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Fareham Sailing & Motor Boat Club*
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Three FSMBC boats making their way downwind back home to Fareham after the Island Harbour rally in July.

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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.

Commodore's Comments

The holiday season is in full swing and it's great to see so many FSMBC boats out on the water both around the Solent, Channel Isles and France. If you are happy to share your summer escapades, don't forget that we are always looking for cheery topics for Club talks over the winter months. Just let either Gaynor Parker or myself know, no more than an hour with a break in the middle is all that is required. Club member talks always go down so well – look forward to hearing from you soon!

John, Louie and I had a lovely break on Blue Mistique in the West Country and got as far as Salcombe having taken in Lymington, Portland, Dartmouth and Dittisham as well. Found the ideal solution for Fish & Chips in Portland, the 'Codfather' Fish & Chip shop deliver to the Marina, just call them and order 1 large chips and as many pieces of fish required – 1 portion of chips feeds 6!!!!!! Thoroughly recommend!

It's wonderful to see and hear of visiting Clubs and Rallies and we've recently had the Seal & Parker Rally who had a barbecue followed by horse racing of a peculiar kind – great fun! Carol & Phil Walden were the perfect hosts and a terrific time was had by all.

Sea Cadets from Portsmouth Harbour have also visited us recently further underlining our strong connection with 2nd Fareham Sea Scouts troop and youngsters in the local area. Club members of the future?

Feedback from the Island Harbour rally for FSMBC has been great, thanks to Liz Adams for co-ordinating, 36 people sat down for dinner in Breeze – awesome! The next rally is Bembridge 6th & 7th August, currently 22 boats have signed up. Is Bembridge ready for such an invasion?! The Yarmouth rally is in September and notices will be going out soon so watch out for those.

As a Club, we are very fortunate to have Club Members who come forward to volunteer and take on roles key to the running of Club matters including Bosun/Locks Yard Administrator – Stuart Pavey (mob. 0771531605), Salterns Pontoon Master – Ian Saxil Nielsen (mob. 07796090637) and Workshop Foreman – Dennis O'Keefe mob. (07977357797). To support Stuart, Ian and Dennis, it is crucial to let them know if you require assistance on the numbers shown here rather than assuming its ok to arrive without letting them know. There have been several occasions over the summer months where boats have been left unattended without any notification on pontoons and in Locks Yard which has made things difficult to manage for the Guys. A gentle reminder - please be considerate of others when using Club facilities. We remain sympathetic to changing personal circumstances but let people know. Communication is key to the smooth running of FSMBC.

Changes ahead: Les Knowles has been the Clubs Vannes contact for the last few years and has done a stirring job, thanks Les its' been great! After his time at the helm, Les has stood down and I've been asked to take over which I'm delighted to do with Gaynor Parker's support. The Vannes exchange will be in June next year when they come to the UK and visit FSMBC, Warsash, Hill Head and Portchester Sailing Clubs. More fund raising is required so watch out for details of events to help swell the coffers!

At our AGM in November, there will be opportunities to join the main Committee in roles which include: Treasurer, Sailing Sec and Craft Administrator. These have arisen due to our rule preventing anyone being in these roles for more than three years. I will acknowledge the considerable input of Sue May, Chris Hare and George Thomson at a later date.

Please let Terry Flinn our, Club Secretary, know if you would like to get on board and help FSMBC move further forward in the years to come. Go on, have a go!

See you at the Interclub regatta on 20th August in the Workshop. It's going to be a good night!

Finally - The Lugger evening series. Well done Peter who finished 1st and well done George for getting 2nd place. I promised I would give it a mention!

See you in the bar or on the water soon

Dee

Forthcoming Events



FREE TICKET
FOR ALL RYA MEMBERS

CLAIM YOUR FREE TICKET

To receive your FREE ticket login to the Southampton Boat Show member benefit page on the RYA website.

www.rya.org.uk/go/sbstickets

RYA members receive one free ticket and can purchase up to three additional tickets at the special price of £11. Whilst stocks last. Terms and Conditions apply – see website for details.

Bembridge Rally & BBQ

Saturday 6th August

Yarmouth Rally

Saturday 10th September

Contact Lizzy Adams for further details

Dave Bradey Trophy

For Lugger Racing
Sunday 21st August
Followed by music from our
very own Barry Fordham

Fareham Creek Regatta

17th & 18th Sept
See page 4 for details.

Any items for inclusion in the September edition to be emailed to publicity@fsmbcnet.org.uk by 20th of August

Fareham Creek Regatta



Sat 17th & Sun 18th Sept 2016

- LADIES & MENS TEAM GIG ROWING
- Scouts teams coypu & gig rowing
- LUGGER & dinghy RACING for all
- Fun races on the water
- BARBECUE & hog roast
- FAREHAM CREEKERS, BRIGANDS BREW, SAGA LOOTS
- FIREWORKS

BOOK IT IN YOUR DIARY NOW!!!!

Please note. More female gig rowers needed URGENTLY.
Contact Nick How or just turn up for practice at times shown below

FAREHAM CREEK REGATTA - 2016

GIG ROWING PRACTISE TIMES



1 - SAT 23RD JULY 1.00 PM ONWARDS

2 - SAT 6TH AUG 1.00 PM ONWARDS

2 - SAT 20TH AUG 1.00 PM ONWARDS

4 - SUN 4TH SEPT 1.00 PM ONWARDS

Plus T- Shirt Distribution & Team Members Confirmation

Meet the new Cruiser Captain - Lizzy Adams



Lizzy & her partner Rob on their boat Zircon in Carentan

Whilst having a great time on the Rally to Carentan in May, and, after probably one or two vinos too many (!) I offered to take on the vacant role of Cruiser Captain for the Club. I wasn't allowed to forget my offer and, on returning to Fareham, I was quickly given a folder and informed the first rally was scheduled to be in Island Harbour, in 4 weeks time!

With help from my partner Rob, who seems to have taken on the role of rally publicity and promotions for me, as well as doing the cooking and housework while I have been busy with emails and spreadsheets, the rally was organised and we were booked in to Island Harbour and the Breeze Restaurant for Saturday 9th July.

The weekend rally was a great success with 15 boats and 30 people taking part. Some boats arrived on Friday, and the remainder on Saturday with everyone booked in to The Breeze restaurant for dinner on Saturday evening. It was a lovely evening with great food and good company and ended up with drinks on the Zircon until the early hours!

I would like to thank everyone for supporting me and making my first rally such an enjoyable experience.

The next rally is to Bembridge on Saturday 6th August, and to date I already have 20 boats on the list to attend! There will be a marquee and barbecues available, just bring your own food to cook. I am also organising a rally to Yarmouth on 10th September, and to Lymington in October, date to be confirmed shortly.

If anyone has any ideas of places they would like to go in the future or if anyone is planning a trip that other members may be interested in going along to, please let me know.

I look forward to seeing you all in the clubhouse and on future rallies.

Do accept my excuses if this edition is a little late. Your editor has been making the most of the sun and spending time on Macavity sailing in the Solent. Well, I say sunny weather however there were some strong westerly winds and what should have been some peaceful nights at anchor (skipper too stingy to pay marina fees) did turn interesting.

As you might know, Newtown Creek is known for its peace and tranquillity so with this in mind the skipper and myself finished off supper on board, drained the wine bottle and then prepared for a good night's sleep. The wind piped up and things were not as peaceful as one might have liked. At 02:00hrs the halyards were rattling, the skipper was snoring but a quick peek through the fore-hatch showed that we were still where we ought to have been so all was well. So, head back on pillow and attempted to sleep until, half an hour later one heard a thump on the hull. It even woke up the skipper. A quick leap through the main hatch revealed the culprit to be a catamaran which was previously several boat-lengths away and was now doing 2 knots, stern first, taking its anchor for a walk up the creek and getting friendly with Macavity's hull in the process. Fenders were quickly deployed and a sharp knock on the catamaran's hull woke the occupants who, until then, had been fast asleep. Once we were happy that the night wanderer was now safely re-secured by its anchor to the Newtown mud we made a cup of tea and went back to sleep. Sleep? No chance! The stress levels were now such that yours truly was sticking her head out of the hatch like a demented meerkat on watch for further anchorage shenanigans.

At 08:00hrs we set off for Lymington, straight into a 25kn wind over tide. So, not the most tranquil sail as you can imagine. Still, we were soon past the 'Jack in the Basket' pile then leaving all green piles to starboard, tracking up the river to Lymington and looking forward to a good breakfast. Thud! We appear to be aground and the tide still has 0.2m to drop. The skipper at the helm pointed out that according to the green piles we were in the channel. True! Me? I put the kettle on. After all, we are a bilge keeler and will therefore stay upright. Before the kettle boiled a nice young man in a RIB offered to tow our bow round so we slid off the mud and were soon attached to the buoys at Lymington with the kettle on to boil again.

As I said, an 'interesting' day's sailing.

The moral of the story :

1. In a peaceful anchorage always wear a pair of pyjamas you would not be ashamed to be seen in on deck at 2:30 in the morning.
2. Never assume piles marking the edge of the channel are in any depth of water.

As we searched for a reasonably priced meal in Lymington it occurred to me that good 'pub grub' is getting more scarce. Yarmouth has a couple of decent pubs and, if you really want something more intimate, and are prepared to cook your own, The Hot Rocks is good. In Newport The Bargeman's Rest is always good value. However, if you have discovered a good eating (or drinking) place on your sailing travels let us know and we can start a pub/restaurant of the month feature. Come on! Give my husband some ideas of where to treat me or I shall have to keep cooking supper on board..... and do the washing up!!!

News from the Bar

A little update from the Bar Team.

We hope you are all enjoying this lovely weather now that summer finally seems to have arrived!

Pimms has been on the shelf most of the Summer but we are now making it our 'Drink of the Month' and it will be on offer, along with the usual accompanying 'fruit & veg' every weekend in August and, at just thirty bob, (sorry, I just love saying that) or, for the younger of you, at £1.50 per serving, it is an absolutely unmissable summer bargain!



('Fruit & veg'? Is that how you get your 5 a day? .. Ed)



Or maybe make the most of a sunny afternoon with a bottle of Cava Rose - a large bottle for just £8.50.

We have been making a few changes to our drinks selection so why not pop in and check out what's available. We currently have Budweiser at just £1 per bottle, also a few remaining Carlsberg Citrus at the same price.



Or maybe you prefer a shorter tippie. A couple of newbies are Bushmills Original Irish Whiskey, Jim Beam Honey Bourbon Whiskey and Pussers Admiralty Rum, all at amazing prices.

Finally a date for your diary. On Friday 11th November we are planning another Cheese & Wine Night. After the success of last year's event we are hoping for another good evening. Tickets will be available in the next month or so.

Cheers!

Pam & Vic, Pat & Dave and Mike

Cruising in Company

Ian Saxil-Nielsen, our Pontoon Master, fancies the idea of cruising out of the Solent area but he would prefer going in company with one or more other boats.

You will, of course, be watching out for cruises and rallies organised by our new Cruiser Captain (see page 5) but, occasionally, you may like something spontaneous and a little less formal. If that is the case, and you have the urge for a quick trip to Cherbourg, Weymouth or somewhere else that takes your fancy and would like company then feel free to contact Ian. His number is in the handbook under Pontoon Master.

Images of Island Harbour Meal



↶ An Artistic Starter



Capsized or passed out! ↷



Artistic Pudding ↴

