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Flushing Sailing Club

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STOP PRESS

Tempus Fugit

In the news of racing we celebrate the last EVER EVER CHOAKS PASTY series. Complementing that. **this issue of Mainsheet will also be the last ever by Neptune.** Somebody may take up the task of producing a newsletter. Neptune says it can be quite fun collecting the news preferably news that somebody else writes then all that's required is to copy and paste it.

From the Commodore

The Harbour is so busy and everyone seems to be rushing around to sample this new freedom with such gusto. Our racing fleet has swelled in number since the beginning of the season, in spite of some little hiccups. We are so pleased to see some "new" additions as well as the 'old faithful' boats. It is disappointing to have some fleets postponing some of their cup races, but understandable when everyone is so busy. It's not every day that someone gets married on Scilly!

I was recently interviewed by one of the publicists for the RYA and have asked Jack to include this article in the Mainsheet. Volunteer Week was somewhat overshadowed by the Queen's Jubilee but we still love our helpers who make things happen.

We have had some idyllic evenings in the Clubhouse with the constant comment "You didn't build it big enough!" The building is in use 5 or more days in the week and even hosted a church service on Sunday 19th June. Apart from classes, socials and meetings, we have had various birthday parties and our first wedding reception. We are planning to make things more comfortable and the group working on obtaining permissions for the pontoon are continuing to make good progress.

The Friday of Falmouth Classics enabled your Commodore to be a boat tart again and thanks to Nick Bradley on Charm, enjoy the buzz and hip hoorays of G Class. I was somewhat glad that all the ropes and halyards were labelled. Unfortunately, Saturday racing was more limited and too heavy for us, but there was still an

impressive turnout for Sunday's Parade of Sail viewed from VIP boat Moyana and sponsored by Choak's Pasties. The lunch on board La Peniche was very good too. We owe a big vote of thanks to all organisers, volunteers and sponsors who make these events happen.

Hope you have got your entry in for Falmouth Sailing Week!

Happy Sailing

Gaye Slater

Commodore FSC CIO

Flushing Food QR code

As this seems to be causing problems, please could we ask you to try the version on the club noticeboard or ask me to invite you? (gaye4fsc@gmail.com)

Racing news

Last Ever Choaks Pasty Series

Prizes Tuesday 21st June 2022

See it here



Club things

Advance News from an RYA article to be published soon in the RYA Magazine.

[New clubhouse, new trustees and new volunteers.](#)

Flushing Sailing Club (FSC) volunteers helped build a new clubhouse during the pandemic and now the team is growing.

In spring 2020, just as the club was coming to the end of a major fundraising campaign and lockdown began, a sterling group of volunteers got to work on the build, headed by trustee Dave Owens and retired architect David Mitchell. The lockdown turned out to be a big benefit, because building could go ahead much more efficiently without the club being in use. In addition, the team ensured that they embraced modern technology, using Zoom and social media more than ever before and persuading people outside their comfort zone to do things in different ways because of the pandemic.

Now the clubhouse is open, Commodore Gaye Slater explains the effect that the project has had on the club's core activity, running racing: "We've now got a race office and a race officer team, and we have a race officer WhatsApp group too so that they can consult each other quickly.



"The lovely new race office is fantastic to sit in, and can get crowded as a result! Some of the longer standing volunteers are mentoring newcomers. We recently welcomed a younger one who'd never done RO duty before, and while he was making his decisions, he had two other ROs popping in to check how he was doing! Experienced ROs are coming in to help, and we've asked all the skippers to volunteer for the rota - they get an automatic first on the results if they do a race!"

The new clubhouse has become a popular venue for people, which has put a lot of stress on the small group of volunteers running the bar. The club has therefore made the decision to pay some students, and a young Ukrainian refugee living in the village, to do this, focusing its volunteer force in the activity where they are most needed: "It's a win/win situation," says Gaye. "The students and refugee get the opportunity to earn a little money, while we make best use of the volunteers' experience in the race office. Some of the students end up going sailing too, so it's a way of introducing them to the sport and they may well become volunteers in the future."

For years, as a small club, FSC had a very laborious membership system and accounts, but Gaye says that they are now working to simplify things in order to make it easier for volunteers to get involved: "We have a new way of banking, and we've got two strong new trustees with skillsets that are going to be important. We have an amazing team and a vibrant club now – we were finalists in the RYA Club of the Year 2021, and we'll be back as entrants again."

Membership Secretary: Sue Clark

Membership Categories (Membership forms on page 8 Print a copy if necessary)

Household: 2 adults and children up to 25 years – £95

Single: Adult 18 years or older – £65

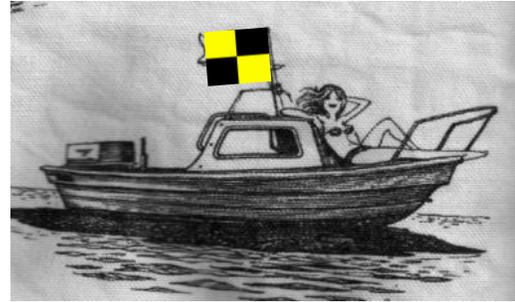
Racing Skippers: 2 adults and children up to 25 years, plus all FSC series racing.

(Special events may require an additional Race Entry fee). Where appropriate, IRC & YTC certificates must be received 48 hours before your first race. – £175

We would still like you to fill in a membership form, just to ensure that we have your current details. Find the form linked on the Club's website Flushing Sailing
Payment can be made by bank transfer to: Flushing Sailing Club, Sort Code 30-98-97, Account No. 32308063, (use your full name as reference) or by cheque payable to Flushing Sailing Club.

This issue nautical quiz.

On the racecourse when flown from the committee boat what does this signal mean? Answer from the RRS or a race officer. If flown from a pilot or more usually a range boat, it has a different meaning. What is that?
Morse ● - ● ●



Don't know what it means but I think it's a four-letter word. Might be seen in Falmouth **Sailing Week** Not long to go 6th to 13th August get your entry in see poster on the back page.

Harbour News

A perfect combination of highest-level corporate expertise and profound knowledge of the sea has seen Holly Manvell appointed as Falmouth Harbour's first Head of Commercial Operations.

Holly, a qualified company secretary with a background in legal and business from small start-ups to listed companies, is also an experienced yachts-woman who founded the global not-for-profit organisations Clean Sailors and Cleaner Marinas in the last two years.

In her new role Holly's strategic focus will be on longer term growth for Falmouth Harbour – working closely with CEO Miles Carden to generate new, profitable, innovative business streams and projects. In addition to this important role Holly will be tasked with improving the customer service we provide and the range of Harbour services.



Falmouth has become the first Harbour in the UK to partner with The International SeaKeepers Society (SeaKeepers) in a unique collaboration between yacht-owners, scientists and environmental researchers to focus on the health of the world's oceans and climate.



Falmouth Harbour will be promoting SeaKeepers' DISCOVERY Yacht Programme and helping owners to volunteer themselves and their vessels in crucial support for Scientist-led Expeditions, Citizen Science and Educational Outreach programmes.

The DISCOVERY Yacht Fleet includes craft of all sorts and sizes depending on the type of expedition or research, whether it be mapping the sea-bed or water-monitoring – or providing an “at sea” research platform for university students or scientists. Read more at <https://www.falmouthharbour.co.uk/environment/yacht-ing-and-science-unite-as-falmouth-pioneers-first-united-kingdom-partnership-with-the-international-seakeepers-society/>



This photo of the crew and sponsors of Turn to Starboard's Tudor Run on HMS President, with Spirit of Falmouth alongside after their 14 day sail from Pendennis Castle headland to the Tower of London. Now they just have to get back.

PORT NOTICE TO MARINERS

NO. 9 of 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a red port hand buoy with a character Fl 2s in position 50 deg 09.4' N, 005 deg 02.6' W has been removed. The docks channel light referred to in FDEC notice number 2 of 2022 has been reinstated.



Sensitive marine habitats of seagrass and maerl have been marked using buoys by Falmouth Harbour with the Ocean Conservation Trust and their main partners Plymouth Gin.

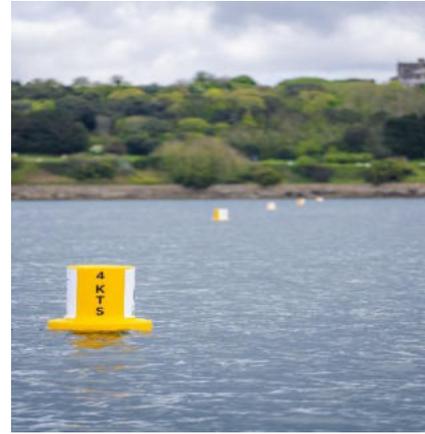
Above the water a clear line of new marker buoys will show watercraft in Falmouth Harbour and Bay where sensitive areas of seabed are located.

Seagrass is deemed a wonder-plant, vital for marine life which depends on its meadows for food and shelter and vital to the health of our seas and the

environment as it captures carbon up to 35 times faster than tropical rainforests.

Yet a study by University College London estimates at least 44% per cent of the UK's seagrass has been lost since 1936 with pollution, mining, and farming as well as dredging, bottom trawling, anchoring and coastal development all contributing to the decline.

“Boats anchoring over seagrass and maerl beds have a physical impact,” says Falmouth Harbour’s Environment Manager Vicki Spooner, “and since the vast majority of marine leisure users want to do their bit to protect the environment, we hope the new marker buoys will raise awareness of where the sensitive areas are.”



A Tale from long ago

We were mid Atlantic on the way to the Caribbean and it was my turn to cook. It was to be Toad in the Hole, but it came out a horrible stogie mess which the Owner, Don thought was great. He ate his wife Joane’s portion and most of mine. Joane said it would do him no good. Next Morning Don made a sudden hasty retreat to the new-fangled electric heads. I thought the electric toilet might struggle processing all that stodge. When the time came, the flush motor started at great speed but rapidly slowed to a hesitant wrrrrr. So much electricity was stolen by the flush motor processing the stodge that the instruments and GPS all when out. It was in the very early days of GPS and Don being from Yorkshire had bought the cheapest he could. The thing took four whole days to find itself again. Don went potty from fear the GPS never found itself again We were in mid Atlantic. where I’m told there are few rocks to strike, and we still had 10 days to run for St. Lucia! It took a large Gin at sundowners to calm him. There is no answer to that.



Membership Form & Race Entry 2022



PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY IN BLOCK CAPITALS
Household and Single Members do not need to complete pages 3 and 4.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

- Household** £95
2 adults and children up to 25 years
- Single** £65
Adult 18 years or older
- Racing Skippers** £175
2 adults and children up to 25 years, plus all FSC series racing. (Special events such as Village Regattas may require an additional Race Entry fee). IRC & SWYTC certificates must be received 48 hours before your first race.

MEMBER DETAILS

Name:
Address:
Phone:
Email:
Partner Name:
Phone:
Email:
Children: (name and date of birth)

DONATE TO OUR CLUB DEVELOPMENT FUND

We are raising money for our Club pontoon project. £

CHARITY RACE DONATION

Charity Race donation (qualifies racing skippers entry to the Charity Race Prize). £

Total £

GIFT AID

Flushing Sailing Club CIO is a registered charity. Please tick this box if you pay UK tax and would like to add Gift Aid to your donation.

DECLARATION

I/we hereby apply for membership of the Flushing Sailing Club and agree to comply with Club Rules and the current Policies, Byelaws and Regulations of the Club.

The Flushing Sailing Club has a Data Privacy Policy which can be found on the Club website: www.flushingsailingclub.co.uk. Your data will be stored and used in accordance with this Policy.

Please tick this box to indicate that you give permission for Flushing Sailing Club to hold and use your data for legitimate interests, managing the race entries and race results and that photos and videos of race entrants and their boats and crew may be used on the Club's website, social media pages and in press releases.

Signature Date

Payment

Send form to the Membership Secretary at Flushing Sailing Club, New Quay, Trefusis Road, Flushing, TR11 5TZ. Payment can be made by bank transfer to: **Flushing Sailing Club, Sort Code 30-98-97, Account No. 32308063**, (use your full name as reference) or by cheque payable to **Flushing Sailing Club**. Scanned Membership Forms can be sent to flushingsailing.membership@gmail.com

Official membership form and race entry can be found on this link;
http://www.flushingsailingclub.co.uk/pdf/membership_form.pdf



FALMOUTH Sailing WEEK

Saturday 6th - Saturday 13th August 2022



20 classes to enter

Racing in 2 fleets

Over 7 days

BCP: Rex Clumberkin Photography

Including dinghies!

For IRC performance yachts through to traditional, gaff-rigged boats to the smallest dinghy

The organising authority is

POFSA The Port of Falmouth Sailing Association on behalf of

Helford River Sailing Club | Mylor Yacht Club | Restronguet Sailing Club |
Royal Cornwall Yacht Club | St Mawes Sailing Club | Flushing Sailing Club

Featuring the stand alone Ancasta Champagne Race and the Mainbrace Rum Race

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