



Royal Lycoming Yacht Club



Weekly Update For Our Members

Wednesday 12th January 2022

Dear Members,

This evening's lecture will take place on Zoom: take a look at the 33 excellent entries as Neil Hardy judges the final of our [annual photography competition](#). Catch up on previous winter lectures on the [Cruising page](#) of our website once you have logged in as a member. Last week's lecture by Graham Clarke and Neil Eccles about the History of the Club will be available for 2 weeks until 26th January.

Can you help? Both our dinghy park and balance pond require tidying before the start of the new sailing season. A working party of volunteers will be meeting at 10:00 this Saturday 15th January, please contact vicky@rlmyc.org.uk if you can come and lend a hand.

If you're tentatively planning a summer getaway, do remember our **Centenary Caribbean Rally**, which starts on 13th May in Grenada. All members are welcome to join if cruising in the area or charter.

Read on for the latest news and updates from the RLymYC team and do like and follow RLymYC's pages, posts and stories on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

With best wishes,
Phil Lawrence
Commodore



Find out about Blind Sailing Week this Friday!

On Friday 14th January join us on Zoom at 18:30 for a talk about Blind Sailing Week, which will be taking place at the Club from 2nd-9th July 2022. With the event having been cancelled due to the pandemic for the past two years, we are determined that this year's Blind Sailing Week will go ahead. We are looking for motorboaters as well as yachts and there will be a wide variety of volunteer roles. The event is really enjoyable and we highly recommend that you get involved!

[Find here Zoom details for the talk](#)



Winter lecture: Air War in the Falklands

Wednesday 19th January with Cdr Tim Gedge AFC Royal Navy

For our Winter Lecture on Wednesday 19th January 2022, Commander Tim Gedge AFC Royal Navy will be talking about the Air War in the Falklands in 1982. The Falklands Conflict came as a sudden shock to the nation. The success in removing the invading forces from the Falkland Islands required the efforts of all three Services, the Royal Fleet Auxiliary and the UK's Merchant Navy; almost all assets were transported by sea. Tim will talk about the aviation elements and how the Sea Harrier fighter overcame considerable opposition.

[Find out more and BOOK seats and suppers by Friday 14th January](#)



Book now for a fabulous Burns Night Dinner

Saturday 22nd January with traditional speeches, piper and ceilidh

Our traditional Burns Night dinner with piper will be taking place in the Clubhouse on Saturday 22nd January 2022, starting 19:00. Afterwards get set to whirl at a traditional ceilidh, a fun-filled evening of jigs, reels and entertainment! Tickets £45 per person.

In order for the event to go ahead we need to sell 70 tickets. Should this target not be reached we will sadly have to cancel the evening and all tickets purchased will be refunded. Please book asap in order for us to monitor demand - at the latest by Tuesday 18th January.

Snap up one of our [LIMITED EDITION centenary bow ties](#) at just £12.50 - perfect for Burns Night!

[Book your seat and order your supper by Tuesday 18th January](#)



Junior Prizegiving: save the new date!

Our Junior and Youth Fleet Captains have taken the decision to postpone our Junior Prizegiving Evening until Friday 18th March 2022, when we can not just look back at 2021, but also look ahead to the new season!

Save the date: Friday 18th March.



The SW Coastal Path: Still Living the Dream

Thursday 20th January with Jonathan Cook

Our Scow Fleet has organised an exciting series of talks, which all our members are very welcome to attend. On Thursday 20th January, Jonathan Cook will be talking about the 500 mile walk he completed in 35 days along the South West Coastal Path. A feat which took him out of his 'retirement comfort zone' and presented him with both a mental and physical challenge!

[Find out more and BOOK your place by Friday 14th January](#)



Winter Racing Forum 4: Sailing Downwind

Thursday 27th January with Rory Paton and Luke McEwen

Racing downwind is the topic of our next winter racing forum, taking place in the Club and online on Thursday 27th January at 18:00. Club members Rory Paton and Luke McEwen will host the discussion and share their vast experience of sailing fast downwind in dinghies and keelboats with symmetric and asymmetric spinnakers.

[BOOK your place now - in the Clubhouse or on Zoom!](#)



Art Exhibition Winner and Runners Up

Following the success of the 2021 Art Exhibition in November, it was transferred online and members were encouraged to vote for their favourite picture. It is with great pleasure that we can down announce the results, congratulations to our winners and thank you to all who participated.

First place: Carolyn Howden – Dan Bran's Shed ([see the full picture here](#))

Joint runners up: Jose Nieves – Threading the Needles, Done, and David Earl – Hurst from Javelin.

[View the winning pictures here](#)



A spot of sibling rivalry at the Peter Andrae Race!

In spite of the weather there was plenty of fun for our young sailors who competed at the 2021 Peter Andrae Race - with some healthy sibling rivalry too! Half of the winning Rogers/McEwen team, Jonny Rogers (aged 10) has written a race report about the event.

If you would like to submit a race/event/achievement report for the website, which we will also share on our social media (and potentially also as a press release to media, depending on the event/achievement!) please email Tanya on pr@rlmyc.org.uk, including a selection of hi-res images.

[Read Jonny's Race Report](#)

And finally...

Sailing Success and PotterShip articles

If you won a major event in 2021 (or achieved a significant place) and would like to feature on our [Club Success](#) page on the website, please submit details by email to sail@rlmyc.org.uk or via the [online form](#).

We are now planning the Club's PotterShip magazine, which will take a look back at 2021. If you would like to write a short piece on an achievement made in 2021, please get in touch on sail@rlmyc.org.uk.



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At RLymYC you'll find a warm welcome, excellent facilities, first class training, expert waterside services, a thriving social programme for all ages both ashore and afloat and our popular bar and restaurant managed by the world-renowned Mosimann's dining club.

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