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Late important news may always be found on the website check; -



<http://www.flushingsailingclub.co.uk/>

# Flushing Sailing Club

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The members' area of the website can be accessed as follows:

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**From the FSC Commodore**

### **FSC Centenary Celebrations 19th June 2021**

If you have been into our new building, you will have heard us promoting our Centenary Regatta Day. We had hoped when we put this date on the calendar that Covid would be done and dusted.

Although the vaccination programme has been so successful, we are still obliged to run events under restrictions. With that in mind our shore side celebrations will be rather different, but the real emphasis will be on the water with the Sail Past in the morning and racing in the afternoon. See page 2

We hope to get a good turn out and make a spectacle for those on shore. For sailing instructions and registration please go to:

[flushingsailingclub.co.uk/sailpast.pdf](http://flushingsailingclub.co.uk/sailpast.pdf)

Race Registration and Entry Form 2021.docx ([flushingsailingclub.co.uk](http://flushingsailingclub.co.uk))

The Club house will be open after the Regatta in the afternoon and a take-away cream tea and beer will be offered to competitors and crews mainly on the Quay.

Please order your cream tea via the FSC Food WhatsApp group or by text to Denise (07503359743), just to make sure we have enough to go round.

Looking forward to seeing you out there,

Gaye Slater. Commodore FSC CIO

# Wanted



Have you seen this man?

**Wanted for charitable purposes.**

Known to appear in various guises and frequents sailing regattas worldwide. Last seen sailing a Sunbeam in the Flushing Sailing Club series. For further information turn to page 5

## **Flushing Sailing Club Centenary Sail Past and Regatta**

<http://www.flushingsailingclub.co.uk/pdf/sailpast.pdf>

19 th June Saturday 2021

To celebrate this important event, we are dedicating a day at the club for celebrations.

In the morning from 11.00am we will be having a "Sail Past" from the South leading up past the club round a turning mark off the Flushing village Quay and back down the channel. The Commodore Gaye Slater and past Commodores will take the salute from the club Quay. Full Instructions are on the website or can be obtained from [kayeiprice@gmail.com](mailto:kayeiprice@gmail.com) We hope you and your crew will dress appropriately for 100 years ago or dress the boat overall in a cheerful fashion. Also, that you will cheer as you pass the new club

house. There is a special guest boat leading the parade which we hope you will follow around the course.

In the afternoon there will be a regatta race in Carrick Roads including the Graham Pearce memorial working boat race followed by a cream tea. Boats that do both events will receive a free bottle of sparkling wine.

It is free to enter, and any boat can take part, but a declaration form should be completed either through the overall entry already done or at the late entry boat on the water.

Sail Past instruction now available and race instructions arriving soon.

The new centenary booklet on the club will also be available to buy.

Let's make this a happy day to remember!

Kaye Price.

## Lifeboats

31 May 2021



Falmouth Inshore Lifeboat launched to assist a 7m motorboat with two persons on board which had suffered engine failure one mile South West of Pendennis Point. The workboat from Falmouth Boat Construction was standing by the vessel. A tow line was passed to the vessel and it was towed back into Port Pendennis Marina. Marine engineers had been unable to solve the problem and were unable to tow the vessel due to the prevailing easterly swell.

**Date:** Sunday 30 May 2021

All Weather Lifeboat launched to assist a 12m yacht with two persons on board which had reported engine failure in Gerrans Bay. The yacht dropped its anchor when it got within half a mile of the shore. A tow line was passed to the yacht and it was towed to Falmouth and moored alongside Port Pendennis Marina. The yacht had suffered engine failure due to a fuel problem which had proved impossible to rectify in the prevailing moderate swell. Having drifted closer to the shore the skipper was concerned about sailing clear of the lee shore so dropped the yachts anchor and contacted the coastguard for assistance.

On 21 May a 132m Reefer was diverting to Falmouth after one of its crew had suffered a shoulder injury. The All Weather Lifeboat was launched. The vessel headed into the lee of the west side of Falmouth Bay. The lifeboat went alongside the vessel while underway so the casualty could be transferred to the lifeboat using the pilot ladder. The casualty was safely landed ashore to await the

arrival of an Ambulance. The seaman had suffered the injury during a fall in rough weather while transiting from the Irish Sea into the Celtic Sea.

2nd June Falmouth Inshore Lifeboat be launched to assist a 4m vessel with three persons on board which had suffered engine failure two miles East of Maenporth Beach. The three casualties were transferred to the Inshore Lifeboat before a tow line was connected. The vessel was towed back into Falmouth where it was moored at the Port Pendennis Marina. The occupants of the vessel had contacted the Coastguard when they had suffered engine failure.

8th June Falmouth Inshore Lifeboat be launched to assist a Kayaker who was on the rocks between Porthcurnick Beach and Portscatho. The Portscatho Coastguard Rescue Team were already on scene but due to the location had requested the assistance of the Inshore Lifeboat to recover the casualty. The casualty was taken to Portscatho where they were landed into the care of the Coastguard Team. The casualty had got into difficulty when the inflatable kayak, they were using had become partially deflated leaving them on the rocks in an inaccessible location due to the high tide.

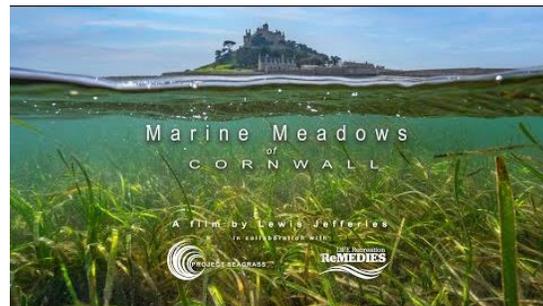
## From Falmouth Harbour Commissioners

- **Seagrass project** by [Vicki Spooner](#)

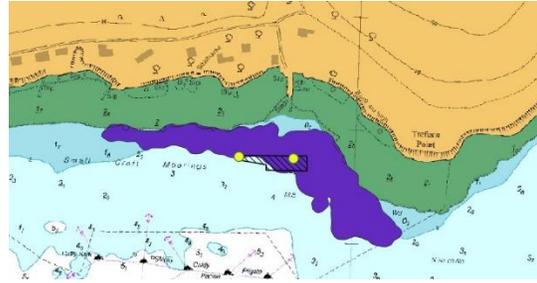
[Quality, Health & Safety and Environment \(QHSE\) Officer](#)

Falmouth Harbour have some exiting news about an environmental project recently started in the Flushing area. We have removed 11 swinging moorings from the Flushing seagrass bed that were having a localised impact. We plan to monitor the regeneration of the Seagrass now this pressure has been removed with help from the University of Exeter and are therefore asking harbour users not to anchor or lay gear that interacts with the seabed in this area now the moorings have been removed. Detail on the area is provided in the attached port notice.

This project is part of a larger piece of work to understand and limit the impacts our activities have on the marine environment. We know it is key to work with harbour users, to help regenerate the environment whilst still maintaining our ability to access and enjoy the area and would welcome any thoughts you and your members have on this and possible future initiatives.



Further information is available from the attached leaflet and our website Seagrass - Falmouth Harbour Commissioners: Falmouth Harbour Commissioners. See the web page



<https://www.falmouthharbour.co.uk/environment/seagrass>

We would welcome the opportunity, when all are comfortable, to perhaps meet and discuss this initiative with you and your members. Please do get in touch if this is something you would like to do. See a video on the Seagrass project click where arrowed on page 4. regards *Vicki*



## From the Front Page

Yes, the suspicious character on the front page is none other than Falmouth's own doyen of all things yachting, **Neil Andrew** (no s). Neil sent this E Mail to FSC Club secretary; -

**Subject: Neil's hirsute marathon for the RNLI.** Hi Sue, Could I persuade you to include an announcement in the next club

newsletter? Read the story, watch the awesome video, on my Just Giving page <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/neil-andrew-1>.

**Ed. Click the link and watch the linked video thereon, worth 10 minutes of anybody's time and a contribution to the RNLI.**

## Falmouth Sailing week



You can find more details of the proposed racing on the Falmouth Sailing Week website ([www.falmouthweek.co.uk](http://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).

Jane Wright

Port of Falmouth Sailing Association, Sponsorship & Publicity Coordinator

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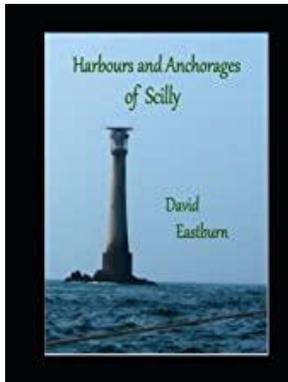
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## Extra Information

Harbours and Anchorages of Scilly: A Yachtsman's Guide to the Isles of Scilly.

By David Eastburn



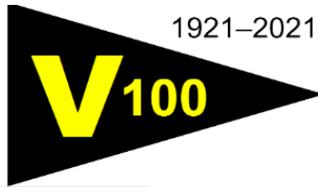
An intimate overview of some eighteen anchorages throughout the islands. David, a long-time Club member, has an unrivalled knowledge of the islands (Scilly boatmen excepted, of course!) gained over some sixty years of sailing to the islands in a variety of yachts from shallow draft multi-hulls to his beloved El Animado, which had a draft of over two metres.

Apart from clear and simple directions, this little book has advice on provisioning and what to bring in the way of clothing and documentation when sailing a small boat. A 'must read' for

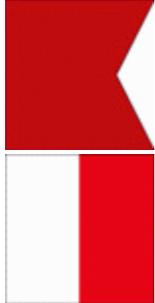
anyone visiting the wonderful Isles of Scilly.

David can arrange to offer club members the book at £10 instead of the listed price. Since he would need to order them specially he would need to know numbers.

Contact him at [Davebythesea@aol.com](mailto:Davebythesea@aol.com)



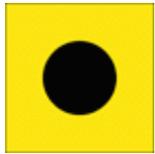
## Bill Hunt



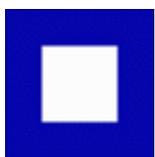
Flushing Sailing Club is very sad to announce that Bill Hunt aged 90 years died peacefully at home in Falmouth on Sunday following a prolonged period of ill health. Bill was born in the North East of England and moved to Cornwall in the late 1960s, He worked as a Chemistry teacher at Falmouth School until his retirement and where he taught many of those who sail with Flushing Sailing Club today many stories are told of experiments in the lab involving explosions?



He married Anne Hunt who for many years was the main provider of meals at the club and who predeceased him some years ago, he leaves his sons Chris well known locally for his sailing and Andy and a grandson Freddy.



Bill was a dedicated racing man first owning "Clara Bow" an 18ft Hurley which according to reports regularly finished at the end of the fleet but owing to the favourable handicap won many prizes to the annoyance of others in the class. He then moved to the Achilles 24 "Red Gauntlet" which he sailed until



she was sold and he decided to stay ashore but regularly attended the Tuesday evening winter lectures with a group of friends.

He was also a long-time member of the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club and the Camera club where he often had photos displayed and enjoyed the challenges of photography.

He served on the FSC management committee for many years becoming Commodore then as Treasurer. He was elected a life member of the club some years ago in recognition of his dedication to the club and he had hoped he might come to the new club for the sail past and was thrilled at the development.

Kaye Price 09/06/21

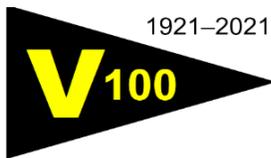
Our club treasurer writes, I assisted Bill for a couple of years looking after the Club's Membership records, banking subscriptions and issuing

membership cards and the odd reminder. During that period, we used to get together on a regular basis to co-ordinate our records and over a cup of coffee put the world to rights. Bill was a font of knowledge about pretty much anything historical or topical.

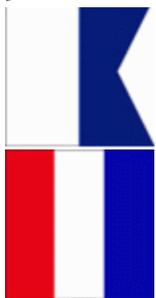
Shortly after Bill's wife Anne's passing, I became more involved with the wider finances of the club. Under Bill's guidance we established basic computer schedules to keep track of the Bar and General accounts as well as squirrelling away money into our Reserve account. This formed the basis of the Building Fund account enabling us to start fundraising for our new Clubhouse.

In 2013 I took on the responsibility of Treasurer, but Bill was always there and willing to help with guidance in those early years.

Barry Kelly FSC Treasurer



## Arfie Treneer



We are very sad to advise Members of the recent death of Arfie Treneer. Arfie and family are long time members of Flushing Sailing Club, and of several other clubs in the port. They have a long association with the Flushing Sailing Club by assisting with mark laying, and so much more. A local fisherman in his boat Treneglos, Arfie was a well-known character in the port, ex commodore of Mylor Yacht Club and supporter of the Silver Oyster Race with Falmouth working boat Magdalena, and an accomplished racer in Champagne Magnum.



One race officer found that when Arfie was mark laying in the bay he usually repositioned Treneglos to relay the windward mark before a change of wind direction arrived at the committee boat. A good friend and a wise and knowledgeable seaman.

Flushing Sailing Club offers condolences to Sue and all the family.