



Royal Lymington Yacht Club



An Update For Our Members

Monday 9th August 2021

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An important message from our Commodore Phil Lawrence

Following the easing of Government restrictions on the hospitality industry in July, we have been reviewing with Mosimann's the bar and restaurant arrangements in the Club. Together with Mosimann's we have also considered feedback from Members on the current service and menu offerings. The following changes are being introduced:

Restaurant tables in the river room will be offered full table service and can be reserved on-line <https://rlmyc.org.uk/ashore/book-table> or by calling the restaurant direct line – 01590 671571

- Reservations are no longer required for tables in all other areas of the Club including the bar seating, upper and lower balconies and the island room. Drinks and food orders for these areas will be taken at the bar.
- In order to minimise crowding, we request that drinks and food are not consumed on the bar.
- Sandwiches have been added to the lunchtime menu, except on Sundays when a special Sunday lunch menu is offered.
- Crisps, nuts and similar snacks are now available at the bar
- 'Fast' food options are available after Thursday evening keelboats
- A full cooked breakfast is available on Saturday and Sunday mornings (Highly recommended by all accounts!)
- Tea and coffee are available throughout opening hours
- Updated separate lunch and dinner menus will be introduced at the beginning of September.

Severe staff shortages are continuing to be felt throughout the hospitality industry, both locally and nationally, and Mosimann's are no exception. Considering these staff shortages, Mosimann's wish to offer Members a full service five days a week rather than a 'stretched' service seven days a week. We have therefore agreed for the interim, that from the beginning of September the bar and restaurant will not open on Mondays and Tuesdays. Existing event commitments on those days during the Autumn will be fulfilled and the Club will be working to rearrange or service other regular activities on those days. The Clubhouse will remain open to Members seven days a week.

For the remainder of August, the bar will be open on Mondays until 2100 and on Tuesdays from 1000 to 1600, but unfortunately there will not be a food service on those days.

The existing point of sale and payment systems in the bar and restaurant have become extremely unreliable and are regularly causing service delays to Members.

From the beginning of September, we are therefore introducing a new modern system used by many hospitality businesses that is fit for purpose.

As part of this system change, we are moving away from taking payments from membership cards and payments will only be made by credit and debit cards or, for the more technically minded, from phones and other devices. This will save you the inconvenience of constantly topping up or holding cash balances on your cards. It will also facilitate splitting payments for groups.

Your full members discount will still apply to all bar and restaurant pricing and will be automatically applied on production of your membership card. A detailed bill will be available for every transaction.

The Club will refund all residual card balances or deduct them from your subscription renewal in September and October.

The outsourcing of our food and beverage operations to a commercial partner is a key pillar in our strategy to strengthen the Club finances and improve the quality of services to Members. The recent feedback to Flag Officers and General Committee members has been that the food quality has improved significantly, but there have been some frustrations with service and variety. I hope these changes will address those issues and you will support the restaurant and bar and enjoy the hospitality offered at your Club. We will continue to work closely with Mosimann's to respond to feedback from Members and further develop the service offering.



Tales from the Fevadventure Expedition 25th - 27th July

Our Club Feva Fleet have been off on their adventures up Beaulieu River with Polar Explorer and Round the World Race Skipper Manly Hopkinson! Read on for all the tales of their trip!

[Read on here..!](#)



A Tale of Two Murals

It often happens that one sees something everyday and one doesn't notice it. That could be said of the two fine panoramas, painted and given to the Club by former Members. One painting, the very large piece in the rafters of the Island Room, started off in the slipway bar, behind the bar itself. It was painted in 1947 by Douglas Wales-Smith, whose son Patrick Wales-Smith has been a Member since 1946.

The Wales-Smith painting is so large, that it hardly does justice to it, in the scale of this communication, happily, he provided a key (above), to what he called the frieze in the RLYC (sic) Bar and that gives us a clue to the subjects. He lists boats by Class, Name and Owner and reserves a special place in the foreground for Dan Bran in his dinghy. It even includes the friendly presence of the much-loved MV Lymington, the river's first ro-ro ferry and part of the Southern Railway's fleet.

The other work was by Roy Coombs, in 1960 and provides a vibrant representation of racing on the river: it contains fewer features of the river but much more content by way of classes, colour and action than its older predecessor. It too, originally appeared in the bar, later being resited behind the servery in the River Room.

Find out more about these fascinating pieces of local artwork and the second one, currently not on public view, [here](#).

[Read more on the Club History site](#)

TOKYO 2020

RLymYC Head Coach Hugh Styles reports in from Tokyo

Our Head Junior Sailing Coach Hugh Styles is out in Tokyo coaching in the Olympics! He has recently conducted a Q&A session via Zoom with our Club Members regaling on his experiences so far. Click to watch the video & more!

[Watch video here!](#)

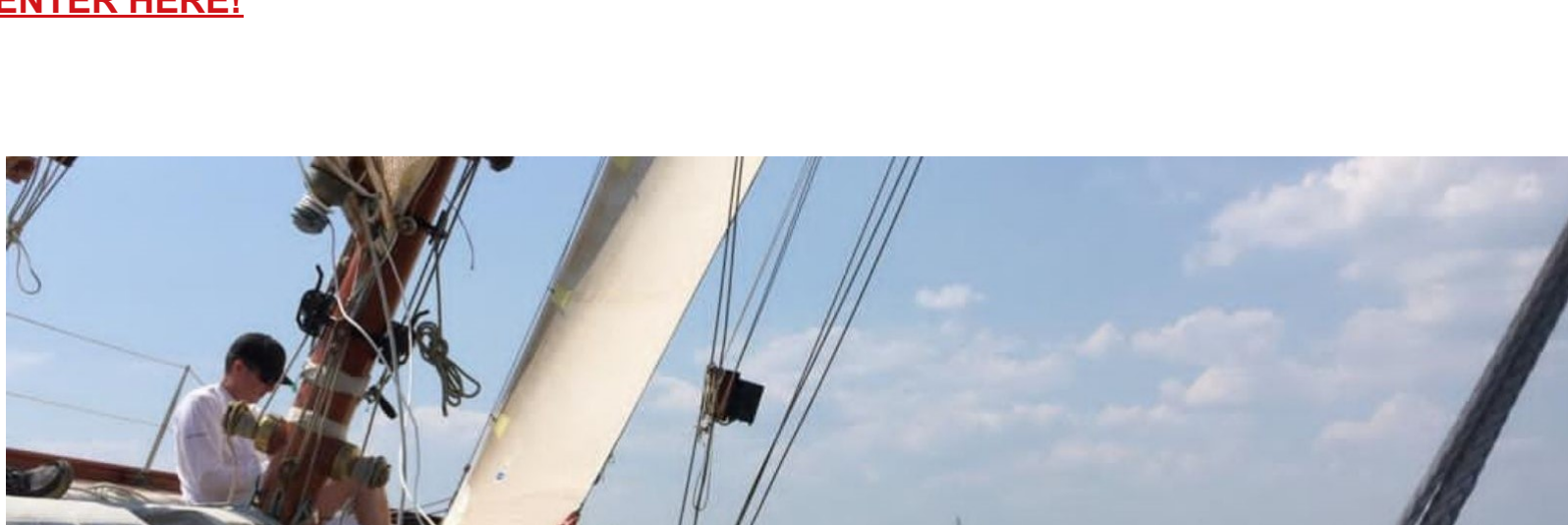


Youth Week 2021: 23rd - 27th August - ENTER NOW!

Youth Week is our much-anticipated annual youth regatta open to all Wednesday Junior Sailors and Youth Sailors alike. Sponsored by Walhampton. Online Entry is below along with all the information on the socials for the week! Don't miss out!

There is still a Club RS Feva & RS Tera available for members to charter for the event, please call on 01590 672677 to make enquiries.

[ENTER HERE!](#)



Up coming Cruising & Powerboat events

We have a powerboat day trip to Port Solent on 7th September and a weekend cruise to Itchenor for the Cruising group from 10th to 12th September. Click the link below for all the information and how to sign up.

All member are welcome to join our cruises - find full details and more besides in our [cruising section](#).

[Cruising & Powerboating events](#)

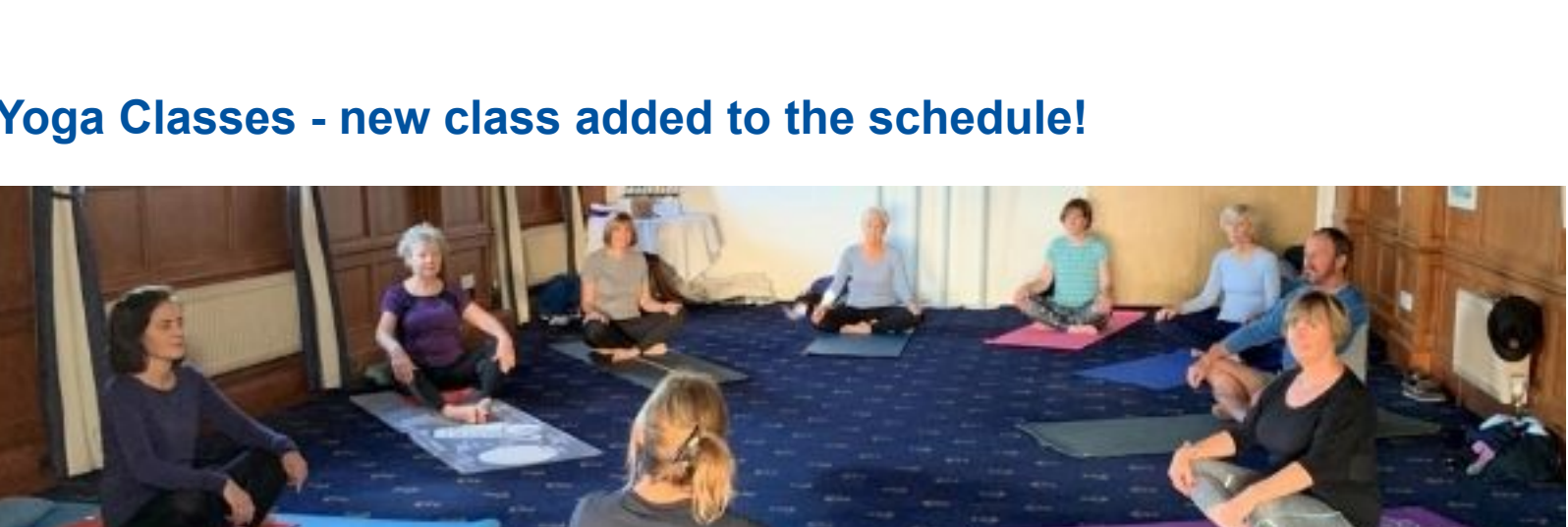


Club Photographer Paul French - photos available for purchase!

Paul can generally be found shooting from the Committee Boat or occasionally a RIB or, if he is lucky, a Motor Launch. After each race he selects and edits the pictures saving them to his archive. Following many requests Paul is opening up his collection for the Membership to purchase for a small fee. Click below for all the info.

[See all photos and more!](#)

Yoga Classes - new class added to the schedule!



NEW DAY ADDED! Yoga classes are now back at the club on Fridays for both mixed and men's groups with our resident teachers Katy Williams and Dawn Wade. Dawn has added Monday mornings at 09:30 (mixed) to the weekly schedule Click for all the details. Tokens for these classes can be bought at Reception.

[See all the details here](#)



Club Paddleboards and Dinghy Hire

This is just a quick reminder for all Members that the Club has a selection of Club boats that you are welcome to hire. Now included in this fleet are 4 new paddle boards. The paddle boards can be used on the river for those who are experienced and confident enough. For those who are less confident you are welcome to hire them to use elsewhere e.g. Keyhaven or the upper Beaulieu River.

We also have Scow, Feva, Vision, Laser and Tera dinghies for hire at very reasonable rates.

[Click for more info](#)

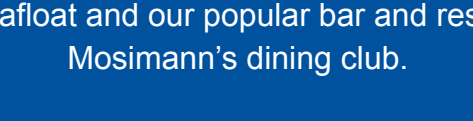


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At RLymYC you'll find a warm welcome, excellent facilities, first class training, expert waterside services, a thriving social programme for all ages both ashore and afloat and our popular bar and restaurant managed by the world-renowned Mosimann's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

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



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