



Ilfracombe Yacht Club

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NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2009

FROM THE COMMODORE

Firstly our apologies for the late arrival of last month's newsletter which was down to technical problems in the production department.

There is definitely a feel of spring in the air; well the seagulls have resumed their relationship with my car so it must be true. Only about a month to go and the boats will be back in the water.

There has been plenty of activity in the Club since the last newsletter, most notably the Presentation Evening and the Annual General Meeting.

The Presentation Evening was a splendid occasion and we enjoyed a superb buffet provided by Tony and Mo Reeves and Ann Clemence. Well done Bobby for arranging everything. Janice presented the awards as follows:

Copperas Cup	Mark Silvester and Tony Reeves with Haze
St Austell Shield	Bob Thompson with Peter T
Achievers Shield	Michael Maslen
Commodores Cup	Gus Davies
Lunatics Trophy	A Consortium (who wish to remain anonymous) for buying a boat in Greece.

The AGM was well attended and quickly got round to the business of electing the committee for 2009. Initially there was no nominee for secretary but Ann Clemence has kindly stepped forward to fill the post and has been co-opted by the committee. Thanks to Sue Bassett for helping out in the interim.

Congratulations to Dave and Jo Turk on winning the Early Bird Draw for free membership in 2010.

To assist in planning, Deposit / Full payment will be required when any member signs up for any event listed on the notice board, thank you.

The committee for 2009 is:

President	Bob Thompson	Commodore	Chris Marman
Vice Commodore	Tony Reeves	Secretary	Ann Clemence
Treasurer	Val Bell		

Members	Bobby Davies (Social Secretary)	Mark Silvester (Sailing)
	Gus Davies (Maintenance)	Dave Welch (Dinghy Park & Web Site)
	Mark Fay	Burt Gear (Harbour Forum)
	Chris Horrell	Harrison Fay
	Mike Elmer (Newsletter & Communications)	

For those of you who were unable to make the meeting, and receive this newsletter by E-mail I attach my report in its entirety. If you receive this by post there is a copy behind the bar for your reference

WEB SITE

The Club web site is regularly updated and there is a page for members to sell boat related bits (called 'QuayBay') for a minimum 10% donation to club funds. Why not give it a visit and see what else is there.

www.ilfracombevc.org.uk

MEMBERSHIPS

Memberships are now overdue and should be paid as soon as possible. A renewals form is attached together with a list of membership fees for different categories.

SOCIAL SIDE

MARCH

Sat 7th

Quiz night with Andy Maslen & Dave Welch, starting at 20:00. Usual rules and prizes.

Wed 11th

Skittles Match once again against Braunton Small Boats & Angling Club. A home match starting at 20:00 and they are reportedly bringing a small army of supporters with them, so please try to come along and make them welcome. Players and Supporters needed.

Sat 14th

Swedish Night, hosted by Mike Elmer starting at 20:00. This will be a short introduction and film presentation on the restoration of 'The East Indiaman Gotheborg' a tea cutter first launched in 1738

Sat 21st

Curry & Pint night hosted by Jenny & Gus Davies, starting at 20:00. £6.50 per head, Names and deposit on notice board please.

Sun 22nd

Mothering Sunday lunch prepared by Jon Ward. 12:00 – 15:00 £10 for three courses. Names and deposit on board again please.

ADVANCE NOTICE

APRIL

Sat 4th

Boats in with usual coffee etc available at the club. Followed in the evening with a Casino Night, starting at 20:00

10th – 13th

Easter weekend

JUNE

28th

Sponsored Gig row to Lynmouth

JULY

18th – 19th

Powerboats weekend

AUGUST

2nd

Birdman & Strongman contest on the Pier

8th – 9th

Around Lundy race

29th

Gig Regatta

SEPTEMBER

12th – 13th

Festival of the Sea

GIG CLUB

The Ilfracombe Pilot Gig Club is going from strength to strength and we hope to be able to include reports from them in future editions of this newsletter. Any copy should be forwarded to mikeelmer@tiscali.co.uk or left at the club. In the meantime why not visit their site;

www.ilfracombepilotgigclub.org

DIARY (cut & keep)

MARCH

Sat 7Quiz night 20:00
Tue 10Lundy Race meeting 20:00
Wed 11Skittles match (see above) 20:00
Sat 14Swedish night 20:00
Wed 18Committee Meeting 20:00
Sat 21Curry Night 20:00
Sun 22Mothering Sunday lunch 12:00-15:00

APRIL

Sat 4Boats In
Sat 4Casino party night 20:00
10-13Easter weekend