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

Silver Lisa and others at Bournemouth Air Festival



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of rally on Pages 7 & 8

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Please do 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.

Commodore's Comments

I hope you are managing to enjoy the sunny spells between the showers! Quite a mixed summer for weather but with the right gear and forecast, some great water activities have happened already and more Club events are on the horizon both on and of the water, see you out there!

Bembridge was a delight and thanks go to Les Knowles for arranging the shore side facilities for the fleet of 21 Club boats – what a turn out, fantastic!

During Cowes Week, John and I attended the Royal Southern's Commodore Champagne event and were thoroughly entertained by the Red Arrows. Very fortuitous of RYSC to arrange such splendid viewing in wonderful company and location!

We have some daft Club Members who will do anything for a pint, but to have 6 Luggers out for the Delme Dash was amazing! I'm aware of various tactics used to win 'legs' of the race but all done I'm assured in good humour and grace. Well done George and John for winning, not quite the Olympics but the way they tell it.....! Great to see this popular event gaining momentum - who will take the challenge on next year - it could be you! Well done all the ladies who participated – awesome!

The Dave Brady trophy, another very successful Lugger event, had a different set up on Sunday and was jointly won by Chris Hare and John – well done both. Barry's Band in the afternoon rounded off the momentous weekend. Lovely feedback was received regarding these 2 sailing events and many thanks go to Chris Hare and Tony Cleal for all the arrangements.

The stair lift project is nearing fruition thanks to Robin Wren. I very much look forward to this being completed and welcoming back into the Club House members who have not been able to attend in recent years due to the stairs.

The Club is very fortunate to have such a 'hands on' Bosun's Committee who just keep working away on behalf of us all, improving the buildings, making good damaged items and improving the comfort of our surroundings. I'd like to thank Tony Jones for his great input as Bosun during the first half of the year. Although Tony has stood down from the role he remains a staunch supporter of FSMBC which is much appreciated. I'm delighted that Stuart Pavey has taken up the role as he has considerable experience of buildings, fire regulations as well as the latest knowledge of legislation which is very useful to the Club.

With the onset of autumn, thoughts turn to our Annual General Meeting on November 15th. This is a time to reflect on the Club's achievements for the previous 12 months and also to acknowledge the hard works that Committee Members have given and who are, for various reasons, standing down from their role.

Formal recognition will be given during the AGM, but for now I'd like to thank Ian and Jill Plummer for Membership Secretary, Alan Stewart as Vice Commodore, Ron Hazlewood as Social Secretary, Tony Jones as Bosun and Chris Capel as Minutes Secretary. They have all, without exception, been intrinsic in driving the Club forwards in terms of technology and new ideas and been great Ambassadors for the Club at all times. As I say, formal recognition will be given at the AGM but before then, we have a wonderful opportunity for other Club members to come forward for roles and 'shadow' the current incumbents in order to learn the ropes. I'm pleased to advise that Annie Young will be our new Minute Secretary, Stuart is Acting Bosun, Alan Labrum becomes Vice Commodore which leaves the other roles to fill as well as that of Rear Commodore. These are crucial to the smooth running of the Club and I would welcome hearing from Club Members who would be willing to take on the Rear Commodore, Membership Sec or Social Sec role from November. We have considerable experience available for handovers now, so please let's not lose this valuable time. **Your Club needs you!**

I very much look forward to hearing from you regarding these vital roles.

See you on the water or in the bar soon.

Dee

Forthcoming Events

Autumn Cruise to Lymington

Sat 26th Sept - Sun 27th Sept
Depart FSMBC at 07:30hr

Eat together Saturday Night at
Lymington Town Sailing Club



Need to book so please contact
Les Knowles 07949 902474
lesknowles@talktalk.net
or Gaynor Parker 07900 622926
publicity@fsmbcnet.org.uk
by 14th September

Trafalgar Night At the Club House

Saturday 17th October 7:30

£18 per ticket
3 courses + wine + tot of rum

The above event is sold out.

You may put your name & details on
the list in the Club House

Yarmouth Rally Saturday September 5th BBQ or meal in company

Halloween

At the Club

Saturday 31st October

8 till late

Food, Fireworks, Punch

Raffle 7 disco

£8 per ticket

From the Social Committee

Dave Millard's 60th Birthday at the Cub House on

Saturday 5th Sept. 8 'till Late

American Supper

There will be music

Dates for November

14th Nov. Dinner Dance £34

Lysses Hotel 6:30 for 7:00

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15th Nov. Annual General Meeting

Items for inclusion in the October edition to be emailed to publicity@fsmbcnet.org.uk
by 20th of Sept by the latest.

Editorial

Whilst browsing the notice board in the club, as one does, I noticed that a club-member (I nearly said 'somebody' but corrected myself) had printed out a little ditty that is extremely relevant to a club like ours. It is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and **Everybody** was sure that **Somebody** would do it. **Anybody** could have done it, but **Nobody** did it.

Somebody got angry about that, because it was **Everybody's** job.

Everybody thought **Anybody** could do it, but **Nobody** realized that **Everybody** wouldn't do it. It ended up that **Everybody** blamed **Somebody** when **Nobody** did what **Anybody** could have.

I want a chat with that guy Everybody. That's the guy who should do the job. Think about it! As our Commodore points out in her report there are numerous posts that need to be filled so what job can you do?

Earlier this year I asked around (or nagged) for people to arrange rallies and, lo and behold, several rallies have been arranged, both regular ones like the Bembridge rally as organised Les Knowles and also new ones, like the Bournemouth Air Festival weekend, (see page 7&8) as organised by Dave Ardron under the banner of 'Buddy Cruising'. So, it can be done. Thanks go to all those who have arranged rallies, or races or social events. All these things do not happen on their own. Don't worry, I still remember the promises made in March by people who suggested they would organise a rally but have not yet had time or the opportunity to do so. There is always next year.

Talking of next year, there is quite a lot of interest being shown by members for a visit to Carentan at the end of May. There is plenty of time for you to contemplate that one over the cold and cheerless winter evenings. We need something to look forward to as we do all the repairs, varnishing, painting and everything else that needs doing to our boats over the winter.

Sometimes, however, nagging does not pay off. My gentle reminder to our Sailing Secretary that I would appreciate some reports of races etc. from his good self had a result that I had not anticipated. Chris, aided and abetted by George Thompson managed to convince me that the best way of getting a report on a Fareham Lugger event was to participate in the event and write my own report. By sheer coincidence, there was the 'Delme Dash' arranged for the following day so there was my opportunity. This was obviously a gauntlet thrown for me to pick up so pick it up is what I did. I couldn't let it be said of me that I chickened out could I? Well, a pint or two had been drunk so my wits had obviously been dimmed and I had not been able to talk myself out of the situation so I turned up the following morning to see what it was all about. You can see pictorial evidence of this on page 6. Actually, it was a lot of fun. So if you have the opportunity to join in, take it. You might be surprised at how much you enjoy yourself.

So come on, if it's been arranged join in and if it hasn't been arranged help to arrange it.

News from the Bar

Yet again a fun-filled month at the FSMBC bar.

Some of us were, of course, in Bembridge, making our own fun but the Raft Race supporters appeared to have a fab time.

More fun was had at the Dave Bradey Trophy with Barry and his band giving us fantastic vocal entertainment. Wow! what a busy day and well done to Patrick on bar duty that day. He coped stupendously!

This weekend, on 29th, we are using our wonderful facilities to hold our grandson's 1st birthday get together. Hopefully this will not interfere with normal bar facilities and at least it should bring the average age of the club down a year or two. Apologies in advance if there are any crying or screaming babies around, but then again, only like some of our members on a normal night out. Ha Ha!!! Sorry, only joking!

We are looking forward to another good month, well if this weather improves and it stops raining it will be good. Hopefully a sign that we will have a good September.

Have fun all,
Vic, Pam, Pat, Dave & Mike

p.s. The changes to the bar are still happening; just some things take a bit of time. Keep watching, we just may surprise you!

PONTOON PONDERINGS

Salterns pontoon is experiencing a healthy turn-around; some boats leaving and new berth holders arriving. With that in mind, We need to go through some rules that some members may be unaware of:

1: Side Gate at Salterns Car Park. **Please always, double lock this gate.**

2: The pontoon at the end of the Pier (here after known as the Hammer Head).

The rules for this area must be adhered to.

It is to be kept clear except for the use of:

- Members on the moorings to load/offload their boats. Maximum stay time - one tide.
- Members who have an inside berth at Salterns, can wait at the Hammer Head for the next tide. Maximum stay time - one tide.
- Visitors and Rallies to the Club (albeit without keys) need to seek permission of the Pontoon Master, either by email or phone. Maximum stay time – by arrangement.
- Emergencies: Pontoon Master must be informed. Maximum stay time – by arrangement.

3: No boat shall be moored on the inside of the long pontoon, upstream of the last berth.

4: If, for whatever reason, members switch berths, the Pontoon Master must be informed.

5: Each boat at Salterns needs to be marked with its name and where it's from. This is a requirement of the QHM. If boat owners do not adhere to this rule we will again have to resort to stickers for everyone.

6: Any boat left unattended on the Hammer Head or on a temporary berth must display a contact telephone number where it can be easily read so that the owner can be contacted in an emergency.

7: All Salterns berth holders should ensure that the Pontoon Master has up to date details of their email and phone numbers so that they may be contacted in an emergency.

These rules are there for a reason. If the Pontoon Master knows your intentions and you are contactable then, if there is a problem with your boat, hatches/windows open, lines, etc., it can be quickly rectified.

Please help us to help you.

Ian S Saxil-Nielsen, Pontoon Master
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The Delme Dash

This event involves two to a boat with the aim of racing to each of four public houses where a pint is to be consumed before carrying on to the next one. I was chosen to crew for Lyse Lemieux. Two in a Lugger? She did not think that would be too comfortable and she suggested leaving the paddle behind. Luckily, she was persuaded against this as it soon became apparent that any form of propulsion that did not involve an engine was allowed. So the crew's job was to paddle like mad.



Now they tell me! Tony and Amina Cleal had their dog Aoife on board and I was surprised that they didn't throw her in the water painter in mouth and make her tow the Lugger.



Forget the 'Dash' - relaxing drinks at the Delme

John Herbert had George Thompson as crew, Kevin Abbot and Mark Beckett shared a boat and Chris Hare was aided and abetted by George's wife, Liz but Stuart was on his own with nobody to paddle for him. All together now.....Aaahh!!

Jim Beckwith and Alan Collins kept an eye on us from the safety boat.

The next leg was down to the Hoeford, and then back to the Castle in the Air. By this time all sorts of cheating was going on but all in fun. Beverage had to be consumed at both pubs. Still it was not time to relax. There was the last leg yet to go. The race ended at the Club House where the last drink had to be consumed.

I must admit that some of us were on lemonade as we had to remain sober to drive home. Next time we will have to arrange lifts.





Buddies Sail to the Bournemouth Air Festival



It was David Ardron who came up with the suggestion and it was him who organised it. He came up with the posters and so it was well advertised and that is why it was such a good weekend's sail. (I think he even tried to take credit for the good winds we had but denies responsibility for Saturday night's thunder and rain.) We had a brilliant sail from Portsmouth Harbour to Yarmouth on Friday afternoon albeit good tacking practice because the wind was pretty well on the nose. I am told that certain Westerly boats decided to use the engine!

Well we are the F S & Motor B C.

Our leader had arranged a meal out at the well known restaurant, Salty's, so we could all feast on fish. Thirteen of us sat down to eat. White Mistral, Magic, Macavity, Silver Lisa and Fals Cappa had all arrived safely and their crew were therefore hungry. Nightcaps were had on various boats until we remembered we had a 7 am start

to catch a favourable tide in the morning

The wind was free for our sail to Bournemouth and, a vision to behold, White Mistral was observed flying a kite! So it's not a 'motor boat' after all! The



club Sailing Sec. was on board so they had to show us how it was done.

Once we had arrived in Poole Bay we needed to choose where to an-

chor. The decision was made for us by Mr Ardron who had done his research. We were right at the centre of the activity. As you can see, these Chi-



nooks really did fly right over us as did all the other aircraft. We could not have had a better view - and all for free. The orange flash on the shore as seen above Fals Cappa's stern in the photo (above left) marked the centre of activity **and we were right there**. The activity around the ships was easily visible. In fact, the landing craft had to swerve round our bows.

The shore was also within sight.



There were reputedly 1200 small craft anchored in the bay and we were among them.

The Red Arrows display team were tremendous value as usual as seen in these photographs.



Always check that your Red Bull is the right way up!

The French got in on the act with their quaint Patrouille Reva display.



Who could forget the wonderful Vulcan in her last season of display flying.



Then there was the Typhoon.



Here is our Sailing Sec. appreciating the Spitfire.
Oh! That sort of Spitfire!!
Cheers Chris!

