a warm cranberry sauce and salad

Classic prawn cocktail

Served with brown bread and butter

Mains

Chargrilled pork and caramelised apple tower

Served with new potatoes, fresh vegetables and a rich port jus

Oven roasted salmon fillet

Topped with a creamy prawn and tarragon sauce, served with new potatoes and fresh vegetables

Chargrilled Cajun chicken

Served with tomato, mushroom, chips and salad garnish

v Wild mushroom, pesto and goats cheese

Chunks of goats cheese, wild mushrooms and homemade pesto tossed with fresh linguini

Desserts

Homemade malteser cake

Homemade citrus cheesecake

Served with vanilla ice cream

Fresh fruit salad

Served with a raspberry coulee and a passion fruit sorbet

Selection of Ice creams

Includes a tea or coffee and mints

1 course (main) - £12.50

2 courses (starter & main) - £17.50

3 courses (starter, main & dessert) - £22.50

Prices are per person

All choices to be sent to Chris Hare on sailing@fsmbcnet.org.uk
by **12th of June at the latest.**

Calling All First-Aiders

We are looking for more qualified First-Aiders to cover occasional club events on an ad hoc basis. We have had some response but we need more of you.

If you hold a current St. John's Ambulance, Red Cross or equivalent First Aid certificate then

Please consider being part of the FSMBC First Aid Team.

Contact our Health and Safety Administrator - Kim Hurst



News from the Bar

from Pam and her trusty team.

A sunny hello from the Bar again. We have had a good couple of months!

Some days have been quiet but when we've been busy we've been positively buzzing!

The cheese & wine night was a brilliant success and hopefully will be followed up later in the year with a similar event. Watch this space! We celebrated our St George in good style, twice over, this year with a Barn Dance the previous Saturday and 'drinks 'n nibbles' on the actual day.

We had a very tuneful 'Singalong Night' which was good fun. (I did hear rumours that some of our members were in very good voice that night. Ed.)

We have had a couple of brilliant birthday bashes, and another one coming up next month with our lovely young Jenny's birthday do. If you have an event and need a venue consider holding it at the club but first get hold of Bob Brennan to arrange it or ask me for details.

We will also opening the bar on a couple of extra evenings when we are doing some GIG rowing practice. (Are you in a team for the Regatta yet? If not get your name down.)

The bar team are always open to constructive suggestions, good or bad. Don't complain and bitch amongst yourselves, tell us then we can do our best to accommodate your needs. If you have any problems, whichever side of the bar you are standing, talk to me about them as soon as possible.

Don't forget to check on the website to see what's going on!