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*The official newsletter of the  
Fareham Sailing & Motor Boat Club  
November 2016*



Images of FSMBC night out at the Island Sailing Club in Cowes

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## *Commodore's Comments*

The recent boat break-ins has been very sobering for all concerned but we just have to remember not to take it personally as the culprits don't know us and have no idea of the upset caused. They have targeted boats from Itchen River round to Fareham and it surely can't be long before they are caught. The Police Marine Unit have arranged additional patrols along all water inlets and urge anyone finding their boats interfered with to report on 101 or if there is a sighting of suspects then call 999 and report. The more information given helps to build a bigger picture; Vigilance is of prime importance to all Club members.

Please be assured that the Committee are actively reviewing current security measures already in place at the Club House and are looking at Salterns for ways to make more secure. Stuart Pavey has made great inroads with this and is reporting back findings at November's meeting. Updates will be given in future emails and newsletters.

On a lighter note, the winter months are upon us and the Social Committee is in full swing with Halloween and fireworks, the Dinner Dance, Xmas raffle and Xmas Jolly. A lot of work behind the scenes goes into these and it would be great to see as many Club members as possible at the events. Tickets are available via the Social Committee for everything so keep them busy!

The AGM is 20<sup>th</sup> November and I'm delighted that members, some fairly new to the Club, have put their names forward to fill vacant Committee positions. Fantastic! Constructive and positive input from them mixed with the valued experience from existing Committee Members will be a great combination for FSMBC, and speaking of Committees.....

It has been a total privilege to be at the Clubs helm for the past 3 years as Commodore and I've been very lucky to have terrific support and guidance from consecutive nominated Committees and Club members. As in my AGM report, I would like to acknowledge the following people who have played an important part during my term: Nick How, Alan Labrum, George & Liz Thomson, Robin Wren, all Trustees, Chris Hare, Bob & Sally Brennan, Corks & Sue, Stuart Pavey & the Bosuns team, Terry Flinn & the Secretariat teams, Carol & Phil Walden, Pam & Vic, Shirley, Laurie & Ron Hazlewood, Alan Stewart, Gaynor Parker, Ian Saxil-Nielsen, Lizzie Adams and all Committee members past and present who have served the Club so well – a massive thank you to you all and also to those Club members who have strongly supported from the sidelines. A huge team effort and long may it continue. I'm proud of the collective achievements to date and I look forward to seeing and hearing the Club move ever forwards with new initiatives whilst preserving traditions and sound values that FSMBC stands for.

So for the last time in role – Dee Orme – Commodore for FSMBC and out

## Forthcoming Events

*Annual Presentation  
& Dinner Dance  
Saturday 19th November  
6:30 for 7:00pm  
at Lysses Hotel, Fareham  
Tickets £36 from Social Committee  
Further details on website*



**Club Games Night  
at the clubhouse**  
Join in the fun with board games,  
card games and much more  
Friday 4th November

### **AGM 2016**

Sunday 20th November  
Masonic Hall, Queen St.  
Fareham

Refreshments at 12:30  
Meeting starts at 13:00  
The Clubhouse bar & galley  
will be closed on this day  
**Further details on page 6  
of October edition**

**Clubhouse Talk**  
**Sailing to Raise Money**  
**Friday 2nd December**  
Rob Buckley tells of his sailing  
adventures raising money for  
**Teenage Cancer Trust**  
All monies raised at this talk  
will be donated to this charity

Friday November 11th at 7:30pm  
**New Members' Welcome Evening**  
Come to the club and meet and greet the  
new members from the last two intakes  
Cheese & wine.

### Dates for December Diary

Saturday December 10th - Christmas Jolly  
Sunday December 18th - Christmas Raffle &  
Carols at the Club  
Monday December 26th - Boxing Day Stir Up  
Saturday December 31st - New Year's Eve



### **Children's Party Saturday 3rd December**

**Fun & Games for  
younger members**

**Further details  
will be posted  
in the Clubhouse  
and the website  
soon.**



Look out for the next Bistro Night  
Details to follow

Any items for inclusion in the December edition to be emailed to [publicity@fsmbcnet.org.uk](mailto:publicity@fsmbcnet.org.uk)  
by 20th of November.

Some of us have always sailed in October but usually under many layers of jumpers. This year saw the usual 'end of season' cruise to Lymington organised by Lizzy at the start of October but some of us could not go due to previous engagements so we then arranged another at the end of October. 'A bit silly' we thought. Who will want to sail that late in the season?

So, who would believe that a hastily arranged 'end of season' cruise would have 8 boats participating and 18 of us sitting down to eat and raving about how warm the weather is. We had a good meal out at the Island Sailing Club in Cowes and certain club members saw fit to go a bit 'Halloween'. (See front page photo montage.) Some mad person even suggested another cruise in December! Let's not commit until we see what the weather is like, shall we? Lizzy on Zircon is so enthusiastic about cruising in company that we can be assured that this valued part of the club's activities will continue to thrive while she is Cruiser Captain.

We, on 'Macavity' (and previously on our Mirage 28, 'White Fox') seem to have been doing this sort of thing for the past 30 years. Recently, looking through some ancient photographs brought back many memories of past cruises in company. Some photos I recognised go as far back as Easter 1987 in Ouistraham and Caen. That was our first cruise in company across the channel. The sad thing was recognising so many faces of friends that are not with us anymore having cruised off this mortal coil. The happy thing was seeing how young and carefree we all looked then. We were cruising in the company of fellow club members 30 years ago and are still doing it now so we obviously enjoy it.

This month's newsletter is very full mainly due to our Hon. Sec. who provided all the vital information for our forthcoming AGM. Other times I am often scraping the barrel for items to include. This is where you come in. In the next few editions I will be looking for profiles of the committee members plus a mug-shot so that all members will recognise them and know what their role is within the club.

Also, some suggestions for newsletter articles from yourselves include:-

- Your favourite ports to visit, safe anchorages & best hostelrys to eat or drink in.
- Your best recipe for an emergency or easy meal aboard ( not the takeaway pizza )
- The unusual gadget you could not live without on board and why.

Also required are your suggestions for Clubhouse Talks.

Get thinking over the winter months, get pen to paper or finger to keyboard and let me have the results. I will only nag if you don't! The articles need not be long ones. They can be funny; they can be serious or just plain informative. Also, if you take photos of club events could you let me have them ASAP after the 'do' so I can resize and manipulate them for the usual 'back page spread'

It is good to see, in writing, the thoughts of a club member who has taken to club racing, both in Luggers and, more recently, in cruisers like a duck to water. Being both female and French-Canadian she has had to put up with a lot of banter from the blokes but she obviously thrives on it. See her report on page 7. It is always good to see new members participating in the activities of the club rather than just using the facilities as a cheap mooring.

Talking of new members we have a chance to meet up with some of them on Friday 11th of November. These get-togethers are a recent incentive by the club to make new members feel welcome. If they feel welcome then perhaps they will play a fuller role in the club's activities and it's running. In fact it is good to see that more than one person is standing for nomination for some of the posts at the AGM. This is a good sign and shows that the running of the club is of interest to more of our club members. So, it needs you there at the AGM to vote for your choices.

See you there.

## Changes in Portsmouth Harbour

Taken from an email forwarded from Port Solent Yacht Club

The Deputy Queen's harbour Master, Gideon Sherwood gave a talk to a Gosport NCI (the local Coastwatch station) about the work going on in Portsmouth Harbour in preparation for the arrival of the new aircraft carrier, *Queen Elizabeth* (provisionally taking place in May 2017). The harbour entrance area is the busiest water space in the UK.

The current dredging activity is going OK, with only about two million cubic metres to go. The channel itself will be dredged to 9.5 m for its full width with the main part having 10.5 m. The notorious hazard of Hamilton Bank, just outside the Portsmouth channel to the NW of Spit Bank Fort, has already been reduced considerably in height but the plan is to deepen it by a further 4.2 m. It is pretty likely that maintenance dredging will be needed at intervals after the current work is finished. Apart from the bulk dredging, fishing for ferrous objects detected by scanning has produced, among other things, a German unexploded bomb as well as the "friendly" torpedo that received good news coverage recently. More alarming was a non-ferrous German "ship-destroyer" mine that was picked up by accident.

The problem is that *Queen Elizabeth* needs to be on a straight course with only a six-degree margin approaching and passing through the harbour entrance, unlike the current ferries and freighters which can enter on a curving track. These limits mean that during entry or exit the harbour entrance will be closed to both outbound and inbound traffic (including small vessel traffic in the Boat Channel on the West side). Carrier movements are only likely to take place around HW Springs, and entry or exit will not take place if the wind exceeds 20 knots.

Lots of new navigation marks have turned up over recent months.

These mainly provide navigational transits for the carrier's use.

- The large green pile between 2 Bar and Castle buoys (Castle Pile) provides a transit with the War Memorial.
- The sets of yellow piles in the Bomb Ketch area provide an entrance transit, while the sets in the Spit Bank Fort area provide exit transits.

You will have noticed some changes to buoyage - the movement westward of Outer Spit SC buoy is the most obvious. Most of these changes are temporary while dredging is taking place, but Admiralty charts are corrected very frequently so it would probably not be a good time to buy new charts or update your chart-plotter cards until all this has settled down. However, a permanent R channel buoy named Spit Elbow will be placed between Spit Refuge R and Outer Spit SC buoys.

Details of impending changes will appear in Navigational Warnings and Local Notices to Mariners.

Given the difficulty of entry and exit for the carrier, it may be expected that routine visits will use the anchorage near Stokes Bay, and escort vessels will be picked up at sea.

As might be expected, the MOD police presence on the water will be considerably beefed up, and QHM is getting new and better radar.

# 2016 AGM Update

## NOMINATIONS

The following nominations were received before the deadline of 30th October:

Position	Nomination	Proposed By	Seconded By
Commodore	Alan Labrum	Stuart Pavey	Chris Hare
Vice Commodore	George Thomson	Terry Flinn	Dee Orme
Rear Commodore	Martin Bouette Bob Upton	Dee Orme Bob Brennan	Tony Blair Chris Hare
Hon. Secretary	Terry Flinn	Stuart Pavey	Sue May
Hon. Treasurer	<b>VACANT</b>		
Hon. Sailing Secretary	Charlie Coxwell Mike Hooper	Jim Beckwith Pete Munt	Stuart Pavey Ian Saxil-Nielsen
Hon. House Secretary	Bob Brennan	Chris Hare	Bob Upton
Hon. Boatswain	Stuart Pavey	Dee Orme	Terry Flinn
Hon Mooring Master	Syd Phillimore	Dee Orme	Bob Upton
Hon Bar Manager	Pam Carr	Sue May	Bob Upton
Elected Member	Tony Blair Bob Close Dave Millard Nigel Munt Richard Payne Bob Upton	Sue May Dee Orme Stuart Pavey Mike Hooper Terry Flinn Bob Brennan	Chris Hare John Herbert Dee Orme Ian Saxil-Nielsen Bob Brennan Alan Labrum

The membership will have the opportunity to confirm or reject these appointments by voting at the AGM.

As nominations were not received for Hon Treasurer, nominations for this position can still be made at the AGM. Nominations for Elected Member can also be made at the AGM; up to a maximum on 5 Elected Members will be chosen.

### RULE CHANGES

Terry Flinn, Honorary Secretary, has proposed the following change to the Rules:

#### *Rule 4.3 Subscriptions:*

(a) Subscription rates for the following membership categories shall be determined at each Annual General Meeting and be applied from 1st January of the following year: .....

#### *PROPOSED AMENDMENT.*

##### *4.3 Subscriptions*

(a) Subscription rates shall be determined at each Annual General Meeting and should normally reflect the rate of inflation ( Consumer Prices Index ) for the preceding year. The rates will be applied from 1st January of the following year for the following membership categories: .....

#### *BACKGROUND.*

Since 2007, with one exception, the Management Committee has linked increases to subscription rates for the coming year to the rate of inflation. Several of the longer serving Management Committee members are convinced that this is a directive already approved by the membership in a recent, past AGM. Study of AGM archives does not confirm this assumption and my proposal will mean that the concept is included in the Rules of the Club.

### MOTIONS

1. Pam Carr, Honorary Bar Manager, has proposed that Thursday night bar duties are added to the to the Duty-man Roster.
2. Mike Young has proposed that FSMBC continues to support the annual Fareham Raft Race and that a Club Open Day is held to coincide with the event.
3. Corky May has proposed that the selection process for the award of honorary life membership be changed.

Terry Flinn  
Honorary Secretary

## The Committee Series (Yacht Races In Harbour) A report by Lyse Lemieux

On Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th we were three boats racing:

Angelica (Lyse), Thistledown (Martin) and Magic (Jim).

On the Saturday there was not much wind but on the Sunday it was windy and gusty. This is the day I had to abandon the race due to a jib problem.

On Saturday 29th we were four boats racing:

Angelica (Lyse), Thistledown (Martin) and Magic (Jim) and Ipanema (Charlie Coxwell).

Not much wind.

On Sunday 30th, we were five boats racing:

Angelica (Lyse), Thistledown (Martin) and Magic (Jim), Ipanema (Charlie Coxwell) and Marilon (Alan Stewart).

We have a bit more wind on the day.

Unfortunately Alan had to abandon the race (he was doing very well) as he had a little encounter with one of the barge in the harbour. I believe his jib sheet got caught on the barge. (He probably just stopped for a picnic - Ed)

It was great fun. I really enjoy the races.

Lyse is the most recent participant in these races, having recently acquired her own boat. You will notice from the table below that she came first in the Committee Series.

She tells me that she, and the other participants missed the usual bottle of whisky that is customarily drunk after the last race of this series. Bet they will make up for it sometime in the future. - Ed

### Cruiser Race Results

Rylard Cup	Rylard Series	Mark McArther & Michael Ogle (Securus) Jim Beckwith (Magic)
Committee Trophy	Committee Series	Lyse Lemieux (Angelica) Martin Duffus (Thistledown) Jim Beckwith (Magic)
Points Shield	Best FSMBC boat in the Interclub Series	Mark McArther & Michael Ogle (Securus)
Huxford Salver	Best FSMBC boat in the Nab Tower Race	Mark McArther & Michael Ogle (Securus)
Fareham Challenge	Best FSMBC boat in the Round the Island Race	Alan Thorne (Fals Cappa)
Frequency Cup	Cruiser Frequency	Jim Beckwith (Magic)

### Luggers Race Results

Les Ballard Trophy	Winter Series	1st Martin Duffus. 2nd John Neal. 3rd Phil Walden
Salterns Trophy	New Year Series	1st Chris Hare. 2nd Paul Limburn. 3rd Paul Limburn
Roughay Bowl	1 <sup>st</sup> Roughay Bowl 2nd Town Tankard	John Herbert Tony Cleal Mark Jones
Dave Butcher Trophy	Evening Series	Kevin Abbott. 2nd George Thomson. 3rd Steve Plumley
Peacock Trophy	Round Pewit Island	1st Martin Duffus. 2nd John Herbert. 3rd Tony Cleal
Huxford Trophy	Summer Series	1st Martin Duffus. 2nd Kevin Abbott. 3rd Nick How
Dave Brady Trophy	Luggers	1st John Herbert 2nd Martin Duffus. 3rd Steve Plumley
Dick Kipps Cup	Cancelled, too windy	
Captains series	Captains Cup	1st Paul Limburn. 2nd Kevin Abbott 3rd Chris Hare
Topper Trophy	Round Pewit Island Dinghy Handicap	1st Dave Hill. 2nd Stewart Schofield. 3rd Alan Thorne

## Commodores report AGM 2016

So here we are, AGM 2016 and time to stand down from being Commodore for FSMBC. Where did those 3 years go? Time for reflection and acknowledgement of achievements made by so many and all for the good of Membership for our wonderful Club.

I started with a few ideas of how to move the Club forward into the 21st century, not an easy task with a Club so full of history and often 'it's always been done that way, no reason to change'. Yes the history is there, a wonderful rich and vibrant past with so many fascinating aspects well presented in the local Westbury Manor recently. Why not embrace and enjoy a unique well established feature of Fareham? Many local Clubs would jump at the chance to have what we enjoy, fantastic aspect with brilliant views, an increasing membership and robust long term visions for facilities on offer from the Club along with terrific support from a hands on Committee and supportive members.

Change for the sake of change is not ideal, but change to improve and move the Club on to realise exactly what can be achieved is awesome. I have been very fortunate in having 3 successive Committees who have not only taken on challenges in improving the Club but also who have fully embraced their roles and got stuck in with often difficult tasks and for that I'm very grateful.

I started on the Committee 13 years ago as Elected Member, then Social Sec, Sailing Sec, Rear Commodore, Vice Commodore and then Commodore – that's one heck of an amount of Committee meetings!!

The purchase of the Club on Nicks 'watch' was the turning point for moving things on and I'd like to thank Nick for his support, guidance and above all friendship during my time at the helm. Simply wonderful.

I guess now is the time to start the roll call of thanks. So many have helped to make my role smoother than some would have had me endure but I've always held onto the belief that passion is a great driver and opinions of how things should be done should always be allowed 'air time'. So where to start?

Alan Labrum, a fantastic support in all Club matters and a tireless worker on behalf of the Club – FSMBC would not be the same without, George Thomson, embraces anything thrown at him and gives 150% at all times, keep going!, the House Committee presently headed up by Bob Brennan, thank you for outstanding contributions, Secretariat Committee under Terry Flinn's guidance, Sailing Sec Chris Hare, well done for all your hard work and support, Elected Members past and present, your input is most valued and appreciated, Sue May Treasurer, thank you for coming back and staying the course! Stuart Pavey, where do I

start? The Bosuns Committee has never been so productive and boy have they collectively achieved so much.

Our wonderful Trustees, Barry, Martin, Nick and John, your guidance and help on some difficult situations has been most welcomed and made my role easier to manage. I must mention Les Ballard who was a prime contributor in so many guises with Club matters but was also my 'other Dad', still very much missed on so many levels.

Alan Stewart, former Vice Commodore was a staunch supporter on Club matters and a great mentor. Lyse Lemieux, an elected member took on the newly formed role as new membership Sec and made it so successful now moving onto other things. Then there are the people on the peripherals that make such a difference. Liz Adams has taken to the local Cruiser Captain role like a duck to water and Ian Saxiel-Neilsen is both our Pontoon Master and out of Solent Cruiser Captain, Tony Cleal Lugger Captain and where would we be without Corky May – fantastic efforts all.

Club members Carol & Phil Walden, Gaynor Parker, Robin & Hilary Culverhouse, Shirley, Laurie & Ron Hazlewood, Linda Neale, Robin Wren, Jim Beckwith, Richard Kipps, Phil & Marion Harris-Deanes and Pam & Vic Carr have been great sources of support on Club matters. You have all made the Club gel in your own special ways and are to be applauded for your significant efforts.

If I've overlooked someone, please accept my sincere apologies, I would however, like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has been there for me throughout, could not have done without you and nor could the Club!

It has been a great privilege to be the leading representative at both Commodore events in the immediate area and the Fareham Borough. Seeing Club projects realised and new ones on the horizon has been particularly pleasing. I remain totally passionate for all things FSMBC going forward and I won't be far away in my new role of Vannes rep for the Club so watch this space!

I have thoroughly enjoyed every moment in role and wish my successor all the very best for being Commodore for Fareham Sailing & Motor Boat Club and I look forward to seeing the Club develop further.

And so, for the last time, thanks, it's been a blast!

**Dee Orme - Commodore for FSMBC and out.**



## **Vice Commodores Report 2016**

It has been a very successful year for all the activities across the club especially the Fareham Creek Regatta that was even more successful than last year.

The socials have been excellent as usual thanks to Sally and her social committee.

The cruiser sailing has been well supported especially the club cruises and thanks must go to Lizzy Adams for all her hard work.

The Lugger racing continued to attract additional members to the fleet.

I would like to thank Dick Kipps for doing the Lugger race officer duties, which he carried out on a voluntary basis and was there for every race.

Stuart Pavey and his bosuns committee have done an excellent job with continued maintenance of the club buildings and have carried out many new projects over the past year.

**Alan Labrum**  
**Vice Commodore**

## **Rear Commodore Report 2016**

I would like start by thanking everyone for there support for what has been a difficult year for a number of reasons.

Finding a suitable replacement, and volunteer, to replace Ian Plummer as Membership Secretary has been a hard act to follow. I must thank Lin Anderson for all her hard work and efforts during the first half of the year. Clearly the role entails a lot more than was expected!

Furthermore, it has been a busy year with the introduction of the new door entry system. A lot of hard work and effort went into issuing new fobs, which I must say went very smoothly. A big thanks to Stuart Pavey and everyone else involved.

We now have an even bigger task ahead, namely a replacement for the Medusa Club Database.

Medusa will no longer be supported in the medium term, and is somewhat outdated against other products available. This was always the case and that time is rapidly approaching.

The Management Committee has, therefore, decided to move forward with a replacement system (Sailing Club Manager - SCM). This is a cloud-based product, widely used by other clubs and more user friendly.

The good news is that all the hard work that was involved in entering data into Medusa has not wasted. It is a seamless process transferring the data, and we are aiming on going live prior to renewals on 1/12.

During the 2016 we have seen a steady increase in membership. The last count was almost 30, most of which are joint. The newly created position of New Member Administrator is well established now, thanks to the hard work from Lyse Lemieux. Hopefully we will see this trend continuing into 2017.

**George Thomson**

## **Honorary Boatswain's Report**

Improvements to our Club in 2016:

Four replacement pontoons put in place.

Path from Salterns car park to the pontoons renewed. (Members of the public have commented on the improvement, so well done to all who were involved.)

Lamp-post was given a new lease of life and a new position.

Property survey completed. (Awaiting permission from the Council to continue with improvement to the buildings. )

Key card entry system upgraded to fobs.

CCTV installed.

Kitchen / Bar in the Workshop revamped. ( Thank you Kev Sims for all plumbing work done .)

New boiler and lights changed to leds . ( Both done to make Club more energy efficient.)

Plumbing renewed in Gents' facilities.

These are the major tasks that have been undertaken this year. Along with these, a lot of smaller tasks were completed.

I would like to thank to everyone who has helped out during Bosun's duties and I would like to give a huge thank you to all who went above and beyond their duties.

It is encouraging to see members who really care about the upkeep of our Club.

Thank you.  
Stuart Pavey

## Honorary Secretary Report 2016

Dear Fellow Members

Another year has flown by and our Club continues to thrive. Although we lost 9 members at the beginning of the year when they failed to renew their membership, we gained 30 over the course of the year. This is almost entirely due to the outstanding efforts of Lyse Lemieux, the New Member Administrator. Lyse has set up a seamless programme where prospective members attend an induction meeting to learn about the FSMBC and its facilities and to meet Club Officers; once their application has been approved, they are invited back for a new members evening, usually held at the weekend, where they can be introduced to members of the Club. By handling all the administrative aspects relating to new members, Lyse has taken a significant load away from the Membership Secretary, whose task at times seems overwhelming.

Many thanks to Kim Hurst, our Health & Safety representative, who has continued to monitor Club safety by carrying out regular audits to make sure we follow fire, safety and food hygiene and allergy regulations.

Each month, I look forward to the next edition of Close Quarters, the Club newsletter. Gaynor Parker has to be congratulated on her continued production of a publication full of news and information. Close Quarters is probably the best source of what has and what will be going on in and around the Club.

Gaynor is pleased to receive articles or reports on any subject and asks that contributions try to meet her deadline of the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

The Secretariat tends to trundle on in the background, only coming to the fore when issues arise. During the last 12 months, 2 members were fined because they failed to carry out their Club duty, while a former member resolutely refuses to vacate their Club mooring and legal action may follow.

All is not gloom and doom however, and we have two success stories to report.

At the beginning of the year we took delivery of a batch of new Club ties and silk scarves. Ties and scarves are on display in the foyer and can be purchased from the Bar Manager.

Another highlight was obtaining official permission to remove the defunct HM Customs box from outside the Club. After being thwarted by several "jobsworths", common sense finally prevailed. When the box was forced open, inside was undelivered Club mail going back 7 years!

In my report last year, I bemoaned the fact that few members of the Club had shown any interest in getting involved in the running of the Club by offering to take on vacant positions, or by volunteering to stand for election at the AGM. At the time of writing my report for this year's AGM, I have to tell you that I have again been completely underwhelmed!

Finally, I must commend Nicola on the excellence of her Management Committee minutes.

Well, I would say that wouldn't I?

Hope to see you around the Club, or out on the water.

**Terry Flinn**  
**Hon. Secretary**

## Sailing Secretary's Report 2016

My final year as sailing secretary has been a busy one. Fareham sailing club hosted the Interclub racing series competing with Hardway and Portchester Sailing Clubs, organising racing and the Interclub regatta party. I would like to thank the committee boat crew, the workshop bar team and the bosons' work party who all helped running these events.

The Fareham lugger fleet has enjoyed another competitive years racing, I would like to thank Tony Cleal who is standing down as Lugger Captain and welcome Kevin Abbott who is taking over.

Several organised cruises took place including a cross channel visit to our friends in Carentain, and shorter trips to Bembridge, Island Harbour, Lyminster and Weymouth, thanks to Lizzy Adams and Gaynor Parker for organising these trips.

Thanks for supporting these events and see you out on the water

**Chris Hare**

## TREASURER'S REPORT 2016

As another year has drawn to close what a year its been, lots of improvements going on around the club by our able bodied Bosons Party a big thank you to you all.

Sailing events have gone from strength to strength under the watchful eye of Chris Hare

Social events and excelled over the year bringing much fun, game and laughter in to the club

During the year we have had a survey done of our clubhouse and workshop and going forward into 2017 a business plan to be completed and agreed by the committee for works to be done. If member's see work that's is required to be done please notify a club officer so that the matter can be dealt with at the committee meetings that are held monthly.

The final accounts will not be included with 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

I would like to say a big thank you to John Bolton for all the support and help he has given me during the last couple of years and is one of the many unsung hero's

Unfortunately I will be standing down this year so come on guys dig deep. There must be someone who can add 2 +2. I am happy to assist and show you the ropes.

Here's looking forward to an exciting 2017

Sue May

## HOUSE SECRETARY'S REPORT.

2016 HAS BEEN ANOTHER VERY EVENTFUL YEAR.

Entry system to club changed, video cameras installed, toilets upgraded, cooker extractor fan installed, the list goes on .

A big thankyou to Stuart and the bosuns team for making all this and more happen.

New boiler fitted to ensure hot water supply and heating for the winter.

Lots more in pipeline now full survey of clubhouse completed.

Massive thankyou to Pam & Vic who do a sterling job with the bar,assisted by Dave & Pat.

Also thankyou to Mike Young for looking after the gas and helping with deliveries.

Thanks also to Terry (galley manager) as well as Alan Labrum for w/scheme

( it just would not all work without his input.)

Lots of thanks due to the Social committee who put in a lot of work to make social events such a success.

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS A " MEMBERS CLUB" , SO IF YOU WISH TO HELP OUT WITH RUNNING THINGS PLEASE PUT YOUR HAND UP. (perhaps a bar duty, or help with other functions ??)

**Bob Brennan.**

## Social Report - Sally Brennan

### Trafalgar night 22nd Oct.

This was a very enjoyable evening, attended by 40 people. It was a struggle to sell tickets this year, especially as several members returned their tickets for resale at fairly short notice. Anyway we did scrape in, whew!

Corky did us proud as usual, helped of course by Sue and Annie.

As it was Dee's last Trafalgar before her "retirement" as Commodore we gave her the task of saying Nelson's Prayer.

This, sadly, was also Corky's last formal meal, 'as our in house chef', so Dee presented him with a gift on behalf of the Club and thanked him for all his hard work over the years. She also presented Sue and Annie with bouquets of flowers.

The remainder of the evening passed in the usual rum filled merriment.

### Halloween party 29th Oct.

As usual the decorations were hauntingly amazing. Although the social group were a bit short handed due to some members of the team being away on holiday, the few of us worked hard to put on a good spread, which I believe was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who attended.

Most people made a great effort to dress up, making it quite difficult to recognise them.

Well done all of you.

First prizes for the most original costumes went to Julie Triggs (witch) and Hillary Corney who came as a brainsurgeon.

Lucky ticket holders were Julia Briedon, Chris Hare and Fran Rees.

Although it was a slow job selling tickets, we had 45 party goers in the so our buffet efforts were not in vain which we were pleased to note at the end of the evening.

Last but not least, a big thank you to Corky and Ian for a magnificent firework display kindly funded by the Club.

By the time this goes to print ,hopefully we will have had a "full house" for the Annual Dinner Dance and the AGM and we should be well on the way to organising the Christmas Jolly on 10th December.

### News from the Bar

So another Summer bites the dust and now looking forward to some cosy evenings in!! You may recall we had planned another Cheese & Wine evening for Friday 11th of November. As there are a number of other events happening around the same time we have decided to postpone the Cheese & Wine evening until the New Year (date to be notified soon as possible) BUT don't rub out the date just yet! That very evening the Club will be holding a New Members' Welcome Evening. So come along and meet some new (or relatively new) faces, have a nibble or two at the same time (ok cheese again !!!) and maybe a glass or two of wine???



A row of Lugger sails ready for the off in the Captain Series. But where are the helmsmen?

Up the Clubhouse topping themselves up with refreshments between races. Where else?

Photo by new member, Fran Rees who threw herself into helping Dick Kipps organise the racing.

Obviously an enthusiastic member.



It was a mistake  
letting Sally  
loose with  
the knives

The more  
they smile  
the more  
scarey  
they  
are

# Halloween at the Club

Got the hat.  
Next stop Ascot.

Shirley's not smiling

Hide the dogs

If I don't look  
he might go away

The ship sank so I  
fetched up here.

The 'Bar Team' survived  
it all.

The strain of 3 years  
in office was beginning  
to show on our  
commodore