

Christmas Newsletter Header



ASHORE & ON THE WATER WEEKLY UPDATES

Monday 11th May 2020

Our Club was closed on Friday 8th May 2020 but we were dressed overall to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Victory In Europe (VE) Day. Let us know how you celebrated this historic occasion by updating our [Covid-19 Blog](#).



We would also like to know what you would like to see here in the weekly newsletter & on the HOME PORT page. Suggestions & submissions can be sent to [sail@rlmyc.org.uk](mailto:sail@rlmyc.org.uk), please provide all content (including images) attached to the email in a word document as suggested [here](#).

Coming up in this weeks edition:

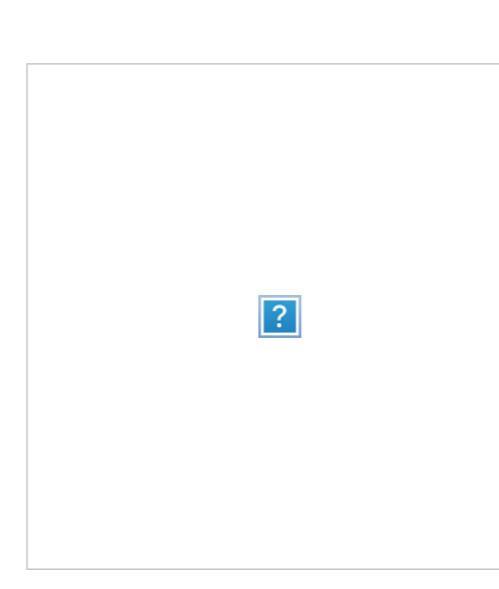
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Thank you to Sally Harris for this week's cover photo. If you would like to see your artwork / photography skills within our newsletters then please send your artwork to [sail@rlmyc.org.uk](mailto:sail@rlmyc.org.uk).

The weekly newsletters will now also hit your inboxes by 12.00 each Monday to give the editors some more time to get all the content together.

Thanks, Team RLmYC.

The Club's Latest Response to the Pandemic

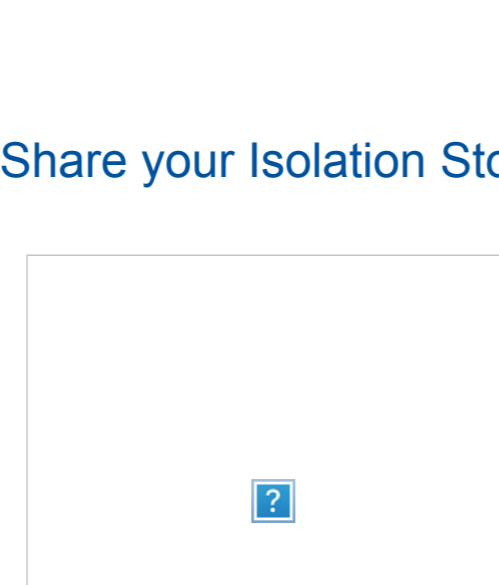


Click [here](#) to read Captain of Racing, Professor Allan Hill (Professor of Population and International Health, University of Southampton) note re Preparing for a safe opening of the Club after the Covid-19 lockdown ends.

John Tudor  
Vice Commodore

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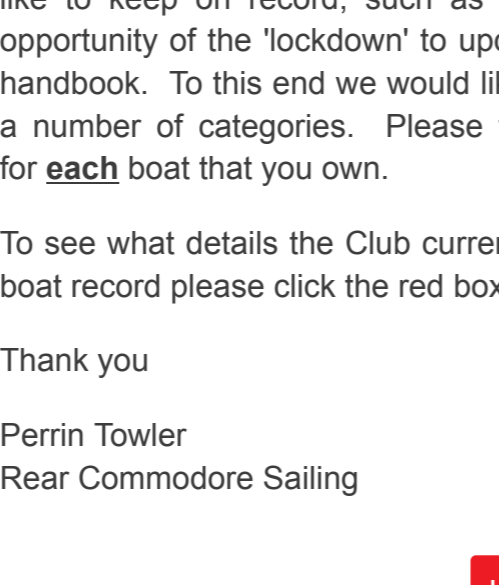
From Spencers of the New Forest



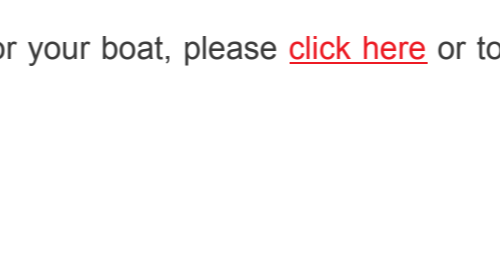
We are in touch with those companies who have agreed to sponsor our events through the season. We are still hopeful that it will be possible to run some of these events, but the situation is far from clear. As you know, Spencers of the New Forest sponsor the Thursday Night Racing for this season and 2021. The Estate Agency sector has been badly hit with a moratorium on viewings. Rob Batten, Principal of Spencers, said to us:

"April 30<sup>th</sup> would have been the first Thursday Night Race and we are disappointed not to be sharing with you the party atmosphere in the bar and balcony afterwards. However we must all stay safe and follow the guidelines. Things have not been easy at Spencers with the obvious difficulties in arranging viewings, but we are now conducting virtual viewings for many of our properties. These have proved more successful than we thought, and sales are being agreed. Please give us a call if we can help, and we look forward to seeing you in the Club before too long"

Share your Isolation Stories with us!



Keep in touch with your fellow Members by sharing your isolation stories with us. Join our Covid-19 Blog. [Click Here](#).



We asked what birthdays are like in lockdown? Pauline Crates, who lives locally to the Club, enjoyed a gourmet meal with her husband Stephen, delivered to her door by Lanes restaurant - on real plates, which were collected the next day. Luxury.

Nick and Dominique Ryley opened a bottle of lovely champagne to celebrate with family at a virtual party. Very stylish. The extra delight is that you share it only with those in your own household, a tip we copied for the VE day celebrations.

If you have had a birthday since our self-isolation began, we would love to hear how you celebrated it?

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Are your boat records up to date?

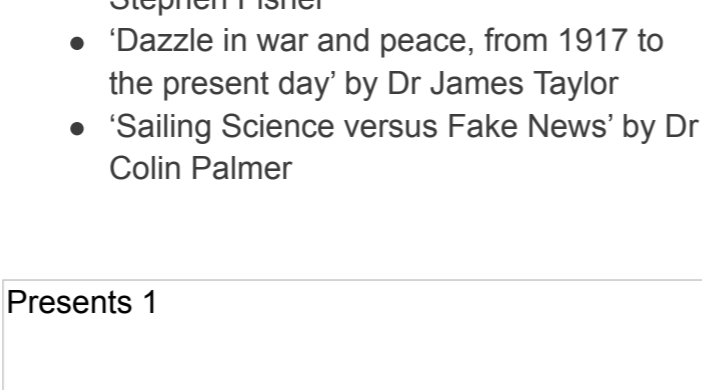
The list of Members' boats we hold is quite outdated and does not hold all the information we would like to keep on record, such as type of vessel and where moored/parked. We are taking the opportunity of the 'lockdown' to update our database for future events and to allow us to update the handbook. To this end we would like to know the details of all of your boats as some owners fall into a number of categories. Please take a few moments to help us by completing the on-line form for **each** boat that you own.

To see what details the Club currently has on file for your boat, please [click here](#) or to create a new boat record please click the red box below.

Thank you

Perrin Towler  
Rear Commodore Sailing

[UPDATE YOUR BOAT DETAILS](#)



Online Tuesday Evening Lectures

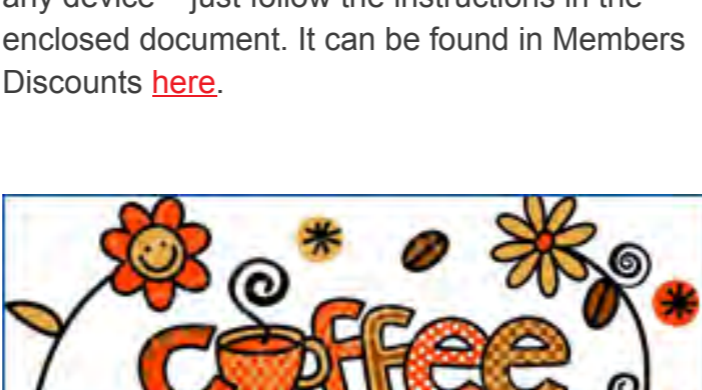
Tomorrow, Tuesday 12th May, the Cruising Division's next online talk is by our very own Nick Ryley, who will be presenting an illustrated account of his 'Toulon to Southampton trip on a J Class' - not to be missed! To register now, please [click here](#)

Since the start of this lockdown the Cruising Division has hosted four online Tuesday Evening Lectures on diverse subjects, the most recent one being 'The plight of the Bumblebee' by Gill Perkins. For more information about these special insects visit: [www.bumblebeeconservation.org](http://www.bumblebeeconservation.org)

Gill has also kindly offered to answer your bumblebee related questions by email: [gill\\_perkins@bumblebeeconservation.org](mailto:gill_perkins@bumblebeeconservation.org)

Finally, if you missed this or any other recent talk then you can still view these by visiting 'Lectures on Demand' - please [click here](#)

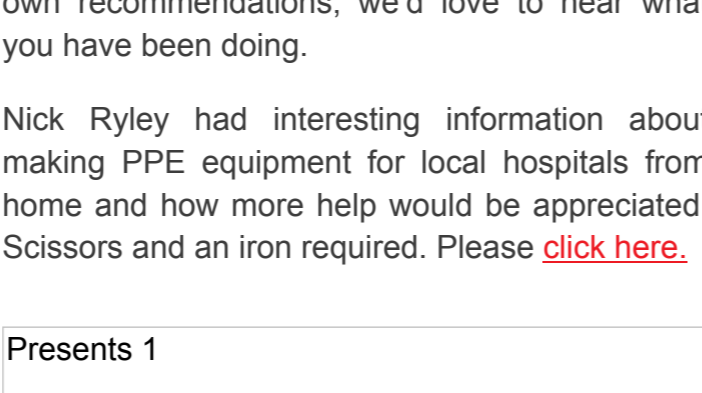
- 'Embarking the D Day Armada' by Stephen Fisher
- 'Dazzle in war and peace, from 1917 to the present day' by Dr James Taylor
- 'Sailing Science versus Fake News' by Dr Colin Palmer



Summer Cruise 2021

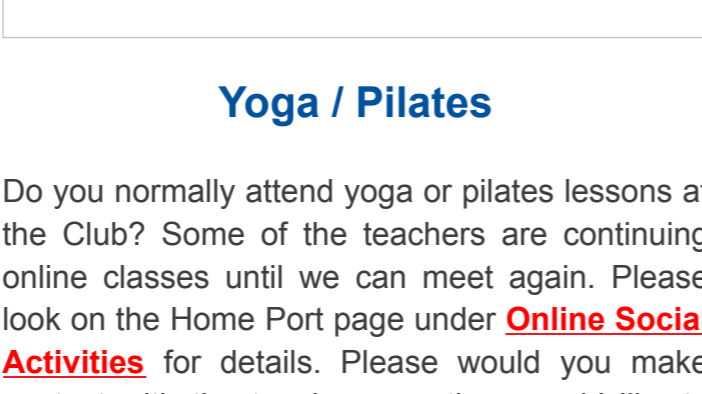
A Club cruise has been planned in western Greece for June 2021. The two week Faraway Island Flotilla with Sailing Holidays, Chris Sutherland on the Cruising Sub Committee booked his boat early March.

For more details [click here](#)



From PBR, Free Offer for our Members

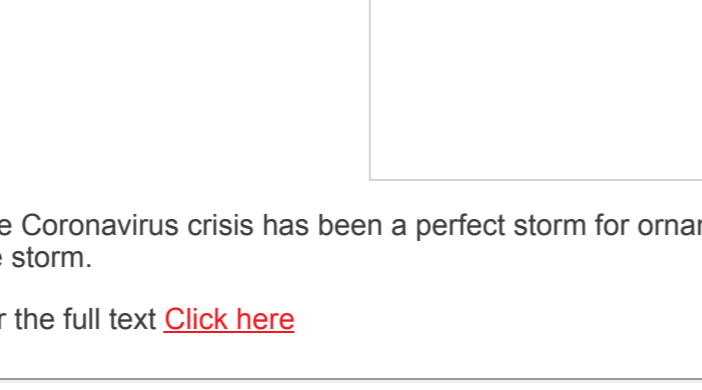
Follow the link to accept a FREE offer of Power Boat and Fib magazine. This is downloadable to any device – just follow the instructions in the enclosed document. It can be found in Members Discounts [here](#).



Online Coffee Morning

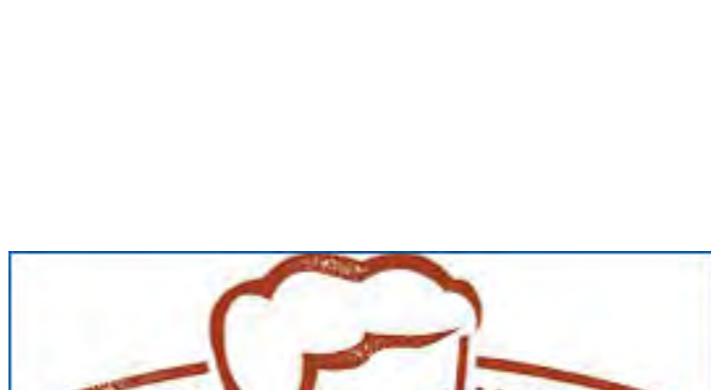
We talked about what we had been doing during the last week and I followed a tip for a virtual aerobics class for seniors. This means over 50's – how times have changed! It was good fun and there are loads of lessons available. This one was with Jenny Mclelland. Please send in your own recommendations, we'd love to hear what you have been doing.

Nick Ryley had interesting information about making PPE equipment for local hospitals from home and how more help would be appreciated. Scissors and an iron required. Please [click here](#).



Yoga / Pilates

Do you normally attend yoga or pilates lessons at the Club? Some of the teachers are continuing online classes until we can meet again. Please look on the Home Port page under **Online Social Activities** for details. Please would you make contact with the teachers, as they would like to chat to you first to make sure it is suitable for you.



Vince's Mini Quiz

Vince has set us a picture quiz on traffic signs to keep our brains quiz ready for when we meet up again. Look for it in the Home Port [here](#). He'll put you out of your misery next week with the answers plus another quiz. Why not use Zoom and get your usual team together to puzzle it out?



Happy Hour - 13<sup>th</sup> May 1800-1900

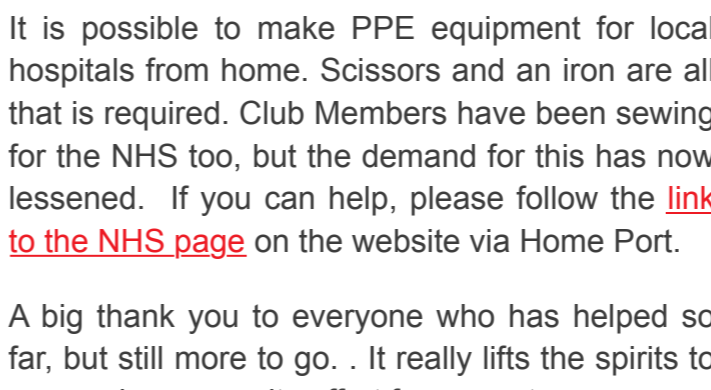
We look forward to next Wednesday at 1800 when we will once again meet in our virtual pub - [more](#).



Online Art Club

New picture for Monday 11th April!

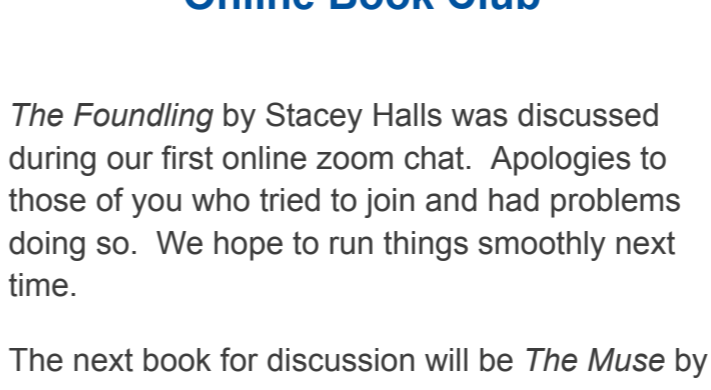
Always wanted to find your artistic side? Jose invites you to participate in the online Art Group, where she will post a picture every Monday and invite you to share your artistic impression of this by the following Monday via email to Jose Nieves. All of your pictures will be displayed a week after Jose has received them - see Rules [here](#)



Sewing for the NHS

It is possible to make PPE equipment for local hospitals from home. Scissors and an iron are all that is required. Club Members have been sewing for the NHS too, but the demand for this has now lessened. If you can help, please follow the [link to the NHS page](#) on the website via Home Port.

A big thank you to everyone who has helped so far, but still more to go. It really lifts the spirits to see such community effort for a great cause.



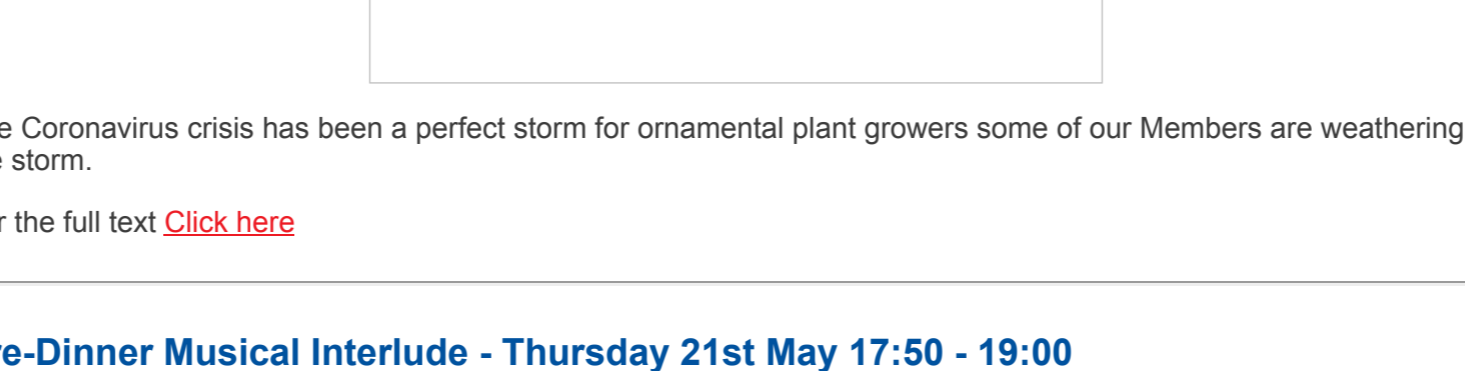
Online Book Club

*The Founding* by Stacey Halls was discussed during our first online zoom chat. Apologies to those of you who tried to join and had problems doing so. We hope to run things smoothly next time.

The next book for discussion will be *The Muse* by Jessie Burton. This is the author who wrote *The Miniaturist*, so hopefully it will be an equally enjoyable read.

There will be a discussion of this book on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm. Please follow this zoom link to join in the discussion: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8626259543>.

A Message from Solent Growers



The Coronavirus crisis has been a perfect storm for ornamental plant growers some of our Members are weathering the storm.

For the full text [Click here](#)

Pre-Dinner Musical Interlude - Thursday 21st May 17:50 - 19:00

Join Katharine as she delights us in her concert with music from the 1950's. After last week's Tour de Force for VE day, Katharine is taking a small break.

An example of Katharine's beautiful voice can be heard on her new Youtube channel below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xlyQwASuGY>

If you would like to take part all you have to do is click on the photo below. The link will allow you to receive the details of how to view via Zoom.



From the Website & Newsletter Team

We hope you liked the slightly different design of the Newsletter; we will be continuing with this until life is back to normal. Then we shall evaluate.

Some Members have noticed that the middle part separates into a single column with lots of white on the right. This is not intentional and we do not know why this happens. So if you cannot see 2 columns above – Please let us know at [sail@rlmyc.org.uk](mailto:sail@rlmyc.org.uk)

Some have pointed out that the entrance page to our site "could be different/improved" – we are looking at this, but currently we are severely constrained by the front page we bought from Jonas (Our web site hosts and developers) A new one cost capital that we do not have available today. We are trying to redesign our front page within the limits of the Jonas system and this is in progress.

You will notice there are changes under 'About/Club History' this is a temporary measure – we are working with our Club History team to organise it properly and again this is a work in progress – we will announce in the Newsletter when it is completed.

Since we asked all contributors to format their work based on our published guidelines, our heavily reduced staff have found compiling >50% easier and errors have also reduced. We encourage you to continue – the guidelines are under **Diagnosics** at the bottom of every page.

We also believe that there are a number of Members (>250) who do not have access to this Newsletter – mainly because they have not updated their permissions or we do not have an email address. If you know someone who does not get this "main means of communication from Club to Member" Please let us know at [members@rlmyc.org.uk](mailto:members@rlmyc.org.uk) Please note : No one looks at the notice board in the entrance to the club these days, not even the Club cat.

