

ROYAL LYMINGTON YACHT CLUB

INFORMATION SHEET 21

7.10.80

Enclosed with the Information Sheet are:-

- (a) The Winter Programme 1980-81
- (b) A Banker's Order covering your new rate of subscription effective from 1st January 1981
- (c) Application form for the Annual Dinner
- (d) Staff Fund slip

This has been included because this is the last mailing to Members before Christmas. The Staff Fund is shared between the Steward and Bar Staff the Boatman and Assistant, The Assistant Secretaries, the Cleaners and the Caterer and his Staff. It is hoped that Members will contribute generously.

CADIZ & QUAINS CUPS

Closing date for submission of the logs for the above competitions is the 30th January 1981. The factors which will be taken into account by the Judges are:-

- (a) Merit of the cruise, taking into account the type of yacht, time available, weather conditions and strength of crew
- (b) Seamanship
- (c) Pilotage and navigation, including navigation aids
- (d) Presentation and content of log and track chart

The Quains Cup is awarded for cruises of under three weeks in length and the Cadiz Cup for cruises of any length. In addition, the award of a lentune pen may be made for the best account of a cruise by a family or junior member under the age of 15. The Judges will pay particular attention in the way in which such accounts are presented and illustrated.

PAINTING EXHIBITION

This year this popular event will be held on 7th, 8th and 9th November. As usual 20% of the proceeds will be donated to the RNLI. Entries should be delivered to the Club after midday on Wednesday 5th November, and before Thursday midday. Unsold paintings should be picked up on Monday 10th November.

PROPOSING & SECONDING CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION

The present membership of the Club is over 3000 and the Committee do not wish this figure to grow significantly. Quarterly elections of members have therefore been introduced against a quota on each occasion.

It is therefore most important that proposers and seconders do all in their power to ensure that the Committee are provided with all relevant information about Candidates to secure their successful election. Many Proposers have, in the past, written inadequate letters of recommendation; the membership proposal form has been carelessly completed; and little has been done to ensure that sufficient committee members are prepared to support the proposal. Election is now by no means automatic, so please help the Committee by providing adequate information.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Members are asked to comply with the Rules of the Club and ensure that the names of their guests are entered in the Visitors' Book; that guests do not buy drinks or remain on the premises without their hosts and that the same guest is not introduced more than 6 times by any member in one year.

VHF RADIOS

The Club possesses two Seavoice VHF sets and 3 hand-sets. Unfortunately, they suffer from a good deal of unserviceability and it would be of great help if a member, knowledgeable in these matters, was prepared to supervise their servicing and instruct users.

Any members suitably qualified and interested are asked to let the Secretary have their names.

DINGHIES ON CLUB PONTOON

The pressure on the available space on the Club Pontoon continues to increase. Those that have need of dinghies and pay their rental are asked to ensure that their painters are at least 10 feet long and that dinghies are not concentrated at the end of each pontoon finger. Hard dinghies should also be provided with reasonable fenders to avoid damage to others.

RIVER DISCIPLINE

Members are reminded that the following Bye-Laws exist:-

"Sailing vessels must not make use of the deep water channel in such a way to cause obstruction to the larger mechanically propelled vessels using the harbour". What constitutes 'larger mechanically propelled vessels' is a matter of interpretation, but those sailing in the river should be aware that power will not necessarily give way to sail. In addition, those sailing should be aware of the difficulties faced by large mechanically propelled vessels of any kind manoeuvring in the river.

DO IT YOURSELF

A vast amount of work is done by members in the Club, particularly during the winter months and this saves the Club a considerable amount of money in dealing with decoration and running repairs. Handimen are asked to notify the Secretary of their availability and their speciality. The do-it-yourself programme is co-ordinated by Brig. Becher.

LOTTERY

The Club Lottery is still a most useful source of funds to buy those items which are desirable rather

than essential. The subscription is £2 per month and the monthly prizes amount to a 1st Prize of £50, 2nd Prize of £25, 3rd Prize of £15 and 3 consolation prizes of £5 each. Those wishing to enter the Lottery are invited to contact the Secretary.

CHILDREN'S PARTY

The Children's Party is to be held this year on Monday 29th December 1980. Age bracket is 5-9 years.

TEENAGE PARTY

A Teenage Party with discotheque will be held on Thursday 18th December at 7.30 pm and will continue until 11 pm.

ANNUAL DINNER

The Annual Dinner is to be held this year on Saturday, 15th November at 7.30 for 8 pm. The dress will be Black Tie and attendance is limited to Members only. The Guests of Honour are the Commodore of the Royal Cruising Club, Jonathon Trafford, and Mrs. Trafford. This is the Royal Cruising Club's Centenary Year.

Tickets are £12.50 each, which includes sherry, wine with Dinner and port. Please complete the application form enclosed and return with your cheque to the Secretary as soon as possible. A draw for places will, if necessary, be made on Friday, 31st October 1980. Cheques will not be paid into the Club's account until the outcome of the draw is known. The cheques of those who are unsuccessful in the draw will be destroyed. No applications will be accepted without an application form.