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



Our Bar Manager floored by the progress of the Bar Refurbishment...
...or is she just legless again? One way of making the front page though!

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20th of the month to
ensure their inclusion in
the following month's
edition.

Commodore's Comments

19 degrees and it's November! Unbelievable warm weather giving plenty of opportunities to carry on sailing, or is that wishful thinking? Rob & Liz on Cloud 9 are certainly making the most of the unexpected temperatures which is great to see. Who will join them next time?

At the start of October we had an Induction meeting with 8 new members being offered membership. Great to have you all on board! We also had a new members welcome evening which proved very successful and I wanted to say a big thank you to our 'old hands' who made our newbies feel at ease in their new Club. This hands on approach is vital for the continuity of FSMBC and the feedback has been very positive. To that end, Lyse will be co-ordinating, with assistance, 4 intakes in the new year with 4 welcome evenings planned so please look out for these in the new calendar and support this new initiative.

A Vannes reunion was hosted by FSMBC and the evening was attended by members of Warsash, Hill Head, Portchester Sailing Clubs with 5 boat crews from Fareham there too. A good time was had by all and some of our visitors had never been to our Club before so a wonderful way to spread the word that we warmly welcome guests from other Sailing Clubs. A Club talk focused on Vannes will be held in the New Year as its only 18 months until the French come to the UK for a reciprocal visit and ways that you can join in with/support this wonderful twinning event will be announced at that talk, watch out for notices, see you there!

Great to see that both Trafalgar night and Halloween sold out in record time and thanks go to our wonderful Social Committee for putting the events together and giving us all a splendid time.

The Dinner Dance ticket sales are going well. Have you got yours yet? A great evening held in the lovely surroundings of Lysses Hotel in Fareham High Street is one not to miss especially as the trophies are presented to competitors for the large variety of Club events available throughout the Club year. A new evening format allows longer time on the dance floor so, again, see you there!

Heads up notice of the Childrens Xmas party on 5th December 15.00-19.00. (See Page 4) Corky is cooking, Santa, Mrs Santa and the workshop Elves are all good to go so I just need to know numbers attending by mid November please. Contact me on dee.orme@tiscali.co.uk with names of who you'd like to attend and I'll take it from there. Presents up to the value of £10.00 are to be provided by those bringing the little person along as Santa needs a bit of help this time of year! Shirley and I are co-ordinating this event and planning is well underway - very exciting!

The stair lift is in operation now and has been used to great effect already! Fantastic! Please note that it **MUST** be left switched on at all times otherwise the batteries won't charge and problems ensue.

The AGM is upon us and Committee posts going into 2016 need to be covered. Vacancies for Membership Secretary, Elected members and Social Secretary are available so if you would like to get involved with decision making for the Clubs future, please forward your interest to Terry Flinn, our acting Club Secretary without delay. These roles, especially Membership Sec, are pivotal to the continuity of the Club and I look forward to hearing of new names in the 'frames' soon.

Have you started Xmas shopping yet, only 8 Fridays to go....., time to go sailing me thinks!

See you on the water or in the bar soon.

Dee

Forthcoming Events

*Annual
Dinner Dance
and
Prize Giving*

*Saturday
14th November*

*at
Lysses Hotel Fareham*

6.30 for 7 pm

£34

**CLUB GAMES NIGHT
AT THE CLUBHOUSE
JOIN IN THE FUN WITH
BOARD GAMES, CARD GAMES
AND MUCH MORE
FRIDAY 6TH NOV
AND
FRIDAY 27TH NOV
AT 19.45HRS
FURTHER DETAILS FROM
JOHN FAGOT
COME AND JOIN THE FUN**

Annual General Meeting

**Sunday 15th November
at**

**The Masonic Hall,
Queen Street, Fareham,**

Refreshments: 12.30hrs
Meeting commences: 13.00hrs

The bar/galley will not be open
at the Clubhouse on this day.

Anyone wishing to nominate another
member to vote on their behalf must
inform the Hon. Secretary of their
nominated proxy by letter or e-mail
before 13.00 hrs on 13th November.



**Children's
Christmas Party**
On Saturday 5th December
See page 4 for full details

Saturday 21st November: The Bagshaw Family Bash

Any items for inclusion in the December edition to be emailed to
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Children's Christmas Party



HO HO HO IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME!!

"Christmas time is drawing nigh
When magical deer take to the sky
Bringing presents to those who've been good
And even the ones who know they should!"

FSMBC are holding a Children's Christmas party on 5th December 15.00 - 19.00 with a visit from Father Christmas!!! Party food and entertainment will be provided but old Santa needs a little help remembering all the presents so he has asked if Parents/Grandparents could help.

A small wrapped and labelled pressie to be placed in Santa's sack before the party and then Santa can hand it out on the day! No more than £10.00 would be great!

The party is available to Club Members families and promises to be a fun time.

If you have a little person 0-12 who would like to join in, please e-mail Dee on dee.orme@tiscali.co.uk advising their name(s) by November 23rd.

Also, if anyone can assist on the day, again, please let Dee know on the above e-mail address.



YO HO HO - MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Autumn: a season of mists and mellow fruitfulness or so the poet Keats would let us believe.

The trees and shrubs are all showing the season by displaying such beautiful displays golden, amber, orange and a massive range of reds and browns. Their boughs are laden with masses of ripe fruit and nuts to boot. It is time to reap the harvest of the summer to keep us going through winter so we can ready ourselves for next season.

So why is it, when I visit shops and supermarkets, I have been inundated with Halloween, fireworks and Christmas stuff for sale for months now. I find I can get hot cross buns any time I like in some supermarkets and I'm sure it will not be long before I have to resist the temptation to buy Easter Eggs as they adorn the shop shelves from January to April.

However, with sailing, the seasons still have their significance. Autumn brings with it early morning mists not to mention the occasional gale. The daylight hours get shorter, the night-time temperature drops and so, our urge to set sail across the channel diminishes. Condensation forms inside the cabin and the cockpit remains dew-covered well into the morning so sleeping on board followed by a leisurely breakfast in the open air tends to lose it's appeal. We can be sure that when we see the brent geese have arrive on our waters to join the little egrets and our graceful swans then the season has certainly changed.

Winter will mean ensuring the mooring lines or dock lines are man enough for the winter gales and the rain will soon find any leaks in the topsides alerting the owner to the need for resealing windows or stanchion bases on top of all the usual winter maintenance jobs.

These seasonal changes make outdoor, weather-dependant pursuits such as sailing so much more satisfying. Without the cold wet days of winter would we appreciate the warmth and brightness spring and summer bring? (Do remind me of this theory if you see me, on a cold winter's day, attempting to remove greenery and dirt from the deck with icy cold hands and wet feet.)

Autumn and winter is the time for preparation. We will check our boats and prepare them for next season. Similarly, in our club, we reap the fruits of last season's racing collecting the harvest of silverware at the Dinner Dance and then we prepare for the new season at the Annual General Meeting by appointing our club officers for the coming year.

Do make the effort to attend. If you cannot get to the meeting then give your proxy vote to a fellow member but ensure that you have informed the Hon. Secretary of your intentions, giving the name of your appointed proxy, in writing or email by one o'clock on Friday 13th of November. If you can, volunteer for a task. Be there to vote for the best candidate for office. There is no point complaining about what goes on if you can not be bothered to turn up for the meeting. Take part. Voice your views. It's your club after all.

Here endeth the editor's rant for this month.

News from the Bar

We're getting there

At last you may be able to see some results of the hard work that has been going on in the bar. Our lovely Dave Branscombe has been working incredibly hard transferring John's (Herbert) drawings into reality. He has done sooooo much work behind the scenes preparing the area for the work to commence. Now finally we have been lucky to have Darren Walsh (Jenny's lovely son) laying the floor and Kev Simms has sorted our abomination of pipe-work and worked wonders plumbing in the sink unit that Dave put in. The back shelves have been replaced and slightly amended and there is a lovely new glass hanging rack. We have had to reposition some of the glasses (and drinks) and this is still a 'work in progress' so please be patient with us.



Dave sizing up the job and prepping for the



Darren working so fast laying the lovely new floor I could only get a blurred piccie!



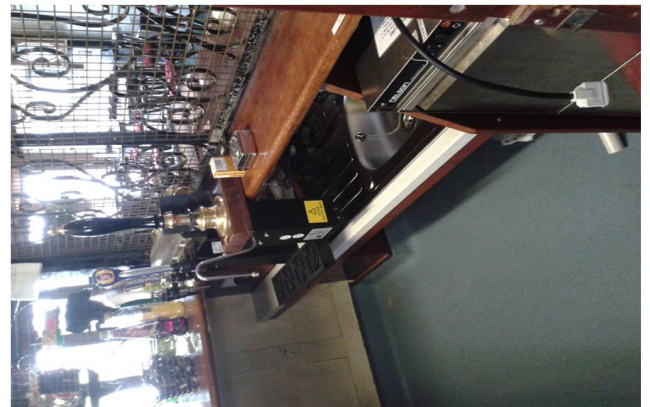
WOW what a difference.



Ok Dave! Now the rebuilding can start.



Now ready for Kev to start the pipework.



Looking FAB and coming together now.

Please take the time to take a look and appreciate the fine work that has been done. I cannot tell you how grateful I am, and I hope to convey to you, for the work these guys have put in. We still have a little way to go but will take great delight in (hopefully) soon being able to say it is completed. (I am sure Dave will be glad, though he may wonder what to do with his time then. Lol.)

Pam & the Team



FSMBC CALLING NOTICE – AGM 2015

Dear Members

Your acting Honorary Secretary would like to draw your attention to **Sunday 15th November 2015**, when you have another opportunity to influence how your club is run. Our AGM will be held in the Masonic Hall, Queen Street, Fareham, starting at 12.30 with refreshments and the meeting commencing at 13.00.

The bar/galley will not be open at the Clubhouse on this day.

PROPOSALS

If any member wishes to propose a motion for discussion, please send your proposal - of not more than 1000 words including all background information - to me at the Clubhouse or by e-mail terryflinn@onetel.com before **Sunday 25th October 2015** so it can be published on the Agenda.

Please head every page with the date of the meeting and, at the bottom of every page, put the name, address and telephone numbers of both the proposer and the seconder.

RULE CHANGES

If any member wishes to propose a rule change, in addition to sending me details as shown above, Rule 8.7 requires the proposal to be displayed by the proposer on the Club Notice board at least 21 days prior to the AGM, in other words by **Sunday 25th October 2015**.

PROXY VOTING

Would any member who wishes to nominate another member to vote on their behalf at the meeting please write or email me letting me have the name of their nominated proxy. This must be received not later than 48hours before the meeting i.e. by 13.00 on Friday 13th November 2015.

NOMINATIONS

Nomination proposals for Flag Officers and Officers of the Club to must be submitted in writing to the Honorary Secretary, at least 21 days before the AGM in other words again by **Sunday 25th October 2015**.

Nominations for Flag Officers and Officers of the Club can be received at the Annual General Meeting only if insufficient nominations have been received.

Elected Members are elected at the AGM and do not have to be nominated in advance although it helps if they can be.

The majority of Club Officers have indicated that they are willing to continue in post for another year, but vacancies do exist for one Flag Officer, the House Secretary, the Hon. Secretary, the Membership Secretary, the Hon. Boatswain as well as a new Social Secretary.

You can use the form on the next page to nominate a member for a position on a committee. Having checked that your nominee is agreeable to stand, you and a seconder should then sign and print your names. This form should then be put in an envelope and addressed to me at the Clubhouse. There will be spare forms at the Clubhouse.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me terryflinn@onetel.com or 01329 238617

Terry Flinn Acting Honorary Secretary

2015 AGM Update

NOMINATIONS

The following nominations were received before the deadline of 25th October:

Position	Nomination	Proposed By	Seconded By
Commodore	Dee Orme	Bob Brennan	Ron Hazelwood
Vice Commodore	Alan Labrum	Sue May	Sally Brennan
Rear Commodore	George Thomson	Stuart Pavey	John Fagot
Hon. Secretary	Terry Flinn	Alan Labrum	Lyse Lemieux
Hon. Treasurer	Sue May	Lyse Lemieux	Terry Flinn
Hon. Sailing Secretary	Chris Hare	Dee Orme	George Thomson
Hon. House Secretary	Bob Brennan	Terry Flinn	Stuart Pavey
Hon. Boatswain	Stuart Pavey	George Thomson	Ron Hazelwood
Hon Mooring Master	Syd Phillimore	Dee Orme	Sue May
Hon Bar Manager	Pam Carr	Dee Orme	Alan Stewart
Elected Member	Lyse Lemieux	Terry Flinn	Alan Stewart

The membership will have the opportunity of confirming or rejecting these appointments by voting at the AGM.

As nominations were not received for Membership Secretary or Social Secretary, nominations for these positions can still be made at the AGM.

Up to a maximum on 5 Elected Members will be chosen at the AGM.

RULE CHANGES

Terry Flinn, Acting Hon. Secretary, has proposed the following change to the Rules

2.2. Management Committee. The Management Committee shall manage the affairs of the Club in accordance with these Rules and shall consist of Flag Officers, **Officers**, and five Elected Members. Trustees may attend Management Committee meetings ex-officio. A quorum of the Management Committee is half the current total Committee, to include one Flag Officer.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT.

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BACKGROUND.

The revised structure will help keep the Management Committee to a more manageable and effective size. The Hon Moorings Master is part of the Boatswain's Committee while the Hon. Bar Manager is part of the House Committee. Their interests will be represented by the heads of their respective committee.

MOTIONS

1. Mike Young has proposed the following motion:

" That FSMBC support the planning and organisation of the annual Fareham Raft Race including use of the Club's premises and facilities".

Terry Flinn
Acting Hon. Secretary

2015 AGM Flag Officers' and Committee Reports

Commodore Report 2015

As the year draws to a close, it's time to reflect on events for FSMBC both afloat and ashore in 2015 and boy has the Club been busy!

I'm continually amazed at the level of support given by Club Members who enhance and build on the foundations of the Club purchase from just a few years ago bringing about needed change for communications, computer technology, facilities and easy access for potential new Members and existing Membership. All these areas have benefited from dedicated hard work from Management Committee alongside other Club Members who have stepped up to move FSMBC forward in a positive way and I would like to voice thanks and appreciation on behalf of all Membership, you have and are really making a difference, thank you.

A large presence in our Club was lost in May with the passing of Les Ballard, an active Club Member in so many ways and over the last few years, a dedicated Trustee. His influence on Club matters will be felt for a long time and his colourful disposition is much missed, sail on Les.

Projects this year have been many and one of them was the new bi-fold doors which have been warmly welcomed by all who use the Club House. The idea started a few years ago resulting in Robin Wren taking it on and seeing through to completion. Not one to stay still, Robin also undertook the Stair lift installation which has also completed and there are other things in the pipeline for him to be involved with next year so watch this space! Thanks Robin, fantastic effort, carry on!

Our wonderful Bosun Committee have worked solidly to make the Club both inside and out as comfortable as possible for us all, the momentum started by Tony Blair 2 years ago, carried on by Tony Jones and now Stuart Pavey continues apace. Well done to all of the Bosun boys, you are a credit to the Club without a doubt! Stuarts report highlights their achievements to date and I know there are more to come so be sure to look out for their handy work!

Sailing events both home and abroad have been very successful with more Club Members joining in which is wonderful to see and hear. Luggers continue to be as popular as ever and is attracting new crew to the fleet, new cruiser events led by David Ardon were well supported, local rallies had great numbers of attendees and the Vannes trip was stunning. Our sailing events cover many different aspects of being on the water, something for everyone to get involved with, what will you join in with in 2016?

Over the winter months, evening talks will be given by either Club Members or outside speakers and notices of these will be cascaded via usual communication channels. Terry & Nicola Flinn will give a talk about their voyage around Ireland and a Vannes 'special' is being organised for the new year amongst other topics so again, Club members leading the way which is fantastic!

Our annual Regatta in the summer goes from strength to strength with a growing demand from participants to do more gig rowing and this will be explored further in the new year. Well done Nick How for keeping it all going!

The Social Committee ably led by Ron Hazlewood has given us some memorable evenings throughout the year and thanks go to the team for all their hard work. The Club House on occasions has looked very different, the 'Curry House' especially for Valentines was awesome with wonderful food, great fun! Well done all concerned and thanks Ron for all your efforts - enjoy some peace now that you've finished your time in role - who will follow, now there's the rub! Come forward, don't be shy!

During the year, Membership has increased steadily and in June, 21 new members joined, the largest in take for quite some time. Thanks go to Lyse for co-ordinating and taking on the role of New Membership Administrator this year. By having a dedicated person for new intake, the Membership Secretary role has reduced and further reviews are due to try to lessen further. Highlighting this leads me into acknowledging the significant contributions Ian and Jill Plummer have put into the Membership Secretary role over the past 5 years, simply outstanding. The role has changed over that time due mainly to Ians strong input with the Medusa programme and his hands on approach to tasks within the role. After 5 years, Ian has stood down for some well deserved timeout with Jill and I'm grateful that George Thomson has stepped in for the interim until a new Membership Secretary is elected at the AGM in November. This role is pivotal to the Clubs continuation and must be filled. Please consider if you are able to assist - your Club needs you.

Alan Stewart has been a very supportive Vice Commodore for the last 2 years as his input on Club matters has been wonderful and his decision to stand down at this time is regrettable. Thanks Alan, been great working with you and I hope you'll continue to support from the wings - please!

I'd also like to say thanks to Chris Capel who has taken Management Committee minutes for the last couple of years and done a cracking job, your input has been invaluable and much appreciated.

We are very lucky to have a vibrant Management Committee who have supported the running of the Club so well and achieved so many good things on behalf of us all, thank you all and also for the unstinting support and guidance given to me as Commodore - a great team of people to work with.

So, with new Club initiatives on the horizon, fantastic Membership value with great Club House facilities, moorings, walk ashore pontoons, a vibrant sailing calendar, lively social events and did I mention fishing competitions??? Something for everyone at FSMBC - it's a great ship to be at the helm of at the top of Portsmouth Harbour!!

See you in the Bar soon!

Dee Orme
Commodore

Vice Commodore Report 2015

Another good year sailing is nearly over with an amazing turn-out for Bembridge and Yarmouth BBQ 's. As many of you already know, I will be standing down as Vice Commodore this year and not complete my final year. I believe this is appropriate as it gives someone new the chance to learn the role and avoid both the Commodore and Vice both standing down at the next AGM in 2016.

I have now served on different Committees within the club for 16 years and as I stated in my last report I remain humbled by the extraordinary effort a number of members are putting into making this club so successful. Unfortunately with my current commitments I must honestly accept that, if elected, I could not do the Commodore's role the same justice as Dee has done over the past two years and I am sure will champion in her final year as Commodore.

As always I look forward to seeing you all on the water or in the bar for a drink and a chat.

Regards
Alan Stewart
Vice Commodore

Rear Commodore Report 2015

It has been a very successful year for all the activities across the club
The socials have been excellent as usual thanks to Ron and Laurie and the rest of the social committee.
The cruiser sailing has been well supported especially the club cruises.
The Lugger racing continues to attract additional members to the fleet.
I would like to thank Dick Kipps for all the hard work he puts in as race officer.
The improvements to the Club have gone on a pace with new doors, which has transformed the clubroom and the stair lift.
The Bosuns Committee are doing an excellent job but they need additional members on their workscheme. To this end and due to the substantial increase in membership more slots will be available next year.

Alan Labrum
Rear Commodore

Boatswain's Report 2015

Firstly, A big Thankyou from myself for all the members that have contributed their time and energy on the various projects over the last year..
Secondly, any members that are willing to assist in small maintenance projects such as; painting and decorating, etc are greatly welcomed...

In the past year

The Bosun's work party have undertaken the following items;

- Resurfacing Salterns walkway.
- Workshop cladding.
- Lugger pontoon piles.
- Lugger pontoon ramp.
- FSMBC display cabinet.
- Workshop Derrick maintenance and training..

Work carried out by contractors overseen by members;

- Clubhouse folding doors.
- Club house Stair lift.
- Workshop lead Roof repair.
- Electrical testing Salterns pillars..

Current work in progress

- Replacement of two Salterns pontoons.
- Continued club dinghy maintenance.
- Fire alarm upgrade to a monitored system.
- Upgrade of the clubhouse door entry system.
- Clubhouse pontoon walkway requires maintenance...

Next year / next steps!

We will be concentrating on the following area's :

- Ongoing replacement of the Salterns pontoons, 8 further pontoons require replacing over the next 4 years.
- The workshop party roof requires replacement of supporting beam due to rot.
- The inclusion of a disabled loo on the ground floor, also modernisation of the reception area by the stairs.
- General upkeep maintenance required of the clubhouse.
- Being mindful of the fact that now own our facilities, we will be undertaking a survey of the clubhouse, workshop and yard, this will enable the committee to plan a structured approach to any remedial work that requires major expense, such areas that have been raised by members so far are: club house roof broken tiles, blown lintels over door entrances, sea wall in Locks yard require further examination..

And Finally(sigh)

Any further items missed or not mentioned please let me know..

Ta
Stuart Pavey
Acting Hon. Boatswain

Secretariat Report 2015

Dear Fellow Members

Members of the Secretariat Sub-Committee have had a busy year:

Kim Hurst continues to steer Health & Safety. Following on from his comprehensive risk assessments, we have seen major improvements around the Club involving fire safety, fuel storage and training in the use of our heavy lifting equipment.

Like me, you must be impressed with the monthly Club Newsletter, which has been revitalised by Gaynor Parker. You can help Gaynor improve the content by sending her news, views, articles, and announcements, even items for sale or want.

This year, Chris Capel comes to the end of her 3-year stint as Minutes Secretary and I want to thank her personally for her continued support in what is an unsung but really vital part of the Club's administration.

One of my targets was to try and store electronically as much of the day-to-day business rather than continue to add to the mountain of paper held by the Club. Where possible, I try to conduct business by e-mail and during the course of the year have managed to send out only 2 letters by post. Another ambition was to cull the sheer volume of documentation stored in the upstairs office and the Committee Room, both of which had simply become dumping grounds. Sally Brennan and I continue to wade our way through over 20 years of letters, receipts and ledgers, trying to identify the important documents that should be kept in the Club archives.

After 5 years as Membership Secretary, Ian Plummer is standing down this year. Recently, Ian has had the great responsibility of transferring our annual membership renewal from a manual to the computer-driven Medusa system. This huge task has entailed inputting our entire individual details into the database and has not been without problems. We owe great thanks to Ian who has been greatly supported by his wife Jill. The Committee has recently decided to delegate responsibility for the induction of new members to Lyse Lemieux in order to lighten the load.

Some of the other management responsibilities have grown unacceptably and to ease these tasks the Committee is trying to reduce the workload of these posts.

During 2013/14, the Club was without the services of an Hon. Secretary and Kevin Abbot very admirably looked after Secretariat matters until the AGM. Regrettably, no one was willing to stand for the essential positions of Hon. Secretary or House Member this year.

Our Club's long and honoured history has been maintained largely through the efforts of those members who have been prepared to take on leadership and management roles within the Club.

During the year, the Management Committee has looked at the possibility of employing on a paid administrator to augment the Club management. An analysis of the likely workload and hours involved suggested that the salary for such a position would be in excess of £16,000 pa and this would, therefore, would mean a substantial increase in membership fees. This can be avoided only if more Club members are prepared to get involved.

Terry Flinn
Acting Hon. Secretary

Treasurer's Report 2015

Feels like only yesterday I was saying that's it I've done my stint for FSMBC and what happens I am once again sat in the hot seat.

My first year has flown past and its great to see the Club going from strength to strength, this is due to the diligence and hard work of the Committee, sub Committee and all members.

As the clubhouse and workshop are know the assets of the club we must look after them, if members see anything that needs to be addressed PLEASE inform a club officer so that the matter can be reviewed at the monthly committee meetings. Most of the work for which provision had been made for in 2014 have been completed. And there are lots of exciting new plans for the coming year.

The final accounts will not be included in the calling notice due to the time scale's but will be displayed in FSMBC Clubhouse 7 days before the AGM, also copies of the accounts will be available at the AGM with notes to the accounts.

As usual we are always looking for members to help if you would like to learn about the Treasurers job and would like to assist for 2016 please let me know, I look forward to hearing from you.

Here's looking forward to an exciting 2016

Sue May
Treasurer

House Report 2015

Hi all

What a year it has been ,your club has changed a bit, with new doors to rear, entrance space refurbished ,bar being upgraded, stairlift installed etc. All we need now is for you to come and enjoy it and take part in helping to make it work .Lots of openings for you all to join in with.

As I am acting House Sec. If anybody else would like to have a go please stand up and come forward .

I would like to thank Pam & Vic for there sterling work to ensure the bar is kept running, ably assisted by Pat & Dave. Thanks also to Terry as galley manager (who has stood in on many an occation to cover at short notice) Thanks to Ron & Laurie who have run the social side of the club (many great events throughout the year) The social committee, without their hard work nothing would happen ,Jenny, Doreen ,Sally ,Shirley ,Dave,Pat and others.

Lots of changes planned for next year to improve your club even further ,but we need your input to make it all happen so please join in (every little helps).

Last but not least thanks to Alan for sorting out the workscheme to keep the bar &alley manned ,not an easy task.

Bob Brennan

Acting Hon.House Secretary

Sailing Report 2015

The year started with the Rylard series, four boats took part and Blue Max won.

The interclub races have been held mainly in light winds apart from the Nab Tower race, I am still waiting for the overall results to be published. Six boats turned out for the committee series which Thistledown won.

Lugger racing has been well supported with 11 luggers turning out for both the Roughay Bowl and the Dave Bradey Trophy.

In June Dave Branscombe took up the challenge of running Pirates day, and once again it was a great day for the kids, well done to all involved.

Club cruises where organised to Island Harbour for a restaurant meal and Bembridge for a BBQ and fun and games on the beach!, David Ardron organised Buddy cruises to Chichester and a weekend trip to Bournemouth for the air show, and last but not least David and Gaynor Parker took advantage of the Indian summer organising a late September trip to Lymington.

Fareham town is twinned with the beautiful medieval walled city of Vannes in southern Brittany and this year the Fareham sailing clubs visited the city. Five Fareham boats made the trip and our French hosts looked after us magnificently.

Finally I would like to thank all those who helped with the cruising and racing program.

Chris Hare

Hon. Sailing Secretary