



# THE ORIENT EXPRESS



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ROYAL NORFOLK & SUFFOLK YACHT CLUB

October 2020

## COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

The Club AGM ran smoothly with the Management Committee present and Ruth Davies as the adjudicator. The minutes have been distributed and if you have not had a copy emailed to you please contact the Club to request them.

Members continue to use the Club and we have been very encouraged with the feedback on our efforts to keep as Covid safe as we can.

Please help us by booking your attendance in advance at the Club so that the chef can plan ahead, and a suitable table be reserved for you.

The new Management Committee meet for the first time this week and the sub committees have meetings being planned. My thanks go to all those who have stood down from committees and to those who continue on them to help organise the efficient running of the Club. Without all these willing volunteers my job would be so much harder.

We are busy planning for next year hoping that the situation will allow us to run events. There are two sailing events already under planning for May with the return of the Merlin Rocket fleet for a weekend sail in early May and the Toppers coming in mid May. Nearer the time we will be looking for extra volunteers to help with the logistics of the topper event where we expect around 100 boats.

Finally, please keep using the Club. We are looking at Christmas events and hope to be able to offer everyone who would like to celebrate the festive season with us an opportunity to do so.

Keep safe.

**Richard Fryer Commodore**  
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## CURRENT OPENING TIMES

### Bar and Catering:

Monday: Bar / Soup & Sandwiches 12-2

Tuesday to Friday: Full bar and catering 10 -2.00 and 6 -9

Saturday: Full bar and catering 8.30 – 2.30 and 6 -9

Sunday: Full bar and catering 8.30 – 3

Bar Only 3- dusk

To book your table please either ring the Club on 01502 566726 or email [admin@rnsyc.org.uk](mailto:admin@rnsyc.org.uk)

## LIFT OUT & WINTER HARDSTANDING / STORAGE

*Our annual winter lift out is planned for Friday October 30th. If you would like to add your boat to the lift list please contact the Club Bosun- Stuart.*

*We request that all Members who are taking away their craft for the winter that are currently on hardstanding to do so by Tuesday 27th October. Crane operation will be limited from that date until after lift out.*

*If you require winter hardstanding for your craft we will be able to offer limited spaces. Positions on hardstanding will be subject to usage & availability. Please contact the Club Bosun at [stuart@rnsyc.org.uk](mailto:stuart@rnsyc.org.uk)*

## 200 CLUB WINNERS

	1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize
	£20	£10	£5
September	Peta Jenkins	Carl Buck	Arthur Waller
October	Margaret Howard	Margaret Colby	Ruth Pank

*Winners will receive notification from the Club.*

## BOOK CLUB

*The Book Club continues to meet. Twelve Members discussed two books by Mari Hannah.*

*The next meeting in on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30.*

*We will be discussing A Bird in the Hand by Anne Cleeves.*

*Spare copies are available for reading from the Club Office. We welcome all readers, and it does not matter if you have not read the latest book please come along and collect the next one.*

*Terry Payne*

## MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

*Many thanks to all Members who attended the coffee mornings. £250 was raised.*

*Member Avril Mobbs has made some face masks which can be found in the Club Office. They are on sale for a donation of £5 to the MacMillan fund. (Thank you Avril)*

## CHEF'S EVENING

Following the success of the Italian Evening we are offering two nights of French dining on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November and Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November.

Chef Doug had put together a menu for the event and this will be on the Club website soon, along with a link in the weekly email.

We will be using the dining room only with the appropriate social distancing.

Once the menu is released in the next week or so you will need to book for this event choosing your day and your menu.

Watch your emails for another opening of the Crown and Feathers soon.

## RECENT VISITORS TO THE CLUB

We have featured 15 year old Timothy Long who was sailing on his own around Britain. After leaving us he has met with a series of storms which has delayed his trip several times.

The Commodore was away in his 'Shed' last week and watching the South news one evening they featured Timothy completing his trip sailing into the Hamble after 11 weeks of trip. He raised over £7000 for the Ellen MacArthur Teenage Cancer Trust.

He holds the record for the youngest person to sail solo around Great Britain.

Well done, Timothy

## WALK ALONG SEAFRONT

Some Social Committee Members have organised a leaflet with a hunt for answers along the seafront from the Club to the Claremont Pier.

We have looked at the interesting history and current use of the seafront and come up with a quiz that can be completed alongside a gentle stroll along the front. There are two versions of the quiz. One for younger participants. These are available from the office. If on your return you want to check your answers, there will be a completed quiz for you to check your answers against.

We hope you might try one out when you next visit the Club and need a distraction. Perhaps bring the grandchildren during half term. (The Covid Restrictions allowing.)

## SOCIAL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October**

*Quiz night Terry and John Payne quizmasters  
Booking essential*

### **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

*Coffee morning from 10:30*

### **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

*Coffee morning 10.30*

### **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

*Quiz night with Fred Henderson as quizmaster*

### **Friday and Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> November**

*French Evening*

### **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November**

*Coffee morning 10.30*

### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

*Children's Christmas Present hunt  
More details nearer the date.*

### **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

*Evening Christmas Dinner*

### **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

*Christmas Lunch*

### **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December**

*Christmas Day lunch: Please contact the Office to express interest if you have not done so already.*

*More information and menus for all these events will be emailed out nearer the events. All evening events will need booking in advance.*

*If any Members have any ideas for activities during this restricted time please let us know.*

*Also if you want to hold a meal for family, friends., colleagues numbered between 15 and 20 you can book the dining room and have it laid out in a safe manner to accommodate your party. Speak to Simon for more details.*

## CAPITAL CITIES QUIZ

Anagrams of capital cities  
– letters in alphabetical order  
eg. aiprs = Paris

1. abgoot
2. ikmns
3. bilnos
4. asuv
5. aceeghnop
6. abegrz
7. aacdmssu
8. ehiiklns
9. aarsww
10. aeinnv
11. agiikl
12. acior
13. elosu
14. instu
15. aanssu
16. afios
17. aehnst
18. aaahnv
19. abklu
20. aegilrs

Answers in next Orient Express in November.  
Thanks to Terry Payne for the anagrams.

## DON'T FORGET

Don't forget the Club is open for breakfast on Saturdays and Sundays.

Also Sunday lunch is served each week from 12 until 2.

Please book a table for your meal.

## NOT ABLE TO ATTEND THE QUIZ NIGHT?

If you would like a copy of the monthly quiz questions as you are not able to attend the quiz, please email the Club and this request will be passed on to the quiz master who will email the questions after the quiz has taken place. You will also be able to have the answers if required.

## PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

The social committee are running a monthly photograph competition. Pictures will be displayed in the Club.

This month's title is Lockdown.

Please send any photographs you would like to enter to [admin@rnsyc.org.uk](mailto:admin@rnsyc.org.uk)

No more than two per person. Send by end of October.

## RN&SYC WEATHER APP

Our weather station is now online and can be viewed via APP on your mobile devices.

Our station name is RNSYC

Download for

Android <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.davisinstruments.weatherlink&gl=GB>

Or

IOS <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/weatherlink/id1304504954>



Chef Doug baked a cake as a thank you to Terry Payne for her time on Social Committee and as Chairman of that Committee.