

Christmas Newsletter Header



## Your RLYMC Newsletter

Tuesday 26th May 2020

Please enjoy this week's offering. If you have anything to add, or a photo that can be used on our masthead (see above) Send to [sail@rlymc.org.uk](mailto:sail@rlymc.org.uk). Please provide all content (including images) attached to the email in a word document as suggested [here](#).

This week's photo is from Paul French, fellow club member and professional photographer, who is running some classes for us when we re-open. He is happy to give any helpful hints in the meantime, so if you would appreciate a few pointers or would simply like to share your photos, then refer to Online Photography Club [here](#)

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This week's newsletter was delayed by the Bank Holiday, otherwise it would hit your inboxes by 12:00 each Monday - that is our goal.

Thanks, Team RLYMC.

### From the Rear Commodore Sailing



Last week we were fortunate to have some of the freedoms restored following the initiation of the Coronavirus 'lockdown'. These are very welcome especially given the glorious Spring weather. I think it is worth making a couple of points as we roll towards June. The first is that the DEFRA message does not stand alone but must be read in the context of the overall guidance for this phase: STAY ALERT, CONTROL THE VIRUS, SAVE LIVES. This means we are told: stay at home as much as possible, stay alert when you do go out maintaining social distancing and respecting others amongst other detail.

Thus, the DEFRA message is not 'carte blanche' to resume sailing as we did before. For those who are able it is great to have the ability to get out on the water restored – it is an individual privilege shared by relatively few. It is by no means essential to the national economy and is an area where freedom could easily be curtailed.

The Club is not covered by the individual access to exercise or recreation waivers enjoyed by its Members. In opening the Club there is a responsibility within the wider boating community, the town and the New Forest. Activities which require additional people in an organised event are not necessarily possible, especially in considering actions in event of an accident or an emergency such as recovering people from the water. We are not able to compromise one standard to facilitate another.

To read the full text click

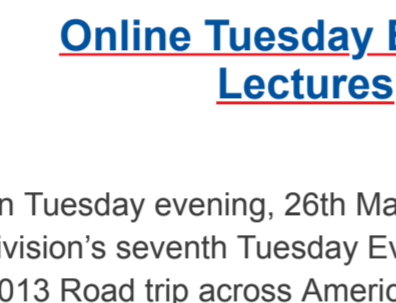
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### From Kirsty Husband, General Manager - Operations

In response to those members who have completed the online waterfront facilities survey, we are putting the crane back in action for a short period of time. The crane and derrick will be in operation from the afternoon of Thursday 4th June - Sunday 7th June.

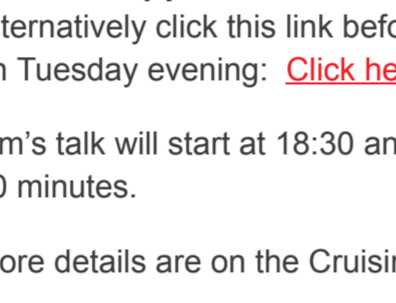
Bookings should be made online via the Club website; this will be available shortly. Bookings will be made on a first come, first served basis and will be for launching only. A separate email will be sent to advertise when booking is open. If there is sufficient demand after this initial exercise then a separate crane block will be scheduled as and when required.

### Member Assistance



Just a quick reminder that our team of 50 volunteer Members are ready and waiting to provide assistance to any Member who would like it. Please contact [Hilary Tudor](#) who is coordinating the volunteers and a volunteer will be in touch.

### Share your Isolation Stories with us!



We asked what birthdays are like in lockdown?  
**If you have had a birthday since our self-isolation began, we would love to hear how you celebrated it?**

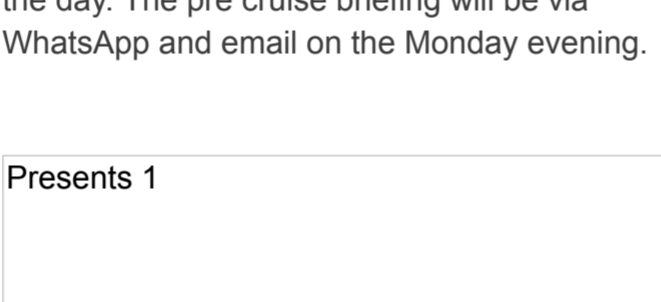
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### Waterfront Facilities Survey

As many of you are aware the Club is planning for a phased re-opening on a timescale that has yet to be determined. Much depends on the viability of activities and the demand that exists for them. In an aide to get a better understanding of the immediate demand we have created a short waterfront facilities survey. This is available [here](#).

[http://rlymc.org.uk/COVID19\\_Latest\\_Club\\_Information/WaterfrontFacilities](http://rlymc.org.uk/COVID19_Latest_Club_Information/WaterfrontFacilities)

Your responses will help us to determine the likely demand and therefore make viable arrangements in the coming weeks. It will require some planning and cooperation to achieve the necessary coordination and we thank you in advance. One could argue that to reply to this survey is in your own best interests, particularly if you have a vessel of any shape or size in Lymington – or if you intend to use the pontoons. Up to you.



### Online Tuesday Evening Lectures

On Tuesday evening, 26th May, the Cruising Division's seventh Tuesday Evening Lecture is 2013 Road trip across America by fellow Member Tim Harford. With international travel restrictions unlikely to be lifted any time soon, this is your chance to share a vividly illustrated, virtual journey across America, so don't miss the ride!

SIGN UP

Simply visit the HOME PORT/Tuesday Night Lectures page from 18:15 hours onwards, click on the 'Open road' photo and you will automatically join this Zoom lecture. Alternatively click this link before 18:30 hours on Tuesday evening: [Click here](#)

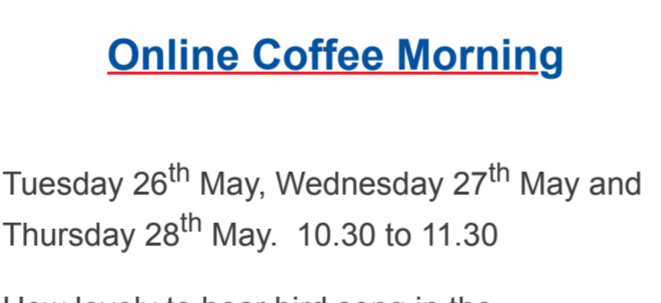
Tim's talk will start at 18:30 and last for around 60 minutes.

More details are on the Cruising page [here](#)



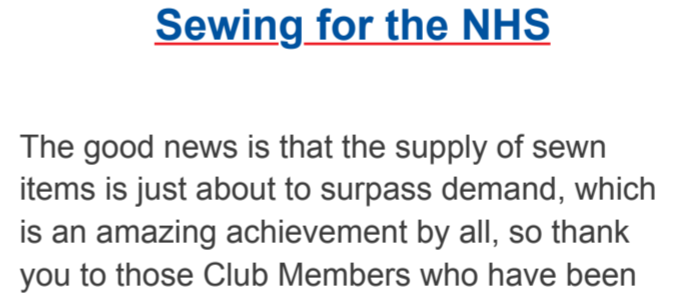
### Vince's Mini Quiz

Did you manage to identify all the British Sitcoms last week in the picture quiz? We're leaving this up for another week as there was a slight hiccup getting the pictures to the right size, though some are so iconic they are easily recognisable even in zoomed in form. Was your favourite there?



### Update on our Cruising Plans

Our originally planned meet at Seaview YC is not possible as they are unable to receive us, so we plan to cruise to Osborne Bay and anchor. The event must follow the present social distancing rules, so sailing with a member of your household. Bring lunch and refreshment to enjoy on your boat. Plan to be there around 12:30, HW Portsmouth is 15:00. Contact event organiser Sue Sutherland if interested. Nigel Lang will be leading the event on the day. The pre cruise briefing will be via WhatsApp and email on the Monday evening.



### Happy Hour - 27th May 1800-1900

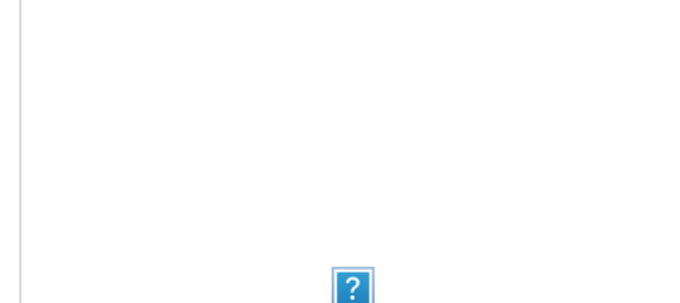
Six households discussing their latest sailing exploits to Beaulieu and Totton as well as their cycling exploits. As ever, very convivial even with a full discussion around CV19 which was cut short after the subject had been fully vented. We moved on – which we hoped the whole country will do eventually.



### Pre-Dinner Musical with Katharine Thurs -4th June 17:50 -19:00

Last week saw Katharine highlighting songs from the '50s-60's; some of us even remembered the songs when they came out. (and some didn't) Marilyn Monroe and Doris Day stick in the mind; others were enchanted by her rendition of Connie Francis songs too.

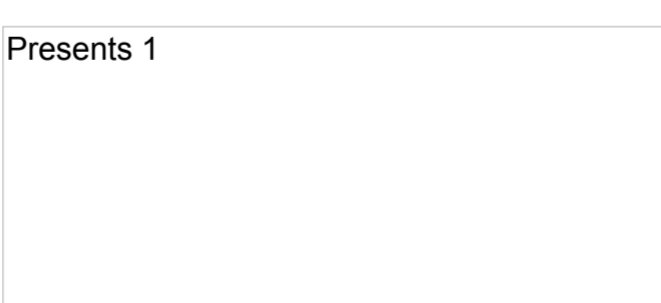
Katharine will have a break and return on the 4th June with a theme to be discussed. We will inform you what it is, in next week's newsletter.



### Online Art Club

New picture for Monday 26th May

Always wanted to find your artistic side? Josie 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 Josie has received them - see Rules [here](#)



### Online Coffee Morning

Tuesday 26th May, Wednesday 27th May and Thursday 28th May, 10.30 to 11.30

How lovely to hear bird song in the background at the coffee mornings, when Club Members are zooming away in their gardens, bringing the outside in. It's been great to hear about those of you lucky enough to be able to sail on your boats now some of the restrictions are lifted.



### Sewing for the NHS

The good news is that the supply of sewn items is just about to surpass demand, which is an amazing achievement by all, so thank you to those Club Members who have been sewing, making PPE and organising the logistics of supplies etc. Please don't make any more scrub bags, but for any you have just completed that require collection/drop off, please contact [mibell@cgsltd.co.uk](mailto:mibell@cgsltd.co.uk)

It is suggested that if you can help with making the disposable type PPE gowns, where there is demand, (which requires an iron to "seam" pieces together), you join the 'New Forest Sewing For the NHS' Facebook group and in particular the "Press Gang" or "Brian Gown" divisions, where all the information and any changes are located. The information changes too rapidly now to keep you updated with a weekly newsletter.

The Facebook Group mentioned any spare material could be used for face masks and to contact your neighbours/local community groups, which many of us have, or look at the website: <https://bigcommunitysew.co.uk> to find out what is needed. We would love to see photos of masks when completed, as people are being very creative with them.



### 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.



### Online Book Club

*The Foundling* 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.

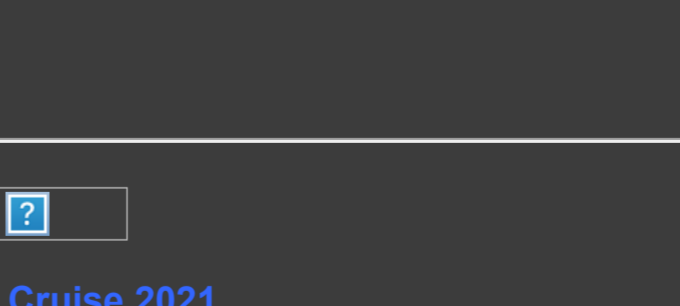
**There will be a discussion of this book on Thursday 28th May at 3pm. Please follow this [zoom link](#) to join in the discussion:**



### Sleep Matters

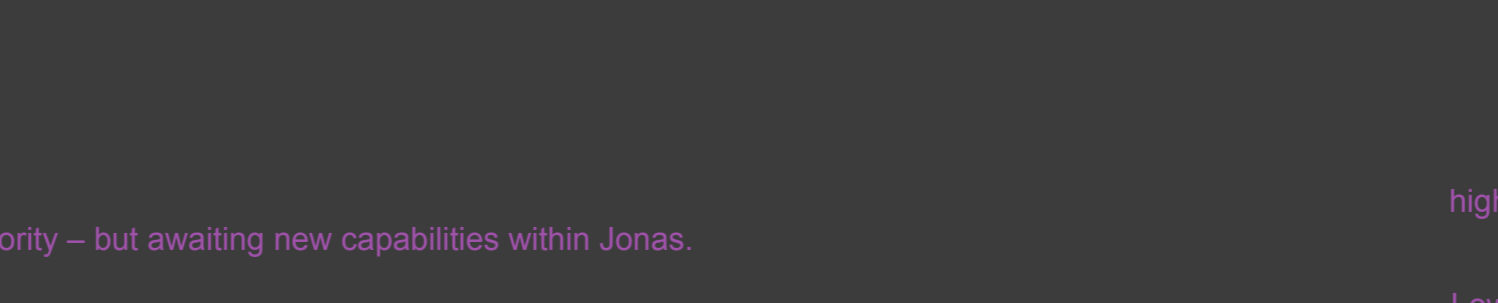
Here are some health tips to help you sleep in these worrying times from one of our Members who was a Health professional for "many years". Pauline Crates has put together some tips for you to follow to help you stay fit and healthy ready for when things get better.

Click above to see the full article



### Shipmates Breakfast

Missing your Shipmates' Breakfast get together? Well do come and zoom in with us for an hour on Sunday 31st May at 10.00 o'clock. Your host Maria has a variety of fun games and challenges that the whole family can join in with. Please let Maria know as soon as possible if you can attend by emailing her on [membership@rlymc.org.uk](mailto:membership@rlymc.org.uk). Further details will be on the Home Port page later in the week.



Sailing clubs from across the South will this Saturday (23 May) take part in the South regional final of the RYA eSailing Spring Club Championships. The winner will then compete for national honours by representing the South in the RYA eSailing Spring Club National Final (30 May).

For the full article click

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### 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 the Website & Newsletter Team

Our Website is under development. It is a work in progress and will be available in the next few weeks. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused and appreciate your patience.

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