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The official newsletter of the
Fareham Sailing & Motor Boat Club
December 2018



Merry Xmas
to all Lugger
Sailors, all Cruiser Sailors
and all those who are
only there for the
beer, the wine, the
gin, the cider....
not to mention
the singing
the dancing
and general
enjoyment.

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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.

Yes, I know! Christmas is approaching fast. Now is the time for me to express the Dickensian sentiment of 'Bah! Humbug!' I'm all in favour of 'Peace on earth and good will ...' etc. it's just the fact that mince pies, Christmas cake and pudding, stolen, Christmas chocolates and other edible delicacies seem to have been on the shop shelves since the children went back to school in September. They all look delicious but they are all full of calories and I need to use so much willpower.

Talking of edible goodies, I was at the clubhouse last Saturday helping to set up the room for the Children's Party. Entering the galley area to grab a cup of tea brought me face-to-face with an array of decorative and appetising edible delicacies. There was everything from tiny sandwiches and sausage rolls to sweet cakes and gingerbread houses straight from a Grimm's fairy tale, all transporting me back to children's parties of long ago. All these lovely edibles were the handiwork of Corky May and were worthy of any 'Bake-off challenge'. Well done Corky! I'm told that 24 children, each bringing grown-ups to keep them company, turned up to devour this feast and to join in all the activities and games. Also present, of course, was Father Christmas (in the form of Mark Lineham) giving each child a wrapped gift. It seems that a great time was had by all.

This was one of many events planned for the festive period as can be seen by the adverts on the 'Forthcoming Events' page. All these events take a lot of organising so do come along and enjoy the benefits. You can also see that photos on pages 5 & 6 that a good time was had by all at the Haslar Rally and at the Dinner Dance.

Over the Christmas period the boat-owners amongst us will, no doubt, be planning our cruising for next season. Perhaps we will be thinking of making New Year's Resolutions. Some resolutions I will be considering will be:

- Decreasing use of single use plastic knowing how it pollutes the oceans
- Keeping up to date with notices to mariners pertaining to harbours we are likely to visit, e.g. changes in regulations as laid out in the website http://www.cowesharbourcommission.co.uk/local_notices_to_mariners explaining the recommendations for navigating in visibility below two cables (0.2nm / 370.4m) and also <https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/qhm/portsmouth/local-notices> for keeping up with what is happening in our local waters in Portsmouth Harbour.
- Oh yes, I almost forgot, - cutting down on calories consumed, which brings us back to where we started - cakes, chocolate etc.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all!

Forthcoming Events

**Fareham Sailing & Motor
Boat Club**

Christmas Jolly

Saturday 8th December 2018

7.30pm

CHRISTMAS PARTY

'TIS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY'

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

AMERICAN SUPPER

DISCO

FESTIVE COCKTAILS

BOOGIE THE NIGHT AWAY

Please note: There is no charge for this year's Christmas Jolly. It is an American Supper so bring along a dish of tasty food to share with your fellow revellers.

Same applies to New Year's Eve Party.

**Fareham Sailing & Motor
Boat Club**

New Year's Eve

Monday 31st December 2018

7.30pm

'Cheers To The New Year'

Happy New Year

AMERICAN SUPPER

Party the night Away

It's Party Time!

LET'S Party!

Toast the New Year in

Disco

Friday 14th Dec

CHRISTMAS QUIZ

£1 entry

cash prizes raffle

Fun Quiz night

8:30 start

BIG FAT CHRISTMAS QUIZ!

**Fareham Sailing & Motor
Boat Club**

**Christmas Carols and
Christmas Raffle**

Sunday 9th December 2018

1.00pm

Sing along

Join in the fun

Festive Cocktails

You could win

Christmas carols

NICK & DEE'S

60TH BIRTHDAY

PARTY

Sat 15th DECEMBER 2018

STARTS at 7.30PM

"Fareham Creekers"

The TREE "O"

...AND more

AMERICAN SUPPER

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

Club Yearbook 2019

We have the job of putting together the Club Yearbook each year.

As you will have gathered from the AGM (and from a Dutyman email that you will just have received) the Yearbook for 2019 will be distributed in February/March 2019. This is so that the book goes to print after the membership renewal process has concluded in February, meaning that the members' boats list will then be as up to date as possible. You will have seen that the fixtures calendar in the 2018 Yearbook runs into March 2019 so there is no "gap" in information. In any event, the 2019/20 calendar is now on the Club website.

The new data protection rules mean that we cannot include your name and boat details in the next Yearbook without your consent. We cannot assume that consent. So, if you want your boat to be included in the next Club Yearbook, please email membership@fsmbcnet.org.uk with:

- **Your boat's name**
- **What type of boat it is**
- **The member owner's name** (sorry, we only have room for one owner name - you choose which one if there is more than one).

If we do not hear from you by 31 December 2018 we will assume that you do not want your boat to be included in the Yearbook.

You may not be aware that the Yearbook almost pays for itself through the businesses that pay to advertise in it. We spend a lot of time persuading and cajoling the businesses to do so! However, they want to be sure that their adverts are having an effect. So, if you use a business that advertises in the Yearbook, do tell them that you are a member of FSMBC.

As ever, if you have any ideas for the Yearbook, or know of potential advertisers, do let us know (yearbook@fsmbcnet.org.uk).

Marian and Phil Harris-Deans _ Yearbook Co-ordinators



For Sale

Your chance to own one of these beautiful
sought-after boats

Fareham Lugger No 5

**One of the original lightweight ones. No Leaks.
Wooden Mast & Gaff. Cover not too bad.
Spare Sail, Rudder blade and Daggerboard**

Ready to sail away - £ 250

Contact John Neale - 01329 310936

Haslar Rally 17th November 2018

Lizzy Bolan

Eight boats were booked in to Haslar Marina for the end of season rally on Saturday 17th November 2018. Zircon took advantage of the evening tide on Friday and arrived first, securing the best berth in the marina's visitor pontoons. Deux Poissons and Peace had a very early start from PME on Saturday morning, and rumour was they were spotted on a buoy outside Gosport having a Prosecco breakfast at 7:30am...

The rest of the boats arrived Saturday, and we took the ferry over to Gunwharf Quays for a little bit of shopping, picking up a few bargains, before heading to the Ship Anson for the traditional refreshments, where we joined the crew off Blue Mistique who had taken advantage of a free berth in Gosport Marina (perks of the job!).

26 people were booked into The Castle Tavern for a 3 course Christmas dinner, a bargain at £16.95 per head! It was great to have additional club members joining us for the meal and arriving by public transport.

As usual the pub did us proud, with lots of delicious home cooked food, everything came out on time and was very well organised. A very special thank you to Verity and all her staff at The Castle Tavern for putting on an early Christmas dinner for us, including the tables decorated with crackers and party poppers and a large Christmas card! Their Christmas menu is not available until 1st December, but they put on a special early dinner for us in November as this was the only date we could hold the rally, due to such a busy club calendar in December.

It was Mark Lineham's birthday the day of the rally, and we surprised him with a birthday card and cake, and sang "Happy Birthday" to him! Thank you to the club member for the kind donation of the (60th??) Birthday Cake!

We all left Haslar Marina on Sunday morning to make the short trip back up to Fareham.

Thank you to everyone that took part in the end of season rally and helped to make it such good fun as always.



Obviously a good time being had by all!

Why hasn't Louis got a shopping bag?
No doggie chocs for sale?





Images of the Dinner Dance