

# ROYAL LYMINGTON YACHT CLUB

## INFORMATION SHEET 15

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### NEW MEMBERS' LIST

Enclosed is the up to date Members' List which has been prepared at no cost to members of the Club, but from the income received from the advertisements. It is hoped that members will support those who have advertised in the Members' List when the opportunity occurs.

### DREDGING

The Harbour Commissioners are dredging the area of the Fortuna Dock and the adjacent moorings to the East. The dredging is due to start in December. At the same time the Club intends to dredge the area of our pontoons. This will mean that the pontoons will have to be removed and there will therefore be no moorings available for dinghies or cruisers during the winter months. It is likely that the pontoons will be removed in January and will probably not be back in position until March. Members are requested to remove their dinghies from the pontoon as soon as possible and certainly before the end of December. Inevitably this will cause inconvenience to members, which is regretted, but which is inevitable if we are to get the dredging, which is highly necessary, done at the least cost to members.

### USE OF PONTOON

Once again members' attention is drawn to the use of the pontoon. With the present number of members it is essential that users should show consideration to other members, ie. boats must not be left on the pontoon unattended and must never be left in the short stay berth for more than 15 minutes. At all times use of the pontoon should be limited to the shortest possible time so that other members are not inconvenienced. Members are asked not to leave dinghies afloat outside berthed yachts. Inside the pontoon please use long painters - at least 10-12 feet.

### NOTICE TO MARINERS

The summary of the Notices to Mariners covering the English Channel and French coastal regions is prepared periodically by Maj.Gen.Lloyd, and is reproduced in the Office and sold to members at 10p. per copy.

### PHOTOCOPYING FOR MEMBERS

The Club now has a Rank Xerox photocopier which is available to members at a cost of 10p. per copy when pressure in the office permits.

### INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Members are reminded that names of all guests must be entered in the Visitors Book in the Hall and that guests are not permitted to buy any drinks in the Bar or pay for meals in the Dining Room. It is embarrassing for the Steward to have to draw attention to this Rule, but unfortunately it is frequently abused.

### EVENING DRESS REGALIA

New sets of evening dress regalia are available with clips suitable for clipping on to a dinner jacket on appropriate occasions. The Commodore would like all full members to wear the evening dress regalia on appropriate occasions such as the Annual Dinner. Regalia can be bought either from the office or from Mrs. Briggs.

## ANNUAL DINNER

This year's annual dinner will be held on Saturday, 18th November at 7.30 for 8 p.m. Dress Black Tie. Application form is attached. If necessary, there will be a ballot for places on the 27th October. Cost is £8.50 per head. The Guest of Honour is the Right Reverend Victor Pyke, CB,CBE,DD, Chaplain General to the Forces for a number of years and more recently Bishop of Sherborne. The Club will be closed that evening between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to enable preparations for the Dinner to be made.

## TREASURE HUNT

Dr. Nicholas Davies has offered to organise a motor treasure hunt on Boxing Day. Those interested are invited to notify the office so that they may be sent details if there is sufficient support.

## PRESENTATION OF BROOCH

Mrs. Joan Briggs has very generously presented a gold commodore's brooch to be held by the wife of the Commodore in office in perpetuity in memory of her late husband Vivian Burnett Briggs, RN, a longstanding member of the Royal Lymington Yacht Club. The Flag Officers and Committee have been pleased to accept with gratitude this superb gift.

## STEAM LAUNCH "SIOUX"

The steam launch has now been bought by a syndicate of members headed by Cdr. Graham Mann. Shares at £75 each are still available to any interested members of the Club who did not join the project at the outset.

## CHILDRENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

A Christmas Party for 5-8 year age-group who are children or grandchildren of members will be held in the Clubhouse on Thursday, 28th December from 3 - 5.30 p.m. The entertainment will be run by a professional childrens entertainer. The cost per head is £1.00. Applications to the Secretary please.

## 12 METRE CLASS YACHTS

The Club has made a proposal to the R.Y.A. that scantlings should be prepared by Lloyds to enable G.R.P. 12 metre boats to be built. If the proposal is accepted, it is hoped that in due course, G.R.P. boats may be used in the challenge for the America's Cup, but in the mean time it is thought that class sailing in this excellent design may attract some owners who are disillusioned with IOR racing and other forms of handicap racing. If there is sufficient response it might be possible for a syndicate of members to own a boat within the Club. Anyone interested should contact the Secretary.

## STAFF FUND

Although it is some time yet before Christmas, this is the last mailing with which the reminder can be passed to members about the Staff Fund. We are fortunate at the moment in having excellent staff and it is hoped that members will contribute generously to this appeal. A form is enclosed with which members may wish to send their donations.

## INSTALLATION OF GAS CENTRAL HEATING

Gas central heating **is at present** being installed in the Club and there is inevitably some inconvenience to members. This is being kept to the minimum, but it is hoped that the end product will be to the general approval of members.



## DO IT YOURSELF

Last year very useful work was done in the Clubhouse by members, following the Potter Ship. It is intended to repeat the exercise this year, so that any member prepared to help with painting, woodwork etc. is asked to notify the Secretary.

## LOTTERY

The Club Lottery is still providing very useful income and a number of items which have generally benefitted the Club have been bought from Lottery funds. These include curtains in the Dining Room and Committee Room, carpet in the Committee Room, stools in the Bar, new table cloths and table mats for the Dining Room, new set of wine carafes and a new hoist, which is being constructed, for the Bar, and a number of other projects are being investigated. The Lottery costs £2 per month and there are monthly prizes of £50, £25, £15 and three consolation prizes of £5 each. These prizes will increase if membership increases. New members are always welcome. Details from the office.

## LECTURES

Accommodation at lectures is limited and members must book in advance either by telephone direct to the office or by entering their names on the list on the Notice Board.

## SUPPERS

During the non-sailing season, ie. following the Potter Ship, the restaurant is only open in the evening for specific functions and members must book in advance. For a period this year the restaurant is also being opened on Friday evenings when a speciality menu will be served - details will be published weekly on the Notice Board.

## SHORT OFFSHORE RACES

This Club is running a series of three short offshore races next summer for IOR and non-IOR yachts on 29th/30th June, 13th/14th July and 20th/21st July. The intention is that the races will start on Friday evening and finish on Saturday evening. It is hoped that members will support this series which we believe will fill a gap in the racing programme and cater for yachtsmen who wish to take part in an overnight race and also be able to spend a relaxing day on Sunday.

## 1980 AMERICA'S CUP CHALLENGE

The Club has been invited to suggest to any members who may be interested that they may wish to co-operate in raising the necessary money to become a member of British Industry 1500 which is sponsoring the 1980 America's Cup Challenge. The minimum subscription is 1,000 guineas (£1,134 inclusive of VAT), but this can be shared between a number of interested members. Full details are available in the office. Those interested are asked to contact the Secretary.

## LETTER RACK

The letter rack in the hall is used for non-urgent mail to members. Would members please check the rack periodically and clear this mail.

## PAINTING EXHIBITION

The very successful Exhibition of Members' Paintings held during the past two years is again being held this year over the weekend of the 27th-30th October.

### DRESS

The standard of dress and general behaviour of visitors to the Club during the summer caused such concern from Members that the House Committee issued a ruling about dress in the Dining Room to remind visitors that dress appropriate to the occasion was expected. An improvement in dress has been noticeable and this has been to the general satisfaction of those who use the Dining Room in the evenings. At the same time guidance to visitors was given in a printed sheet so that they should be aware of Club Rules.

### SMOKING

Smoking in the Dining Room sometimes causes offence to other Members who are dining. In particular some pipes are found offensive. The Committee do not wish to interfere with Members enjoyment by prohibiting smoking in the Dining Room, but they have ruled against pipe smoking.

### REMOVAL OF PERIODICALS

Regrettably periodicals are still being removed from the Library. Would Members please challenge anyone seen removing periodicals from the Library and inform the Secretary or Steward.

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