

Hope Mr. Wilkin approves of my first attempt

WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER

A very warm welcome to our first social newsletter. The idea is to keep you up to date with social events and to share photos and ideas. Social events raise the profile of the club, enable us to meet and socialise and have fun together. They raise funds for the club and help support the bar which in turn helps to keep mooring fees low, something for which SYC is unique.

Please do try to attend

and do your bit for the club. If you have any constructive suggestions you would like to share then please pop them in the suggestions box that is in the lobby, remembering to add your name.



We welcome any assistance with the bar at club events and if you would like training to enable you to do this, please contact the Bar Manager, John Riches, on the contact details below.

We are also looking for volunteers to cover the Saturday lunch time bar slot.

If you are interested, John Riches 07956 514 073



75th Anniversary



2020 is a big year for the Strood Yacht Club as it is our 75th Anniversary. To mark the occasion, we are looking for stories, photos and memorabilia to display at the Regatta weekend on 5/6 September.

If you have any photos you think other members would be interested to see, please let us know and we can arrange for them to be scanned and returned to you safely.

If you have any amusing anecdotes or observations from the last 75 years then please jot them down or we could meet for a chat so that we can jot them down for you.

Our first event this year will be a Mother's Day lunch followed by a cruise (weather permitting) and a list will go up in the club house shortly together with a reminder on the Facebook page and the website. ever, we are on the lookout for quality, unwanted but unused items (perhaps unwanted Christmas presents) suitable for the tombola at this year's Regatta.

If you have any items, please leave them in the box on the table just inside the club house so they can be collected.

We are not running a white elephant stall this year so suitable tombola items only please.

We will be looking for volunteers to help man the stalls and help run the fun and games we have planned in the afternoon. If you would like to help, or can offer any suggestions, please contact us.

We hope you have enjoyed this first newsletter and hope to see lots of you in the club house over the coming year. Happy Boating!

7e start the year with our annual Mother's Day Lunch, with a twist. After lunch a short cruise (weather permitting) then back to the club for tea and biscuits.

Watch the notice board for poster and name list, please add your names with your preference for starter and dessert.

A vegetarian option is available on booking ask Nicki or John also any special dietary requirements.







The Social Committee

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Strood Yacht Club 2020 Social Dates

Sunday 22 March Mother's Day lunch and cruise (weather permitting)

> Saturday 18 April Fitting Out

Saturday 16 May Comedy Bingo

Saturday 20th June Games Night

Sunday 21 June Father's Day BBQ and games

75th Anniversary Regatta: Friday 4th September Quiz Night 5th & 6th September Regatta Weekend

> Saturday 3 October Laying Up

Saturday 24 October Trafalgar Night

Saturday 14 November Commodore's Last Cruise followed by Club Night (tbc)

Saturday 5 December Adult's Christmas party

Saturday 12 December Children's Christmas party

Sunday 13 December AGM

Thursday 31 December New Year's Eve



The cruise will be followed by our Fitting Out Supper Carvery on Saturday 18 April followed by fun and games, something a little different to the usual disco.

There will be club music at the end of the evening for those of you who like to stay on and have a little dance!





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New for 2020

We will be introducing a meat raffle which will be drawn at lunch time on the first Sunday of every month, commencing Sunday 5 April. From 1 March, raffle tickets will be available from behind the bar priced at £1 per

Types of meat will vary each month, depending on volume of tickets sold.

Look out

for our Retro Comedy Bingo night on Saturday 16 May where Peter Perke will be

entertaining us with his 70's themed bingo night!





Work Parties

A very warm welcome to our first work party newsletter.

As every member knows, Strood Yacht Club is the best on the river and something to be proud of. We are not a marina. We are a self-funded, self-help club which enables us to keep our costs low. This principle has been the ethos of the club for 75 years.

Part of this self-help comes from attending social functions and regular work parties and this is expected from every member. Without the support of the members, Strood Yacht Club cannot continue its proud tradition.

At the AGM it was proposed and agreed to have six regular work parties, staggered throughout the year, so that members can choose a date that suits them and plan ahead. Each date will be capped at so many volunteers, depending on the task.

At the moment, we have two dates available, with more to be added. Please add your name to the list which will shortly be put up in the club house.

Sat 28 March
Pile scraping
Sat 6 June
Pile scraping and
painting

At the AGM it was estimated that production of pontoon floats on site equates to a saving of £1,000 per member. We urgently need volunteers to undertake this task. Our float team work tirelessly, tucked away in the corner of the boat park, for you as members and they urgently need volunteers to assist. It's a couple of hours' work on a Saturday morning. Please contact us for further details of how you can help.

Any members with a specific skill set that they think can be made use of, please contact us.

A new log book will be implemented so that volunteers can have

their efforts recorded. If any members carry out individual tasks for the benefit of the club, please let us know. It was agreed at the AGM that fines will be imposed if members do not regularly turn up to work parties. Let us not have to go down this route. Let's all work together for our club.

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