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SUBSCRIPTIONS

The first check of subscriptions paid on the 1st January reveals that about 400 Members have either not paid their subscription or have paid at the wrong rate. As far as possible, reminders are enclosed with this mailing. Members are particularly asked to deal with this matter of subscriptions quickly to avoid the heavy cost of postage involved in constant reminders.

DINGHY PARK AND PONTOON RENTALS

These are now due, and should be paid to the Secretary as soon as possible. The charges this year are as follows:-

Dinghy Park	up to 18' - £9 per annum
	over 18' - 50p. per foot per annum
Dinghy Pontoon	up to 10' - £3.50 per annum
	over 10' - £7 per annum
Lockers	£1.50 per annum

LECTURE

On Saturday, 6th March, Mr. Maldwin Drummond, JP, the well known authority on Solent affairs generally, is giving his lecture on the Sail Training Association, which he was unable to give in January due to illness. He will be prepared to widen the scope of the discussion during the question period to deal with all aspects of Solent affairs.

It is hoped that there will be good support from Members despite the short notice.

STAFF FUND

As agreed at the Annual General Meeting, changes are being made in the way in which contributions are made to the Staff Fund to avoid the sums distributed to the Staff being liable to tax.

Members may wish to know that the Staff Fund is shared between the Catering Staff, the Steward and Bar Staff, the Boatman and his Assistant, the Cleaners and the Assistant Secretaries. It is normal Club policy that no gratuities should be given to the Staff at other times and Members are invited to respect this convention.

The Staff who have benefitted from the Staff Fund wish to thank Members for their generous contributions.

CONGRESSIONAL CUP

On the 13th and 14th March, the Club is running the second of the Congressional Cup Series. This type of competition was originally run in America and this is the reason for the series being called the Congressional Cup Series.

Twelve of the most prominent helmsmen in the country are taking part and will all be sailing identically equipped Contessa 32's. The series is run on lines of an American tennis tournament with the helmsmen competing against each other. Each race consists of 2 boats and the starts are at 5 minute intervals throughout both days. It is one of the few yacht races which produces spectator appeal so that it is hoped that Members will take the opportunity to watch the series which will take place in the Solent in the vicinity of Lymington Spit. The courses consist of a windward leg of about 1 mile to a specially laid mark and then a run back to a leeward mark and a final beat back to the starting line.

Various firms have given financial and material support and of course, the owners of the boats have been most generous in allowing their boats to be used in this series. The boats and helmsmen who are taking part are as follows:-

Yachtsmen who have lent themselves and their yachts:

Rodney Barton	Roulette	Torben Nielson	Flicka
Adrian Bevis	Mylena	Philip Pollock	Eclectic
P.J. Cope	Paya Lang	Ian Scott	Longay
P.C. Hawker	Belерion	Mike Steveni	Czar
Arne Koch	Saga	Roy Taylor	Blue Heron
Richard Lowell	Moon Girl	Peter Wilson	Dragoon

Helmsmen who ~~are taking~~ part:

Robin Aisher	Tubby Lee
Bruce Banks	David May
Philip Crebbin	Peter Nicholson
Chris Dunning	John Prentice
Jack Knights	Arthur Slater
George Stead	

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Members are reminded that the names of all guests invited into the Clubhouse must be entered in the Visitors Book and Guests are not permitted to buy drinks nor to remain on the Club premises without their host being present. Furthermore, the same Guest may not be introduced by any Member or Members more than 6 times in any year.

These rules apply to guests introduced into the Club after sailing events as well as on normal occasions.

CADIZ AND QUAINS CUP

Despite the large amount of cruising done by Members during the magnificent summer of 1975, we have received only two entries for these competitions so far. The closing date for entries has been extended until 31st March - so more entries please!

PAYMENT FOR TICKETS

After each event where tickets are required, the Office Staff have to chase a number of Members who do not settle their account before the event. This is time consuming and expensive, and Members are asked please to pay for their tickets before the event.

FITTING OUT PARTY

This in on the 3rd April and tickets at £1.75 (including table d'hote meal and informal dance) are now available in the Office.

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