



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Monday 30th November 2020

Our thanks to John Stork for his competition winning photo titled "Free at Last" (the coloured version)
The Club is currently shut for Lockdown. It will reopen on Wednesday 2nd December. See details below.

Coming up in this week's edition:

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Thanks, Team RLmYC.

Annual Club Sailing & Business Forum



Your Flag Officers have been considering how we can run the Annual Sailing and Club Review planned for Saturday 5th December at 11.00.

It will not have escaped your attention that we are in the middle of a global pandemic and we have reluctantly concluded that having several hundred members at the Club for the Review is, therefore, impossible.

Nevertheless, we view it as extremely important that we have an opportunity to summarise what we have done in the last year and present our proposals for the future so that you can consider them and ask questions of us.

We have considered several alternatives, and after careful consideration we propose to run the meeting remotely as an on-line presentation followed by questions and answers. We will be sending further details to all members which will enable you to use your home computer, tablet or phone to 'attend' the meeting.

For the full text and instructions on how and when to submit a question [Click here](#)

Some Essential Reminders & Updates

Club Open

After all this time the Club is open – as of Wednesday 2nd December. You will have received confirmation of all details by email already.

Covid-19 regulations

Just to remind ALL Members that the current Covid Regs are still in place. It is still necessary to wear a mask when entering the Club. It keeps you and all staff, safe.

Mosimann's Click and Collect

See here for the Menu (with new items and pricing) and instructions for ordering, or even the front page of the Web Site, where there is also a link. This service will continue, even after the Club is open.

RNLJ Shop

Will be open from 12:00 on Thursday 3rd Dec. Not many Christmas cards yet (they will be coming soon) but lots of diaries, calendars and gifts.

Previous Online Lectures.

See them [here](#)

Previous Junior and Youth Online Lectures

See them [here](#)

Book Club

Next meeting 7th Dec 15:30

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83892117940?pwd=ZkxhYnZXRhRhc0NjUjBjZk9kTm50N0Z09>

Further details are [Here](#)

The Slipway

Don't forget the rules around the slipway. We do not want to persuade the HM to close it.

Christmas Decs up

09:30 Tuesday 1st December – Decorate the Club. Take them all down again 2nd Jan. 2021 at 09:30

Mosimann's welcomes you back



Mosimann's at the Royal Lymington Yacht Club are pleased to announce that they will be re-opening from Wednesday 2nd December with plenty to enjoy over the coming weeks and beyond. Please do book a table in advance through the all-new online booking system below.

BOOK YOUR TABLE

The All Day Dining Menu has been updated over lockdown and is subject to change depending on popularity and membership taste. Please see the new menu below.

ALL DAY DINING

The new evening menu will be available from when we re-open on Wednesday and will be changed every week. Click below to see the first menu below.

EVENING MENU

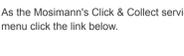
Mosimann's will also be offering a traditional Sunday Lunch Menu for the Membership to enjoy. So please don't miss out on a lovely Mosimann's style Sunday Lunch. Very similar to what we used to provide, and which was so popular at the Club.

SUNDAY MENU

As the Mosimann's Click & Collect service has gone so brilliantly, they have decided to continue with it, but with a new menu (collection only). For the new menu click the link below.

CLICK & COLLECT

Some good sailing News - Huzzah!



Keep the date free - Sunday 27th December. The Club will be running the Peter Andree Trophy for the Junior section. Organised by Sarah and Andrew Richards with support from Roy Froud who will be the RO.

Some other good news for the future, we are looking forward to welcoming four outside events next year - the Finns in May, the VXs in July, the J80s in late August and the Nordic Folkboat nationals - all in addition to our regular Club programme.

Saturday's Virtual 'Afternoon Tea'



Well what a lovely group of people came to the virtual afternoon tea on Saturday. We had all dressed our tables, which gave Chef Nick Hebditch a hard task to pick just one winner. A beautiful variety of teapots, including sparkling solid silver, to tablecloths hand made by special friends. There were also wedding and heirloom china (some from China) and ornaments brought back from world travels, crystal glasses, English roses and flowers, candles, napkins, bunting, tea and champagne. It was surprising how many tables had similar themes. Every table was charming, even those modestly described as being in a simple setting and the overall atmosphere transcended zoom.

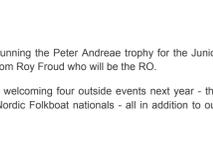
The highlight of course, for everyone, was the food. Lots of positive feedback about the delicious sandwiches, scones and cakes. Nick's fun quiz was designed to get us talking and some were adamant that a scone should always be pronounced as if rhyming with gone, even tho' that is not correct, so don't get us started on whether jam or cream should go on your "small circular baked item" first, but it's jam if you hail from Cornwall.

The prize for the best dressed table went to the Johnsons, and you can see the picture here. Nick particularly liked the personal history of all the items on the table and promised to deliver their bottle of Mosimann's champagne that evening. Well done to the Laymans' too for persevering, despite their low bandwidth cutting them out a few times. One of the downsides to living in beautiful Hampshire.

It was great to "meet" Nick and he welcomes your comments on Mosimann's food, whether that be a take-away or dining at the Club. Thank you all so much for joining in.

Mary Bell

Chair social sub committee



Family Christmas Lunch with Mosimann's at The RLmYC



Get into the Christmas spirit on Saturday 19th December as Mosimann's will be hosting a Family Christmas Lunch where you can enjoy entertainment from a Children's Caricaturist together with your little ones. They will be able to decorate their own baubles at the table. Much fun to be had, so be sure not to miss out.

The Family Christmas Lunch menu can be seen [HERE](#). There will also be a Children's Menu available on the day. Book your table now by clicking the link [HERE](#), payment will be made on the day.

Everyday Christmas Lunches

With the new Government Guidelines in place, Christmas feels more important than ever, and what better reason to bring your household/support bubble to the Club to enjoy a sumptuous Christmas Lunch.

The Everyday Christmas Menu can be seen [HERE](#) and is available throughout the Christmas period from Monday 7th December. Book your table [HERE](#) and confirm on your booking that you would like the Christmas Menu.



Why not treat yourself to one of Mosimann's tasty Christmas Puddings for £14. Claimed by many to be one of the best in the world. Gillian can confirm this is true. Please ask a member of staff at your table if you are coming into the Club over the festive season.

If you are taking advantage of Mosimann's Click & Collect Service please do mention that you would like to add a Christmas Pud to your shopping list. Contact them on rlmyc@mosimann.com.

Winter lecture No 8. Atatürk in History



The Cruising Division's 8th Winter Lecture makes a welcome return to our Clubhouse this week on Thursday evening 3rd December 2020 at 18:30hrs.

Our guest speaker, Commodore Richard Bridges, will present 'Ataturk in History' about Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, the father of modern Turkey, who transformed his nation after the First World War.

The talk will be held in the Island and Solent Rooms, where we can safely accommodate up to 40 dining members in their bubbles, all social distanced and in full compliance with the prevailing health guidelines.

Book your table by emailing sall@rlmyc.org.uk for a great lecture followed by a fine Mosimann's dinner. Under the new Government Guidelines all those attending are required to dine. Please see the menu [HERE](#) that you can order from on the evening.

This lecture also available on Zoom. From 18:00 onwards

Zoom codes to log in - Meeting ID: 832 3207 9003 / Passcode: 938186

For the Precip of the lecture [click Here](#)

To all our Bridge Players



You are invited to participate in online bridge with members of the Lymington Bridge Club. This will be a zoom session followed by 10-12 hands on RealBridge, followed by a discussion afterwards. Starts Friday 11th Dec. at 10:-12:30

For costs and contact details [Click Here](#)

Junior & Youth Section Lectures



As we come out of Lockdown we will continue with our weekly training and these are here to remind you. They will continue until at least Christmas.

Mondays 17:30 - sailing fitness with Drew Barnes.

Wednesdays 17:30- Junior Lecture

Fridays 17:30 - VR Junior Racing

Saturdays 10:00 - fitness circuits with 29er coaches.

The Junior Lectures, continue. Tune in for:

2 Dec - Boat Set up (Opple lead Coach)

9 Dec - Tides (Graham Sunderland - author of Winning Tides)

23 Dec - Sail Trim & Setley Cup sailmaking (Ronan Grealish of North Sails)

These lectures are primarily for the Junior and Youth sections and they are encouraged to ask their Fleet Captains for the joining instructions.

However the recorded lectures will be available to all Members to review 'later', when they have been uploaded to the website as detailed below

25 Nov. Racing Rules – John Doerr
<https://weftansfer.com/downloads/9657123e0d04928672ef9a23cf0b29320201127083930/83709b0599e651c12cbe70f83c2c618e20201127083930/e401eb>

Note : you only have until 4th December to download these files. We recommend you download and watch later at your leisure.

Previous Junior Lectures are also available [here](#)

Hugh Styles

Head Coach, Juniors & Youth Fleets

Report on the Cruising Lecture No.7 Where angels fear to tread



Last Thursday's Winter Lecture was a delight, delivered to a record Zoom audience by fellow member, Nigel Lang. Nigel described the origins of the Observer Single-handed Trans-Atlantic Race, 'OSTAR' in 1960 and how he accepted friend Mike McMullen's invitation to compete in the 1976 race.

After initial preparation & brief single-handed qualifying voyage, he was one of 125 skippers at the Plymouth starting line on 5th June when Nigel set out to sail the Atlantic in his Contessa 26 - 'Gadriell of Lothlorien'.

His ensuing story was gripping, with vivid accounts of five storms in succession, close encounters with icebergs & a fishing fleet, and even a mid-ocean collision with the 20th century equivalent of the 'Marie Celeste'.

Despite these challenges, Nigel arrived in Newport, Rhode Island 'by the skin of his teeth' after 48 days and was one of only 73 to finish the race within the 50 day limit. Tragically Mike McMullen and one other competitor lost their lives during this gruelling event.

For more text and pictures of Ostar Competitors as well as *Gadriell of Lothlorien*, [Click here](#)

Present for the Grandchild



Who can forget the cadences and rhythms in the dulcet tones of Charlotte's Club, while waiting in Port to leave. Your opportunity to teach your child/Gchild what Viking, North Utsira, South Utsira really means, and where they are. Vital for the potential sailing sailor.

This hand crafted, hand painted A4 sized puzzle features every sea area as a separate piece, with each piece lifted with an integral pin, ideal for the smaller finger. The area name is written on the underside, so can be used as a shape test too. Good for the developing brain.

These puzzles are offered to all RLmYC Members at a discount price of £50 each inc. P & P

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The View from the Editor's Chair

Who reads the Newsletter? Are we reaching our Membership? Well yes and no. Recent statistics show that of ~2300 Members we deliver to ~1350 of which ~740 actively read the newsletter. This may include those who only glance at it tho'. A lot of this is due to Members not realising that they HAVE to opt in under GDPR. So if you have a friend, colleague, relative or neighbour who is a Member then get their "very exciting" newsletter, pls get them to email membership@rlmyc.org.uk, and ask to be put on the list. It would be great to get this to >2000.

The Virtual Afternoon Tea was enjoyed by many. I have to admit there was so much to eat I was quite stuffed at the end – very good value indeed. The winner of best dressed table (and free bottle of Champers) was very pleased. Mosimann's assure us they will be offering this service within the Club during next year. (Govt. willing) Watch this space for announcements.

Our lead photo, in black and white won the recent photo competition, however I thought it looked lovely in full colour. It deserved an airing.

Myself and Mrs Editor are looking forward to the Gala Dinners – We will still be invited in our 2m bubble within the Club but if you are shouting across the room – it will be with the exuberance of being released and allowed to be out and about again. Look out Lymington!

Our cruising lectures are attracting an increasing audience on a weekly basis. Always such interesting topics.

I do hope you enjoy the Newsletter, as I do every week. I shall be very interested to see if the number of readers increases (or not). Any suggestions for improvements, please let me know.

Peter Bell – Editor

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