

COMMODORE'S LETTER



ROYAL CHANNEL ISLANDS YACHT CLUB (GUERNSEY) LBG

10 December 2015

Dear Member,

I cannot believe that we are approaching the last days of the year. It has been a rather busy year and your Committee is already hard at work planning for 2016, and if the racing and cruising calendar is anything to go by, it promises to be great.

Michael Blaney

As many of you may have heard, Michael has been unwell over the past week and I have just returned from the PEH where he is recovering well and in good spirits.

Michael has indicated that, after some 23 years of service, he would like to retire as Steward of the RCIYC. I know our Club Secretary has sent out Michael's gratuity slip and, as in the past, I am sure your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

We will arrange a special farewell for Michael in February and my next letter will have firm details for this event.

Social Diary



The Christmas Party is next Friday, the 18th so please come and join us for some Christmas Cocktails and some festive fun.

Canapés will be served and there will also be the traditional Bumper Christmas Meat Draw.

If you would like to come please add your name to the list on the Notice Board or e-mail Carolyn at rciyc@cwgsy.net.

Help with the catering would be very much appreciated. Please contact Carolyn.

The Party starts at 7.00 p.m.



Our Christmas draw is on Christmas Eve and some generous prizes have already been donated. If you would like to make a donation, please bring it along either tomorrow evening or Saturday lunchtime.

The Bar will be open from 12.00 noon with the Christmas Draw taking place at 1.00 p.m.



My opportunity to host our Ladies from 12.00 noon on New Year's Day.

Gentlemen may join their ladies at 1.30 p.m.

Caroline has finalised the Annual Dinner Dance Arrangements for 30 January and Clameur de Haro will be providing the evening's entertainment. The formal invitations will be sent out soon.

Racing

Heritage Frostbite Series 2016

The Heritage Frostbite Series is around the corner with the first race starting on 16 January! Heritage is keen to build on the success of the past year and we will again entertain the crews afterwards with our signature complimentary hotdogs and Ale.

The Race Entry Form can be downloaded by clicking [HERE](#) and we hope to see as many boats out there as possible. I challenge the cruising boats to try and outnumber the racing boats!

Other Racing

The racing committee has been working hard and the Draft Racing Calendar has been agreed with the GYC. Airtel Vodafone have again kindly agreed to sponsor the Passage Race Series which was a huge success this year and Oak Trust will be hosting the crews for a hog roast on 4 June.

The draft racing calendar is now available on the website but please note that some start times may change.

Cruising

Like the racing committee, the Cruising Committee is also beavering away and putting a cruising calendar together and we are discussing some interesting changes in the schedule to build on our pilotage evenings. Details to follow soon.

Finally...

I would like to thank all of you for your support during my first season as Commodore. I look forward to the next season.

I wish you and your families a Merry Christmas!

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