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SUBSCRIPTIONS

With this mailing is a reminder to those who have not paid their subscription or have done so at the wrong rate. Please deal with this urgently, because the names of those whose subscriptions are still outstanding on the 1st March will be posted on the Club Notice Board.

FUN RACING

The meeting to discuss fun racing was held as scheduled in January. The concensus of opinion at the meeting was that single day events on Sundays were preferred and the exact form of each event would be discussed and publicised. The destinations and dates provisionally are:-

1st June Beaulieu River
13th July Newtown
31st August Wootton Creek

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The aim will be to have some turning marks, have some type of seamanship exercise en route and to arrive at about midday returning after lunch. Starting times would be about 10 a.m. from the Platform. Those interested are invited to contact the Office and to suggest how they would like the days organised. The name suggested has been "cruiser competitions".

It was also suggested that more informal "meets" should be held. If those interested would let the office know of their availability, then some additional meets might be organised. These of course would involve staying overnight at destinations such as Studland, Christchurch or Bembridge.

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On occasions such as supper dances, it would improve service if

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members ordered wine in advance from the Steward. This would reduce the congestion in the Bar.

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To save postage, local mail is often placed in the letter rack in the hall. Please check your pigeon hole when you visit the Club.

DINGHY PARK AND PONTOON RENTALS

These are now due and this year's rates are:

Dinghy Park (under 17') £17.50 (over 17') By negotiation

Pontoon and Rack (under 10') £6.00 (over 10') £12.00

COOKING AT SEA

This lecture by Mrs. Kitty Hampton is on Saturday 23rd February at 8 p.m. preceded by supper at 6.45 p.m. Please book in the office.

ROYAL LYMINGTON CUP AND AMERICAS CUP

Enclosed with this mailing is a notice about the film and discussion period on 1st March, so do try to come if you are able as these events provide unique interest.

MIRROR CRUISE AND CAMP - NEWTOWN

This has been arranged for Monday 1st September-4th September inclusive. It is again being organised by Cdr.Graham Mann. This year it is thought best that individual arrangements for both escorting the dinghies across the Solent and feeding the children at Newtown are made by those parents owning a larger boat and who are parpared to "mother" two Mirror dinghies each (4 children) - the only "communal" feeding arrangements would be the provision of a fire for a barbecue on the shore on the Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Camping ashore with the children would be optional. The camp-

site has been reserved for up to 16 tents (the maximum allowed). Any parents who wish their charges to be supervised at night ashore, would need to make their own arrangements, possibly in conjunction with other parents - it is hoped to make one large tent available for 4 adults.

The toilet facilities as provided in previous years, will again be made available.

Games and competitions - both ashore and afloat - will be organised and a small charge per head will be made to cover all expenses. It is intended that the cruise will be geared towards children under 17, but that the minimum age for camping and dinghy sailing should be 11. Anyone younger than this would clearly need much greater supervision and would possibly be happier living on board a mother ship. A notice will shortly be placed in the Slipway Lounge and those interested are asked to enter their names on this list.

SAILING FOR THE YOUNG

In addition to the Mirror Cruise mentioned above, it is intended that regular sailing for Lasers and other dinghy classes will be arranged each Thursday morning from 1030 hrs at the Clubhouse. Facilities also exist at Keyhaven and Keyhaven Yacht Club have been kind enough to invite junior members of this Club to join in with their members in sailing activities. There is also to be a lecture programme at Keyhaven, and if spaces are available, our junior members would also be welcome to attend. The L.T.S.C. have also invited our members to take part in their dinghy races.

COMMUTING TO COWES

The "X" Class intend to hire a boat to commute daily to Cowes during Cowes Week this year. They will, however, require a minimum number of people to justify hiring a particular craft. The cost is likely to be £3 a day and anyone interested is asked to let the office know as soon as possible.

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PRESENTATION OF BROOCH TO PRINCESS ANNE

A photograph of the Club Burgee Brooch which was presented to Princess Anne at the Cruising Dinner is on display on the Club Notice Board.

WHIT SUNDAY/SPRING BANK HOLIDAY - 25TH MAY

The Le Havre Yacht Club are being entertained on this date to repay the very generous hospitality our members have received at our bi-annual visit in recent years. It is regretted that the Dining Room will not be open for lunch to Members other than those acting as hosts.

TENDERS MOORED AT THE PONTOON

Members are reminded that they are responsible for the safety of their tenders moored at the Club Pontoon. Although the Boatman and his Assistant keep a watchful eye, they cannot be responsible for the adequacy or otherwise of mooring lines. Unfortunately when a blow occurs these inadequacies show and damage has recently been caused to other boats by dinghies whose painters worked loose.

MOUNTBATTEN OF BURMA LIFEBOAT APPEAL

The Executive Committee wish to bring to your favourable attention the "Mountbatten of Burma Lifeboat Appeal" letter which is enclosed.

NEW MEMBERS PARTY

The next New Members Party is at 6.30 p.m. on Saturday, 8th March. These parties are open to ALL members.

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