SPUNYARN

HARDWAY SAILING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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LIFT OUT

A lucky break in the weather meant everything ran smoothly!

"I would like to pass my thanks to Nigel Bannister and Luke Symonds for all their hard work on the day.

Please put a note in your diary that launch day will be on Friday 10th April.

If any members would like to be lifted into the compound for the summer season on 10th April, please apply to the Sailing Committee in writing."

Anthony Frasle.



CRUISER RACING SEASON DRAWS TO A CLOSE WITH THE PURSUIT RACE

Congratulations to the winner Capricho.
Thanks goes to Mike Kemp, Jackie Abbott & their team of helpers who have organized a full & varied year of cruiser events.

LAST CHANCE — BOXING DAY RACE!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please be aware online membership renewal will be going live via the club website from January 2020.

We therefore ask any member who has not registered on the club website to do so as soon as possible.

(excluding those members who opted out of email)

Thanks in Advance

www.hardwaysailingclub.co.uk



At the last Annual General Meeting a decision was taken to allow the club to communicate with the majority of the membership electronically. This has initially been emailed correspondence to individual members, and the "Spunyarn" magazine to the broader membership. The next step is to use email to deliver the majority of the membership renewals when they're due in January 2020. Later next year the majority of the mooring renewals will also be delivered electronically.

Mike Mason, the club Webmaster, has worked tirelessly behind the scenes to have a tried and tested system in place before next January. Whilst a lot of hard work has already been done there still remains a fair amount of finishing off and testing prior to the initial role out, not to mention the odd hiccup that may evolve during this time.

The position of Webmaster is a volunteer arrangement with no formal position on any club committee and various committee members dabble with other areas of Information Technology that the club uses.

In order to have a single point of contact for all the club computer programmes, website and IT packages the Management Committee have created the post of "IT Officer" and co-opted Mike Mason into that position.

This position is effectively a by-law at the moment as it has not been ratified by the membership at an AGM. However, this by-law will allow the position of IT Officer to be included on the forth coming Committee nomination board. Subject to the members approving the creation of the post, the elected post holder will then have an official position on the Management Committee.



You may recall an email sent out last month informing club members of a generous donation to the club of the yacht Jessie Williams 11.

Jessie Williams 11 has now been sold to a member on Thursday 24 Oct for the sum of £12800, which has been paid into the HSC funds.

Nev Bacon, Vice Commodore.



GROUNDWORK CONTINUES

Improvements to the entrance of the clubhouse are making slow progress for various reasons.

Recently 'boys and their toys' were spotted moving forward with the plans, despite a slight hiccup of an unmarked abandoned gas line being broken causing panic stations. Nosey onlookers unaware of events unfolding with cigarettes ablaze were escorted away from the scene promptly.

Fortunately a donated potato from the galley was just the ticket to stem the flow until the gas board arrived and could make the area safe.



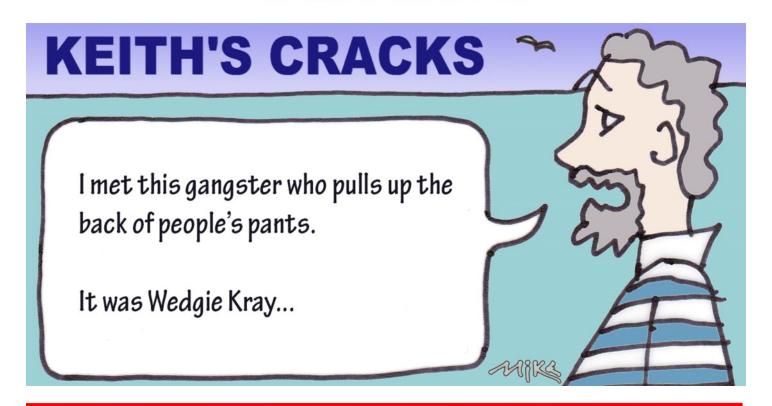




Saturday 30th November

Ticket sales open at 7-7:30pm

Book of 5 £5 Cash Flyer £2 Dabbers £1







December 1930 start
£1 per person

Cash prizes

(Use of electronic devices will be monitored)





