

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Monday 28th September 2020

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Thanks, Team RLymYC.

Mosimann's to be our Restaurant and Bar partner at RLymYC



On Friday we announced to our members that Mosimann's, one of the most famous private dining clubs in London, will be the new face of our Club's restaurant and bar.

Over the past four months, the Club's Food and Beverage (F&B) group has worked hard to investigate and evaluate the 19 businesses that expressed interest in partnering with RLymYC as an outsourced bar and restaurant. At the same time, the F&B group considered a more tightly controlled inhouse service. It was clear that the opportunity to work with Mosimann's to provide great quality meals at affordable prices was one that we could not turn down. The General Committee accepted unanimously the F&B group's recommendation.



Anton Mosimann OBE, DL, celebrated chef awarded two Michelin stars at The Dorchester, founded Mosimann's Club in London in 1988. His sons

Mark and Philipp are Managing Directors of the Members Club and Events business respectively, each with impressive experience of managing highly regarded clubs, hotels and restaurants around the world.

The Mosimann team will start officially on Monday 2nd November and there will be a transition team in the Club from early October.

There are many benefits of partnering with Mosimann's that will flow through to all our members. Both bar/bistro and restaurant will serve locally sourced, high quality food at affordable prices (including wines) similar to our current provision - along with the exceptional level of service for which Mosimann's is internationally renowned. An example of a possible 'All Day Dining' menu can be seen by <u>clicking here</u>.

The initial commercial benefit to the Club will be that from November the risk of making future losses is removed. Thereafter the Club will benefit from the Franchise fee generated by the F&B operation.

We have already received great feedback from Members who cannot wait to sample the fare that will be on offer at the Club. Both we and Mosimann's are committed to making a success of this new relationship for the Club and this can only enhance the reputation of the Club as one of the premier UK yacht clubs, both on and off the water.

Initially COVID regulations will limit our offering to Members, but as we move towards our Centenary celebrations in 2022 I am sure that the range of services will be expanded to meet all our Members' expectations.

I am personally delighted by the enthusiasm that the Mosimann family have shown for this new venture and believe that there will be great synergy in the developing relationship over many years. Mosimann's bring with them a great reputation and I am sure will wish to enhance further that reputation at the RLymYC.

Finally, my thanks have to go to Michael Derrick, Nick Clayton, Rod Clarke, Dan Howe, Nicola West, Richard Jenner and also our General Manager Operations, Kirsty Husband, for the tireless effort that they have all put in over the last four months to achieve this result. A considerable amount of work was required to review the 19 initial expressions of interest and reduce to a shortlist of 3, proposed to the General Committee last week for a decision. Thank you.

Roger Garlick, Commodore

An update on Covid-19 from the Vice Commodore

It's been wonderful to see so many people back in the Club and active on the water during the recent fine weather. Thank you to those members who have been able to volunteer including particularly those on the first floor, without which opening as often as we are would be more difficult to justify.

You have probably seen that in the last few days the Government has again placed further restrictions on how we can operate. There are now increased sanctions which could run to several thousand pounds for individuals and the Club, potentially resulting in the closure of the clubhouse if members do not comply.

So from today we need to introduce some necessary enforced changes when you visit the clubhouse:

- We are required to close all food and beverage areas by 10pm. Last food orders will be at 8.30pm and last beverage orders will be at 9.30pm. All public areas must be vacated by 10pm.
- Members and guests are required to wear face coverings in the clubhouse except when consuming food and/or drinks.
- We can offer only table service in the bar and restaurant.
- Sign-in procedures must be followed as part of the "Track and Trace" requirements. (We now have in place the NHS Covid19 QR code at reception and in the bar; you can download the NHS app. and use this to easily register your arrival.)
- Please observe the social distancing guidelines with fellow members who may not be with your direct group
- Hand sanitising stations are available for use throughout the Club.

As usual we are grateful for your cooperation.

RLymYC Team in the British Keelboat League Final; 25th - 27th September

A Royal Lymington Yacht Club team competed at the British Keelboat League finals, hosted by the Berthon's Lymington Marina, on 25th – 27th September 2020. Robbie Urwin, Calum Cook, Olly McGill and Will Heathcote competed against 14 other teams from clubs across the country, with teams travelling from as far as the Clyde to race.

This event was the only regatta of the league that was able to be sailed this year, and the RYA did an excellent job ensuring a safe environment for all competitors. This included changes to the sailing instructions to mandate the wearing of face masks, and regular cleaning of the supplied RS21 regatta keelboats.

The format for the event was a series of short sprint races in a league format, with 6 teams lining up on each start line. Sailors alternated between the fleet of RS21's for each race, and regular shuttles were put on up and down the Lymington River to ferry teams out for their starts. Each race lasted no longer than 15 minutes, with two laps of a Windward-Leeward course. The one-design fleet ensured tight racing throughout.

Racing was cancelled on Friday due to strong winds, but Saturday morning brought a fresh 16-18 knot breeze, and we were able to get underway. A course was set to the East of the Lymington River, with a North-Westerly wind direction meaning that the tide was cross-course and 20-30 degree wind shifts were not unusual.

The Royal Lymington team started with back to back fourth place finishes, having only jumped into the boats 1 minute before their first warning signal. In race 3 the team rounded the windward mark in third place, but some excellent spinnaker work from Will and Olly saw them jump into first place by the leeward mark. Royal Thames Yacht Club were hot on their heels though, and although they were held at bay on the second upwind they were able to get past on a closely fought final downwind to deny them the race win by less than half a boat length.

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This years Potter Ship is sure to be an event not to be missed. The race will consist of four classes on one platform start at 10:10hrs using average laps & the Lymington Adjusted Handicap scoring system to find out our overall Club winner.

To get involved, enter online here. Further information on the event can be found on the event webpage.

First Floor Update

Themed Suppers Autumn 2020

Mondays

Book your restaurant table NOW for the first Quiz of the season with Vince Sutherland on

Quiz Night Suppers

Monday 12th October. Bar opens at 17:30. Quiz starts at 19:00. Tables of 6 MAX. £20 per table payable on the night by Members' card. *More info below.

Thursdays Lecture Suppers

Book your restaurant table NOW for any lecture of the season! Starting Thursday 15th October. See the schedule up to Christmas HERE. Also available to watch online. Bar opens 17:30 for 18:30 start. *More info below.

A date for your lecture diaries: Photographic Competition 2020!

Fridays Weekly Themed Menus

Join us this Friday 2nd October for a theme of 'Autumn Favourites'. See the menu. BOOKING **ESSENTIAL**. Tables of 6 max, strictly no mingling between tables.

Saturdays **Movie Night Suppers**

Book your restaurant table NOW for the first movie supper of the season on 24th October with CASINO ROYALE to get you in the mood for the new Bond movie coming soon. See full schedule here. (note some movies are on a Monday too) Bar opens 17:30 for a 18:30 start. *More info below.

Traditional Roast Lunches Sundays

Come & enjoy a Sunday Roast among friends with stunning views of the river. Served from 12:00 – 14:30. Book here. (6 max per table, strictly no mingling).

*For T & C's for Quiz, Lecture & Movie Suppers click this link:

Gillian Poole, Clubhouse Events Manager



We would like to know what you would like to see here in the weekly newsletter. Suggestions & submissions can be sent to sail@rlymyc.org.uk, please provide all content (including images) attached to the email in a word document.



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