

# MAINSHEET



## ROYAL CHANNEL ISLANDS YACHT CLUB (GUERNSEY)

May 2011

### Dates for your June Diary

Thu 2 - 5	Morlaix YC visit
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Sat 4	Nashcopy Round Sark Race
Tues 7	Curry Lunch*
Fri 10 - 12	Insurance Corporation of the CI Dinard Race
Fri 10 - 11	Torbay YC ( <i>reception &amp; prizegiving in Clubhouse approx 1800 hrs on Sat 11</i> )
Sat 11 - 13	Le Légué ANL visit
Thurs 16	Briefing for Cruise
Fri 17 - 19	Cruise to St Aubin with dinner at RCIYC
Sat 18	Carey Olsen Inter Island Race
Sun 19	Governor's Cup (Guernsey)
Tues 21	Pasta Lunch*
Sat 25	Nashcopy Round Herm Race

\* See '**Social Scene**' for details

### Commodore's Log

Since our last **Mainsheet** was published we have celebrated the 65<sup>th</sup> Liberation Day. The Club was open from 10 am and visitors started appearing soon after to see the parade along the esplanade. Both Mike and Ted (our stewards) were kept busy till after the last firework was set off at Castle Cornet.

The Pasta and Curry lunches on Tuesdays are very successful and it is especially pleasing to see members who would otherwise not be at the Club at lunch times.

The second race sponsored by Nashcopy, around Sark and Herm, took place on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May. Unfortunately the weather conditions were not favourable so none of the seven boats that participated were able to complete the course. However many of the contenders came to the Club at 6.30 pm to enjoy a drink and delicious canapés.

We now look forward to the month of June when we have several races organised and will be welcoming many of our South coast and French visitors in our clubroom.

Happy sailing everyone.

Enzo Diacano  
Commodore

## **Welcome to New Members**

We look forward to meeting the following new members who have joined the Club. Our congratulations go to:

Samuel Stoddart (Cadet)  
Günther Gommès and Jo Nicolle  
Alan Bryon

## **Reciprocal Clubs**

Just a little addition for the Reciprocal Clubs; apart from any Royal Club, we also have reciprocity with the Royal Thames, the Landsdowne Club and, a little further away, the Seattle Yacht Club - Carolyn has the details.

## **Social Scene**

### **'Club Lunches'**

The programme for June is as follows:

Tues 7	1230	Curry Lunch	£11
Tues 21	1230	Pasta Lunch	£10

Bookings: Please sign the list on the Notice board or contact Carolyn.

## Cruising

What brilliant weather - I hope you have all managed as much boating as Sarah and I have so far this year.

Firstly, I would like to comment on Liberation Day. As a non-member of the GYC Sarah and I were pleased to be allowed to join their Liberation Day/Weekend Cruise to Pontoon D in the Victoria Marina. We had a fantastic Lib Day as did many of our friends who visited *Strider* in a steady stream all day. It was also a pleasure to spend time with other RCIYC members who belong to both clubs. The GYC had a fantastic turn out, 22 boats. I would like to thank Colin Le Conte and Rob Dodsworth (GYC RC Motor) for organising the event. Here is a picture of *Strider* and other boats all dressed up...



Well it is all about to kick off. During June we have 2 events, the ANL cruise to Guernsey and our first cruise this year to St Aubin.

### Association Nautique Du Légué



Here is the programme for Le Légué visit (this may move a bit!). Usually we provide a bit of entertainment and a meal, this year the entertainment is going take the form of a bus treasure hunt. There will be two versions, French and English.

### **Saturday 11 June**

The boats should arrive during the morning/early afternoon and I and other members of the committee will greet the boats with gâche and Guernsey butter.

1800 - 2100 Welcome drink and nibbles.

Some of you will be aware that on the same day the Royal Torbay Yacht Club will arrive in St Peter Port on the first leg of their Channel and

Offshore Race. They will be using the Club House for their presentation on Saturday evening. So the welcome drink for ANL will take place at The United Club, next to the old club house. Come along and meet old friends from Lé Legué, the more the merrier!

## **Sunday 12 June**

0830 - 1000 Breakfast - Coffee, Toast and Marmalade at the Club House. After the breakfast the Treasure Hunt sheets will be handed out. Members who want to take part need to be at the club for breakfast (please sign up on the list at the club house).

1000 Treasure Hunt starts. The treasure hunt is based on the route of the 7a bus, and comprises of 7 or 8 bus journeys round the Island involving 20 clues.

1200 - 1400 Lunch at Cobo - Fish and Chips, on the beach (£5.00 per head, plus drinks, wine or beer). If members don't want to join in the treasure Hunt but would like to meet for lunch please sign up on the list at the club house.

1400 Continue the Treasure Hunt

1900 Goodbye drinks and hotdogs at the Club House.

We have the use of 2 minibuses. These will be on hand to help any of the Treasure hunters who may get stuck or lost.

If you are willing to help out please contact me or let Carolyn know. I may phone people in the next 2 weeks and ask for help.

In the event of inclement weather all events on the Sunday will take place at the club house.

## St Aubin Cruise 17/18/19 June

This will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> cruise to St Aubin. The first year one boat stayed in St Aubin's Harbour and last year there were 6. Can we beat it this year?



As usual skippers will have a choice to either moor in St Helier or St Aubin. This may depend on whether your boat can take the bottom. This year I have got the tide right - a spring - so we can arrive at St Aubin on Friday evening or early Saturday morning.

As per usual there will be a briefing on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 1800 hrs.

For those who arrive on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June, we will meet to eat out, venue to be announced later.

### **Saturday 18 June**

There will be a meal at the RCIYC (Jersey) the menu is as follows - please see over:

## **Royal Channel Islands Yacht Club**

**3 course £25.00 including coffee**

### **First Courses**

Foie Gras, smoked duck and mushroom terrine with crusty toast and courgette and chilli pickle

Pan fried Jersey scallops served with cherry tomato salad, chorizo and balsamic

Red wine poached pear with a golden beetroot and walnut salad with a creamy Stilton dressing

### **Main courses**

Grilled rib-eye steak served with tomato, wild mushroom and chunky chips

Grilled Fillet of lemon sole and Jersey scallop grilled in garlic butter served with

asparagus and new potatoes

Char-grilled aubergine and goats cheese served with provencal vegetables

### **Puddings**

British & Continental farmhouse cheese board with crackers, grapes and celery

Plum cake served with black butter ice-cream

Vanilla panancotta with shortbread and strawberry compote

**Coopers filter coffee and teas**

There is no need to preselect.

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June**

Breakfast at the RCIYC and return home.

**London Cruise 23<sup>rd</sup> July - 14 August**

I need to have a final list of names of skippers, number of crew and boat names and lengths - please contact either me or Carolyn as soon as possible as I need to book St Katharine's Dock. I have had interest from a few people to meet up with the cruise in London, including John Gray an overseas member who would like to join in by bringing his boat down from Ipswich, and Fiona French who now lives in near Reading.

## Diéllette

This weekend I met Patrick, the Harbour Master at Diéllette, and he wanted to let the boat owners in Guernsey know that the dredging of the marina was finished. He was also concerned that there appeared to be some confusion about which pontoons can be used by visitors. While the main pontoon for visitors is Pontoon A, the one just inside the sill, there is space available for visitors on both pontoons B and C.

Finally, Ray was interested in boat names - I found this one on the internet....



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## Boat Names

If you have an interesting boat name or see one you want to share with the readers of **Mainsheet** then please send it via the RCIYC office - contact details below.

## Sailing

The sailing season is getting into its stride now and looking ahead, the calendar is riddled with sailing dates and with the days still getting longer, excitement is in the air. I remain hopeful that the 2003 summer temperatures will be repeated!

### Nashcopy Passage Race Series



### **Hanois Race**

30 April saw the first of our passage races depart from the Castle start line in slightly foggy conditions. Twelve boats participated in this race that takes in the fantastic views of Guernsey's South Coast towards the Hanois Lighthouse. The racing fleet enjoyed a spinnaker run towards the Lighthouse and technical beat back to the finish line.

This was the first time that the Club accepted declarations by text message or email and initial feedback from skippers indicate that this introduction is a welcome change. It was also the first prizegiving hosted by our sponsors, Nashcopy. Around 30 jovial crew members enjoyed the hospitality and buffet provided by Clive and Sam Le Tissier of Nashcopy.

**Moojo** (R Martell) took the well deserved honours, followed by **White Rabbit** (S Henning) and **Madcap** (Hamilton Brothers).



## Round Sark and Herm Race



*The start of the Round Sark & Herm Race*

The second race in the Nashcopy Passage Race series took place on 21 May. Very light winds were forecast from the South which saw only 7 boats at the start line. In glorious sun, the racing fleet set off for Amfre before beating towards Lowerheads. In ever decreasing winds, the skippers' patience and tenacity were tested whilst battling to make the first tidal gate around L'Étac.

The crews' patience steadily disappeared and this evolved in the gradual retirement of each boat. **Smokey** and **Haven Gem** (J Squires) were the last boats to retire some 7 hours after the start of the race (hats off to them!!)

Despite the absence of any results, crews again mustered at the Clubhouse for the now customary post race buffet and prizegiving. Nashcopy handed out spot prizes - predominantly granted due to some or other funny calamity experienced by the racing fleet!

I would again like to thank Clive and Sam Le Tissier for all their effort in turning the post race event into a very entertaining occasion which is a perfect conclusion to spending an enjoyable day on the water.

## Cherbourg Race



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I am proud to announce that St Peter's Trust have agreed to sponsor this fantastic event. This year, the race will take place on 23 July and a prizegiving and dinner will be held at the L'Equipage Yacht Club. Entry forms are already being drafted and will soon be available on the website and in the Clubhouse.

*Finally...*

The Club is hosting this year's Governor's Cup on 19 June which is one of the oldest sailing contests in the Channel Island Waters. Guernsey and Jersey will each enter a three boat team to compete for this prestigious trophy. We require a committee boat along with a mark laying boat to assist us in the hosting of this event. Any members out there willing to volunteer their time and boat can contact me on the numbers below.

Keep sailing!

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## RCIYC Regalia



Cufflinks £15.00



Ladies Brooch £6.50



Sweat Shirt £31.50



Polo Shirt £25.00

Also Cap Badges, Blazer Buttons, Bow Ties (Made-up & Self Tie), Cumberbunds, Club Ties, Burgees & Ensigns, Rugby Shirts, Sweaters etc. are available from the Club.

## 'Mainsheet'

Contributions from members are very welcome so please share your sailing experiences and exploits with us.

Julie Ball - please contact me via Club email/telephone.

## Club Opening Hours

	High Season May - Sept	Low Season Oct - April
Weekdays - Lunch	1030 - 1430	1130 - 1400
Weekdays - Evening	1800 - 2300	CLOSED
Fridays - Lunch	1030 - 1430	1130 - 1400
Fridays - Evening	1800 - 2300	1800 - 2200
Saturdays - Lunch	1030 - 1430	1130 - 1430
Saturdays - Evening	1800 - 2300	CLOSED
Sundays - Lunch	1200 - 1400	CLOSED
Sundays - Evening	1800 - 2230	CLOSED

## Club Contact Details

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