



## Royal Lymington Yacht Club



## Weekly Update For Our Members

Wednesday 13th April 2022

Dear Members,

This week has seen the start of our series briefings, with John Doerr's informative rules update tomorrow evening, followed by briefings for Thursday Evening Keelboats and Friday Evening Junior Racing next week. If you were unable to make the Monday Evening Dinghies briefing, [find a link to listen to it here](#).

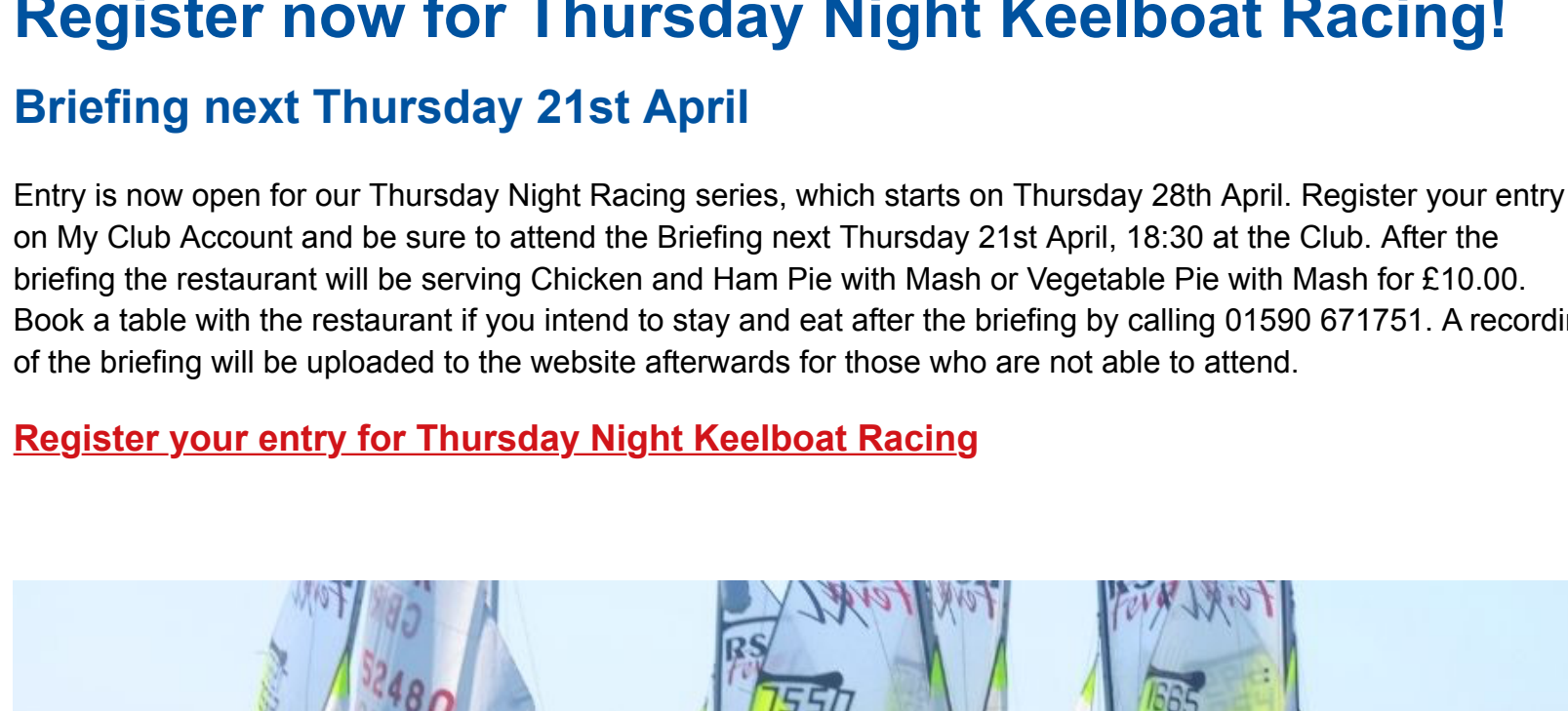
Keep an eye on our posts and stories on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#) as we follow the exciting action of our youth sailors at the RYA Youth Nationals.

Read on for the latest Club news and updates. Wishing you all an excellent Easter weekend.

With best wishes,

Phil Lawrence

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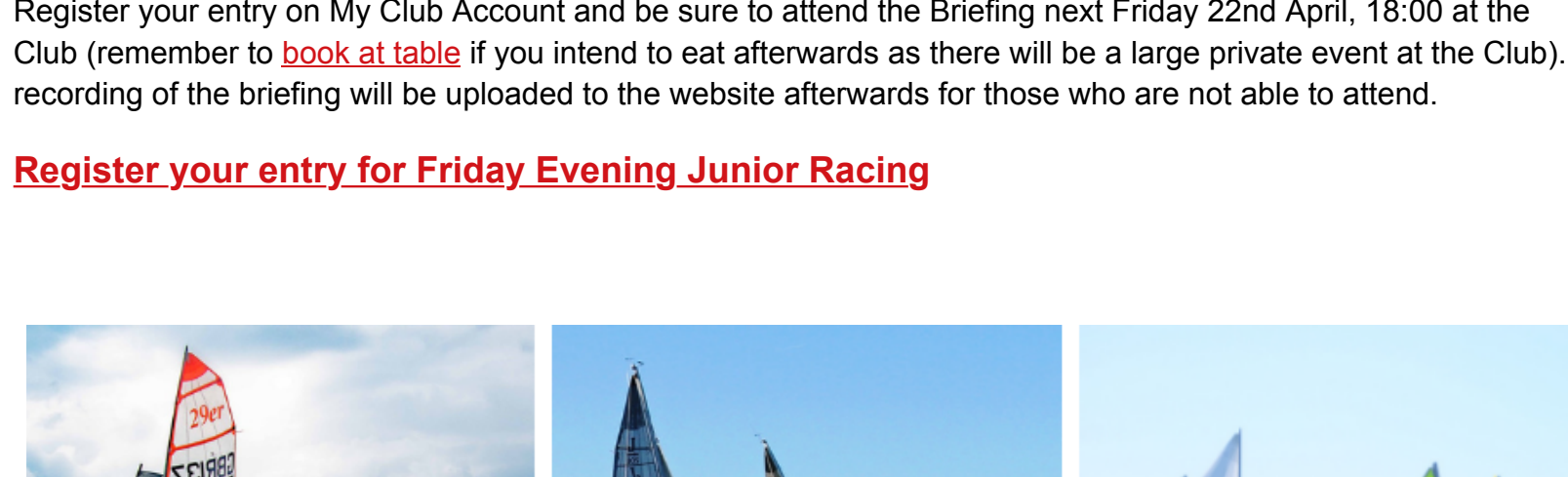


## Register now for Thursday Night Keelboat Racing!

Briefing next Thursday 21st April

Entry is now open for our Thursday Night Racing series, which starts on Thursday 28th April. Register your entry on My Club Account and be sure to attend the Briefing next Thursday 21st April, 18:30 at the Club. After the briefing the restaurant will be serving Chicken and Ham Pie with Mash or Vegetable Pie with Mash for £12.00. Book a table with the restaurant if you intend to stay and eat after the briefing by calling 01590 671751. A recording of the briefing will be uploaded to the website afterwards for those who are not able to attend.

[Register your entry for Thursday Night Keelboat Racing](#)

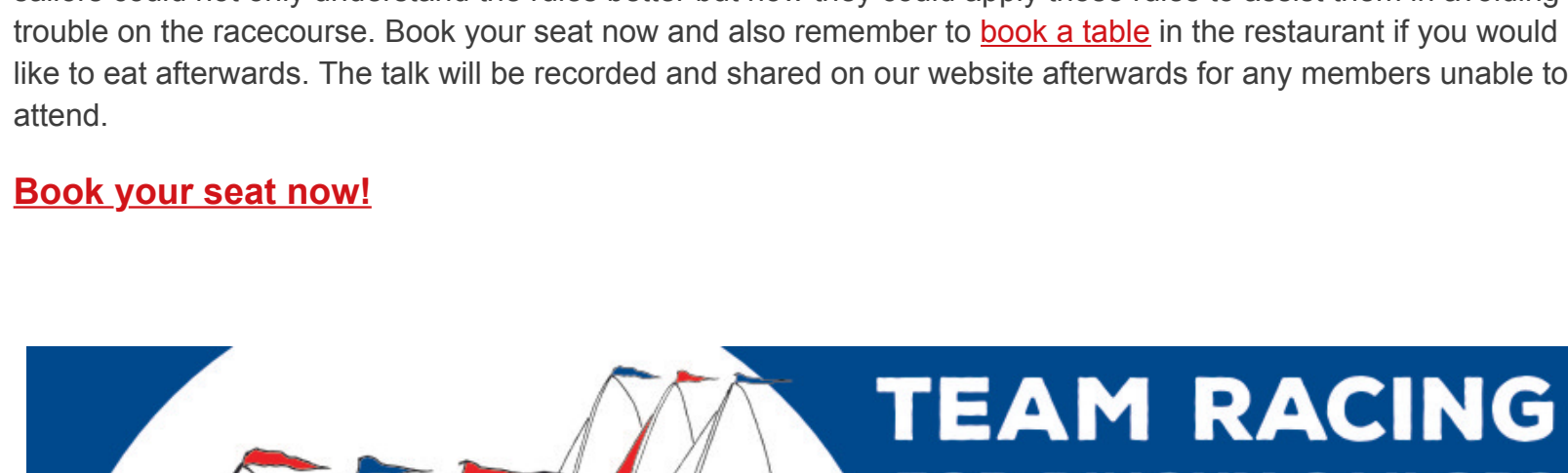


## Register now for Friday Evening Junior Racing!

Briefing next Friday 22nd April

Entry is now open for our Friday Evening Junior and Youth Racing series, which starts on Friday 29th April. Register your entry on My Club Account and be sure to attend the Briefing next Friday 22nd April, 18:00 at the Club (remember to [book a table](#) if you intend to eat afterwards as there will be a large private event at the Club). A recording of the briefing will be uploaded to the website afterwards for those who are not able to attend.

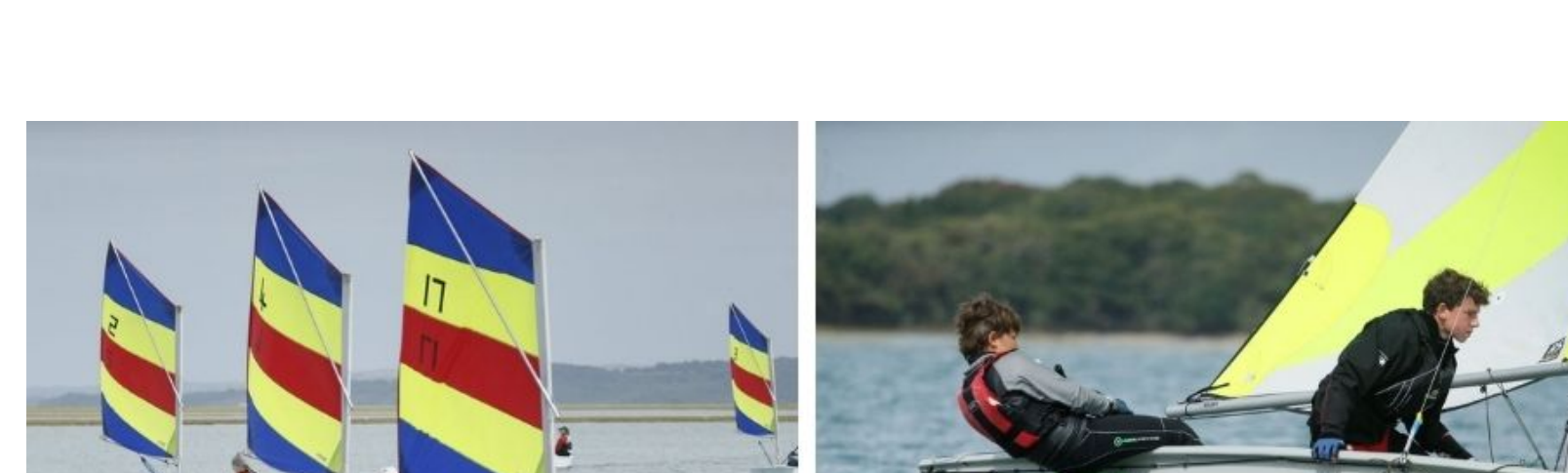
[Register your entry for Friday Evening Junior Racing](#)



## John Doerr's Rules Talk: Thursday 14th April

On Thursday 14th April, all members are welcome to join John Doerr's Rules Talk at the Club, starting 18:30. John, World Sailing International Judge, International Umpire and one of the world's most eminent voices on racing rules, will be providing an update on the Racing Rules of Sailing, with tips and explanations as to how racing sailors could not only understand the rules better but how they could apply those rules to assist them in avoiding trouble on the racecourse. Book your seat now and also remember to [book a table](#) in the restaurant if you would like to eat afterwards. The talk will be recorded and shared on our website afterwards for any members unable to attend.

[Book your seat now!](#)



## Team Racing on Saturdays 16th and 30th April

All members are welcome to join our team racing on 16th and/or 30th April. Sessions will consist of informal racing with one or two flights of boats. Matched teams will be formed from the squad of sailors on the day. Expect to switch in and out on the water, sail with different people from different classes and to observe racing in a support-FOB when not racing. It's a great fun and for dinghy sailors of all ages - book your places now! Find full details at [this link](#).

[Book your places now!](#)



## RYA Youth Sailing Scheme: school holiday courses

We have a number of RYA Youth Sailing Scheme courses available to book for the Easter, Half Term and Summer holidays. Book now to avoid disappointment as numbers are limited on each course.

- RYA Stage 1: 19th-20th April, 30th-31st May, 18-2nd August
- RYA Stage 2: 21st-22nd April, 2nd-3rd June, 4th-5th August, 11th-12th August
- RYA Stage 3: 6th-7th August, 22nd-23rd August
- RYA Stage 4: 25th-26th August

[Find out more and BOOK NOW](#)



## WJS Volunteer Safety Update: 13th April

Kristy Powell and Ali Husband will be running two Safety Updates for Wednesday Junior Sailing Volunteers next Wednesday, 13th April - in the clubhouse at 14:00 and on Zoom at 19:00. All WJS volunteers should attend one of these briefings, which will provide important safety information for the new WJS season.

[Find out more about volunteering at Wednesday Junior Sailing](#)



## WJS: Could you help teach children to row?

The Wednesday Junior Sailing team are looking for 3-4 volunteers to help teach rowing skills on Wednesday afternoons. Ideally you will be able to row competently and will be able to demonstrate rowing to the young sailors in tandem with the Fitness Captain, out of the main channel. WJS has a 'rowing skills' card to structure the sessions and the WJS team would be happy to train anyone who is interested in helping out. If you can help, please get in touch with Ali Husband at [al Husband@hotmail.com](mailto:al Husband@hotmail.com).

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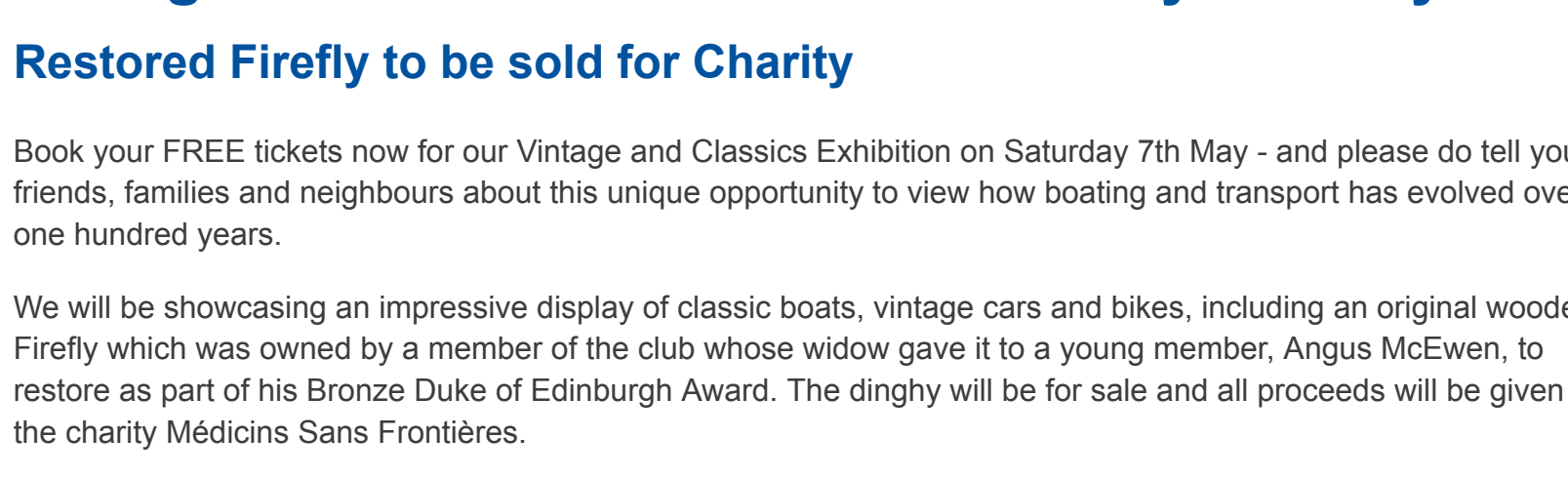


## Scow Pottery: Restarting Thursday 14th April

The last Scow walk of the winter season took place last Thursday. Many thanks to Doug Rogerson for organising the walks overall, to John Evans for managing the Strollers and all those who led the many walks. It is now the turn of the Potters to take over the Thursday slot for the sailing season. The first Potter takes place this Thursday 14th April: launch time 10:30 with a briefing at 10:15. Thanks to all who have volunteered to man the support boats.

The Thursday Potters are a morning or afternoon sail depending on tides, accompanied by support boats led by Vince Sutherland (Scow Captain) from mid-April until the end of October. In October, after the end of the Scow Late Series, they take place twice a week (Tuesday as well as Thursday) meaning 32 planned Potters for 2022. The course depends on the wind and tide and whether we turn left or right at the end of the river is decided on the day. Sailing out or back through Ouse or Pylswell lakes is very popular, as are our lunches with fellow KYC Potters. Our 'expedition' this year will be Threading the Needles scheduled for June, last undertaken in 2019.

[Find out more about joining our Scow Fleet](#)

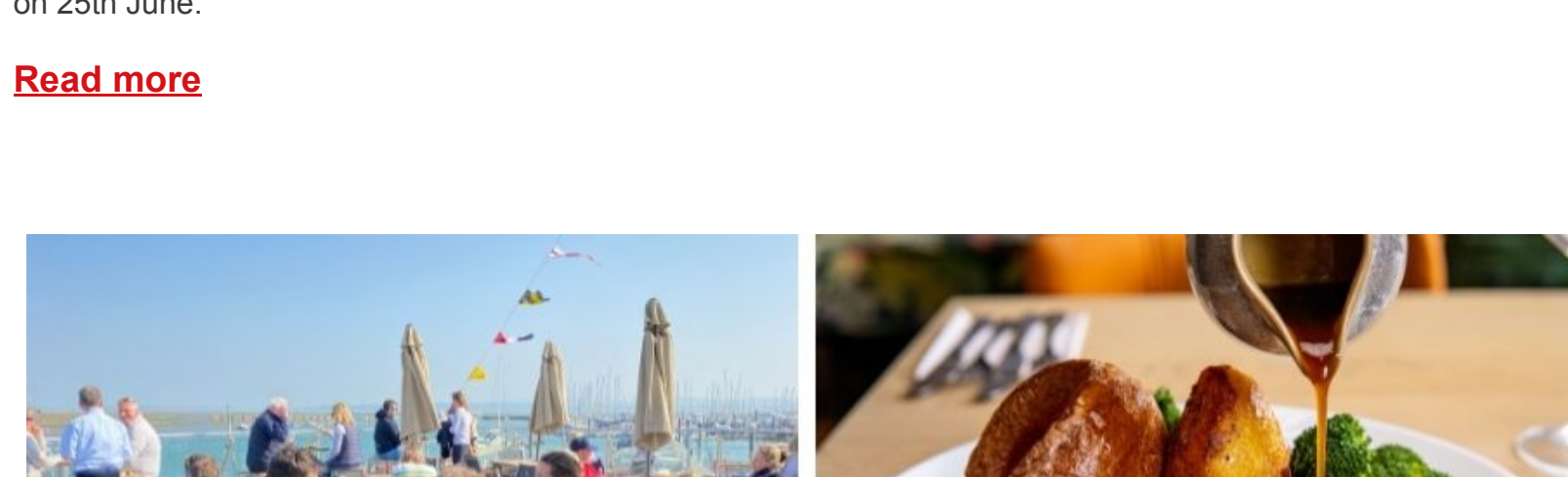


## Spring Rally to Bembridge: 6th-9th May

All members are welcome to join our Spring Rally for power and sail at Bembridge Harbour over the May Bank Holiday weekend, 6th-9th May. The rally has been booked with the Duver Pontoon and boats are welcome to attend all or part of the weekend. There will be a dinner at the Brading Haven Sailing Club on the Saturday evening, and a BBQ ashore adjacent to the Duver Pontoon on the Sunday evening (£3 per person).

If you intend to join the rally please email [donald@donald-mackenzie.co.uk](mailto:donald@donald-mackenzie.co.uk) with details of your boat and numbers attending by Monday 23rd April. Book your marina berth directly with Bembridge Harbour at [berths@bembridge.co.uk](mailto:berths@bembridge.co.uk) - the Rally Code to get the rally discount is RY015.

[Join the Bembridge Rally Weekend](#)



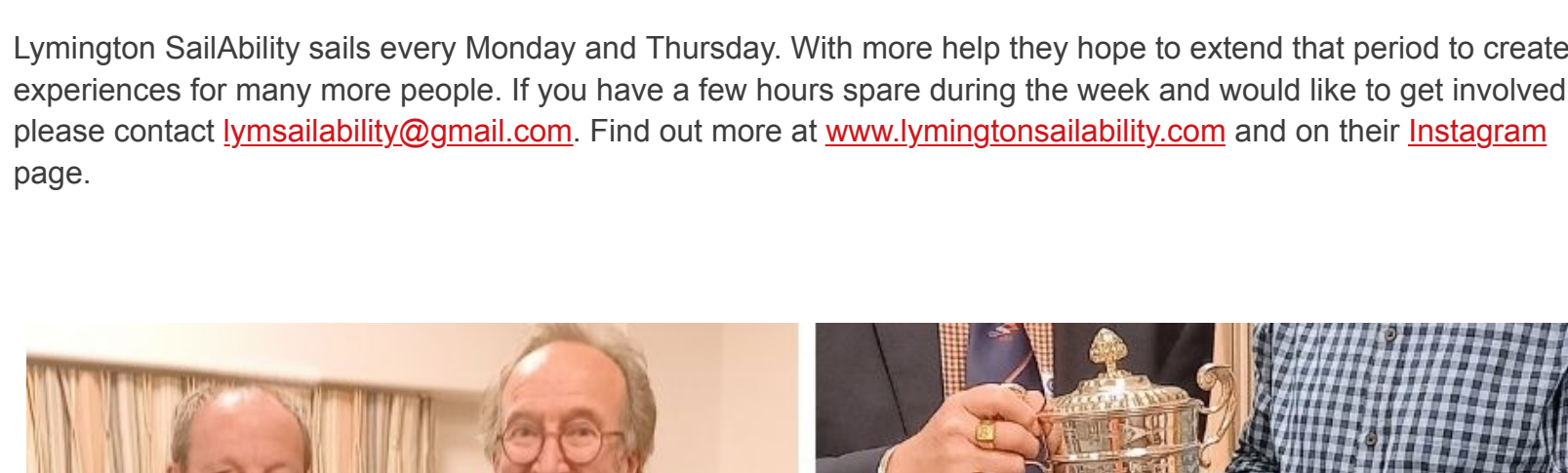
## Vintage & Classics Exhibition: Saturday 7th May

### Restored Firefly to be sold for Charity

Book your FREE tickets now for our Vintage and Classics Exhibition on Saturday 7th May - and please do tell your friends, families and neighbours about this unique opportunity to view how boating and transport has evolved over one hundred years.

We will be showcasing an impressive display of classic boats, vintage cars and bikes, including an original wooden Firefly which was owned by a member of the club whose widow gave it to a young member, Angus McEwen, to restore as part of his Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. The dinghy will be for sale and all proceeds will be given to the charity Médicins Sans Frontières.

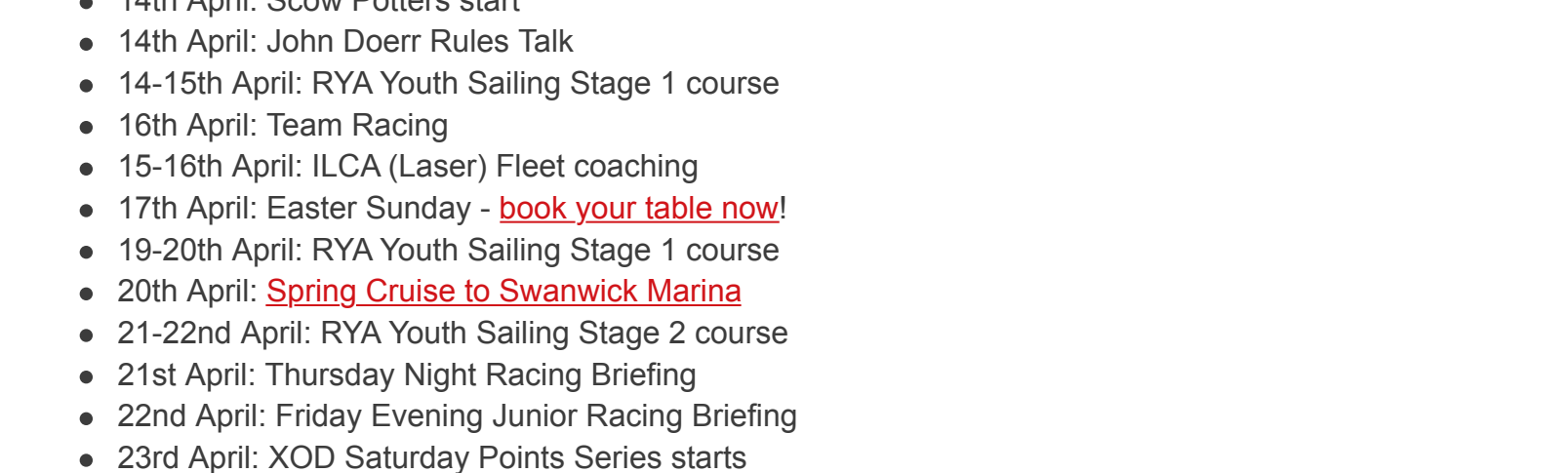
If you would like to volunteer some time to help steward guests around the exhibition, please contact Pauline Crates via the Club Office. [Find out more and book your FREE tickets now!](#)



## Nordic Folkboats in the Round the Island Race

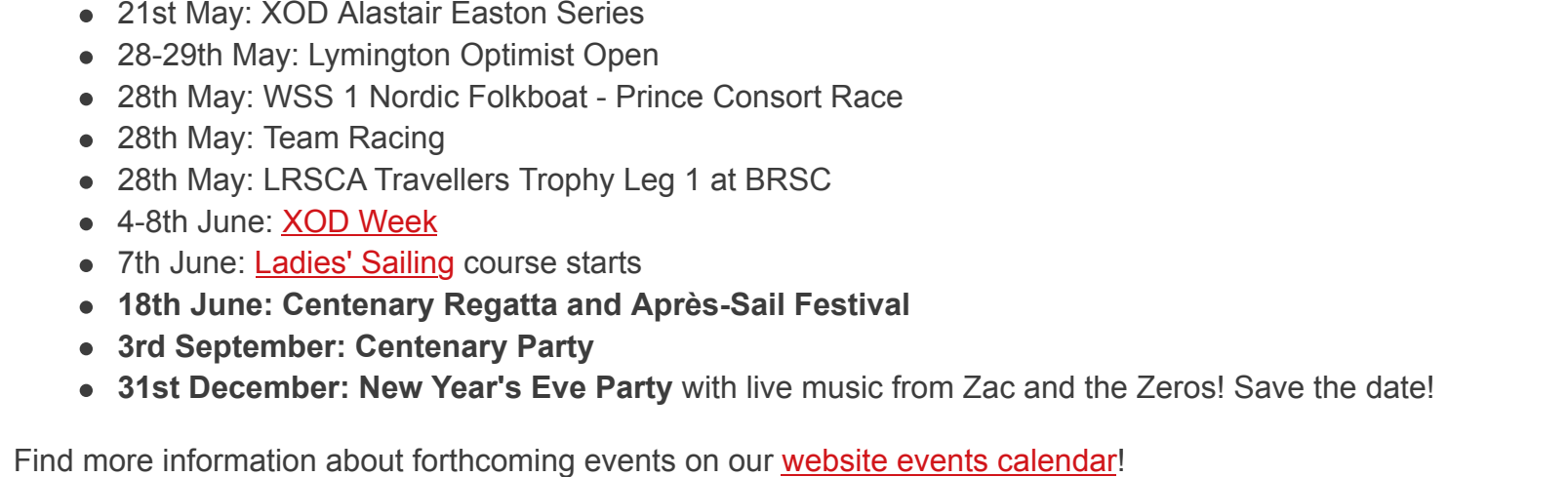
### How the Folkboat stands out as most successful design in RTI

Celebrating its 80th anniversary, the Nordic Folkboat stands out as the most successful design in the history of the Round the Island Race (RTI) with remarkable competitive longevity. As the Nordic Folkboat fleets across the Western Solent (and around the World) gear up for the 2022 Session Cup and the UK National Championships, both to be held at the Royal Lymington Yacht Club in September, all eyes will be on Folkboat performance at this year's RTI on 25th June. [Read more](#)



## Book your table for Easter Sunday!

Book your table now for Easter Sunday lunch, available from 12:00 to 16:00 and including our popular carvery. There are currently a few tables still available in the River Room and Island Room or if the weather forecast continues to look as favourable as it does at present, there are also tables on our balcony. [Full details of our restaurant opening hours with sample menus](#)



## Member receives 'Love Cup' from another Member!

On 30th March, RLYM's Peter Bell was presented with the Love Cup at a presentation dinner in the Limehouse HQ of the Cruising Association. Peter is the trophy for winning a log competition within the Cruising Association (6500 members) describing his (mis)adventures along the Portuguese coast along with his equally certified crew this winter. Many during their circumnavigation of Iberia. The log describes their experiences of hitting an uncharted and uncharted rock, their Mayday calls and what happened afterwards. The awards were judged by Duncan Kent who was heard to say "well at least the log wasn't boring"! The Trophy was presented by Rob Humphreys, the internationally known yacht designer, who is also a Member of RLYM as well as founder and partner of Humphreys Yacht Design of Lymington (and who designed Peter's Southernly 42RST).

## Other forthcoming dates for your diary...

- 13th April: [Wednesday Junior Sailing](#) Safety update (20pm/7pm)
- 14th April: Scow Pottery start
- 14th April: John Doerr Rules Talk
- 14-15th April: RYA Youth Sailing Stage 1 course
- 16th April: Team Racing
- 15-16th April: ILCA (Laser) Fleet coaching
- 17th April: Easter Sunday - [book your table now!](#)
- 19-20th April: RYA Youth Sailing Stage 1 course
- 20th April: [Spring Cruise to Swarwick Marina](#)
- 21-22nd April: RYA Youth Sailing Stage 2 course
- 21st April: Thursday Night Racing Briefing
- 22nd April: Friday Evening Junior Racing Briefing
- 23rd April: XOD Saturday Points Series starts
- 23rd April: Nordic Folkboat Saturday Points Series starts
- 23rd April: XOD Season Launch Social
- 28th April: Monday Evening Dinghy Racing starts
- 28th April: Ladies' Sailing course starts
- 28th April: Motor Day Cruise to East Cowes ([register here](#))
- 27th April: [Wednesday Junior Sailing](#) starts
- 27th April: XOD Wednesday Points Series starts
- 27th April: Nordic Folkboat Wednesday Points Series starts
- 28th April: Thursday Night Racing starts
- 29th April: Friday Evening Junior Racing starts
- 30th April: Team Racing
- 3rd May: Tuesday Evening Optimist coaching starts
- 6-9th May: Weekend Cruise to Bembridge
- 7th May: [Centenary Vintage and Classics Exhibition Day](#) 11:00-16:00
- 14th May: Duo Series starts
- 14th May: Team Racing
- 17th May: Motor Day Cruise to Poole
- 21st May: Royal Engineers' Yacht Club vs Royal Lymington Yacht Club
- 21st May: 420 Grant Prix Open
- 21st May: XOD Alastair Easton Series
- 25-26th May: Lymington Optimist Open
- 28th May: WSS 1 Nordic Folkboat - Prince Consort Race
- 28th May: Team Racing
- 28th May: LRSCA Travellers Trophy Leg 1 at BRSC
- 4th June: [XOD Vint](#)
- 7th June: [Ladies Sailing](#) course starts
- 18th June: Centenary Regatta and Live-Sail Festival
- 3rd September: Centenary Party
- 31st December: New Year's Eve Party with live music from Zac and the Zeros! Save the date!

Find more information about forthcoming events on our [website](#) [events calendar](#).

## And finally...

A few photos of our fabulous Centenary Afternoon Tea on Friday, with mouthwatering selection of sandwiches, scones and cakes made by our talented kitchen team. Many thanks to Chelsea Garden Designer, Jane Clegg, who came along to talk about the new planting scheme at the Club - and to Jean Paton who donated the beautiful hydrangeas, which not only provided splendid decoration but were sold afterwards raising £200 to help people in the Ukraine.



## Royal Lymington Yacht Club

Royal Lymington Yacht Club is one of the world's finest yacht clubs: a warm and welcoming home of yachting, dinghy sailing and motor boating.

At RLYM you'll find a warm welcome, excellent facilities, first class training, expert waterside servicing, a thriving social programme for all ages both ashore and afloat and our popular hotel and restaurant with picturesque views of the Lymington River and Solent.

Find out more in our website: [rym.co.uk](http://rym.co.uk)



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