

THE GOLDEN PIRANHA

PARKSTONE YACHT CLUB SUPPORTS THE "WISH LIST"

Recently, our Commodore, Bill Law, together with General Manager Martin Simms visited the Children's Ward in Poole Hospital. There they saw the specialist lifting equipment purchased for the Ward from donations by Club members during 2007.

Parkstone Yacht Club has always believed in supporting local charities and in 2007 over £3000 was donated to the Poole Hospital Wish List Children's Ward. This was raised by the members in a variety of ways – Cruiser, Dinghy and Youth Arripay Charity races; a sponsored cycle ride round the Harbour; a coffee morning; Wine and Cheese Party and raffles. In the same year the Club donated over £2000 to the Sunshade Appeal, a local charity, again helping to provide specialist equipment for the Hospital. The Hospital greatly appreciates the contributions made by the Club.

During the visit to the Hospital Bill Law presented a mid-year cheque of £1,370 from the members to the Wish List for the purchase of more specialist equipment. Most of this was raised by competitors (and their sponsors) participating in the annual Arripay Trophy race for dinghies held in early June.



For Sale - RIB 2

The Club has decided to sell RIB 2 - a 4.8mtr Ribcraft with a 40hp Honda 4 stroke outboard engine. The RIB is 6 yrs old and includes a fitted VHF Radio. (no Trailer). All bids to the GM by Mon 6th October. The General Committee Reserves the right to accept the highest bid.



Supervision of Children

Parents/guardians are reminded that children under the age of 16yrs must be supervised at all times whilst on Club premises

Logs

Each year the Commodore looks forward to receiving the logs you have written during the season. May I remind you that both Junior & Cruising Logs are required by 1st December 2008.

Training Room

The Official opening of the training room took place on Sat 20th September. The room is now finished and has already been used during Youth Week and Poole Week.

Thanks are again due to the band of volunteers who undertook the project.



Vice Commodore's Report

Committee Boat - RON COX

Coxswains and crews – please remember that the anchor windlass is very powerful. Keep an eye on the anchor/chain as it is lowered/retrieved. There are 3 operating positions and it is important that the chain runs freely when anchoring. It is also really important to keep an eye on the chain/anchor when retrieving in order to turn it off when the anchor is up.

Haul Outs

Please ensure that you have the sling/lift points clearly marked on the hull/toe rail of your boat to assist the yard staff when lifting your boat. The slings can cause damage to prop shafts/sail drives if they are not in the correct position.

Lower car park

Please do not obstruct boats on trailers when parking. The boats stored in the yard, mostly RIBs/dories pay quite a lot to park there and it is very frustrating for the owners to arrive and find that their boat is blocked in by a vehicle. The car park/yard does get over crowded on busy days so please park considerately. Owners of trailers stored in the yard are requested to ensure they are named

Wash/Wake in the Haven

The speed limit is 4 knots. However members should navigate in a manner that does not create unnecessary wash – this may mean motoring at less than 4 knots.

Recycling Bins (Blue)

Please do not place plastic bags in these bins.



Hon Sailing Secretary's Report

May was a terrific month for sailing with the Dart and the RS 200/400 Opens followed by the International Paints Poole Regatta all these events were well supported and produced some great sailing, thanks once again to all those who helped.

Youth Week and Poole Week were once again fantastic weeks, 180 entries in Youth Week and 240 in Poole Week the activities and socials were well supported in both events it was great to see the Club being enjoyed by so many people.

Poole Week 2009 starts on the 23rd August so now's the time to book your holiday dates

On September 20/21 we had a Cadet Open (Zone qualifier) and the Merlin Silver Tiller and on October 11/12 we have a Topper training and Traveller event.

The Winter Series for Dinghies starts on October 5th and for Cruisers it starts the following week the 12th October. The cruiser series is being promoted hard in the Solent so we are hoping for a good entry.

Laser Perisher Series 2009

2 short races on a Sunday morning starting 1st February until 5th April. Just get yourself a Laser to join in.

If you would like more information on the series drop an e-mail to the Laser Fleet Captain and be put on the distribution list.

E-mail: lasers-ptyc@tiscali.co.uk

AB Gold Fleet - Winter Series

This year the AB Gold Fleet will have its own Winter Series racing from Sat 4th Oct - Sat 20th Dec. To enter you are required to complete the AB Winters Series Entry form that can be obtained from the AB Class Captain, Stewart Bowen.

RYA Level 2 Powerboat Courses

Three courses are scheduled at the start of 2009. These will each take place over one weekend and will be held on:

24th & 25th Jan
28th Feb & 1st Mar
28th & 29th Mar

MEMBERS £60

If you wish to do any of the above courses please contact Nikki in the Main office

Storm Weather - High Winds

Member are kindly reminded of the Club Bye-Law 5.12.5. Please secure your Halyards and Rigging lines to eliminate unnecessary noise. We are within a residential area and we need to be considerate to our neighbours.

Annual Dinner Dance

The Annual Dinner Dance is at Parkstone Yacht Club on Saturday 29th November starting at 1930 hrs. The event will be Black Tie with a Masked Ball theme. We will be entertained by The Wessex String Quartet who will also provide some lighter dance music later in the evening. We have not yet finalised menus but the expected ticket price is £25 per head. We hope to have it all finalised and tickets on sale by October 3rd from bar at 2000 hrs.

PARKSTONE YACHT CLUB TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS FEAST

Saturday 13th December

CAROLS & DINNER

£15.50



(Book early to avoid disappointment)

Forthcoming Social Events

October

Wed 1st - Ladies Luncheon
Sat 11th - Jazz Speakeasy
Wed 22nd - Shrimper AGM & Dinner
Sat 25th - Laying Up Supper

November

Sat 1st - PYRA Prizegiving
Wed 5th - Ladies Luncheon
Sat 8th - Jazz Speakeasy
Wed 12th - XOD AGM & Dinner
Sat 15th - Parkstone Bay Class Dinner
Sat 22nd - Dolphin Class Dinner
Sat 29th - Parkstone Yacht Club
Annual Dinner & Dance

December

Wed 3rd - Ladies Luncheon
Sat 6th - Commodores Charity Coffee
Morning - 1000-1200 hrs (hosted by
Jenny Hill)
Sat 13th - Christmas Carols & Dinner
Sat 20th - Christmas Draw
Wed 24th - Christmas Buffet & Drinks
Fri - 26th - Cruiser Boxing Day Race
Sat 27th - Commodores Youth
Challenge
Mon 29th - Childrens Christmas Party
Wed 31st - New Years Eve Party

Quiz Night Every Monday throughout the Winter

October sees the return of the general knowledge quiz. Questions, covering popular culture, politics, science, history, geography and sport, plus a picture quiz. There is something for every one.

The recent 'charity curtain raiser' attracted 85 members and was enjoyed by all, so get up a team or just turn up and join in. 20.00hrs in the clubhouse. £1 per person (Max 6 to a team)

SPEAKEASY MUSIC EVENINGS



Enjoy relaxing acoustic and jazz style entertainment in a cafe setting, or dine with delicious a la carte cuisine on Sept 27, Oct 11 & Nov 8th (all Saturdays).

CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Santa Claus & Childrens Entertainer have arranged to visit Parkstone Yacht Club on Monday 29th December at 3.00pm. A notice will go up in the Clubhouse inviting all those children (3 to 8 yrs) who wish to meet Santa to put their names down on the notice as from 12th December in the Clubhouse.



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