



Weekly Update For Our Members

Wednesday 16th March 2022

Dear Members,

The race marks are now in and it won't be long until we're back out racing!

On 26th March we are hosting our annual Open Day and Crew Match for everyone interested in boating and getting out on the water. Please do mention it to your neighbours, family and friends; everyone is welcome to come along and find out more about the Club. Please note that our pontoon will have restricted access. More information including timings below.

Skippers, remember to register your entry for Spring Series and if you think you might need some additional crew this season, do speak to John Turner and come along to Crew Match on Saturday 26th.

In September we will be hosting the <u>UK Nordic Folkboat International Regatta</u>, incorporating the UK National Championships and the Sessan Cup 2022. The Class is seeking Members who are willing to host International visiting crews in their homes. For many years the Club traditionally arranged for Members to host Crews competing in the Royal Lymington Cup which was an enjoyable experience for all involved. Find more details below.

Read on for the latest news and updates from the RLymYC team and remember, look out for and like our posts and stories on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>LinkedIn</u>!

With best wishes, Phil Lawrence

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Open Day and Crew Match - Saturday 26th March

On Saturday 26th March we will be holding our annual Open Day from 10:00 to 16:00 for the general public and also for new Members who might not yet have had a chance to spend much time at the Club. We will be showcasing all aspects of RLymYC, from racing and cruising to training and youth sailing. A selection of members' boats will be available to view on the pontoon.

If you're interested in crewing this season, do come along to Crew Match in the bar from 10:00 to 12:00 or <u>register</u> <u>your interest</u>. Please do invite your friends, neighbours and family and help them discover the fun of sailing and boating!

Please note: some parts of the pontoon will be closed from 11:00 on Friday 25th March to enable the boatmen to organise and dress boats for the Open Day. The following **will** be open: the 15 min berth, 1 berth behind and a limited section of the south pool. The whole pontoon will reopen on Sunday 26th March at 11:00.

Find out more about our Open Day and Crew Match

Insurance Risk Management Consulting

SPRING SERIES
Sundays 3, 10, 24 April, 1 May



Spring Series starts 2nd April - Enter now!

Entry is now open for our 2022 Spring Series, sponsored by Gallagher Insurance which will be taking place on Sundays 3rd, 10th, 24th April and 1st May. In our centenary year, there has never been a better time to join us on the water! The Gallagher Insurance Spring Series is for keelboats including cruiser racer yachts, J/80s and Nordic Folkboats. The series provides a great warm up for the Club's Thursday Night Racing Series. Racing is competitive yet friendly, lighthearted and fun, with many skippers and crews enjoying drinks and meals together in the RLymYC bar and restaurant afterwards.

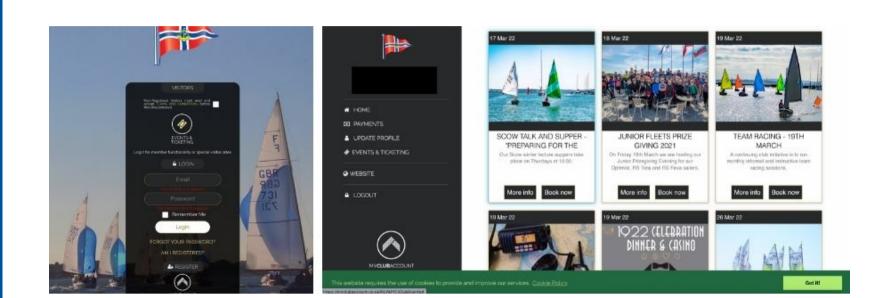
Find out more and ENTER now!



Local children funded to develop sailing skills and confidence at Royal Lymington

We are delighted to announce that the Lymington-based global technology expert, Bridgeworks Ltd, has pledged to sponsor a new Junior Sailing Development Fund at the Club over the next three years. The fund will help local children to develop their sailing skills beyond our popular Wednesday Junior Sailing (WJS) programme, enabling participation in our year-round junior and youth fleet coaching programme.

Find out more



How to enter our events online (My Club Account)

Last year we introduced a new events and ticketing system for the Club called 'My Club Account'. Many of you are now used to the new system, but here is a recap for those who might not yet have booked tickets. All events on and off the water, including coaching will be bookable through this system going forwards.

This third party site recognises your membership status and is automatically linked to your membership record however **it will require you to login and confirm your details before you can begin using it** (just as Paypal or other event websites such as Eventbrite, for example). Once set up, it is really easy to use, available 24/7 and will avoid people having to wait for the office staff to process your event bookings.

If you would like a little help setting this up, visit Kirsty's next GM drop in morning on Tuesday 22nd March (09:00 - 13:00 in the bar) where she will take you through logging into My Club Account and the RLymYC website.

Click here for step-by-step details on how to set up My Club Account



Covid: tested positive or have symptoms?

With a lot of positive COVID-19 cases being reported locally, the Health and Safety Committee and I would like to remind Members that should you have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test result, then please consider following the public health advice by staying at home and avoiding contact with other people.

Kirsty Husband - General Manager, Operations



Could you be a part of the RLymYC Race Team?

There are many volunteer roles associated with running our sailing events. Whether you are relatively inexperienced or fully qualified, we would be delighted to hear from you! Volunteering opportunities include our regular weekly series (such as Thursday Night Racing, Friday Evening Junior Racing and Wednesday Junior Sailing), for annual club events, for our RYA training courses and for Class and National Championship events hosted at the club. If you would like to be a part of our sailing events and/or race team please email Vicky on sail@rlymyc.org.uk.

Find out more



Junior Prize Giving Evening - Friday 18th March

Calling all Oppie, Tera and Feva sailors! And parents! This coming Friday come to your Junior Prize Giving at the Club - a fantastic opportunity to get together for a fun evening! Your MC for the evening is Head Coach Hugh Styles, who will take a look back at 2021 and look ahead to 2022. Last seats remaining - book your tickets now on My Club Account (the official dinner should have been booked by close of play Monday)...

Log into My Club Account and book your seats now!



Day Cruise to Cowes - Tuesday 22nd March

All members are invited to join our day cruise to the Royal London Yacht Club in Cowes on Tuesday 22 June, with lunch from 12.30 onwards. HW Portsmouth is 13.59 GMT, so the stream should carry you to Cowes comfortably if you aim to arrive by noon. We have arranged berths at the Cowes Yachthaven (at £1.10 per metre for a short stay). Lunch is priced at £26.50 for 2 courses or main course only for £20.00. If you would like to join the cruise, please email your name, boat name and length, and numbers taking lunch, to George Trevelyan on georget0104@gmail.com by Friday 18th March 2022.

Find out more



Motor Cruise to Southampton - Tuesday 22nd March

Our next motorboat outing is on Tuesday 22nd March. As Ocean Village will closed for dredging we are booked in to Southampton Town Quay (STQ). The team suggests a stop for coffee at Netley Hospital then after mooring at STQ, a short walk to Banana Wharf for lunch. After lunch a visit to Solent Sky Aviation Museum across the road. We may have to limit boats on the marina so it will be first come first served. If there is a limit we can take extra crew on some of the boats. Motorboaters in cars also accommodated.

Costs known at present: Town Quay £15.00 for 28 footer, Banana Wharf, depends on gluttony (!), Museum £10.00. Please book using the link below to a new booking form (kindly created by Rob Ryan (MB committee)

BOOK now for our Motor Day Cruise



Day Cruise to Swanwick - Wednesday 20th April

All members are welcome to join our cruise to Swanwick Marina for the day with the option of staying overnight. Swanwick Marina has a maximum rally number of 15 boats. The marina requires details by Sunday 20th March. Lunch is booked between 13:00 and 15:00 at the Jolly Sailor. Please email Gerry McCafferty on <u>oxleyslodge@hotmail.com</u> if you plan to join the cruise.

Find out more - including lunch choices!



A new, mouthwatering breakfast menu at the Club!

This weekend Richard and the team are happy to launch a <u>new breakfast menu</u>, with delicious options. Come and enjoy a mouthwatering breakfast at the Club from 8am at weekends and from 10:30am on weekdays.

The evening menus are taking shape too. If you have a special event such as an anniversary or a birthday, do get in touch if you'd like to organise a particular menu for the occasion. The new online booking system will be up and running soon. In the meantime to book a table, please email <u>restaurant@rlymyc.org.uk</u> or call **01590 671751**.

Remember to book your tables for Mothering Sunday (27th March) and Easter Sunday (17th April)! Click here for opening hours and sample menus - now including breakfast!



Could you host international Folkboat sailors?

We are looking forward to welcoming international Nordic Folkboats to the Nationals (Walcon) and Sessan Cups taking place at the Club from 17th to 22nd September.

A number of Lymington Folkboat sailors have offered to host international sailors and we wonder if any other RLymYC members might be willing to host sailors during the event? If you have one, two or three spare bedrooms/beds and would be willing to have one or all of a boats crew to stay on a 'no charge' B&B basis, please contact Claire and Julian Sowry on <u>sessancupaccommodation@gmail.com</u> with the number of beds and sailors that you could put up.

Otherwise, we anticipate that some of the visitors will come with their own camper vans, so if you have a large driveway and are prepared for them to park up and use your electricity then please kindly also let us know.



Our new lift is now in service

Our new lift went into service on Saturday, on budget and a day earlier than the plan. There are a few remaining details which will be completed this week. We are sure it will take a couple of visits to get to be familiar with the lift's operation but the controls are very simple. As it is primarily designed for use by those with wheel chairs, push chairs or mobility frames, the automatic doors have a time delay of 15 seconds before closing so be patient! For the same safety reasons, as the lift is a 'platform lift', the 'Up' and 'Down' buttons have to be held in while the lift is in operation. For the first months we have added some laminated operational notes but if you have any difficulties or concerns please contact the office or bar/restaurant staff. We hope that the lift will be appreciated and used by all members who have a mobility difficulty and families with pushchairs.

Other forthcoming dates for your diary...

- 16th March: Wednesday Junior Sailing working party day
- 16th March: Winter Lecture now with Marcus Ward of <u>Wild New Forest</u>.
 17th March: Scow Talk and Supper <u>Preparing for the new season</u>
- 18th March: Junior and Youth Prize Giving Dinner
- 19th March: RYA VHF Training
- 19th March: <u>Team Racing</u>
 19th March: <u>1922 Celebration Dinner</u>
- 22nd March: <u>Day cruise to Cowes</u>
- 22nd March: GM drop in morning: logging into My Club Account and the RLymYC website
- 22nd March: Motor day cruise to Southampton
- 24th March: Evening RS Tera Fleet coaching starts
 26th March: 9th Lymington Sea Scouts Boat Jumble (09:30-12:00)
- 26th March: <u>Crew Match</u> 10:00-12:00
- 26th March: Centenary Open Day 10:00-16:00
- 26th March: <u>New Members Day</u>
- 26th-27th March: RS Feva Spring Championships (<u>ENTER here</u>, Saturday Night FEVA tickets <u>HERE</u>)
 27th March: Mothering Sunday <u>book your table now</u>!
- 29th March: Evening Optimist Fleet coaching starts
- 30th March: <u>Wednesday Junior Sailing</u> training
- 30th March: Racing Forum 5 Playing the Game
 2nd April: RS Tera Fleet coaching
- 3rd April: 2022 Gallagher Insurance Spring Series begins (ENTER here)
- 4th April: Spring back to Scowing
- 6th April: <u>Wednesday Junior Sailing</u> training
 7th April: Quiz Night
- 8th April: Centenary Afternoon Tea
- 9th April: Scow buoyancy testing and rigging workshop
- 9th April: Informal Cruising Supper
- 11th April: Monday Evening Dinghy Racing Briefing
 12-13th April: RYA Youth Sailing Stage 1 course
- 13th April: <u>Wednesday Junior Sailing</u> Safety update (2pm/7pm)
- 14th April: Scow Potters start
- 14th April: John Doerr Rules Talk
- 14-15th April: RYA Youth Sailing Stage 1 course
 16-17th April: ILCA (Laser) Fleet coaching
- 17th April: Easter Sunday book your table now!
- 19-20th April: RYA Youth Sailing Stage 1 course
- 21-22nd April: RYA Youth Sailing Stage 2 course
 20th April: <u>Spring Cruise to Swanwick Marina</u>
- 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 Party
- 25th April: Monday Evening Dinghy Racing starts
- 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
- 6-9th May: Cruise to Bembridge
 7th May: <u>Centenary Vintage and Classics Exhibition Day</u> 11:00-16:00
- 14th May: Duo Series starts
- 29-30th May: Lymington Optimist Open
- 4-8th June: XOD Week
- 18th June: Centenary Regatta and Après-Sail Festival on the Green

Find more information about forthcoming events on our website events calendar!

And finally... Member Discounts at Elmers Court

<u>Macdonald Elmers Court Hotel and Country Club</u> continue to offer 15% off their best available room rates all year round to our Members and visitors to the Club. Book by emailing <u>specialevents.elmers@macdonald-hotels.co.uk</u> to receive the discount. Members can also get the corporate gym membership.

View our Member Benefits here

If another member cannot find this email in their inbox, please direct them to the <u>Club Noticeboard</u> on the website where we will now be keeping a link to the last few weeks of newsletters... and suggest they check their email contact details with the office team. Thank you.



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 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 with picturesque views of the Lymington River and Solent.

Find out more in our website: rlymyc.org.uk



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