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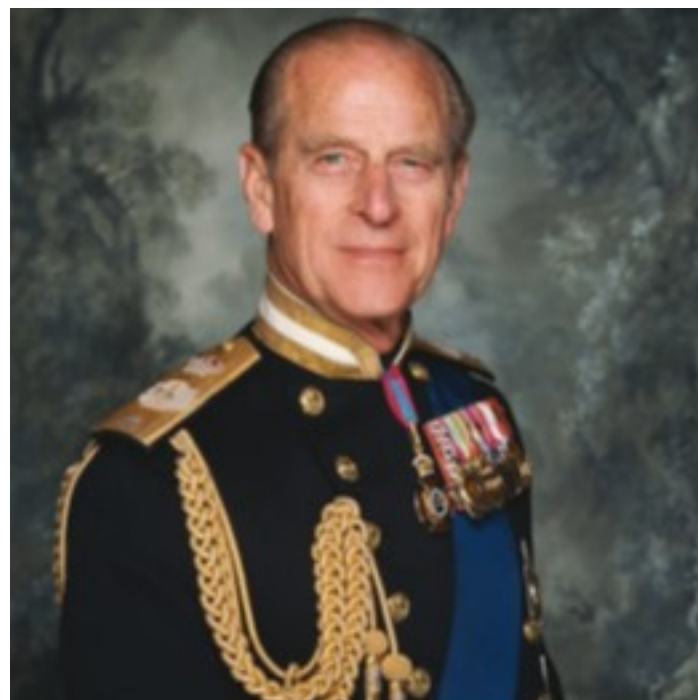
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Our thanks to Paul French

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Thanks, Team RLymYC.

HRH The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh



I am sure all Members will have been saddened to hear of the death of Prince Philip.

The Commodore, Flag Officers and Members offer our sincere condolences to Her Majesty the Queen, our Patron HRH The Princess Royal and all members of his family.

He was a keen and active sailor over many years, frequently competing in Cowes Week. Immensely popular within the sailing community, he was a passionate and engaged ambassador of our sport.

He championed development of young people through the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme.

All activity, except youth coaching, will be suspended at the Club during the funeral from 1500 on Saturday.

The Club ensign will remain at half-mast until the funeral.

Phil Lawrence
Commodore

Some Essential Reminders & Updates

Spring Series

Starts on April 11th - to enter [Click](#)

Monday Evening Dinghies

Starts Monday 12th April - to enter [Click](#)

Discovery Tour with CLYC 12th April

Tonight at 19:00 if you have booked.

RIBAX group raid 13th April

Note for diary : off up the River Itchen or Hamble – Details to follow from contact nickryley84@gmail.com

Day Cruise to Ocean Village 14th April

Contact peterfrancislowe@gmail.com for details. All boaters event – Power & Sail

Friday Evening “After School” Racing for J and Y 16th April

Starts this week and continues until September. Come and join in, but leave your parents on the terrace upstairs looked after by Mosimann’s

Information poster - [Click](#)

Enter Online: [Click](#)

Book Club

A Town like Alice by Nevil Shute; read & discuss by Monday 10th May 15:00

Meeting ID: [838 9211 7940](#) Passcode: 009592

Cruising Dinner – 21st May Black Tie

Logs to georget0104@gmail.com by April 21st

Details of all Club based Yoga and Pilates Classes [Click](#)

Hot Link to Coffee Mornings Meeting ID: [845 8593 5579](#) Passcode: 346480 [Click](#)

Hot Link to Happy Hour Meeting ID: [812 2615 4445](#) Passcode: 864279 [Click](#)

Hot Link to Online Lectures. [Click](#)

Previous Junior and Youth Online Lectures See them here [Click](#)

The Peter Andreae Trophy - a report



When we arrived at the Clubhouse, it was freezing cold and the forecast was saying a very high chance of sleet and over 25 knots of wind. Luckily the forecast was wrong, and even though there were some big gusts of 28 knots the weather was generally nice, and we were able to get 5 races in. In the end there were 6 scows out, and we had some really close racing. The wind was ridiculously shifty and gusty in the river, which made things harder in the scows, which weren't very manoeuvrable.

My brother William and I won the first race, then after lots of very close racing it was all still even after 4 races and three different boats could have won it. William and I won the last race to finish first overall, with Dirk and Johnny second, Sienna and George third, Max and Cam fourth, Joanna and Freya fifth and Ben and Laszlo sixth. Special mention as well to Ben and Laszlo who managed to finish all the races despite weighing around 50kg together.

It was great fun and a massive thanks to all the volunteers who helped run the event and managed to get out of bed that early and give up their time to make the Peter Andreae go smoothly. To see the forecast and still turn up without the motivation of a cash prize is very impressive. It was a fun event all round.

Angus McEwan
Winner (with brother) of the Peter Andreae 2021

Eileen Caulcutt Elliot 1926 - 2021 A Tribute



The Commodore writes "Members will be saddened to hear of the death of our former Rear Commodore Sailing, Eileen Caulcutt. We offer our sincere condolences to her family and friends. I am grateful to Sally Kalis, aided by Nick Ryley and Ken Robinson, for the tribute to Eileen below."

Eileen passed away peacefully last Monday at the age of 95. Many members will remember her as a towering figure in the Club's race management history who left a legacy which put the Royal Lymington Yacht Club at the forefront of world match racing history, second only to the Americas Cup.

Eileen and her first husband, Jimmy Caulcutt, arrived to live in Lymington in the fifties. It was the beginning of a long and happy association with Lymington and our yacht club.

They were already highly competitive sailors at Cowes in the Dragon class and later as owners of a Nicholson 42 called Angelique, they made a name for themselves as leading inshore racers. They won the Silver Gilt Roman Bowl in 1959 and 1961 in the Round the Island Race. The Caulcutts notched up many more great results, building on their significant sailing pedigree. Eileen came from a family of eminent sailors, well known in Cowes and around the Solent, her father having owned the classic yacht Bloodhound, which was ultimately sold by her family to the Duke of Edinburgh.

For the full story of this remarkable woman's life

[Click](#)

New Members' Evening - Wednesday 7th July



As we emerge blinking into the sunlight after the Covid lockdown I know we are all looking forward to renewing old friendships and embarking on new ones. Since the start of the Covid pandemic, which curtailed both our boating activities and almost all social interaction, we have looked forward to the day when we can meet up with our new members and talk about how we can help you get the most out of your Club.

I am now pleased to advise you that we have reserved Wednesday 7th July from 18:30 to meet up with the many new members who have joined the Club in the last 12 - 18 months.

If you are a recent new member, please put this date in your diary. I will be writing to you in the next few weeks with more details. Our plan at the moment is to have a drinks reception, with some information about the sailing and social activities that we offer, and an opportunity to chat with the various fleet and activity leaders. Clearly, we will need to watch

Government guidelines prevailing at the time in order to be compliant, but we are, as ever, optimistic.

Please plan to join us - it is always great fun.

John Tudor
Vice-Commodore

RNLI Bridge - The Result



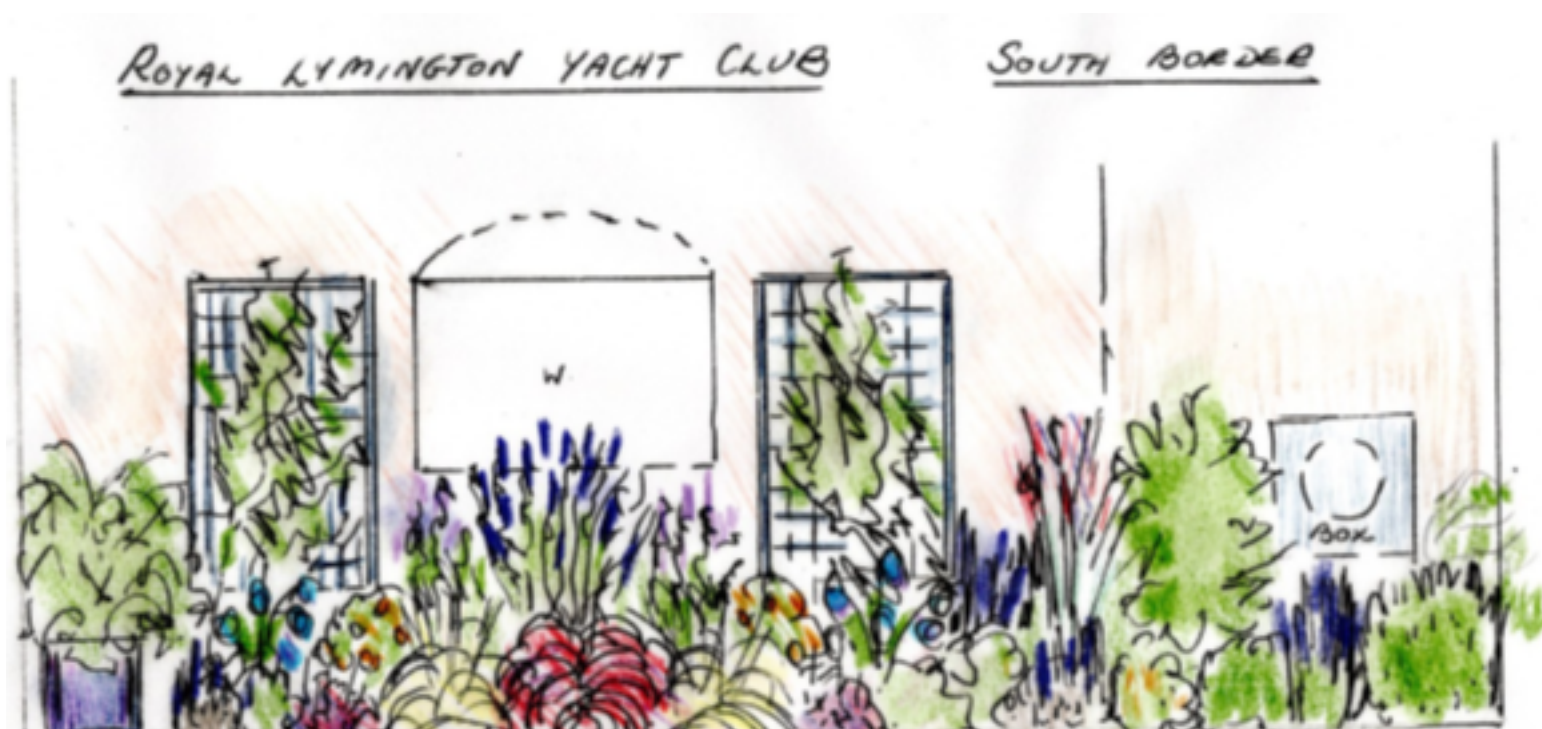
Usually at about this time of year there is a bridge drive at the Club, run entirely by volunteers, to raise money for the RNLI. Obviously this wasn't possible this year so instead there was an on-line bridge drive, advertised here and supported hugely by Club Members.

The winners were Wolf Grabau and Miles Golding, who overtook Christine Bunday and Andrew Boyd on the last hand – bridge can have cliff-hangers.

After paying the RealBridge fee, £536 was raised from 60 players and donations.

Marilyn Holmes
Bridge Czarina

Club garden renovation - Week 5



Thanks to the helpers for your efforts on Thursday, all of the stones have been separated and large amounts of excess soil have been repositioned into Peter Blick's field. We have definitely broken the back of it.

Jane reckons that the raw area is looking good now.

This Monday while you are reading your Newsletter, just think on the fact that rotted manure is arriving at 10:00 on Monday 12th - if any Member is available to help fork it in, rush down with you own fork and add your presence to the Team.

At the same time our handyman will arrive at 10:30 on Monday to look at Trellis placement, mark the walls, and prepare to put the Trellises onto the walls in the positions shown on Jane's plan, an example of which is shown above. (more are available in the download) Stephen will have collected the painted trellises beforehand and have had them ready to put up.

On Thursday from 09:00 we meet again (Usual suspects – plus forks, plus others with forks) to spend time forking though the earth. and to paint the camellia pots.

The plants (mentioned in the download) will be arriving in the next week or two.

For plans and photos –

[Click](#)

Stephen Crates
Garden Force Coordinator

The Penguin Trophy 2020 (Postponed)



On the 2nd April 12 crews took to the water in Club Scows to race for the postponed Penguin Trophy from last year. The Trapezoid course designed by R.O. Vince Sutherland, was sailed with the start line at the end of the Club pontoon. The race consisted of two rounds and a sausage to finish downwind in a fair but shifty breeze. The competitors were organised in 2 flights of six boats, each flight doing two races. The top 3 from each flight going into the A final to produce the winners in a two race series. This was followed by a B final for the remaining 6 boats.

For the results and some photos -

[Click](#)

Vince Sutherland
Race Officer & Penguin Trophy Organiser

A message from the Commodore



Commodore
Phil Lawrence

The months of waiting are over and our sailing season is finally underway. I was delighted to see so much activity at the Club over the Easter weekend: The pontoons were busy with Members preparing their boats and Junior Coaching was well under way. The Penguin trophy, which had been postponed from Christmas, was our first competitive event of 2021 and congratulations to Nick Froud on his victory over a strong fleet. The momentum will continue to build with the Spring Series starting next Sunday and our regular racing and cruising activities coming online throughout April.

In line with Government regulations Mosimann's will reopen on April 12th with a table service for food and/or drinks on the Club balconies. We have erected a temporary tented roof on the main balcony to provide some protection against the elements. Tables will be limited to two households or 'the rule of six'. The initial plan for this period is to

offer the following weekly schedule subject to demand:

These and more details can be found here, along with further comments from the Commodore:

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Restaurant & Bar from 12th April



MOSIMANN'S

at

THE ROYAL LYMINGTON
YACHT CLUB

From 12th April until 16th May:

- Monday - Open 16:00 - Last orders 20:00
- Tuesday & Wednesday - Closed
- Thursday to Saturday - Open 12:00 - Last orders 20:00
- Sunday - Open 12:00 - Last orders 15:00

There will be flexibility on this schedule to serve Members coming ashore from Monday and Thursday evening racing.

Some reminders:

- Please use the hand sanitisers provided when entering the club and wear face covering masks at all times, unless sat at your allocated table.
- Please wait at the entrance to the terrace until seated by a member of the team.
- Please remain seated at your allocated table during your visit - unless visiting the toilet or paying the bill.
- All members of your party are now required to use our QR code to register with NHS track and trace. If you are unable to use this service you can provide your details manually.
- We can only accept payment by credit/debit card or membership card. Please help us to provide a faster service by topping up your membership card online or at the Club Office.

While we have installed a Marquee to help shelter from the elements, we suggest you wear warm clothes and welcome you to bring your own blankets.

We look forward to seeing you.

Book a Table here [Click](#)

See the new MENU here. Note there will also be specials on the day including sandwiches [Click](#)

TOP UP ONLINE HERE: [Click](#)

Easter Sunday Egg Decorators & Zoom Quiz



Our Shipmates very much enjoyed decorating their beautifully home-made Easter Eggs, prepared and delivered by Mosimann's.

See Executive Chef Nick Hebditch in his decorating tutorial here: [Click](#)

See all works of art from our Shipmates here: [Click](#)

After a hotly contested Easter themed quiz attended by almost a multitude, congratulations must also go to Derek Tilley, RCF who won a bottle of Mosimann's wine. The quiz was ably hosted by Social Committee Chair Mary Bell. Well done all.

Online Art Group 12th April 2021



Some picked roses to show that Spring is well and truly here.

This image does not have to be copied or represented exactly, if the artist does not wish to. As usual, it can instead serve merely as an inspiration for a piece of art which looks completely different.

Last week's picture has not inspired anyone yet but there is always time.

[Click](#)

Please let Josie Nieves have a .pdf or .jpg of any images you may produce from it as soon as you are comfortable with your work. (rjnieves1@mac.com).

Jose Nieves
Art Czarina

The View from the Editor's Chair

It is with great sadness this Newsletter acknowledges the death of HRH the Duke of Edinburgh. For my part I can only say "Thank you sir" for designing an award scheme that helped a highly confused young man through those difficult years. I am sure I was not the only one. As a fellow sailor, I wish you fair winds on your ultimate journey.

On a lighter note, many congrats to the McEwan brothers for winning the Peter Andreae Trophy. It sounds exciting and for you, a well-deserved Victory. Well done.

The Club garden continues to require some work, but only a little bit more. As Members start to turn up to the Club, they should start to see the fruits of the volunteers' labours. Trellises should be up soon and plants going in over the next couple of weeks. All a far cry from those mega-bushes blocking the pathway.

While the youngsters are flying about in and around the river, some of the more mature Members are sailing gently or burbling happily to pastures far and wide. While it is not easy to offer berths to people outside of the boat owners bubble, be aware that this restriction MAY be lifted soon in which case, rides can be offered. Contact the Captain of Cruising.

At last, a new Members evening is planned. If you are one, you are strongly advised to book and attend as it is an excellent opportunity to meet people who you may wish to interact with for the time you are a Member, I know I did.

Lockdown in Lymington continues. While there are many "To Let" signs in far too many shops on the High Street, there are also many shops opening up. We can see behind the closed doors that staff are preparing to interact with customers again. Is the threatened "new normal" that we will not need shops & offices, as was promised during lockdown, going to be an actuality or will it turn out to be just last year's media hype? We shall find out in the next month or so.

Stay safe everyone.

Peter Bell – Editor

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