



Flushing Sailing Club December Newsletter

Seasons greetings to each and every one of you. We are near the end of the year and are hopefully all getting into the Christmas spirit. We are only half way through the Winter Programme so still lots of fabulous things coming up, the next being the Treasure Hunt (details below), which is always entertaining.

Membership Renewal

January 1st is the actual start of our Club year and so you will shortly be getting a renewal letter sent through the post with a Membership Form containing subscription and payment details. Normally we would send this out by email, but this year we are asking Members to return the form to ensure we have everyone's correct details. We'd be very appreciative if you could either post the form back to us or drop it off next time you are passing by the Clubhouse.

Don't forget that if you pay your subscription before the end of January, you will save £10.

Club Notice Board

We have been asked on several occasions if we can offer 'goods for sale', in our Newsletter. Our answer is no, but... we are very pleased to give our Members use of the Club noticeboards if they wish.

That said, we are very happy to accept articles for the Newsletter that would be of interest to our readers, especially if it is sailing or community related. Please contact a committee member if you would like to contribute.

Lottery

The winners for the Flushing Sailing Club Lottery are:

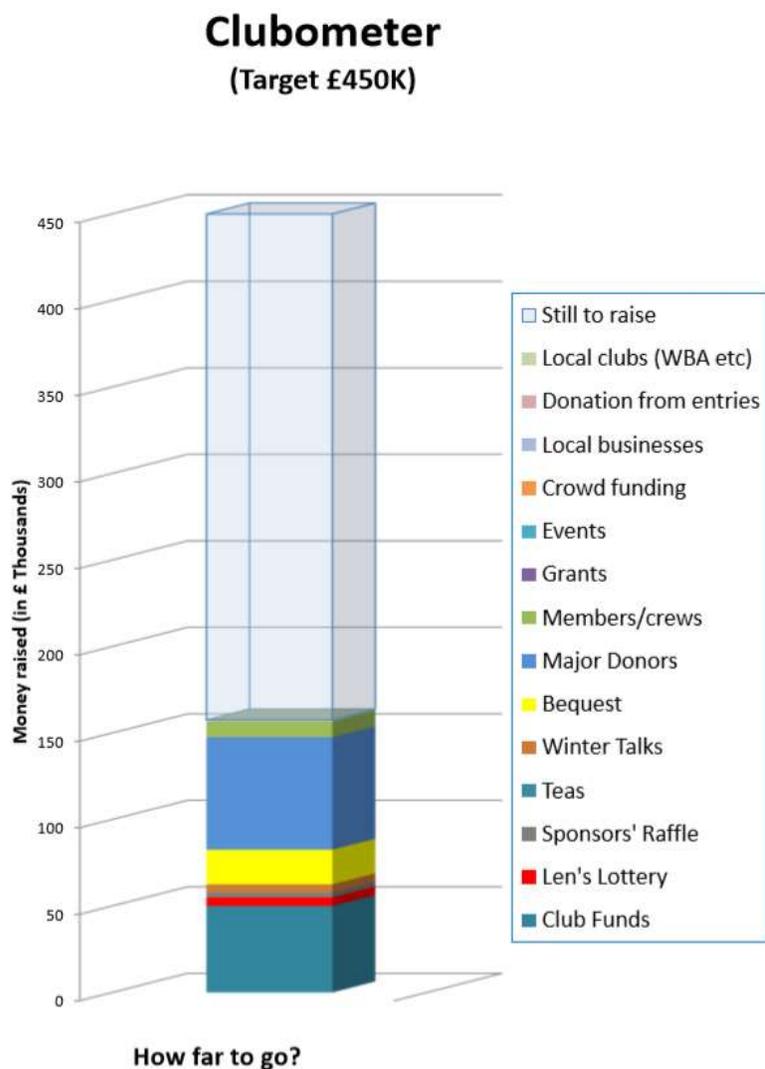
November - Victor Franks, Jayne Choak and Stuart Higgins.
December – Jane Hicks, Martin Eddy and Alan Perham

Congratulations to all of our winners and a thank you to everyone for your support. A further three winners will be drawn each month until August 2020. Watch this space, it could be you.

Flushing Sailing Club Clubhouse

We are still working hard behind the scenes. Another grant application will be submitted to Sport England shortly and we are hoping to find some more willing volunteers to help us find and apply to other sources of grant aid. Any ideas??

But we are making progress. As you can see from our Clubometer, we have reached the first third of our goal already.



One small thing that we can all do is ensure that when we buy anything on-line, we do it via the 'Giving Machine' website.

<http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/flushing-sailing-club>

Whether you are buying a Christmas gift, booking a holiday or a train ticket or looking for car insurance, each purchase via this site will donate a percentage to

our Clubhouse Fund. It is simple to create a Giving Machine account and costs you and us nothing but if all our supporters used it, it could make a big difference.



Recipe

Those of you that attended the fabulous cookery demonstration by Arty Williams from 'The Cove Restaurant', may have been waiting expectantly for the recipes for the wonderful food that he prepared on the night. Your wait is finally over, it can be found at, http://www.flushingsailingclub.co.uk/pdf/arties_recipes.pdf. Thank you Arty. Enjoy.

What's coming up

Winter Programme January 2020

TUESDAY evenings. Bar opens at 7:30 and talks begin at 8pm

- 5th Jan** **SUNDAY@10am**; Treasure Hunt and walk. Solve the riddles and find your way through this mystery trail composed by Ron and Charlotte Jones! Reward yourself with a hearty bowl of soup back at the clubhouse.
- 7th Jan** Cornwall Air Ambulance; A talk about this remarkable charity which flies more than 800 lifesaving missions each year throughout Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.
- 14th Jan** Myths and Moths. Charles Richardson talks about two extraordinary sailors – Captain John Illingworth, co-designer of Gipsy Moth IV, and his client, Sir Francis Chichester.
- 21st Jan** Competitor in the OSTAR in 2017; Mervyn Wheatley tells the story of how he had to abandon his yacht Tamarind in the middle of the North Atlantic when the fleet was hit by hurricane force winds.
- 28th Jan** TITANIC: Andrew Nancarrow's talk on the life-size reconstruction of Lifeboat 13.

Admission free. Non-members welcome

Change of Committee and Trustees

The Managing Committee of FSC CIO has a list of proposed nominations for the Committee and Trustees for 2020 and this will be posted in the Clubhouse by 31st December 2019. If Club Members would like to nominate further candidates they can do this by contacting either the Membership Secretary Sue Clark (sprue2222@yahoo.co.uk) or the Hon Sec Gaye Slater (gayeslater@btinternet.com) by 31st January 2020.

At the moment we are still short of candidates and in particular are looking for someone to take on the roles of Rear Commodore and Social Secretary. Are you Interested, or know someone who might be?

And Finally.....

On behalf of the Flushing Sailing Club
Committee:

**We Wish You A Merry
Christmas And A Happy
New Year.**

