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PISC AGM



The new committee pictured at the recent welcome evening held on Tuesday 18th April. From left Jim Ridgway (Membership), Chris Hall (Social), Dave Smith (RCH), John Morren (Vice Commodore), Jaqui Biggs (Treasurer), Liz Unwin (Secretary), Mike Robb (Commodore) and Bob Sheward (RCS).

The Annual General Meeting of PISC was held on Friday 14th April at the clubhouse. The meeting was attended by eighty six members and there were nine proxy votes. The minutes of the meeting can be viewed online in the Administration area of the members area of the PISC website.

As Paul Hutton-Ashkenny had served the maximum two years in office as Commodore he stood down from the committee. Mike thanked Paul for his efforts over the last two years as Commodore and time before that as Vice Commodore. When Paul took over we were still at the old clubhouse in Yeroskipou and he guided the club through the complex move to Pegia, the many clubhouse improvements, expansion of sailing activities at Agios Georgios and the accreditation of PISC by CySaF as a recognised Sail Training Centre.

Mike reminded the members however that behind every successful Commodore there is an equally important lady! Penny and Paul were presented gifts on behalf of the members.

Mike presents Penny & Paul with gifts on behalf of the membership





Training

The Finer Points of Sailing, Notes from Dave Brown's recent presentation

Based on Youtube video: "Rig tuning presentation with Michael McNamara".

KEEP BOAT LEVEL.

WHEN IN DOUBT LET IT OUT. (The Sails main and jib/genoa) This enables you to set the sails to a changing wind direction.

FREQUENTLY "LET GO" OF TILLER. (At least ease your grip on the tiller extension and see which side it wants to go.)

Note if heeling to leeward the tiller moves to leeward and vice versa. This indicates the water flow over the hull is not symmetric and you will be using your rudder (which if not centred acts as a brake) to keep your sailing direction.

JIB:

Aim: to keep all 3 telltale indicator pairs streaming steadily. This shows you have steady attached none turbulent air flow on both sides of the sail. (Ideal)

NOTE: 1 cm on jib sheet gives 5 cm movement on jib.

If top windward telltale stalls flicks about (others stream OK) jib sheet fairlead position is too far aft. If bottom windward telltale stalls jib sheet fairlead is too far forward.

NOTE: on land with jib hoisted and cleated, extend jib sheet direction through the clew and onto the jib luff. This line should intersect the luff just below half luff height.

Furthermore you can check operation of all telltales by slowly luffing the boat observe that all windward telltales lift i.e. show stalled flow together. This can be done on land with the boat on its trolley facilitated with the trolley jockey wheel.

At sea on a particular point of sailing:

If INner (windward) telltale stalls pull jib sheet IN

If OUTer (leeward) telltale stalls let jib sheet OUT

Aim to achieve all 3 sets of telltales angled slightly upwards equally, streaming steadily.

MAINSAIL:

In light airs Force 1-2 pull out the sail foot. Note a crease will form.

Force 3 (7-10) knots the foot is not as tight as force 1-2.

Force 4 and above pull out the foot hard as you want to flatten the sail to reduce power especially with light-weight crew.

How to set for best slot.

Observe batten pocket telltales. They should be streaming nearly all the time. The second one down from head of sail in line with the top of the jib may show telltale flicking to windward side for part of the time. This is generally acceptable as this is the height at which the main becomes a jib as there is no jib in front of it compared with lower area of mainsail which does have a jib in front of it.

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Training

The Finer Points of Sailing, Notes from Dave Brown's recent presentation (continued)

Look at the sail about 2/3 up {level with numbers}. Let out the mainsheet until the mainsail is just backwinding, then pull in until "just" not backwinding.

KICKER (Kicking strap or boom vang):

Force 1-2 just sufficient tension to stop boom coming off gooseneck.

As wind speed increases more kicker tension is required to control mainsail twist.

Also applying more kicker tension increases mast bend opening the slot and depowering the rig. Note batten pocket telltales should be streaming.

The kicker can be eased a little on the run in attempt to square off the mainsail to catch more wind.

CUNNINGHAM:

Only applied when wind speed increases and the crew are becoming overpowered.

In operation it pulls the fullness of the mainsail forward to offset the fact that the fullness of the sail moves aft with increasing wind strength leading to increased sideways (heeling) force.

Have another look at the YouTube video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mVFnnHGUIOs>

Youth Sail Training

The Youth Sail Training programme starts again on Thursday May 4th. The four students are all from the TLC at the top of the AG hill and arrive at the PISC sailing centre from 1pm. They are trained by our instructors under the guidance of David Brown who has taken over the running of this project. The group take over the safety rib following the normal Thursday sailing by PISC members and have their own sailing area.

Please note that when YST is in progress all other PISC boats are not permitted on the water.

OOD Seminar

A one day OOD Seminar was recently held at the clubhouse and AG with the aim of standardising OOD procedures and policy. The day was organised by Terry Mitchell and Phil Mutton with a presentation by Paul Hutton Ashkenny on Mark Laying and Protest Procedures. Twelve OODs attended and all agreed that it was a very useful course.

Instructor Conversion Training

Phil Mutton, our Chief Instructor, held a one day course on 20th April for four PISC Assistant Instructors to convert their PISC Assistant Instructor qualifications to that of CySaF AIs. All the instructors then attended a briefing on the changes to the CYSAF training scheme.



***Have you seen this man?
what year, who and what
type of dinghy? special prize
for all three correct answers
to Dave Smith***



Training



The photo shows Terry, the students, Tom and Mason Neville of LWS.

RYA Day Skipper Shorebased course

During 2016 PISC member Terry Baverstock, who is an RYA Shorebased Instructor, offered to provide the RYA Day Skipper shorebased training course to interested members. With PISC not being a registered RYA establishment Terry liaised with Tom Neville of Latchi Watersports (LWS), which is a RYA Recognised Training Centre, who, based on his knowledge of our club and that we recently passed a World Sailing inspection, agreed to register the clubhouse with the RYA for the purpose of delivering theory courses only. With that hurdle resolved the course could go ahead as planned.

On the 1st February 2017 five members started the course. Terry took the students through the various elements of navigation and chartwork, the IALA buoyage system, lights, shapes and safety. After 40 hours of tuition plus home study the students undertook two assessments covering all the subjects taught. Thankfully all students passed and were awarded their RYA Day Skipper Shorebased certificates on 31st March.

Grateful thanks go to Terry for delivering the course and for his patience in dealing with the many and varied questions posed by the students. Grateful thanks also goes to Tom Neville of LWS for his support, without it the course could not have gone ahead. As a means to put the theory into practice Tom has offered a free day aboard a LWS yacht skippered by his brother Mason Neville who will guide the students through the process of boat preparation, organising crew tasks and then undertaking a short practical navigation exercise. Further to this Tom is keen for the professional relationship between PISC and LWS to develop for the benefit of both organisations.

Terry is planning to deliver the RYA Coastal Skipper/Yachtmaster Offshore Theory course commencing in October 2017. Further details will be released as soon as arrangements are finalised.



Club RIB's and Dinghies

by Chas Kimber, General Boat Manager

I have now taken on the new job of PISC Boat Manager and so all the club boats are being inspected for defects and work lists produced. Members will see that there are works going on across our fleet.

Should there be any defects to report please let me know and we will list them for a work party which will be my standing work party on Monday mornings 1000 to 1230.

I will be carrying out some work with John Garratt, just as Mike the Bosun will continue with the hull works to the dinghies. We are also keen to get more members to help with the maintenance of the boats. Should you have spare time on Monday mornings for two hours please come along. I will be keeping a log and producing the equipment for repairs to be done. The left-hand side of the OOD Cupboard will be where I keep all the equipment for boat repairs that are underway. Some of these jobs are relatively easy to do and we have tools available for the work. A log of all repairs will be completed to give us a full account of the work required and completed with approximate cost on a yearly basis to each boat.

Dhekalia, our third Wayfarer will be rigged by members as soon as negotiation for its mast is completed. Mike the Bosun will work closely with me but once he finishes the hull work additional help from members will be required to rig the boat.

Safety Sinka will be priority for update work out of the two RIB's. She should be re-inspected by 30 Jun 17 for circulation license. All the club VHF radios are now re-licensed for 2017/18. Sinka will have a new windscreen, and its wiring and fuse box will be updated to blade fuses in due course. A new horn is fitted and wheels de-rusted and repainted. A storage box for the spare VHF is now fitted onboard. More work will be done as the season progresses.

I am in the process of providing two jockey wheels and we need to clarify funding for a launching trolley for Dhekalia; The way these are provided will be discussed with the Sailing Committee in due course.

We will be discussing purchasing a further boat at the next Sailing Committee so it is too early to say what the outcome will be at this time.

Finally, a bit of a problem on the horizon. I visited the Department of Shipping recently and they informed me that RIB's will only be licensed for crew depending on the number of fixed seats fitted on the boat. Consequently, I have written a letter to them explaining our rescue routines and asking for a crew of 5 for both of our Safety RIB's. We have had both licensed for a 5 man crew since they were purchased. This new rule will have an impact on our safety teams as Safety Sinka only has one seat and Safety Koula has a two man seat. I believe that the Department of Merchant Shipping will talk to CySaF and their next meeting on the subject. Watch this space...

That's all for now

Thanks

Chas Kimber

PISC Boat Manager, PISC Offshore Secretary



Green Goddess, Club Wayfarer



Racing Results

Monthly Shield

The recent stormy weather and the fact that the Monthly Shield competition has moved to sailing every other Thursday meant that the March and April Monthly Shield series were only raced on one Thursday giving two races per event.

However competition was stiff and the results were as follows:

March Monthly Shield

Winner Chas Kimber (More Merlot); 2nd Andrey Gurskiy (Hartley) and 3rd Jonathon Hicks (Wavedancer)

April Monthly Shield

Winner Bill Crawford (Alice); 2nd John Lay (Gazelle) and 3rd Lesley Anderson (Gung Ho).

Well done to all the competitors.

**We are looking for
volunteers to help out
at the PISC Summer
Regatta. from 23rd to
25th June**

**Please email your re-
sponses to:
Bob Sheward RCS and
John Morren Vice
Commodore**

Sailing Calender

DATE

EVENT

Thursday 27th April	Free sailing from 1130
Saturday 29th April	Spring Series 1100 briefing
Thursday 4th May	Free sailing from 1130 YST from 1300
Saturday 6th May	Spring Series 1100 briefing
Thursday 11th May	Free sailing from 1130 YST from 1300
Saturday 13th May	Spring Series 1100 briefing
Thursday 18th May	PISC Open Day YST from 1300
Saturday 20th May	Spring Series 1100 briefing
Sunday 21st May	PISC Open Day
Saturday 3rd June 2017	Paphos 2017 'Yeronisos Island Race'
23rd - 25th June 2017	2017 PISC Summer Regatta
4th March to 24th June	Spring Series
1st July to 26th August	Summer Series
2nd September to 16th December	Autumn Series

A.G. SAILING TIMES

Thursdays

Practice & Free Sailing

Safety Boat Crew	1000
Beach Crew	1030
Briefing	1100
Sailing	from 1130

Saturday Racing

Seasonal Series (usually 2 races
back to back)

Safety Boat Crew	1000
Beach Crew	1030
Briefing	1100
Warning Signal	1155

**Please note YST starts
again on May 4th 2017**



Social News

CONGRATULATIONS!!!



"THE HODKIN HARRIERS"

Neil, our Dinghy Secretary, and Ann are over the moon and very proud after their Daughter-in-Law Caroline Hodkin and their Granddaughter Hannah Hodkin ran the London Marathon on Sunday. They raised money for the asthma charity and came a respectable 13,800 out of 50,000. What a great day for the family!

PISC Tuesday evenings in the Clubhouse

The present members draw has now been running for 2 years and the Club House Committee feel it's time for a change. Therefore the draw in its present form will cease after the draw on 21st March, the Fitting Out Supper.

It will be replaced by a draw for members who are present on a Tuesday evening at the clubhouse with a €10 bar ticket as the prize. The draw will be won every week and will take place between 2000 and 2100. The draw will not take place when there is a main event or function being staged at the clubhouse.

We are also going to trial an alternative form of catering on Tuesdays (Non Event Days). We will be organising a take away delivery from one of the local food outlets. Starting on March 28th, a 'special' will be chosen each week (e.g. Pizza, Fish n' Chips, Curry, etc.) and the chosen theme will be used on that particular evening. We will also be stocking various types of packets of "Nibbles" behind the bar.

Future Planned Social Events...

Tuesday	May 9th	1930	Sailing Improvement Evening - David Brown - All Welcome
Tuesday	May 23rd	1900	Club Night - German Cuisine - See website
Saturday	June 3rd	1000	Paphos 2017 Yeronisos Island Race - Agios Georgios
Tuesday	June 6th	1000	Re-enactment of D Day Landings
Saturday	June 10th	1900	PISC Summer Ball at Cap St George
Fri - Sun	June 23-25	1000	PISC Summer Regatta



PISC Merchandise - Spring & Summer Collection



Mens Polo from Kustom Kit

New in is a Kustom Kit men's polo shirt with 3 colour contrast collar and placket (Above)

Available in Yellow - medium, White - large, Navy - Xlarge. Other sizes up to 2XL can be ordered. (2-3 weeks delivery)



Caps

As of next week PISC merchandise will have new legionnaires style caps, with full neck protection.

One is pure cotton, one size, 2 eyelets, fold up and it comes in the following colours: white, black, bottle, navy, pink, royal blue, sky blue, yellow. Reference RC 76A. It is also available in Junior sizes (RC76J).

The other is in polyester, comes in khaki and olive, reference RC69.

Also available are polyester caps available in white, pink, sand, navy, black, airforce blue, red, yellow, sky blue.

Cotton caps are available in burgundy, white, grey, and royal. They are also available in junior sizes. (since the adult cap is quite big, this junior cap suits many of us).



RC76A/J



RC69

Vests & Tank Tops

For men we have 2 different styles, available in White, Black, Navy, Red, Grey, Dark Grey & Royal which are available from Nicosia.

For ladies we have 2 different styles: a strap top and a tank top. The strap can be tried on in Fuchsia and Yellow (small), Kelly Green (medium) Pink (large) Orange (XL), sky (XXL).

The tank is also in stock in White (small), Azalea, (medium), Red (large), Navy (XL) & Black (XXL).

Both are in pure cotton. Other colours can be ordered from the UK.



Ladies Tank Top



Ladies Strap Top



There are many more items to choose from, see Dorothy at the club on Fridays from 12:00 till 15:00 and also at Agios Georgios with a selection of the merchandise and the catalogue on some Saturdays.

All garments can be embroidered with the PISC logo or just a discreet PISC wording or even unbranded.

Contact: 996 50 145 or dorothy.govaerts@gmail.com.



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