



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Monday 11th January 2021

Our thanks to Graham Neal for this photo, of the pond at Pilley. Sadly no boats or sails but still contemplative. Titled: A time for winter reflection.

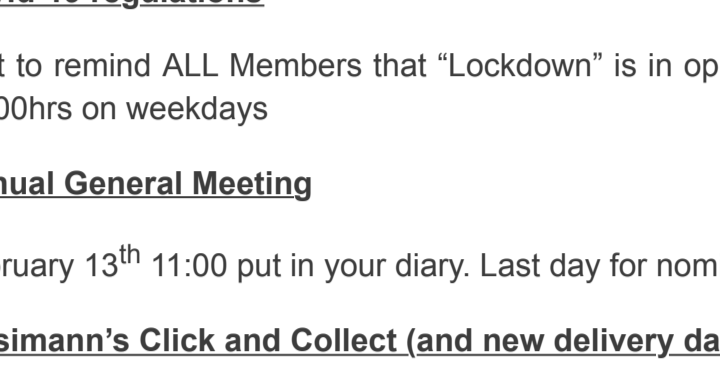
The Club is currently closed under full Lockdown.

Coming up in this week's edition:

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Thanks, Team RLymYC.

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Roger Garlick Commodore

Some Essential Reminders & Updates

Covid-19 regulations

Just to remind ALL Members that "Lockdown" is in operation. The Club house is closed, but "manned" from 0900 -1700hrs on weekdays

Annual General Meeting

February 13th 11.00 put in your diary. Last day for nominations for the General Committee - 12th January.

Mosimann's Click and Collect (and new delivery days)

See here for the food Menu and here for the wine menu, (with new items and pricing) and instructions for ordering, or even the front page of the Web Site, where there are also links. The Wednesday & Friday delivery service starts this week.

January Day Cruise to Newtown Creek

Thursday 14th January. This Club Event is cancelled. Unfortunately as tides are perfect for a picnic on buoys at Newtown Creek.

The ArtEx

The Art Exhibition is ongoing and online only. Something to interest you in Lockdown. Send your top 3 to Gillian Gillan@rlymyc.org.uk by no later than 31st January.

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Burns Night (the nicht)

Has been resurrected in a Zoom form - see below

Christmas Decs and Art Ex Down

Well we nearly got them down, the externals are done. All garlands & lights will have to wait until we are allowed back in.

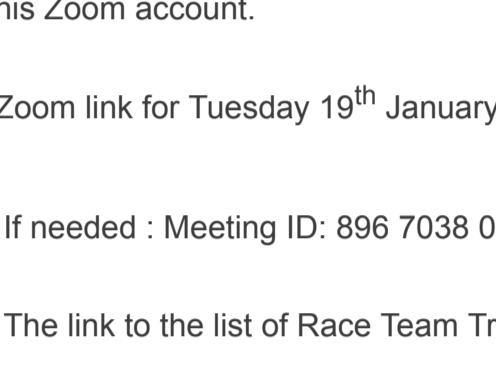
Previous Online Lectures

See them here Click

Previous Junior and Youth Online Lectures

See them here Click

Zoom based Race Team Training



The Race Team Training will start on the 19th January at 18:30 hours as planned, entirely by Zoom.

The topic will be the "Navigational Exercises" that happened in 2020 - what they were, how they were communicated and what lessons both sailors and Race Teams can learn from them.

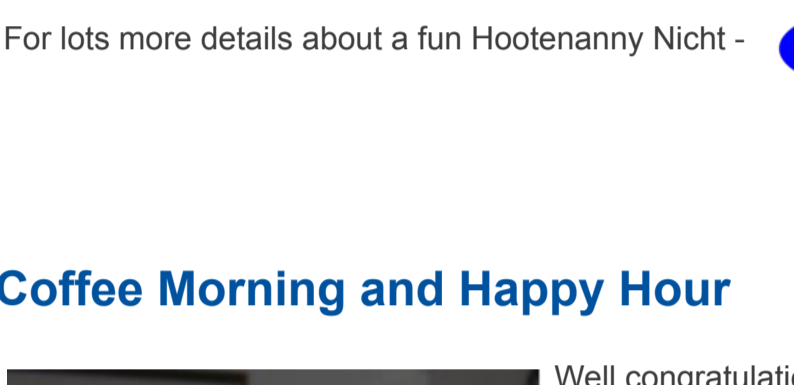
Our presenters will be John Doer, Nick Ryley, William Newton and John Whyte for as long as he can attend. Our thanks to John Doer for the use of his Zoom account.

Zoom link for Tuesday 19th January at 18:30 hours is here Click

If needed - Meeting ID: 866 7038 0125 Passcode: 102000

The link to the list of Race Team Training sessions Click

Lockdown Burns' Night, via Zoom.



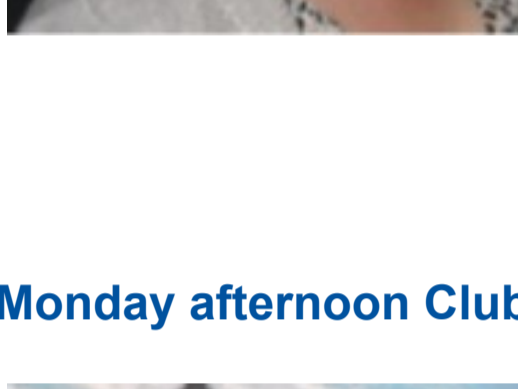
Don't let Lockdown dampen the spirit of Rabbin Burns and join us for a fun & interactive Burn's Night Supper via Zoom.

Order your takeaway 2-course supper for 2 for £44 including Puffin and 2 Whisky minisatures that have been paired with each course.

Be ready to eat at 19:30 on the 22nd January when the Zoom session will start. The evening will consist of an interactive topical quiz (prize to be won), descriptions of the Whiskies and punctuated with traditional speeches from Ian Hunter & Cian, including the Seilick Crans and toasts to the Lads and Lassies - as is Club Tradition.

For lots more details about a fun Hootersanny Nicht - Click

Coffee Morning and Happy Hour



Well congratulations to any of you who managed to start dry January. I take my hat off to you and that's no idle gesture as it has been pretty cold last week, even indoors.

Do come and join us for coffee or more this Tuesday, enjoy a convivial chat and help January on its way to warmer times.

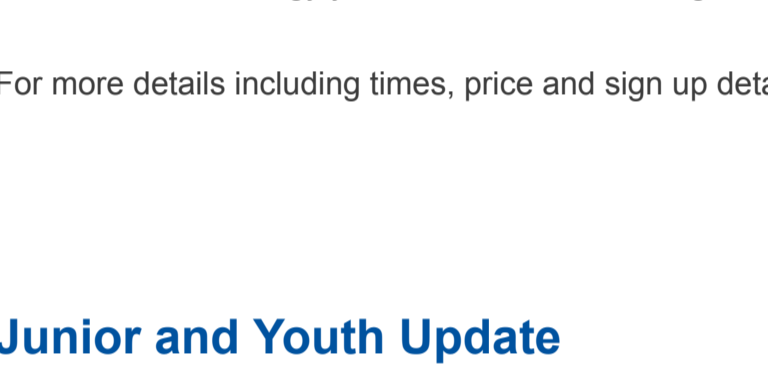
Happy Hour is on Wednesdays 18.00 to 19.00 Click

Tuesdays 10.30 to 11.30 Click

Our first one saw Members from Germany, Reading, The Island and oh yes - Lymington. Come along and say hello, if you are doing a dry January - bring your can of Vimto with you.

Mary Bell Chair Social Committee

Monday afternoon Club RealBridge



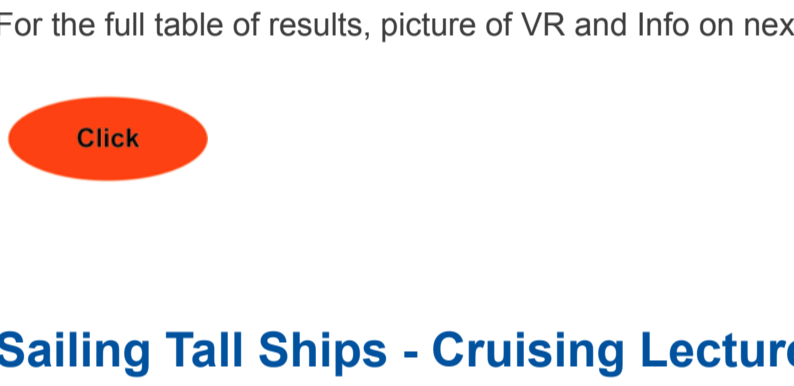
While we can't play Club Bridge in the usual way on Mondays, we can play informally between friends. Many of us will have used web sites such as BridgeBase and Trickerster to play socially.

We have begun using a web based system called RealBridge to support playing bridge on line at home.

RealBridge allows any number of pairs to play, along the same lines as Monday bridge but in a duplicate bridge way - all the hands are played by all the pairs. This produces genuine winners, something we can't do with Chicago. Scoring and the movement of players and the cards between rounds is done automatically behind the scenes by RealBridge and you can review and discuss hands and see how others have bid. Each player needs his/her own separate email and device, you cannot share either, if you are familiar with Zoom or Trickerster you will have all the technology you need to use RealBridge.

For more details including times, price and sign up details Click

Junior and Youth Update



The Juniors have started their Club Virtual Regatta (VR) Racing Championships with the winner going through to represent the Club at the RYA VR Racing Championships.

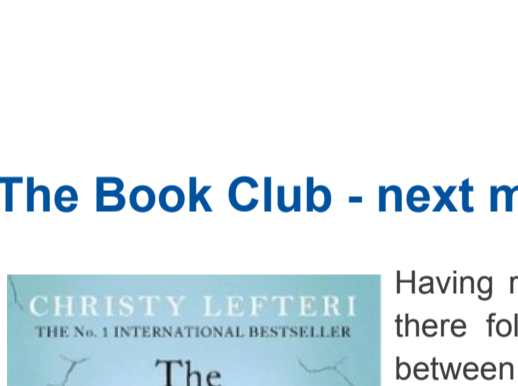
Round 1 of 3 took place on Saturday evening with two fleets, Tera, Feva and Optimist in Fleet 1, and 45er and Laser in Fleet 2. In total we had 26 competitors.

Results - In Fleet 1, lying first is Max Tat, 2nd Ben Anderson, 3rd Harry West. In Fleet 2, lying first is Ollie Vines, 2nd Harry West and 3rd is Ollie Budgeley.

Thank to Hugh Styles for co-ordinating and for Will Taylor and Hattie Rogers for coaching the fleets. Round two takes place next Saturday 16th January.

For the full table of results, picture of VR and info on next week's J and Y lecture: Click

Sailing Tall Ships - Cruising Lecture No.12



The 12th Lecture of the Rising Division's Winter Series is 'Sailing Tall Ships' by Neil Durnett and this will be delivered via Zoom on Thursday 14th January 2021 at 18.30hrs.

To watch this lecture on Thursday via Zoom, simply click this link from 18.00hrs onwards. Click

If prompted you may need these: Meeting ID: 832 3207 9003 / Passcode: 638186

You will be automatically admitted in 'watch-only' mode, so your microphone & camera will both be disabled. Please bear in mind that we can only accommodate the first 100 viewers to log on from 18.00hrs, so it's first come, first served.

And if you don't have a Zoom account already, please visit: https://zoom.us beforehand.

For more info on our speaker and a very nice picture of a Tall Ship Click

The Book Club - next meeting and book



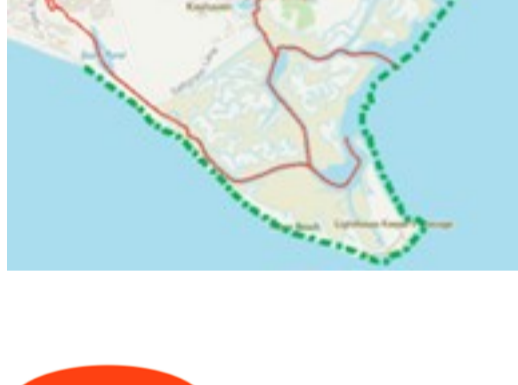
Having read Elf Shafak's book 10 Minutes and 38 Seconds in this Strange World, there followed an interesting discussion on different cultures and the differences between those traditions familiar to us and those from the Middle East. These contributed to the choice of book for the next meeting, which will be The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri.

Join us for the next meeting if you can. If you are not able to be at the meeting, I hope you enjoy the book and do let me know your response to it, if you wish to contribute an opinion, you will be welcome on Monday 1st Feb, at 15:30

The photo shows one edition of the paperback, another version is shown in the flyer

For more info on the Book Club, reading recommendations and Zoom codes. Download the flyer here Click

The First Cruising Lecture of 2021 - Dr Peter



On Thursday evening 7th January, Dr James Taylor delivered a most entertaining lecture 'Highlights of the Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum'. He delighted his online audience with vivid descriptions, beautiful pictures and amusing insights into Sir Merton Russell-Cotes' rise from relative obscurity to the heights of Victorian society.

In 1901 Sir Merton Russell-Cotes (see picture) gave his wife Annie an extraordinary extravagant birthday present - a dream house on top of East Cliff, Bournemouth. They filled this exotic seaside villa with beautiful objects from their travels across the world, decorating the walls and stairways with a remarkable collection of 19th and early 20th Century British & Continental artworks.

Although this lecture was not recorded for copyright reasons, James encouraged his audience to visit what is now 'The Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum' in Bournemouth when it reopens after lockdown. For more details Click

An important message from the EA



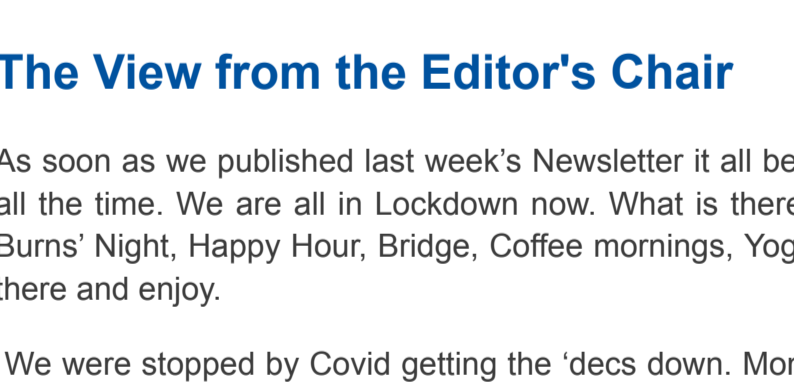
The Environment Agency in partnership with New Forest District Council, Hampshire County Council and Natural England, with expert support from JBA Consulting, are exploring a sustainable future for the coastal frontage between Hurst Spit and Lynton in relation to flood and coastal erosion risk management.

The Hurst Spit to Lynton project aims to investigate how to respond to the significant challenges facing this area of coastline now and in the future. The project will also look at how to fund any potential works that is proposed.

This coastal frontage is located within the New Forest and extends from Milford-on-Sea in the west, encompasses Keyhaven and Pennington Marshes extending up the Lynton River to the east.

For more information and links to online surveys and full information provided by the Environment Agency. Click

Tales from the Club's 50th Anniversary



The Fiftieth Anniversary of the Club, in 1972, was marked by the production of a smart, glossy booklet, that can be found in the history section of the Club's website. It contained accounts and reminiscences of Members, whose personal experiences and recollections went back many years before that, to the very early days of the Club. Twenty five years on, the 75th was celebrated, amongst other things, with a grand Fleet Review, of yachts, dressed overall, anchored in rows in the Solent.

The sailing instructions for that occasion are also posted in the History Section. That latter occasion was early in Ian Gawn's time at the Club and he recalled the following vignette.

"The Patron could not accommodate the Commemorative Day in her diary, so the Principal Guest was the Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire, Mary Fagan. Seafood was served on the forecourt during the day, the Fleet Review took place at the mouth of the River, and in the evening, there was a party in the Clubhouse, with some 700 people present. Michael Webb and his team cooked half the meals, and the Club contracted out the other half.

The Club hosted the Commodore's Cup, and Member Don Woods arranged for his historic jet formation team to perform, as the curtain raiser. During the event Ian had to tell the King of Norway's protection officer that his royal charge was not on the large yacht moored in the Solent but on the little one, in the Berthon boatyard."

It was in relating this episode that Ian had to explain to his then eight-year-old son, that the gentleman Ian had been welcoming to the Club was indeed the King of Norway, to which the response was, "Do you mean a King with a crown on his head type King?"

Yes, it was a special occasion, in a special year. Graham Clarke Club Historian

The View from the Editor's Chair

As soon as we published last week's Newsletter it all became inaccurate - I told you the Editor doesn't get it right all the time. We are all in Lockdown now. What is there to look forward to? Well, there's Mosimann's take-outs, Burns' Night, Happy Hour, Bridge, Coffee mornings, Yoga, Lectures, you name it, plenty of online activities. Get on and enjoy.

We were stopped by Covid getting the decs down. Monday afternoon we removed the external lights, and by the time we finished it was dark. We've everything ready for the following day - but our responsible attitude to the naughty little Virus prohibited the volunteers from attending. Oh Well! We all stand ready to turn up when appropriate.

Burns Nicht, contrary to last week's suggestion to cancel, has been reintegrated in a different form - we are going to try a Zoom version and see how it goes. Highland dress is recommended but if you were in your pyjamas, how would we know. Maybe the answer is tartan pyjamas? The Chair is looking forward to its yearly dose of blaggs. You've just got to try it. Put in your diary, more details to follow.

Happy hour went well (see above) but we could do with more people particularly those outside of our bubble (eg Lynton and surrounds). Always interesting to see how things are going on in other parts of the world. Any live-aboards in the Med or the US want to join in.

The Vendée Globe race is getting more exciting as the chasing pack catch up with the leader. The chaps in the row boat are showing steady progress and appear well positioned for a fast run in to the finish line.

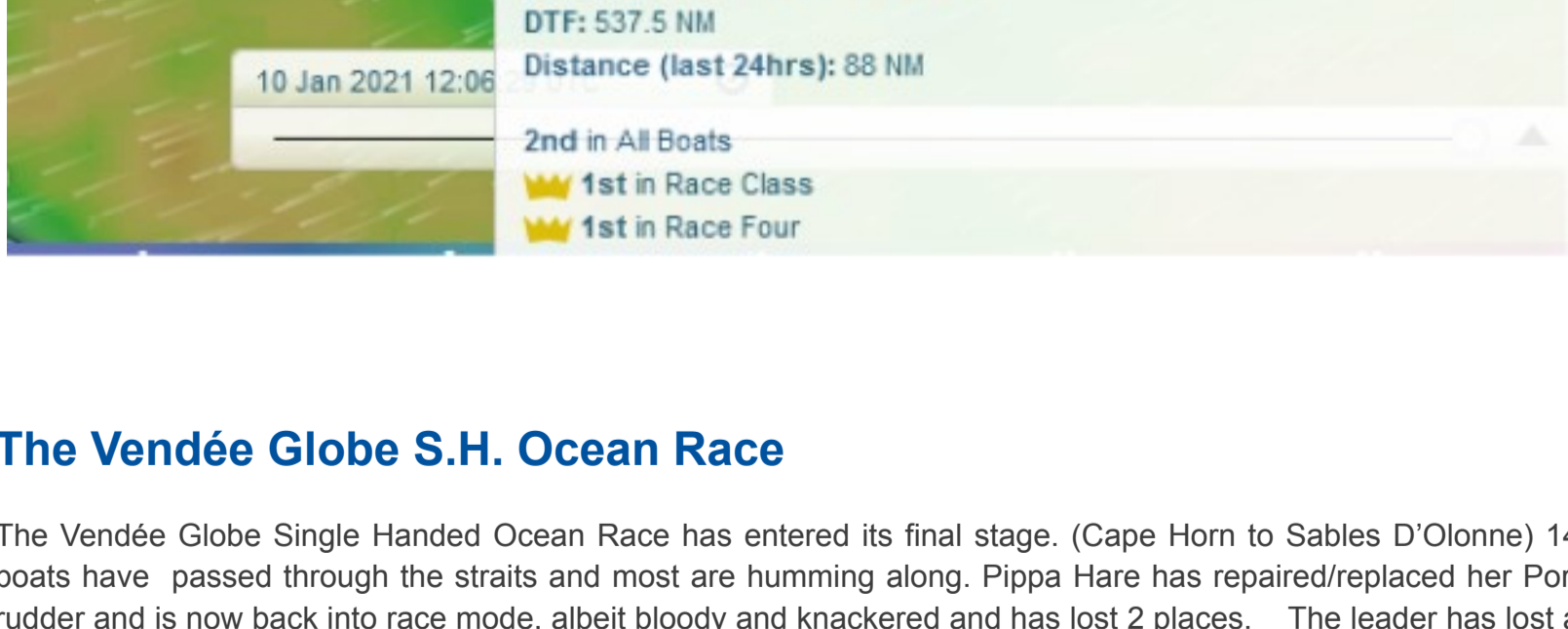
The deluge of communications has decreased as Lockdown has come upon us all. Do not be downhearted. Climb aboard your cross and sing "Always look on the bright side of life". The thought of all Club Members doing this will cheer me up and keep me going until next week. Have a go yourselves. I suggest privately. Click

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On Shoulders of Giants - Update

Just to let you all know of the progress up the club in front of me, but I think the duo noticed and put on a bit of a spurt. As you can see from the graphic, not far to go now - but anything can happen.

Follow their progress interactively here: Click



A detailed screenshot from the sailing race software. It shows a map of the race area with several boats marked. A red line indicates the leader's path. Below the map, there is a table of race statistics: Speed: 3.6 knots @ 266.221, Sponsor: Farnside 17, Date: 10 Jan 2021 12:00 UTC, Lat/Lon: 17° 43.94' N, 052° 24.29' W, DTF: 537.5 NM, Distance (last 24hrs): 69 NM. There is also a legend for boat types: 2nd in All Boats, Fat in Race Class, Fat in Race Four.

The Vendée Globe S.H. Ocean Race

The Vendée Globe Single Handed Ocean Race has entered its final stage. (Cape Horn to Sables D'Olonne) 14 boats have passed through the straits and most are humming along. Pippa Hare has repaired/replaced her Port rudder and is now back into race mode, albeit body and knackered and has lost 2 places. The leader has lost a lot of his lead. Isabelle Joscoche who was 9th last week has broken a ram holding the canting keel and has retired. So far she is safe.

The weather has not really improved.



A table listing the names and positions of the boats in the Vendée Globe race. The table has two columns: Boat Name and Position. The boats listed include: Mirore Cop IV, Bureau Vallée 2, APVIA, OMA - Water Family, SPOKE APICE, Yes we Can!, LinkedOut, Enespleiner - Yacht Club De Monaco, and Medallia, Compagnie de France.