

# East Cowes Sailing Club

## Newsletter

### Autumn 2019



#### 2020 Racing Programme

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April      April All in Race 1

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April      Spring 1

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April      Spring 2

Thursday 23<sup>th</sup> April      Spring 3 plus Cup

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April      Spring 4

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May      Spring 5

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May      Final Spring 6

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May      All in Race 2

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May      Mid-Summer 1

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June      Mid-Summer 2

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June      Marlow Cup (Start 13.00)**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June      Mid-Summer 3 plus Cup

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June      Mid-Summer 4

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June      Mid-Summer 5

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July      Final Mid-Summer 6

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July      Yarmouth Race (Start 12.30)**

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July      Late Summer 1

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July

Late Summer 2

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Late Summer 3 plus Cup

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July

Late Summer 4

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August

Late Summer 5

8<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> August

Cowes Week

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August

Late Summer 6

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

**REGATTA (HW 14.43  
BST Portsmouth)**

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August

Final Late Summer 7

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

All in Race 3

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September

Sunday Brunch 1

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September

Sunday Brunch 2

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Sunday Brunch 3

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September

Sunday Brunch 4

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October

Sunday Brunch 5

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October

Final Sunday Brunch 6

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

**Prize Giving**

## 2020 Fishing Programme

19 <sup>th</sup> January	Winter freeze up - Biggest Cod + sweep for heaviest bag.
11 <sup>th</sup> April	Biggest Fish
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Biggest Smoothound + sweep for heaviest bag
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Species Hunt + sweep for heaviest bag
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Mackerel Fishout with BBQ on shore for all ( <b>Barney's Cup award</b> )
15 <sup>th</sup> /16 <sup>th</sup> August	Fish off Needles (Pot bank) for heaviest fish. Possible stay over Yarmouth night before,
13 <sup>th</sup> September	Autumn species Hunt
11 <sup>th</sup> October	Heaviest fish, Heaviest Cod and heaviest bag
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Heaviest fish, Heaviest Cod and heaviest bag
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Heaviest fish, Heaviest Cod and heaviest bag.

## Report on the Fishing section in 2019

### *Fishing is Good!*

The year started with a January Cod competition and will end with a December Cod competition. No Cod caught in the competitions yet, but there is still time.

We will have had a total of eight competitions throughout this year and up to five boats at one time.

The spring saw glorious weather for the Smoothound competition and the July Mackerel competition and BBQ. This was attended by both fishermen and sailors and Judy Brachi won the Barney's cup which is an annual cup to commemorate the death of Barney who ran the bait shop in West Cowes. A one-off donation by the fishermen, was given for support to Barneys family. In August the species hunt was a big hit with many Bream caught.

The autumn competitions have seen a large number of congers caught and some decent pout and whiting are now showing of the bramble bank,

Ryde Middle West and the deep part off Castle Point.

The addition of the bait freezer in the centre store has been a great asset thanks to the General Committee. There are still some boxes left at £3 per year for the large boxes and £2 for the small boxes. We also now have a fishing subcommittee, when we quietly discuss strategies over a couple of beers. Next year hopes to be the best of all years with a massive ten competitions proposed, even an overnight trip to the Needles for those big ones! Instead of money prizes we will have a point, system where the overall annual winner will be awarded a cup at the end of the year. Of course, there will be the option of a sweep, for the heaviest bag.

### *Tight Lines*

*Mike Harvey and Richard Davis*

### Quick Quiz

Does Gun Metal contain more or less tin than Naval Brass?

What phrase describes the wind catching the sail on the wrong side?

What was the name of the ship that sailed to *Treasure Island*?

## 2020 Cruising Programme

25 <sup>th</sup> April	Beaulieu Shake-down Rally
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Gosport Rally
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Early Summer Cruise in Company
<b>6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Marlowe Cup Passage Race/Rally</b>
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Bembridge Beach Picnic
8 <sup>th</sup> June	Bembridge Beach BBQ
<b>4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Yarmouth Passage Race/Rally</b>
25 <sup>th</sup> July	Marchwood Yacht Club Rally
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> August</b>	<b>REGATTA</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> August	Gosport Rally
29 <sup>th</sup> August	Late Summer Cruise in Company
19 <sup>th</sup> September	Ryde Harbour Cruise
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Festive Food Rally

## Ryde Harbour Rally Report



1. 18th International Classic Car Show Ryde Esplanade

Two boats attended the last rally of the season: *Tideline* and *Gina*. Two more boat crews attended the evening get-together namely *Chaos* and *Guinan*.

Saturday 14th September was a glorious day. There were light winds on the nose for *Tideline* and *Gina*. *Gina* departed Cowes harbour at 1010; hoisted her mainsail in Osborne Bay and motored against the tide for a couple of hours at low revs until the buoyed Ryde Harbour approach channel over Ryde Sands hove into view.

*Gina* entered comfortably with a couple of feet under the keels. The visitor pontoons were choc-a-block with the harbour wall being the only viable berthing option.

Since *Gina's* last visit 4 years ago the harbour wall has been interrupted by a dogleg protected outflow intended for flood water from lower Ryde. Aware of the previous adjudications, against the responsible water company, about raw sewage being discharged into the Medina, your correspondent took seriously the shouted warning "don't moor there it's a sewer", turned around and berthed further down the harbour wall.

A couple of kind folks took our lines. One chap even rooted out a fender-board from the cage adjacent to the harbour office port-a-cabin.

As we tied up, two exhausted racing pigeons tried to roost in the cockpit. They took a great deal of shooing to move on :-)

A few minutes later *Tideline* entered the harbour during a mini-rush-hour on the top of the tide. After dodging the traffic Mike settled on a spot on the harbour wall a boat's length astern of *Gina*. Later, the gap was expertly filled by a Portsmouth registered yacht wearing a Blue Ensign.

There was no shortage of willing visitor hands to take Mike's lines. Once tied-up Mike popped below for a siesta and the crew of *Gina* strolled over to the Ryde Castle for lunch.

After their respective siesta and lunch the skippers made their way to the harbour office and paid £15 each for an overnight stay.

On your correspondent's last visit there was an additional charge for a shower token but now entry to the shower block is keypad controlled and included in the fee. Disappointingly, there are still just two shower/toilet cubicles in the unisex block which makes an early Sunday shower advisable. Although the more resourceful can walk to the nearby Waterside swimming pool and pay a little extra for their ablutions.

Mike joined us on the top of the harbour wall in the late afternoon and we made our way via The Pavilion and Yelf's Hotel to the rally rendezvous point in S. J. Fowler's at the top of Union Street. There, we met up with Heidi and Tony (*Chaos*) and Tom and Julia (*Guinan*) for a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

The following day Ryde Harbour formed the hub of a Classic Car event with a number of exhibits along the harbour wall and throngs of visitors passing to and fro above *Gina* and *Tideline*.

Before noon, once there was sufficient depth, *Tideline* left the harbour followed by *Gina*. There was no breeze to speak of so we both motored back to our berths on CHC's 'F' pontoon.

## Review of 2019 Cruising

Storm Hannah put paid to the first rally of the season. The April shakedown rally had enjoyed considerable early interest with up to 18 boats expected to attend before we had to cancel.

We joined up with the race programme for two passage races; notably, one to Lymington (the Marlowe Cup) where *Melody* achieved second place with her dogged perseverance.

Throughout the season, we enjoyed the support and company of our Motor Boat and Fishing friends for a number of Solent Rallies.

There were a couple of opportunities for cruises in company for those with slightly longer legs.

The first one 'the Meridian cruise' had its objective as crossing the Prime Meridian. That means passing the monument at Peacehaven and making port in Newhaven or beyond. A well-reefed *Tarim* sailed as far as Brighton before the weather closed-in. *Gina* scurried from port-to-port between squalls and was rewarded by sunshine in Gravelines.

The second cruise in company went to Chichester Marina and caught a heatwave for the late summer bank holiday.

Individual cruises that I know about are *Bloto* whose early season six-week long meander to Falmouth was marred by the uninspiring weather and *Brassed Off* which voyaged to Honfleur in the company of four yachts from the Hardway 'branch' of East Cowes Sailing Club.

One of last year's cruising prize-winners Piers Rowlandson in *Carlotta* sailed to Brittany via the Channel Islands for a Gaffers' festival.

There are two other cruises; both prize-winning.

The first being to Cherbourg and St Vaast by Geoff Taylor and Mike Palette in *Nyda*. I'd be cowering in the comfort of a sheltered marina rather than enjoying the (at times more than) brisk sailing spiced with culinary delights described by Geoff. Geoff Taylor was awarded the Travaskis Cup for the best cruising log of 2019.

The Hilda Owers Trophy for the most impressive cruise of 2019 was awarded to Mike Tennuci of *Tideline*. He and Bob Young spent 33 days enjoying

glorious weather cruising Normandy, the Channel Islands and North Brittany.

Congratulations to the prize-winners. Here's looking forward to E.C.S.C. cruising adventures next season.

Don't forget, we have a Festive Food 'Cruise' (in the Centenary Room) planned for 14<sup>th</sup> December.

Canned Christmas Carols, mince pies and mulled wine will be supplied. 'Bring a plate', can or bottle with anything else you'd like to share :-)

*Fair winds and following seas,*

*David Nixon*

*Cruising Rep to the Sailing sub-committee*

## House and Stores

A few highlights:

- The door to the Ladies is permanently unlocked and adapted to close automatically.
- An honesty box has been fitted in the kitchen area of the Centenary Room. A voluntary contribution of 25 pence is suggested for tea, coffee and biscuits (when available). So far it been a success. Tea, coffee, milk, sugar, sweeteners, biscuits and washing up liquid supplies are now self-funding.



### 2. Honesty Box

- The guttering has been cleared on the South Store (thank you Richard Davis).
- Under John Garlick's guidance, the flag pole, cross-trees and yard are resplendent in their refurbished glory and well-dressed with fine examples of the club pennant and Red Ensign.
- The new kitchen is in commission and fully kitted out.
- A bait freezer has been installed in the Centre Store.

## Wednesday Club



3. Wednesday Buoy

The “Wednesday Buoy” have been ‘quietly’ busy on many aspects of ECSC re-generation. A good example, easy to see, is the stunning refurbishment of the centre and south store doors. Any member who wishes to be involved in Wednesday group, just come along. Perry sends out a Tuesday email to the group highlighting possible job opportunities. If you’re not receiving your weekly reminder, email Perry on [perry12.mason@gmail.com](mailto:perry12.mason@gmail.com) and be included.



4. Centre Store Doors (from Perry Mason)

## 2020 Social Programme

17th January	Supper Night
20th February	AGM
28th March	Supper Night Fitting Out
11th April	Fisherman’s Supper
9th May	Supper Night
20th June	BBQ Supper Night
12th July	BBQ Fishing section BBQ
22nd August	Regatta BBQ
12th September	Cheese & Wine
24th October	Prize Giving
7th November	Laying-up Supper
5th December	Christmas Dinner
19th December	Commodore’s Soiree

## Social Report

The laying-up supper was the first use of the new kitchen. The event and raffle were a resounding success and contributed around £170 to club funds. The next event is the Christmas meal at the Lifeboat on 7<sup>th</sup> December followed by the Commodore’s Soiree in the Centenary Room on 22<sup>nd</sup> December. Please book and pay for the Christmas meal by 27<sup>th</sup> November.



5. Laying-up Supper (from Gordon Bellamy)

## Awards 2019



6. E.C.S.C. Rewards (from Perry Mason)

The Prize-giving supper was held at Osborne Golf Club on Saturday 26th October 2019. More than 40 members and guests attended.

Following a welcome address from the Commodore, racing awards were introduced by the Rear Commodore Sailing; starting with a review of some of the highlights of the season and thanks to the competitors, race officers, race box team and escort boat crews.



7. John Garlick-Rear Commodore Sailing (from Perry Mason)

Congratulations to the following prize-winners:

## Racing

### *Sparki – Lisa Guy*

Spring series class 1 overall winner	Carnt Cup
Mid-summer series class 1 Cup Race 3 - winner	Binstead Garage Trophy
Mid-summer series class 1 overall winner	Gort Cup
ECSC Regatta - overall 2nd place	A Class Cup
Late summer series class 1 cup race 3 - winner	international 14 Cup
Late summer series class 1 - overall winner	Sonia Cup
Mass start races overall 2nd place	Chinchen Bowl

### *La Vie En Rose – Craig Dymock*

Spring series class 1 cup race 3 - winner	Leslie Lockett Trophy
Spring series class 1 overall 2nd place	Eric Caws Trophy
Mass start races overall 3rd place	Elfrida Fox Trophy

### *Fflashback – Mike Dixon*

ECSC Regatta - overall winner	IOW Challenge Cup
Mass start races overall winner	Joyce R. Way Trophy

### *ACF Dolphin – Andy Cassell Foundation*

Mid-summer series class 1 overall 2nd place	Cowes Town Challenge Trophy
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### *Sendit 2 – Guy Shelbourne*

ECSC Regatta - overall 3rd place	Snagg Jackson Trophy
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### *First Course – Jo Moore*

Passage race to Lymington - first place	Marlowe Cup
Mid-summer series class 2 overall winner	Souter Trophy
Yarmouth passage race winner	Founders Cup

### *Brassed Off – Paul Walker*

Spring series class 2	Ann Hayden Trophy
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overall 2nd place	
Mid-summer series class 2 overall 2nd place	ECSC 1925 Goblet
Late summer series class 2 - overall winner	Hunt Cup

**Dodgem – John Barnes**

Spring series class 2 cup race 3 - winner	J. A. Dixon Trophy
Spring series class 2 overall winner	Frogbrook Trophy
Late summer series class 2 cup race 3 - winner	Mary Eden Selby Bowl

**Spring Tied – Dave Casson**

Late summer series class 2 - 2nd place	Folly Regatta Cup
Sunday brunch series class 2 - overall winner	No. 36 Cup

**Melody – Jane Paull**

Passage race to Lymington - second place	Field Beale Cup
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**Shiatsu – Graham Tracey**

Yarmouth passage race 2nd place	Reader Cup
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**Flip Flop – Will Morris**

Late summer series class 1 - overall 2nd place	Independence Cup
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**Reasons to be cheerful – Rick White**

Sunday brunch series class 1 - overall winner	Rose Bowl
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**Carlotta – Piers Rowlandson**

Dropped rowlock award	Dropped Rowlock Trophy
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**Cruising**

**Nyda – Geoff Taylor**

Best cruising log	Trevaskis Cup
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**Tideline – Mike Tennuci**

Most impressive cruise	Hilda Owers Trophy
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**Fishing**

**Dirty Girty III – Judy Brachi**

Mackerel competition	Barney’s Cup
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**East Cowes Sailing Club**

**Susan Garlick**

Exceptional service to the club.	Lowein Trophy
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8. Susan Garlick with the Lowein Trophy (from Perry Mason)

**Quick Quiz Answers**

Does Gun Metal contain more or less tin than Naval Brass? **More**

What phrase describes the wind catching the sail on the wrong side? **Taken aback**

What was the name of the ship that sailed to Treasure Island? **Hispaniola**