



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Monday 7th December 2020

Our thanks to Harvey Woolley for this amusing painting, which came second in our recent competition. Titled "Solitary in the Sunset"

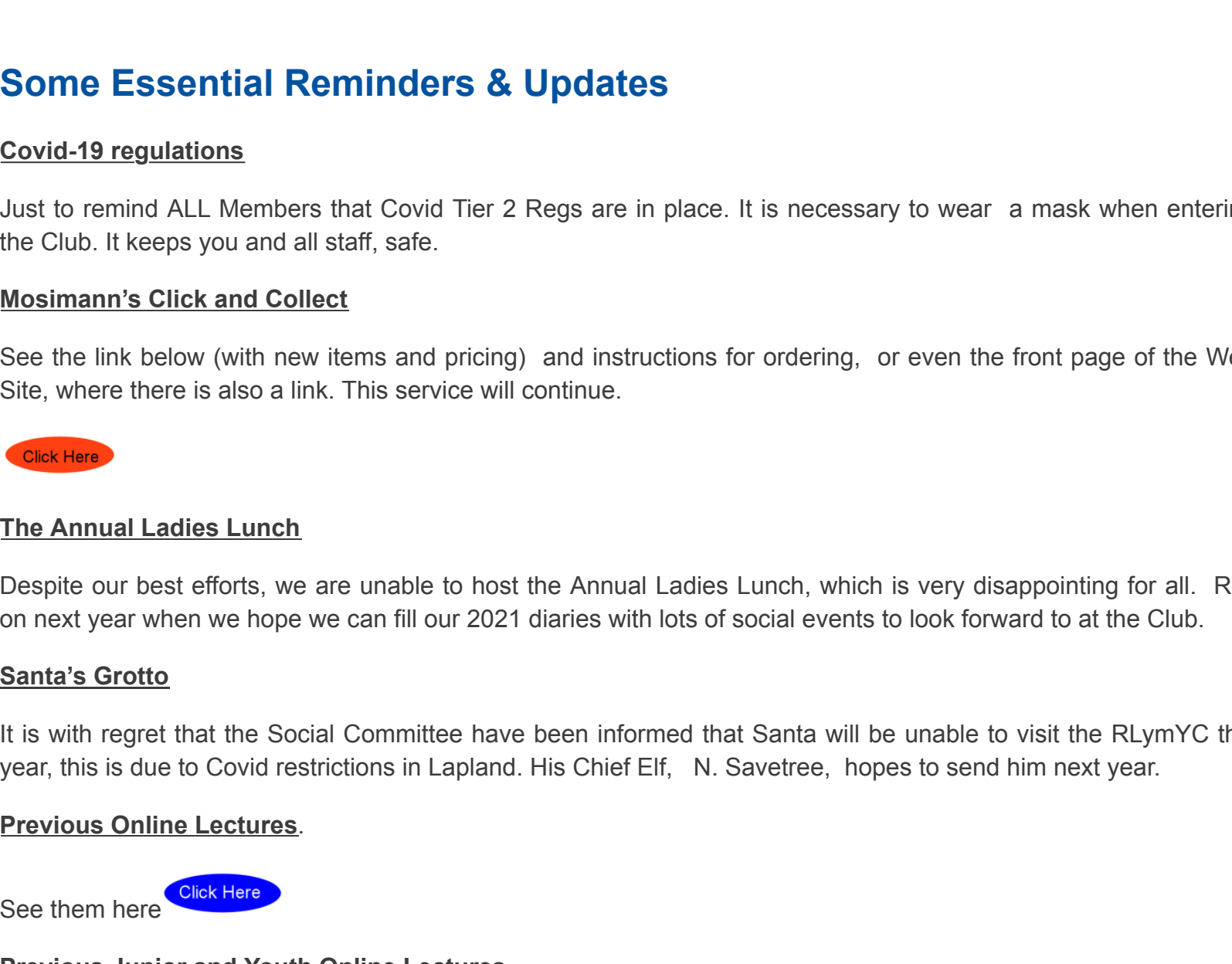
The Club is currently open under Tier 2 regs. Feel free to visit and enjoy. Details on the web site.

Coming up in this week's edition:

- Racing Plans for 2021
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Thanks, Team RLYMYC.

Racing Plans for 2021



Thanks to the efforts of Andrew and Sarah Richards, we are able to run the Peter Andrew Trophy regatta for Club members under age 21 on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December. Full details are on the Club website (see <https://rlmyc.org.uk/Events/Andrews>). Online entry is via Webcollect and entries, £5 per boat, close on 20<sup>th</sup> December. For this regatta, the racing will be held in Teras for the younger and smaller helms. The older sailors will compete in Scows and will be permitted to take a crew who is under 21 from their household if they wish. Cash prizes will be awarded. The event will be run using a Round Robin league system with a final comprising 1, 2, or 3 final races depending on the time available.

Following discussions with the Royal Solent Yacht Club, both Clubs have now decided that it will be impossible to run the popular Needles Relief Regatta scheduled for Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2020. The Royal Solent, in Tier 1 of the Coronavirus restrictions, cannot accommodate visiting sailors onshore and the RNLI cannot offer its usual rescue display on the grounds of cost. Since much of the fun of this race includes the aftermath in Yarmouth, the two Clubs have decided not to run the event even in a cut down format this year.

For more information regarding the Penguin Trophy, the Spring series and the model boat trophies. [Click Here](#)

Some Essential Reminders & Updates

Covid-19 regulations

Just to remind ALL Members that Covid Tier 2 Regs are in place. It is necessary to wear a mask when entering the Club. It keeps you and all staff, safe.

Mosimann's Click and Collect

See the link below (with new items and pricing) and instructions for ordering, or even the front page of the Web Site, where there is also a link. This service will continue.

[Click Here](#)

The Annual Ladies Lunch

Despite our best efforts, we are unable to host the Annual Ladies Lunch, which is very disappointing for all. Roll on next year when we hope we can fill our 2021 diaries with lots of social events to look forward to at the Club.

Santa's Grotto

It is with regret that the Social Committee have been informed that Santa will be unable to visit the RLYMYC this year, this is due to Covid restrictions in Lapland. His Chief Elf, N. Savetree, hopes to send him next year.

Previous Online Lectures.

See them here [Click Here](#)

Previous Junior and Youth Online Lectures

See them here [Click Here](#)

Book Club

Next meeting 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 15.30 <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/838921179407>  
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Further details are here [Click Here](#)

The Slipway

Don't forget the rules around the slipway. We do not want to persuade the HM to close it.

Christmas Decs up

Note this new time and date – We take them all down again 5<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2021 at 09.30. Interested in Volunteering? contact [gillian@rlmyc.org.uk](mailto:gillian@rlmyc.org.uk)

The Staff Christmas Fund



I would like to thank all those Members who have already generously donated to the Staff Christmas Fund and remind others that they can still donate, thus maximising the amount that may be distributed to the staff before Christmas.

Donations can be made through the Pay Now facility in the Member Central section of the Club website <https://www.rlymyc.co.uk/RLMYC/Pay/Single> or alternatively by cheque, payable to 'Royal Lymington Yacht Club'. If paying by cheque please indicate that it is for the Staff Christmas Fund.

Many thanks,

Roger Garlick

Commodore

Needles Relief - Last cruise of the year



Saturday 12 December was in the Cruising Division's calendar as Needles Relief - but the traditional links with RNLI and the Royal Solent aren't available this year.

Nevertheless, Yarmouth Harbour is open for day visitors and they are keen to see as many boats as we can muster. Sailors will be arriving between 11.30 and 12 noon, and self-catering when they arrive. We have 10 boats indicating interest so far, but we'd love to see more - disappointed racers very welcome.

If you want to join us please email [george0104@gmail.com](mailto:george0104@gmail.com), or send a message on WhatsApp to 07601 414517. Detailed instructions will follow.

We'll see you there.

George Trevelyan Late Again

Captain of Cruising

Staff Announcement

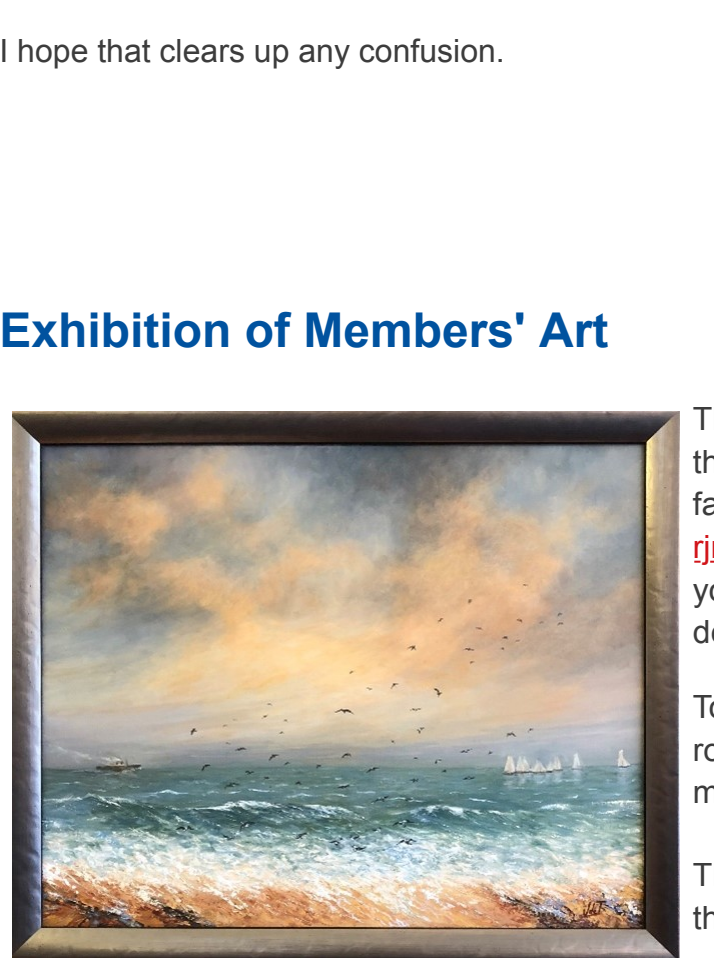
On behalf of the Flag Officers, General Committee and Club Members, I would like to wish Kerry Friday, General Manager Finance and Admin, all the very best in her future endeavours.

Kerry's role terminated on the 30<sup>th</sup> November and we acknowledge her efforts and thank her for her commitment throughout the last 13 years of working at the Club.

John Tudor

Vice Commodore

Youth Sailors of the Year



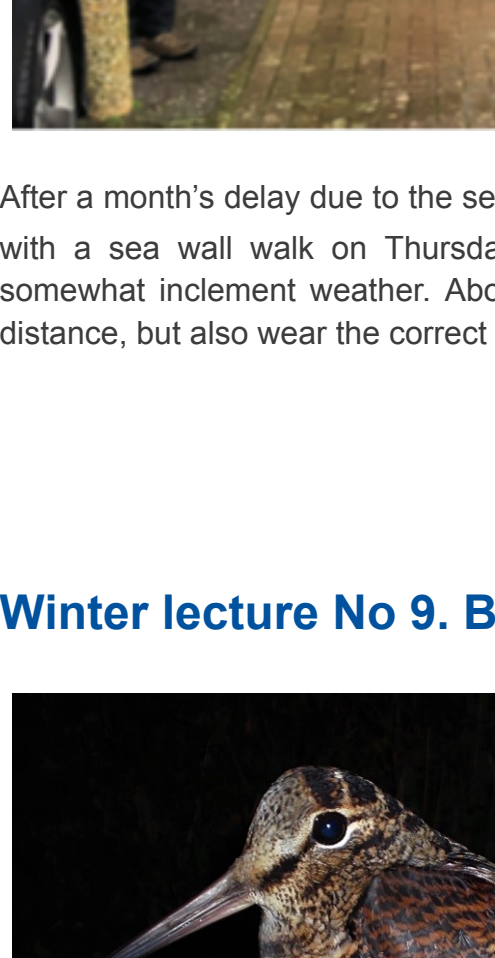
In the competition mentioned previously in this newsletter, where we urged you to vote for our sailors, our Opple sailor Santi Sesto-Crosby has been voted runner up for 2020. A very well earned distinction in difficult times. The winner was 420 sailor Bettine Harris from Bristol Corinthian YC. Santi was closely followed by Aero sailor Tim Hire, also an RLYMYC member.

Santi was well positioned to win the Oplee Worlds this year, but Covid intervened. Nevertheless he went abroad and won the Nations Cup at Lake Garda, and had a podium position in Slovenia at the European Championships.

In 2019 we also had runners up in 420 sailors Vita Heathcote and Charlotte Boyle. Vita has now launched an Olympic 470 campaign for 2024

Max & Jeremy Vines

Club Christmas Help



The Club are keen to ensure that Members have a happy time this Christmas though we recognise it may not be the normal Christmas celebration that would have been expected 12 months ago. Families may not be able to get together, which may leave people without the normal support and company that would be expected.

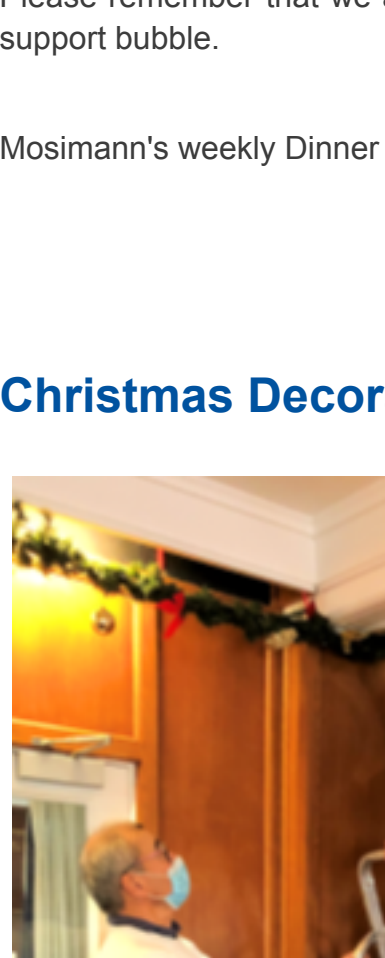
The Club is here to support its Members and we would ask that if you need a little help this year with shopping, or would like a phone call or a socially distanced visit, please contact the Club by phone or by email [sall@rlmyc.org.uk](mailto:sall@rlmyc.org.uk) and we will pass on your details to volunteer Members who are keen to help out. More physical help is likely to be limited to the New Forest area, however phone contact and an update on Club activities can happen for any Member.

If you are willing to volunteer your help to support other Members in this way please also register this with the Club by phone or by email at [sall@rlmyc.org.uk](mailto:sall@rlmyc.org.uk)

Andrew Richards

Coordinator

Mosimann's Numbers - An Explanation



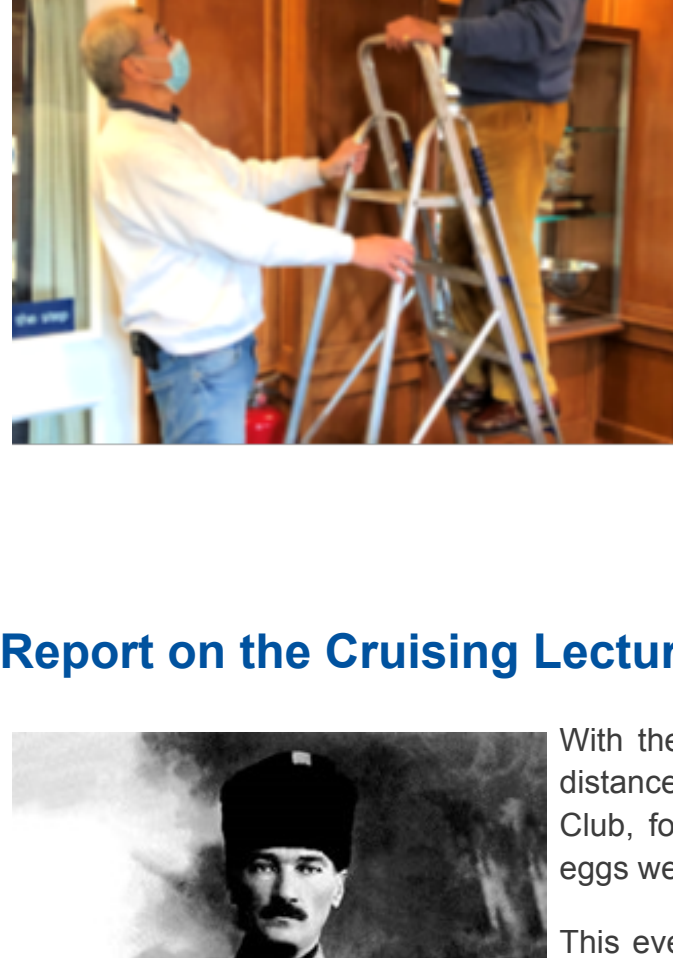
Some Members have been confused as to what is happening when we have presented them with their bills. (Who likes a bill?) The Menus at the tables (and those available on the Website) show the Member's prices and a comment to say that non-members pay a 12.5% surcharge.

When you first receive your bill for checking, accepting or querying, the prices will NOT be the Member's prices but those with the 12.5% added on. You will also have the option to add a "gratuity" at this point. The Members' discount is only applied when you pay with your card. You will then be issued a receipt with the 12.5% discount and gratuity applied and the individual item prices will match those that were specified on the Menu, and of course your Member's card will be debited.

I hope that clears up any confusion.

Mark Mosimann

Exhibition of Members' Art

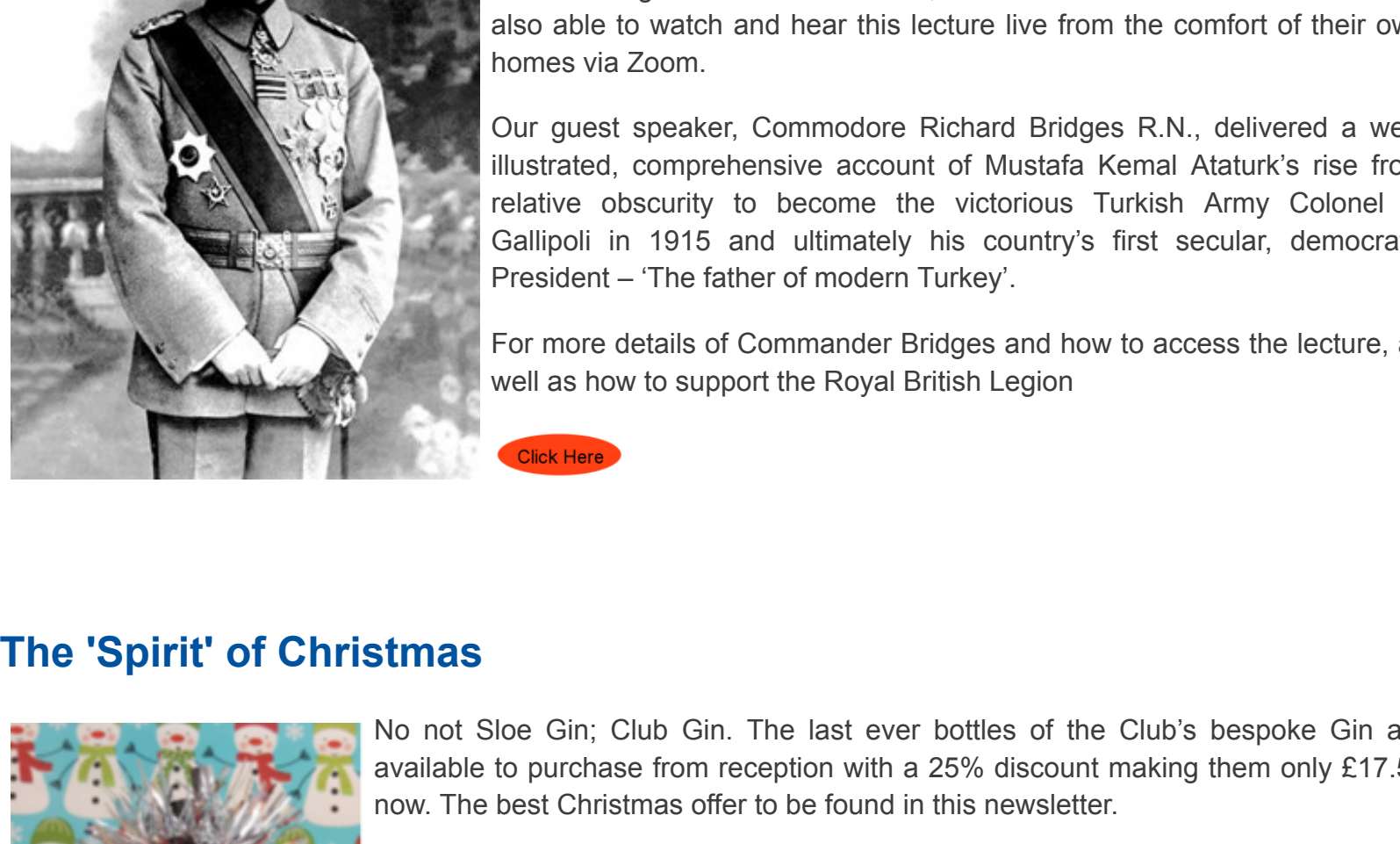


The 2020 Exhibition is now open in the Island/Needles Room at the Club. Please come and look at it. You can vote for your favourite picture by emailing [gillian@rlmyc.org.uk](mailto:gillian@rlmyc.org.uk) or [riplees@bt.com](mailto:riplees@bt.com) with the number and name of the work. If you wish to buy anything, please contact the artist directly (Artist's details are with each picture).

To view it safely, please enter by the door nearest the Bar and go round in a clockwise direction, making sure that you wear your mask at all times and maintain social distance.

The Exhibition will be open from 4<sup>th</sup> December and throughout the Christmas and New Year period whenever the Club is open.

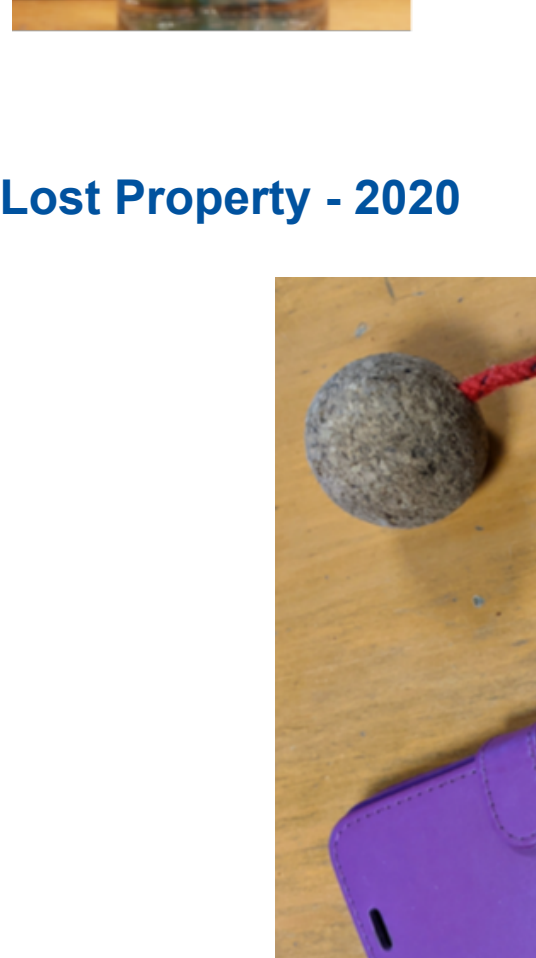
Scow Walks



After a month's delay due to the second lockdown, the Scow Division winter walks have recommenced. We started with a sea wall walk on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Seventeen members, divided into 3 groups, braved the somewhat inclement weather. Above is a photo of six suitably clad souls proving that not only can they social distance, but also wear the correct clothing for the weather.

Frances Evans

Winter lecture No 9. Bird watching in the dark



On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 19.30 hrs we will present our guest speaker, Graham Godden. He is a freelance Lymington ornithologist who will talk about what owls, woodcock and warblers do at night - including their roosting behaviour, migration and nocturnal feeding. As a Licensed Bird Ringer, Graham is currently involved in local ringing studies of avocets, woodcock, snipe, barn owls and migrant warblers. Some of the birds he has ringed in and around Lymington have turned up as far away as Russia and South Africa. His talk will be held in the Island and Solent Rooms, where we can safely accommodate up to 30 dining members in their 'bubbles', all social distanced and in full compliance with the prevailing health guidelines.

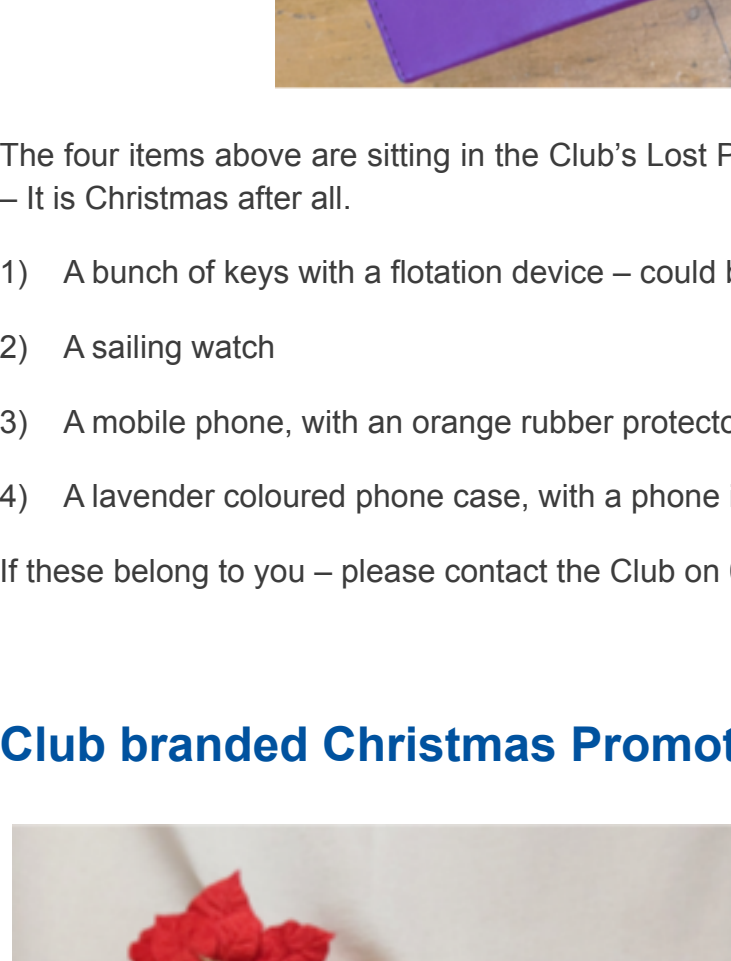
Please note that there will be no Zoom broadcast nor 'Lecture on demand' recording this week.

To book your table for a great lecture followed by a fine Mosimann's dinner please email [sall@rlmyc.org.uk](mailto:sall@rlmyc.org.uk).

Please remember that we are in Tier 2 and you can only book a table to eat with members of your household or support bubble.

Mosimann's weekly Dinner Menu will be available. [Click Here](#)

Christmas Decorations



Well what a merry band of volunteers turned up at very short notice to help put up the Christmas decorations last Tuesday. Current restrictions meant we had to limit numbers so those present had to work hard, while wearing masks, like the superheroes they are.

Very impressive to see the agility of Club Members, nimbly going up and down ladders like mountain goats, whilst following the safety guidelines to the letter. I do hope you will go and have a meal now the Club has re-opened and enjoy the food, while admiring the festive decorations and twinkly lights, it's a cheery sight indeed.

The decorations will be taken down on Tuesday 5th January 2021 and we have a few volunteers already. Please get in touch if you are interested in helping. At present we don't know how many people we will be needed as we await further government announcements.

Report on the Cruising Lecture No.8 Ataturk in History



With the lifting of Lockdown 2 just one day earlier, a select and socially distanced audience was able to enjoy last Thursday's Winter Lecture at the Club, followed by a fine and substantial Mosimann's dinner (and Scotch eggs were definitely not on the menu!).

This evening was also a Club first, when a sizeable online audience was also able to watch and hear this lecture live from the comfort of their own homes via Zoom.

Our guest speaker, Commodore Richard Bridges R.N., delivered a well-illustrated, comprehensive account of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk's rise from relative obscurity to become the victorious Turkish Army Colonel at Gallipoli in 1915 and ultimately his country's first secular, democratic President - 'The father of modern Turkey'.

For more details of Commander Bridges and how to access the lecture, as well as how to support the Royal British Legion

[Click Here](#)

The 'Spirit' of Christmas



No not Sloe Gin; Club Gin. The last ever bottles of the Club's bespoke Gin are available to purchase from reception with a 25% discount making them only £17.50 now. The best Christmas offer to be found in this newsletter.

This is the Gin used in your G & T prior to Mosimann's coming in.

Once the last one has been sold, there will be no more in the foreseeable future, so get in there quickly.

Dancing Cows Lymington Gin is the Hampshire Life Drinks Product of the Year for 2016. It is a robust, flavoursome 43% gin made with nine botanicals and then infused with hops.

Lost Property - 2020



The four items above are sitting in the Club's Lost Property box and are desperate to be reunited with their owners - It is Christmas after all.

- 1) A bunch of keys with an orange rubber keychain
- 2) A sailing watch
- 3) A mobile phone, with an orange rubber protector
- 4) A lavender coloured phone case, with a phone inside.

If these belong to you - please contact the Club on 01590672677 or [sall@rlmyc.org.uk](mailto:sall@rlmyc.org.uk)

Club branded Christmas Promotion



The following items are offered as a Christmas suggestion. They all have the Club Logo on them and should make ideal stocking fillers.

All are available in stock and buy from reception, and they are all available to view in the display cabinet opposite reception.

Club's bespoke gin (as above) £17.50

Cufflinks £25

Burgee brooch £6

Teddy £10

Notetele £4.95

Wallets £9.95

Thermos mug £10

Engraved gin glass with mini Club gin £15

Lyn Whyte,

Club Merchandise Coz

The View from the Editor's Chair

This week's newsletter is packed with good news. Sailing things are forecast to happen. Mosimann's appear to be doing well and seem well appreciated, our junior sailors are winning awards, art exhibitions are available to view, the Club looks well Christmassy after all the decorations are up, scow walks, art exhibitions are restarting and the price of Club Gin has gone down. What is not to celebrate.

There is always some ying to the yang, as we say farewell to Kerry. "Fare Well!"

There are many special Club offers available this week. I think it is the season. After last week's Jigsaw, one can feel the Christmas aspect creeping in to all of the offerings in this Newsletter.

Once again volunteers have put their heads above the parapet to offer their time and enthusiasm to get Christmas fare to our less able Members. Please take advantage of this offer if you need it, as it gives great pleasure to the giver, as well as the receiver. You will be doing the givers a favour.

Myself and Mrs Editor are still looking forward to the Gala Dinners - it is our turn this next weekend.

The Annual Club Sailing and Business meeting went off without a hitch from where I was sitting in a layby. Looked quite slick from my viewpoint. Well done all.

Every week I hope you enjoy the Newsletter. We hope you like the subtle changes this week. Constant improvement is the watchword. Or, "Did you like my buttons?" Please let me know how it is perceived.

Peter Bell - Editor

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