

# COMMODORE'S LETTER



## ROYAL CHANNEL ISLANDS YACHT CLUB (GUERNSEY) LBG

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14 July 2017

Dear Member,



Every now and again something happens in the Club that makes me think, actually this is important and has a significance beyond just keeping the thing going because that's what we do. Last month we had one of those moments.

The Club received an extremely generous gift from the estate of the late **Terry Darlow**.

Obviously we cannot thank **Terry** and **Jane Pilkington** enough for this incredible gesture which, frankly, could not have come at a better time, but also it cannot be underestimated how much it means to find out that someone else feels the same way about the Club that we do.

It means something more than a sum of its part. It transcends the less than perfect premises, our shortcomings, the Doombars not lasting long enough in the heat, the patterned carpet, the cruiser versus racer versus social balance, who's paid what subscription. It has a place in people's hearts. It somehow makes it all worthwhile.

Thank you very much **Terry**.

**Airtel Vodafone** Round Herm Race. Beautiful conditions greeted the 10 strong fleet for a hotly contested start up at the castle end of the line at the 1400 commencement of this race.

A one legged fetch down to Anfre was followed by a big bear away and hoisting of spinnakers as the fleet proceeded downwind to Lower Heads. Spinnakers were dropped, all apart from **Fandangle** who at one stage looked as though they were off to join the revellers at the Sark Folk Festival. Not that it did them any harm ending up third overall on corrected time. The remainder of the fleet followed a more 'as the crow flies' course northeast to Noir Pute before turning around Grande Anfro to beat to Tauteny and the shy fetching back to the finish off castle cornet with the mainsails flogging in the freshening breeze.

The prize giving in the Clubhouse at 1800 was perfectly timed for the completion of the race and was well support and the Rear Commodore Sail, **Julia Schaefer** turned up in evening wear on her way to a black tie 'do' which added an unusual and unexpected elegance to the proceedings. The win went to **Richard Babbe** in "**Mr Scarecrow**" followed by the **Hughes/Lloyd** partnership in "**Sun of a Gun**".

**Please support the Club by joining in some or all of the forthcoming social events:**

### **St Aubin Cruise & Dinner - Saturday 22 July**



The annual visit to our sister Club in Jersey with dinner at the Club on Saturday night.

The Club House, quality of food, and the views over St Aubin Bay all make this cruise very worthwhile. The company is excellent as well!

Please click [HERE](#) for the Menu.

Please let us have your individual choices as soon as possible but please **no later than 6.00 p.m. on Wednesday 19 July**.

Please could skippers provide boat names, LOA, draft, and a contact number (mobile) so that they can benefit from any reduction in marina fees which may be available.

Please click [HERE](#) to email details.

**A briefing will be held at the Club on Wednesday 19 July at 6.00 p.m.**

Boats currently booked are:

'Adesso' – Julian & Sue Hunt  
'Alectrona' – Matt & Ellie Knowles  
'Aloonie' – Des & Karen Fletcher  
'Ban Druidh' – Adrian & Delia Pogson  
'Glory Days' – Dave Aslett  
'Kite Runner' – Richard & Mary Storey  
'Meltemi of Lisia' – Phil & Julie Ball  
'Moonfleet' – David & Jo Grimshaw  
'Spindrift' – John & Alison Frankland  
'Strider' – Stuart & Sarah Crisp  
'Vivace' – Clifford Edgecombe & Judith  
'Wild Thyme' – Craig & Bev Shorto

**Lézardrieux Harbour & Marina Closed - 12 to 17 July (inc.)**



We have been advised by Port de Lézardrieux, via Guernsey Harbours, that:

***Due to Classic Channel Regatta and National Muscadet , from **wednesday july 12th to monday july 17th 2017 include**. Lézardrieux harbour and marina will not be able to accomodate any visitors during the above period.***

Please click [HERE](#) to view the actual Notice.

## 'Win a Fiat 500' Raffle in favour of CIAS, RNLI & St John



Tickets are available for sale at Fitzgerald's Photographic Services in St. Martin, Fletchersports (Bridge and Town) and Le Mont Saint Garage, as well as at events the three beneficiary charities are attending over the next few weeks (such as the Classic Car Show on 18th June).

The car has been generously donated by Le Mont Saint Garage, who are also covering the marketing and printing costs, which means that all the funds from ticket sales will benefit Channel Islands Air Search, RNLI and St. John Ambulance (to the tune of £10,000 each if all 1,200 tickets are sold). The draw will take place on 31st July, at an event to commemorate Le Mont Saint Garage's 30th anniversary.

## Lunch Time Offer



Take a break from work or shopping and have lunch at the Club.

Lunch is available in the Club Monday to Saturday inclusive, excluding Tuesday, and is available from 12.00 noon with last orders at 1.30 p.m.

Please click [HERE](#) for the Menu.

## 2017 Regalia



Please click [HERE](#) to view the full range and for details of how to order.

Samples of the Regalia are on display in the Club.

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