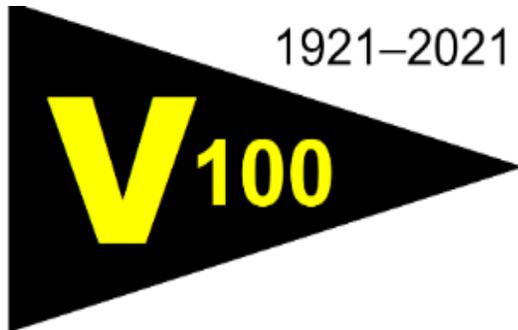


Late important news may always be found on the website check; - <http://www.flushingsailingclub.co.uk/>



Just about there, Flushing Sailing Club Mainsheet

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The members' area of the website can be accessed as follows:
For **Username** and **Log In**: contact the membership secretary.

From the Commodore

2021 AGM

Our second AGM over Zoom went off swiftly on Monday 12th April with our Management Committee and Trustees returned for another term of office. Various reports relating to this are all on the website in the Members' Area if you missed them!

Start of Racing

We have started our Race Programme and as usual the numbers of boats out have been low but understandable considering the closure of boatyards during the lockdown and the difficulties of access for maintenance. The Ops Room team face many challenges, fortunately it has been dry and sunny but when

someone takes away the garden shed that you have been using, life gets even more interesting!



View from the Ops Room Tuesday 20th April

The first few races were run in Folkboat weather, but the challenge is now on as we face periods of potentially light airs. Skippers are respectfully reminded that they should lend assistance if they can to any boat that is experiencing difficulties. It is in the Rules.

We welcome wholeheartedly the spirit of cooperation with the RCYC that has come into play. We will share a common start and finish line, more commonality between Sailing Instructions and start times and a working partnership between our launches on race nights to enable members of FSC and RCYC to use either launch for pick up and drop off on either side.

New Club house, new boatman and new engine.

We have a delightful new (and young) and enthusiastic boatman called Sonny. He is Jennie Jelliss's nephew and has already impressed Dan Tregaskes who looks after our launch, with his skills. After the first outing it was soon obvious that our old engine, that had been prophesied 'might last the season' was definitely obsolete and beyond economical repair. We have always maintained a contingency for buying a replacement and, as this came in under budget, we are on our way to saving for the next one! We owe a big thanks to Dan Tregaskes for facilitating the replacement and to Pendennis for loaning us the 'Duchess' to tide us over.



When the Club house is up and running the last launch will leave FSC at 21.30 on race nights which should give people ample time to enjoy our new facilities.

Winter talks programme.

David Mitchell has bitten the bullet with this and has already amassed a number of star turns. Arty Williams will be doing one of his renowned sessions and hopefully will enjoy our new catering kitchen. We have the return of Pete Goss and more seal talk from the Seal Sanctuary. David is open

to suggested speakers and activities which will be greatly enhanced by our AV system and the acoustic panels, etc that have been installed.

The Commodore's Lot

The Commodore's role is full of delights and I wanted to let you know that we are not standing still. A group of us are updating our Club Development Plan, putting together our Booking Form and Ts and Cs and ensuring all the legalities have been covered before we open up our new building.

On that note, by the time all that has been completed, there won't be much left to do! So if you feel like volunteering to help run our club please let any of the Committee know. It doesn't necessarily mean going to endless meetings. Our experience with Zoom and the pandemic have taught us all about new ways of getting things done.

I must admit I am looking forward to our first face to face Management Committee Meeting in the new building. Beer or Champagne anyone?
Gaye.



Thank You

A big thank you to everyone who has supported our Justgiving Crowdfunder page. In the short time it has been up we have raised over £1,500 of the last £10,000 we need for our Clubhouse. Nearly there;.....

A Word from the Commodore of the Royal Cornwall

Hats Off to Flushing!

Sarah Hancock

I was lucky enough to be walking past Flushing Sailing Club last week with my inquisitive (trespassing?) husband, whose snooping resulted in Dave Owens very kindly showing us round the new Clubhouse.

It's absolutely great, with glass doors providing an amazing panorama from Falmouth Boat Co round to St Mawes, a view previously significantly blocked by the bar. The sweeping ceiling provides interest and a great feeling of space, and the room flows out seamlessly onto the quay. They have increased their usable space by over 50%, and changed the atmosphere to that of a very modern, minimalist designer building. In addition they now have a commercial kitchen, bespoke acoustics, and a small separate area above for the race committee.

Those responsible at FSC have done a fantastic job, raising funds through grants and donations, and persuading local businesses to support them in cash or in kind. It's taken seven years to accomplish and has clearly been so well worth it. I look forward to having a drink there when it's finished.

I think we could learn a lot from FSC in terms of design, project management and fund raising, should we plan any development in the future.

Racing Scene

Sunbeams

If you enjoyed the Mainsheet article about the Sunbeams, you can get more information about their history and the serendipity of their class identifier and our own burgee on our Club Website, click on the V-Class Button. It really ought to have been Y-Class, but that's another story, and as we say, the rest is history.

Rule Amendments

Since publication of the SI booklet, two updates/amendments have been issued.

Future events

IRC CHALLENGE CUPS

THREE DAYS OF SERIOUS RACING FOR IRC BOATS.

SUNDAY 23RDMAY, SUNDAY 30TH MAY, SUNDAY 27TH JUNE 2021.

Windward/Leeward, Regatta and offshore courses. See notice of race and entry form on FSC website. (see box for special races on club entry form).

Daily prizes and series prizes.

Are you up for the challenge, if so get your entry in or notify your intention to compete. Entries accepted up to Tuesday 18th May 2021.

FLUSHING SAILING CLUB 100TH ANNIVERSARY REGATTA AND SAIL PAST PARADE.

Make a note of this special day in your diary. **SATURDAY 19TH JUNE.**

Sail past parade commencing 1100 hrs.

Regatta commencing 1400 hrs. All classes welcome.
Both free entry to all. Enter and participate in both and receive a free bottle of sparkling wine for each boat.
Prizes for best dressed boat and best dressed person /crew. (1920's dress/sailing attire).
Support the Club and make this a day to remember for the next 100 years.
Please register your entry on the club race entry form, (special race box)
We don't want you to miss out on sparkling wine or prizes together with a good day out!

Notice to Race Officers and competitors

The respective Falmouth Working Boat and Falmouth Gaffer Associations agree that for the purposes of the definition of "Start" and "Finish" and rules 21.1, 29.1, 30 and 44.2 of the RRS (but not any other rules) the term "hull" includes a boat's bowsprit in its normal position.

2 flags for the club and the 200 burgees for the race boats have been sponsored by

South West Play

Newlyn

Geoff is sending out burgees to most of the class captains, to hand out but anyone who is looking for one there will be some on the club launch.

Skippers & RO briefing March 2021

Welcome everyone to the 2021 sailing season.

I hope your boats are ready to launch and you can all get afloat promptly. We plan to hold a full season of racing including regattas, a centenary regatta and a sail past.

However, there is still the virus to consider and government guidelines to follow. There will possibly be last minute changes which we will actively try to communicate as fast and effectively as possible.

So please monitor the club's website and sign up to the WhatsApp group using the QR code in the handbook and on the web site. Most info will be posted here.

The Tall Ships have been added to the harbour program at the last minute. We may have to make some changes to accommodate them.

All race instructions will be by radio ch72. The RO will also communicate appropriate final instructions before the race in the normal manner.

For those that didn't sail last year, the biggest changes are to sailing in the moorings and the gate at the harbour entrance which still applies this year. There is a chart showing the mooring limits. There is also a green arrow showing a route through the outer moorings on the Falmouth side. We have negotiated this with the HM. The HM is concerned about congestion in the Fairway around our start and finish line. Please do not come to the start too early and clear the area promptly after finishing. You can travel in the moorings to and from the start/finish area as marked by the green arrow slowly and under reduced sail or engine. From there you must go directly to your mooring or out of the mooring area. The HM is also concerned with congestion during our start sequence. RO's are asked to monitor this and if non-starting boats are asked to clear the start area please comply. Please note that the two moorings off the Quay are not included in the restricted area so can be sailed inside. We are still in conversation about the green channel buoy and the port health buoy.

The gate. This is between the speed restriction buoys at the mouth of the harbour. Boats will sail between them in a westerly direction and may turn (round) around either end passing outside the buoys between rounds of the course. In addition, on the last round all boats will pass through the gate to enter the harbour on the way to the finish. This was trialed last year and well liked. Many felt it improved the race, not coming into the harbour turning mark and avoiding using Trefusis as a mark. RO's should note that races could also be started or finished on this line if required. There should also be a shore marker on the Trefusis shore which may give further options if required. FSC will still use the V flag designation for Sunbeams. As we no longer fly flags the use of the V flag in the new rules is not compromised.

The Club House build will still be a building site at the start of the season. There will be access to the launch and inflatables can be launched from the steps. The toast rack will not be available until later in the season. Please do not enter the site area. Only the race team will have initial access to either the club or the site hut.

The race team may operate from the site hut for the first few races. The line may not be as obvious to the boats or the race office if this is the case. Please do not push the line too hard or you may be judged to be over. The RO may take the line as being from the hut window to the RCYC mast as a temporary measure. Once in the new race office all will become clearer when the RO will have a much-improved view and it will be much easier to see infringements.

Crew Search

Last week a student at the Uni, **Gemma Jade Newman** wrote:

Hi Gaye,

Your contact information was passed over to me by one of the guys at the Universities sailing club, I'm looking for some opportunities to crew over the coming season. I just wanted to register my interest, I've been sailing for around 10 years and have competed nationally and internationally in that time- granted it has been on small fast cats but I do love racing. On the flip side, I've leisurely sailed our little family 26ft quarter tonner with my dad. I've really missed being on the water so would be super keen for any opportunity to get out!

Please do pass on my details to the WhatsApp group, my email is g.j.newman@hotmail.co.uk, or I can be contacted on WhatsApp on 07899389433. Briefly: I've spent the last 10 years sailing out of the Royal Channel Islands Yacht Club, Jersey, where I race Hobie Cats, sail a Quarter Tonner, and work as an RYA Dingy Instructor. I'm available to crew both Tuesday evenings and Saturday afternoons. Looking forward to meeting you!

Kind Regards, **Gemma**

By now **Gemma** is probably on somebody's crew list. If not join the WhatsApp on the website. If you are short of crew perhaps Gemma can help?

Geoff Davis writes, 'I have approached the Marine Collage and the Falmouth Uni trying to contact interested students who wish to crew.

I have had some good response but need some boats to offer crew places. We are looking for boats to take students who may know nothing about sailing but are keen to have a go, but some may have sailed before'.

Any boats interested to contact Geoff and he will put potential crew in contact with them.

Contact Geoff on;
07768062723 email;
geoffdavies@gmx.com



Sailing with Flushing Sailing Club 2021

You are invited to try sailing (racing) in Falmouth waters with us on Tuesday evenings, and Saturday afternoons.

We are always looking for crew, so you are most welcome

Contact Geoff on 07768062723



geoffdavies@gmx.com

no experience needed all safety gear supplied, and it's free !!!!!

Lifeboats

Inshore lifeboat - 22 April

Person reported in the water Thursday 22 April 2021 eventually picked up by a harbour launch.



Wednesday 23 March 2021

At 22:12 Falmouth Coastguard requested that Falmouth Inshore Lifeboat be launched to assist the police in a search for a missing person in the Green-bank area. The Falmouth Coastguard Cliff Rescue Team was also tasked to assist in the search. With nothing found the Inshore Lifeboat was then tasked

to search back down the harbour towards the lifeboat station. When the Inshore Lifeboat reached Port Pendennis Marina at 23:10 with no further information available the lifeboat was released to return to its station.

The missing person was eventually located ashore by Coastguard Rescue Officers and passed into the care of the Police.

28th March Falmouth Inshore Lifeboat was on exercise in Falmouth Inner Harbour when Falmouth Coastguard requested they assist a small fishing boat with one person on board which was reported aground close to Andennis Beach, near St Mawes Castle.

The Inshore Lifeboat found that the boat had already been refloated. The skipper confirmed that no further assistance was required and that he was happy to head back to Mylor Harbour unaided. The fishing boat had been recovering its pots when it had ended up on the rocks near Andennis Beach. The skipper is believed to have entered the water to fend the boat off the rocks and was then able to use the boats outboard engine to head back into deeper water.

15 April

Falmouth Inshore Lifeboat launched following reports of a Kayaker in the water off Gyllyngvase Beach.

The casualty was located clinging to their Kayak 500m offshore and was recovered to the Inshore Lifeboat. Once it was confirmed that the casualty did not need any medical attention, their Kayak was recovered and emptied of water before the occupant and their craft were dropped back to Gyllyngvase Beach.

On 17th April Falmouth Inshore Lifeboat launched following a call from a small boat with two persons on board which reported taking water while in the Carrick Roads off Mylor Harbour. A nearby yacht responded to the Coastguards call on VHF and proceeded to assist.

The Inshore Lifeboat launched. Two volunteer lifeboat crew were placed on board the boat and quickly confirmed that the water ingress was under control and the boats bilge pump was reducing the water level. The boat was towed to the slipway in Mylor Harbour. The ingress of water is believed to have been associated with the engine and ceased when it was turned off.

Falmouth week

You can find more details of the proposed racing on the Falmouth Sailing Week website (www.falmouthweek.co.uk.) The Notice of Race is on there now. Your Race Officers will be Nigel Sharp (Carrick) and Chris Davis (The Bay).

Falmouth Sailing Week has just launched it's online entry system for those wishing to enter this prestigious regatta. After winning the British Yachting Awards 2020: Event of the Year, the Port of Falmouth Sailing Association is planning a full seven days of what is hoped will be exciting racing. 14 classes of sailing boat from Shrimper 19's to Spinlock IRC will have an opportunity to enter either of two fleets, The Bay Fleet or The Carrick Fleet. There are 7 day regatta options and 3-Day series available to register for online for Sunbeams, Shrimper 19's and Ajax Classes and for the Bay fleet classes. Day entries can be registered by contacting the race of-



office direct. The middle Wednesday sees the standalone Ancasta Champagne Race together with a newly planned

Mainbrace Rum Race for the Carrick Fleet classes.

No payment will be required in the first phase, just a declaration of intent to race which will help the organising committee immensely. There is an incentive for early registration by July 16th. All detail available on <http://falmouthweek.co.uk/sailing-week/> or information from raceoffice@falmouth-sailingweek.org

The regatta runs alongside the shoreside events of Falmouth Week from 7th August until the 14th August

A reception is planned for competitors and sponsors on the Saturday evening after the skippers' briefing at the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club and regatta teas and prize giving available each day after racing at Helford River Sailing

Club on the Sunday 8th August; Mylor Yacht Club on the Monday, Restronguet Sailing Club, Tuesday; The Royal Cornwall Yacht Club on the Thursday, St Mawes Sailing Club on the Friday with final prize giving at Flushing Sailing Club on Saturday 14th August.

Kindest regards

Jane

Jane Wright

Port of Falmouth Sailing Association, Sponsorship & Publicity Coordinator

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PoFSA (@falmouth_sailing) • Instagram photos and videos



AGM 2021 The Club held it's AGM, via Zoom on Monday 12th April 2021.

Members voted for and approved the following:

A) Trustees:

To re-elect Gaye Slater To re-elect Peter Harvey

B) Management Committee as nominated by the General Committee:

President - Roger Little

Commodore - Gaye Slater

Vice Commodore - Len Cheshire

Sailing Secretary - John Hicks/David Mitchell

Treasurer - Barry Kelly

Secretary - Sue Clark

Membership Secretary - Paul Evans

Committee;Chris Bell,Charlie Choak,Geoff Davies,Derek Hill, Dan Tregaskes

C) To approve the accounts for 2020

D) To approve the Trustees report to the Charity Commission

E) To re-appoint Richard Shapland as reporting accountant

The following documents are available in the Members' area of the Club website:

2020 AGM Minutes

Year End Balance Sheet

Finance Report for the Charity Commission

Trustee Report for the Charity Commission

Commodore Report

Treasurer Report

Sailing Secretary Report

Honorary Secretary Report

Sue Clark

Jelly's funny

I accidentally swiped my donor card instead of my debit card today...

my groceries ended up costing me an arm and a leg.