

THE GOLDEN PIRANHA

Summer

July, 2007

COMMODORE'S REPORT

I hope everybody is having a good summer despite the weather. We are still negotiating with the builders, ROK, over the unsatisfactory state of the veranda, and have contracted our Chartered Surveyor to review and report on this matter. We now seem to be starting to make progress.



New Club Tie

We have recently put in an order for new Club ties based on the striped design, but a modern width and made out of silk. They will be available from the Office shortly and will cost £15.50 each if you would like to order one.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind members of their responsibilities to each other, and our neighbours.

Firstly we have an informal one way traffic system, up Elms Avenue and down Pearce Avenue, which was agreed with our neighbours some time ago. I would be grateful if members could observe this.

Secondly we have had a number of instances of petty thieving on the premises. Our CCTV system helps but does not pick up everything, and I would ask everybody to be aware. The assets of the Club belong to us all, and if stolen or damaged it costs us all money. Members' assets are also important and it is extremely frustrating to come down to race, only to find a vital component has been "borrowed".

Thirdly please think of others if you are moving cars or boats around in the yard. There is a speed limit and cars are expected to give way to pedestrians, not the other way round. Trying to launch boats from trailers when the dinghy fleet is launching is never a good idea, but if you really want to be unpopular, try blocking up the slipway at the week end and scrub the bottom of your boat!

Poole Week in its 60th year will soon be here so please get your entries in.

Club Debentures

The General Committee has decided that members in the debenture draw for 31st December 2007, may retain their debentures if they wish. Any members wishing to redeem their debentures need to return the certificates to the Club, but if you wish to hold your debentures you need to do nothing. It was also agreed that no draw would take place for 2008. Of course, any members wanting their debentures money back can obtain it subject to giving 4 months notice as previously.

Any member wanting new debentures can still buy Club debentures, which are essentially on the same terms as the existing Debentures.

If you are interested, please see Hannah or Martin.

Jon Hicks - Hon Treasurer

BINOCULARS



An expensive pair of binoculars has been given to the club. They have already been slightly damaged by a youth member swinging on them. Reluctantly we have to say that no members under the age of 17 are permitted to use them. Mums and Dads please keep an eye on your children.

BYE LAW AMENDMENT: 5.6.2

The following byelaw has been amended by the General Committee at their meeting held on 17th July, 2007.

5.6.2 The General Manager shall, after fixing a warning notice to any boat or gear not properly marked and allowing a reasonable interval of time for compliance with this Bye-Law, remove the boat or gear to another part of the yard without notice and any boat or gear so removed shall not be moved back to its former position until this Bye-Law has been complied with and any penalty authorised by the General Committee or outstanding charges paid. The Committee may authorise the General Manager to sell or dispose of any such boat or gear if unclaimed for a period of more than **3 months**.

Explanation: Regular problems have been experienced with boats and trailers being left unused in the yard with members not identifying their boats and trailers, and thus cluttering up the yard.

The General Committee believes by reducing the time limit from **six months to three months** will encourage the membership in either booking in their boats and trailers or removing them from the yard. Vacating unauthorised boats and trailers will create more space for the membership. Also the old 6 months rule fitted in with the Sailing season so by the time action could be taken the boat was back on the trailer/dinghy or removed, making the original byelaw difficult to enforce.

This amendment takes immediate effect from 18th July 2007.

Bill Law - Commodore



Honda Youth RIB Challenge - Southern regional finals.

This means we have 2 PYC youth members, Hannah Glatzel and Jammie Edwards, in the finals that will be held at the Southampton Boat Show. Winner in each age group at that event wins a RIB for their club.

Thanks this year to Tony Edwards for organising the training and getting the kids to the event



Recycling Bin

You may have noticed a large green recycling bin at the entrance to the Haven. If you are a Poole resident, anything you put in your domestic blue bin can go in this bin. For non Poole residents please read the signs that tell you what can go in. Unfortunately no plastic bags.

Exit Gate

Please do not park too close to the exit gate as this can prevent the sensor seeing other cars who are trying to leave the club

Deep Water Slipway

Members who haul out their own boats for a wash or scrub – please consider the timing so that you do not interfere with dinghies launching.

FOR SALE

Two shower block 9' x 24' Portacabins. Very good condition, 9 years old regularly maintained. Ladies & Gents fitted with 4 electric showers, urinals, 3 WC's and 2 Hand basins. Available from Mid September 2007. If you are interested please write to the General Manager, Parkstone Yacht Club.



CLUB SAILING 2008

For the 2008 season, dinghy storage will include a race entry fee for all boats stored in the yard.

This is to stop the confusion surrounding race entries.

Martin Pearson - Hon Sailing Sec.



60TH POOLE WEEK 2007

Points racing will be Sunday to Friday inclusive (6 races). The first race on Thursday is the TBS Rugby Shirt race.

DON'T FORGET THERE IS A SURCHARGE ON THE ENTRY FEE AS FROM 11TH AUGUST UNTIL 5PM ON SATURDAY 18TH AUGUST. ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS TIME.

Come and make it a week to remember.

YOUTH WEEK - 2007

With good sailing breezes all week, we were off to a cracking start and the racing is still on schedule. Social events and sailing had not been dampened by the weather. With a 150 boats and nearly 200 competitors the event continues to be excellently supported.

This year we have a Bosun, Nick Jackson, acting as point of contact for the Club. We are very grateful to him and the Club team for the superb job they are doing in managing the rescue boat fleet kit, catering/bar and office.

Our special thanks goes to Louise Reid for all the organisation she has done, before and during the week.



Pirates attacked the club during youth week. They will be back on the beach at Sandbanks on 2, 3, 16 and 17 August promoting recycling. Youth members – come along and be kidnapped.

Forthcoming Social Events

July

Sat 28th - Club BBQ - 1700-2030

August

Poole Week & RS400 Nationals

Sun 19th - Welcome Reception - 1900

Mon 20th - Quiz Night - 2000

Tue 21st - Game Night - Cruiser Shed - 1700-2100

Wed 22nd - Wayfarer Dinner 1900 Disco - 2100

Thurs 23rd - RS400-Boat Trip - 1830

Fri 24th - Prizegiving 18.30

BBQ - 1830-2130

Fireworks 2100

Band - Mission Impossible

September

Sun 9th - Fishing Competition - 0900 - 1700

12th - 16th - J24 Nationals

Sat 22nd - Sun 23rd - Cadet Open

Sun 23rd - Merlin Rocket Open

Provisional Sailing Dates 2008

May

3rd-5th - Dart 18 National

June

21st & 22nd - Laser 4.7 Open Ladder Event

August

23rd-29th - Poole Week & Wayfarer Nationals

COMBINED YACHT CLUBS OF POOLE CRUISER REGATTA - 2008

LATE MAY BANK HOLIDAY

THIS EVENT HAS NOW ATTRACED SUBSTANTIAL ADDITIONAL SPONSORSHIP FROM INTERNATIONAL PAINTS.

MAKE SURE YOU KEEP THE WEEKEND FREE.

NOTICE OF RACE WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM JANUARY.



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