

COMMODORE'S LETTER



ROYAL CHANNEL ISLANDS YACHT CLUB (GUERNSEY) LBG

22 June 2017

Dear Member,



The Dinner and Dance is now booked for the 28th October 2017 at the Rocquettes Hotel. We are delighted that **His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, Vice Admiral Sir Ian Corder** and **Lady Corder** have agreed to attend. **His Excellency** was also due to present the trophy for the Lieutenant Governor's Cup which was to be competed for by Guernsey and Jersey the day after the Carey Olsen Inter-Island Yacht race. Unfortunately this event has had to be postponed until later in the year due to insufficient wind on the day.

I would like to thank the decorators of the newly established **The Catch** restaurant for fixing our sign properly on the ground floor after I had done what can only be described as a bit of a half-sole-and-heel job. Or bodge.... Thanks to them and thanks to **Julian Hunt** for spurring us into action at the AGM on this. The works to the entrance of the Club and communal areas are now complete and looking better

than ever. We have even heard that the new carpet and sumptuous underlay have made getting up the stairs, if not easier, certainly more pleasurable.

Liberation Day was a huge success. Thank you very much to **Emma Brouard** and **Vanessa Mahy** for an excellent and authentic Bean Jar and Gache Melee lunch in the Clubhouse. Thank you very much to **Matt Knowles** and **Jon Chandler** for manning the bar and **Jane Pilkington** and **Phil Ball** for helping out with the serving. The after effects were all part of the authentic Guernsey experience too. Luckily the post lunch festivities continued outdoors at the pontoon party. And I think I speak for all those present when I add a final thanks to that fresh north-easterly breeze.

St. Peter's Trust Dielette Race. What a fantastic weekend! Thank you so much to **Martin** and **James Priest** for organising the brilliant restaurant the **Le Bouche A Orielle** wonderful setting, great food, too much wine. Great turn-out from 50 crew in the 13 boats which took part. Thanks to **John Lee** and **Stuart Place** for getting us all underway and thank you very much to **Julia Schaefer** for working out the results. It really was a great race, short beat start to Anfree, fetch to Lower Heads and then spinnakers up all the way to the finish. Congratulations to **Julian Hunt** and his crew in **Adesso** for just rocking up for their one race this year and taking the win. Although **Martin Priest** in **Fandangle** was only 30 seconds behind on corrected time after 30 miles of racing.

We very much enjoyed welcoming our 16 friends from **Yacht Club de St Brieuc A.N.L. (Le Legue)** over the first weekend of June. The entente cordiale was extended in fine style. Thanks to **David Herschel** and friends and **John Squires** for providing the excellent live entertainment and thank you to **Stuart Crisp** and all of the ANL sub-committee for ensuring a packed programme of social events.

I can confirm that we now have 'flyers' in the Marina Office. We think that this is a key point of contact with visiting yachtsmen and women and very few will stay over in St. Peter Port without visiting their reception. We have also updated the A3 posters in the visitor marina facilities. This is all in an attempt to attract more visiting yachtsmen into the clubhouse especially now that we are open in the evenings.

Vanessa Mahy, Jon Chandler and I had a very productive meeting with **Natalia**, the proprietor of **The Catch** restaurant downstairs and we are now delighted to report that we can offer a selection from their menu in the Clubroom at lunchtimes. Details of this are available on our website.

Thanks to all the **Flag Officers** and **Committee** member who along with **Vanessa Mahy** and **James Priest** have been manning the bar and efficiently providing the summer opening hours to members, guests and visiting yachtsmen.

Terry Jenkinson has suggested that I include in each Commodore's Newsletter a joke – so it's her fault. There was a blonde driving over the top of the 'ill to go down the Coudre one day. She glanced to her right and noticed another blonde sitting in the middle of the field. She was in a boat rowing, with no water in sight. The blonde angrily pulled her car over and yelled at the rowing blonde, "What do you think you're doing, you eh? Its things like this that give us blondes a bad name. If I could swim, I'd come over there and give you a piece of my mind!"

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

Jazz on a Summer's Night - Wednesday 28 June



Featuring by popular request, the return of

'Dave Parfitt and the Good Vibrations'

Relax & enjoy this easy listening jazz with food and good company

And at only £12.00, you cannot miss this one!

Please click [HERE](#) to book or, alternatively, please add your names to the list on the Notice Board

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 Vice Commodore David Raines have your individual choices as soon as possible but please **no later than noon on Monday 17 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 David.

A briefing will be held at the Club on Wednesday 19 July at 6.00 p.m. if there is the demand.

Local Notice to Mariners



Local Notice to Mariners (LNTM) 008/2017 has been issued re the Guernsey Yacht Club Regatta – Saturday 24 June & Sunday 25 June.

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

On the Website



Chandlery - a new page.

Items for sale include handheld VHF, 50m rope, as new Grab Bag, Delta Anchor, life jackets etc.

Please click [HERE](#) to view

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



Le Mont Saint Garage 30 YEARS

WIN A FIAT 500

All money from ticket sales will go to the following Guernsey charities: C.I. Air Search, RNLI and St John

£25 per ticket

Raffle tickets are available to buy here
A maximum of 1,200 tickets will be sold
DRAW DATE: 9pm, 31st July 2017

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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