ROYAL LYMINGTON YACHT CLUB

INFORMATION SHEET 37

The Annual General Meeting 1986

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting are included with this mailing. Members will wish to note that the resolutions adopted at the meeting were those set out in the Agenda Notice circulated in January, covering subscriptions and the alteration of Rule 15(h) to increase the qualifying membership period to 25 years and to reduce the qualifying age to 60. In addition the following resolution was adopted:

"The Annual General Meeting, taking note of the present pressure on Club facilities and of the ever-growing number of candidates for membership, endorses the existing policy of the Executive Committee which aims to keep the numbers of full members broadly at its present level, taking one year with another."

The policy of the Executive Committee remains unchanged from that notified to Members with the mailing of January 1986.

The resolutions put forward under Rule 10c and subsequently rejected by the Annual General Meeting may be inspected in the Secretary's office.

The Old Sail Loft

The refurbished Old Sail Loft is now open and available for use by Members. Pictures are being collected and hung, and the Club Archivist, Jan Brice (who is always glad of additional gifts of historical records, documents or photographs) has arranged some of her collection of memorabilia for viewing by members.

Unfortunately, the room has suffered damage at the hands of unsupervised small children, who have used it as a playroom. It is therefore locked over lunch time at weekends, but a key is available from the Boatman.

WESTERLY ROYAL LYMINGTON CUP

The 1986 Royal Lymington Cup Match Race Championship is again to be sponsored by Westerly Yachts Ltd., with several of their suppliers as co-sponsors. This year the event will take place in midweek, on 13th - 16th May, with the Crebbin Cup Competition proceeding it over the weekend of 10th and 11th May. The event will be an important part of their work-up for several America's Cup Syndicates.

The Helmsmen who have accepted invitations are:-

Gordon Lucas Australia Australia Iain Murray New Zealand Chris Dickson Canada Terry McLaughlin Stefano Roberti Italy Gary Jobson USA Jörn Bock Germany ChrisLaw UK Eddie Warden Owen UK

The winner of the Crebbin Cup will also be invited to compete.

22 young helmsmen have applied for a place in the Crebbin Cup Competition. The six selections will be made in early March.

Round The Island by Sail and Power

Owners of auxiliary cruisers are reminded that this year's Sail and Power competition will take place on July 12th.

The list of previous winners, indicates that this is an event in which almost every type of auxiliary cruiser, with or without spinnaker, can compete with a reasonable chance of success.

Members who have entered in previous years have often found this event to be more interesting and enjoyable than they had anticipated, and tend to re-enter year after year. Those who have never tried it may be missing something they would enjoy. So, cruiser owners, why not have a go this year.

Copying of Members' Papers

Members often call at the Club with private papers they wish to reproduce on the office copier, and the practice has been growing. This unfortunately disrupts the work of the office staff, who are already hard pressed to cope with the routine needs of the Club. It has therefore been decided, with regret, that the staff should no longer accept requests for private copying.

Members are recommended to Messrs:

MATCOM, 1, Navarino Court, (opposite Tesco) Lymington, (tel. 77744)

who are equipped to cope with work of this nature.

The Club Pontoon

A sub-committee of the Sailing Committee has been considering how to achieve better utilization of the Club Pontoon. As a step towards this we need to know which of the dinghies currently occupying pontoon space are derelicts.

Members who have applied to keep dinghies on the pontoon have all been sent registration discs and these must be fixed to the dinghy to show that it is in use. At the end of March, all dinghies not displaying a disc will be removed from the pontoon for disposal.

The co-operation of Members is requested in this attempt to reduce congestion on the pontoon.

Club Lottery

Only one adult member in eight currently takes part in the Club Lottery - yet the lottery fund is already a valuable source of Club funds, enabling us to purchase equipment we could not otherwise afford, such as the Zodiac tender and the crane.

The subscription is only £2.00 per month, or $6\frac{1}{2}p$, per day, and every month every subscription has an equal chance to win one of the six prizes of up to £100.

All you need to do is to complete a Banker's Order form for £2.00 monthly, or £24.00 yearly, to be in with the same chance as every other subscriber, and the Club benefits from the profits with better facilities.

The Lottery Fund is under the control of Mr. W.P. Andreae-Jones QC.

Computer Development

We need to develop the Office Computer to take over more of the routine office tasks. If you are an expert in computer management and could be available and willing to take part in the work of defining objectives and developing capabilities, and would be prepared to help the Club in an honorary capacity, the Secretary would like to hear from you.

Summer Catering Hours

From mid-July to the end of August the Dining Room will be open every evening for à la carte suppers.

It is proposed to open a River Room Buffet on Friday and Saturday evenings during this period.

Club Barbeque

The Club Barbeque will be held on Saturday, 19th July at Thorns Beach, again thanks to the kind permission of Mrs Helen Tew.

Summer Ball

The Summer Ball will be on 21st June. Tickets will be on sale from 21st May.

11th March, 1986