



Paphos International Sailing Club Newsletter

Winter 2014 edition 003

New web site: www.pisc.com.cy



Welcome to our Winter edition of the PISC news. The Commodore and General Committee are delighted to wish all members, wherever you may be in the World, a very Happy Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

We have continued to sail at Agios Georgios and apart from two days, we eventually completed the Autumn Series. Several Thursdays saw the dinghy sailors sailing around Yeronissos Island to Managen Island and back through the gap to the harbour. We have had a really nice Autumn season.

NEW WEBSITE GOING WELL

www.pisc.com.cy is now our new web address. Should you or your Friends use the old web address by accident it will also point you and them to our new site. Please use the web site and explore its possibilities. The forum is now being accessed with all sorts of issues so if you cannot access the members area contact the Membership Secretary Brian P who will assist you

CYPRUS SAILING FEDERATION NEWS

By Editor: The latest news from Chris C, the CySaF Secretary, on our membership bid to the Cyprus Sailing Federation is that our bid will be discussed at the next full meeting of the CYSaF Board. We hope we will be successful! Good Luck to you all!

Cypriot Sailors doing well at the World Cup Final

The ISAF Sailing World Cup Final was the latest challenge for Pavlos Kontides and Andreas Cariolou. The latest global celebration of sailing, took place in Abu Dhabi, from November 27th to 30th.

This was the first time this event has been staged. The top twenty athletes in the world in every one of the ten Olympic classes have the right to participate, with 40 nations and 270 athletes participating in the Sailing World Cup Final.



Andreas Cariolou RS:X finished 11th overall.



Pavlos Kontides Laser overall 9th with Tim Burton (Aus) taking Gold.

Greek sailors Panagiotis Mantis and Pavlos Kagialis took Silver in the Mens 470.

British ladies Sophie Weguelin and Eilidh McIntyre were second in the Ladies 470.

49er Men saw Poland take gold with UK sailors taking 3rd, 5th and 8th

The Ladies RS:X saw Bryony Shaw (UK) take Gold with an amazing 6 x 1sts out of her 10 races. Against strong World class opposition an amazing result

CYPRUS SPORT ORGANISATION (K.O.A.)



K.O.A. President Clea Hadjistephanou Papaellina

As previously reported earlier in 2014 we were delighted to be accepted as a member of the Cyprus Sport Organisation (C.S.O) (K.O.A).

We are now awaiting the decision of the The Cyprus Sailing Federation (CySaF) as to whether we are also to become a member of their Federation. The International Sailing Federation (ISAF) require all sailing clubs who race using the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing to be Members of their National Authority (MNA). We need to be a member of our National Authority and therefore it would follow that we need to be a member of CySaF.



Apps for the RRS now available



The “Star Sailors League” meet in Nassau, Bahamas for the annual SSL Finals 2014



Star Class with Multi-National top crews.

The SSL Star Sailors League SA is based at Maison du Sport International c/o Libra Law Ibarrola & Ramoni Avenue de Rhodanie 54, 1007 Lausanne, Switzerland “The Nassau Yacht Club was proud to have received a huge vote of confidence from the Star Sailors League and again be asked to host their finals in this, their second year. Throughout the racing held last December we were able to showcase to many of the

world’s greatest sailors why The Bahamas is among the best sailing venues in the world, and why the Nassau Yacht Club has a reputation for world class race management and exceptional Bahamian hospitality. That the SSL is returning is a testament to that, but we will not be resting on our laurels. We plan for similar accolades from the 2014 finals, and look forward to welcoming back future Olympians and World Champions in years to come.”

Paul H-A, Regatta Chairman for SSL

(By Ed. I wondered where Paul had gone to)!



PISC VCdre. Paul H-A Regatta Chairman at the SSL’s in Nassau



The list of helmsmen and crew reads like the who’s who of yacht racing. The Star League attracts World’s and Olympic champions from many nations. I have no doubt that Paul. H-A will enlighten you further when he and Penny return. Thanks to Penny and Facebook for the Pictures!



One of two Brazilian Star’s crew: Gael and De Almeida

Rear Commodore (House) latest on new Club House

I spoke to Tony C (RCH) and he gave me the following: "The application for change of use for Niki's Restaurant has been submitted. Niki is working with RCH to chase up the various departments involved to expedite things if possible but inevitably it is a bureaucratic process so progress is slow with Pegeia Municipality. In the meantime we have had a couple of work parties to tidy up and refix the shading at Geroskipou so hopefully it will last for a while. The Clubhouse has been decorated for Christmas and looks very festive!

NEW DINGHIES:

WAYFARER "JASMINE"

Peter and Hilary A's new Wayfarer "Jasmine". This lovely new boat was delivered during the Summer and I promised you a photo would be found for this edition. I have now received one and here it is



Peter & Hilary sailing "Jasmine"

Jasmine was finished by Porter brothers of Emsworth, the hull being built by Hartley Boats of Derby. It was great to see Hilary take her Basic Sailing Course in the Autumn and pass it. Her new found confidence was clear for all to see. She'll be taking her Day Skipper next!

WAYFARER "ISLAND GIRL"

Another new arrival, this time for Vice Cdre Paul and Penny. They received the latest brand new Wayfarer from Hartley Brothers, from the Southampton Boat show. The new boat is called "Island Girl"



"Island Girl" arrives at Agios Georgios. We have yet to witness the maiden voyage! I think Paul has been too busy to sail her!

We are now approaching the magic number of 50 dinghies at the beach; another big year of growth

LATSI OFFSHORE YACHTS:

John and Liz B have recently purchased a nice little 22 foot offshore yacht called "Angela" which is based in Latchi. The yacht is a pandora class and was a snip for the price! Don't ask!

John has been grinning all week and even treated himself to a new club shirt for the occasion! Well done to them!



Newly purchased S/Y Angela in Latsi

S/Y TEKA NOVA refits in Krabi, Thailand

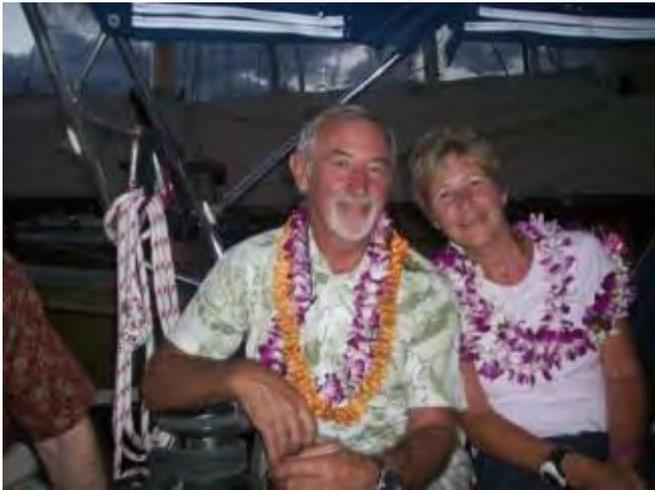


Photo courtesy Christine's Website: Terry and Christine on their World Circumnavigation

It was great to meet up with Terry and Christine on 5th December at the Club House. They have now sailed from Singapore up to Thailand on "Teka Nova" and will now spend the first half of 2015 refitting her in Krabi. Teka Nova is a 65 foot Finish built bespoke steel Yacht built for blue water cruising which it certainly is doing. I believe she is the largest yacht currently on the PISC books. I took the opportunity to look at Google earth to see Krabi and looking at it I think a holiday there would be great, let alone six months! Due east of Phuket by Ferry, it should be a wonderful run-ashore. Thailand knows about the value of good quality marinas as Krabi offers covered moorings for six big boats! It also offers open pontoons, lifting and jetty space as well as a condo to rent while the boat is being refitted! Terry and Christine are both ex-British Airways, with Terry also being an ex-RFA Deck Officer in his earlier life and finally ex-Monarch Airways. Good luck to them we hope to see them next July. If you wish to follow their trips see www.terryandchristine.com

YACHT "CIRCE" MOVES BASE TO LATSIS

RCH Tony and Angela have moved their Kelt 6.5 metre yacht "Circe" to Latsi. Tony and his crew sailed/motored past Sea Caves on the morning of the 19th November en route to their new sailing ground. I understand Betty and Chris S sailed with Tony. They telephoned "Sea Caves Lookout Station" to inform us that they were passing which was nice of them! Unfortunately I couldn't see them for the fog. Yes we do get fog here! Their outboard must have been working well as they nipped quickly past...

FIVE MEMBERS HAVE OFFSHORE YACHTS IN LATSIS.

Steve and Marilyn's Westerley "Holy Smoke"

Phil F's Westerley Storm "No Strings"

Bob B's "April"

John and Liz B's Pandora "Angela" and now

Tony and Angela's Kelt 650 "Circe".

Hopefully they will all sail out together sometime. Fly the PISC burgee! Should you wish to purchase one please contact me as I have a few at 30 euros and a larger size for yachts larger than 45 foot!



Burgees for sale standard size 30 euros

POWER BOAT NEWS:

As for Latsi Powerboats, I will do a study on them soon, "Circle 9" and "Twisted Sister" come to mind. We also have several trailer-sailer powerboats that are towed over the mountain to launch at the slipway. Power boaters if you have any updates and news please share it with me.

Pete and Hazel have now sourced a new cooling water pipe from the US of A for "Let's Rock" and they should be zooming around the coast again soon. We look forward to hearing them flash up again that engine again!



Let's Rock in Committee boat role

2015 NEWS: GALLIPOLI - 100 EVENTS FOR 2015 PLANNED

Three days of International commemorations in London, Turkey and Portsmouth will remember the bitter Gallipoli campaign, 100 years after men stormed the Dardanelles. U.K. Prime Minister David Cameron announced events in 2015 to mark the centenary of the failed campaign, which actually began in late 1914 and dragged on until early 1916 and cost an estimated half a million casualties, roughly equal on both sides. An International service of remembrance at Cape Helles on April 24 – where British, Commonwealth and French troops came ashore – will be followed by an Anglo-Australian-New Zealand service at the Cenotaph in Whitehall on April 25, ANZAC Day.



An earlier HMS Queen Elizabeth at the Dardanelles 1914

And in Portsmouth on August 6, the centenary of the last major attempt to force the peninsula, the invasion of Suvla Bay, events will be focused on the newly-restored monitor HMS M33, the sole surviving British warship from the Gallipoli campaign



The latest HMS Queen Elizabeth at Rosyth 2014

Britain's brand new 65,000 ton massive Aircraft Carrier.

PISC TRAINING 2014

PISC POWERBOAT COXSWAINS COURSE (PCC)

John T and Dave F (Scotty) have now run two of these powerboat courses for members. John T stated "Powerboat Coxswain Courses (PCC) which are based on

the RYA Level 1 & 2 courses and additionally we include extra elements from the RYA Personal Watercraft Scheme eg: courtesy to other users, pollution control and IRPCS. After each event we always re-consider the course content to ensure that we have got it right, the PCC is therefore dynamic & not something set in stone. However, we do not teach navigation or first aid on the PCC". **By Ed. These are separate courses**

The course is run over two days, the first being teaching and demonstrating and the second day is the assessment of the trainee's skills which includes a written examination. On successful completion of the course the new coxswains are rostered to work as Assistant Cox's which consolidates the training. The RCS has list of course attendees and ensures this happens

Phil M Senior Instructor said afterwards

"John T was formerly a UK southern region Powerboat coach for BSAC, he oversaw the first two days course under the current programme over the period 9 - 10 October.

Club Members Tony D, Roy H and Marisa B undertook the course that included theory lessons, practical sessions and an examination. All three successfully completed the course and are now qualified powerboat coxswains.

John is now making preparations for Safety Coxswain refresher training to ensure the skills of our qualified coxswains remains current and this will set the scene for additional courses to be offered".

The 2015 Training Programme will now include Powerboat Coxswain and Safety Coxswain courses that will commence early in the new year.



Steve and Marilyn on their PCC Course



PCC Completion and certificates awarded. Well done!



Safety Sinka ready to go

Safety Sinka has had her engine serviced and a new propellor fitted she is also to undergo further improvements soon

PISC VHF RADIO COURSE #1 - OCTOBER 11TH



We had a great turnout for the PISC VHF Course in the old Club house at Geroskipou. There were sixteen members who joined me for the course. We used TV, videos and sound systems for examples of distress messages, as well as instruction in the latest voice procedures and the use and maintenance of portable and fixed radios. The course was pitched to cover our particular sailing conditions off Agios Georgios. Various distress, urgency and safety scenarios were described. Current voice procedures were practised, not to mention the phonetic alphabet.

The students enjoyed the four hour session and Chief Instructor Phil will programme another course for 2015. If you have a radio and you do not feel confident to use it you really need to attend one of these courses

By Ed. We have two Club radios on the way back from ICOM for general use. A further ICOM will be purchased giving four in all. RCS has stated that the fourth club radio will be for Regatta Staff.

“INTRODUCTION TO NAVIGATION” LECTURES

Also as part of the 2014 Training Programme Peter A provided two taster sessions to introduce members to the complex world of navigation. Peter was able to break the subject into six constituent elements and provide some excellent explanations of each aspect. Ten members benefitted from his lectures and each now has a good understanding of the basics of navigation. For those whose appetite has been wetted to learn more consideration is being given for further in depth sessions to be offered in 2015.

SAFETY BOATS HAVE WINTER MAINTENANCE PERIOD



Safety Koula has undergone an annual refit and improvements

Mike, the Club Bosun and Jim the RIB Manager have now taken Safety Koula for refurbishment. Safety Koula our Avon RIB was taken to the repairers in Limassol to have a new rubbing strake fitted and a new bow handle. It has also had the Yamaha outboard serviced in Clorakas and a stainless steel handrail fitted to the console in Stroumbi. All these items will greatly improve the boat and we trust that the crews will reap the benefits in the new season. Please look after our RIB's!

PAPHOS CITY OF CULTURE 2017 - PAPHOS INTERNATIONAL SAILING CLUB ACTIVITIES



At a recent evening meeting at the H.Q. for Paphos City of Culture (PCofC2017) we met some of the many volunteers who attended the latest briefing. The Cdre and Sharon W headed our group. Sharon K and myself, Bill C and Liz U and RCH Tony and Angela were also in attendance. Briefings were given by various charitable organisations who declared a willingness to assist as volunteers for many of the PCofC 2017 events. The notable ones that I remember were Paphiakos, The Cancer Support Group, several Paphos schools, PISC, and St Michaels hospice. A list of cultural events has already started in and around Paphos in 2014 and these events will increase towards the year of 2017. PISC has not put forward any firm plan yet for sailing activities but we are looking at the possibility of a multiple event possibly called "The Yeronissos Celebration". Various events such as a sailing race for a trophy, children completing an art project, painting on special tiles which will be put into the area. Archaeological events with New York University archaeologists. Other ideas for this event are also being discussed involving people of Pegeia, Agios Georgios, the Archaeologists and the Club. If you are interested in helping with this Project please let Sharon W or me know of your interest. Art, sailing, photography, drumming plus social and event planning are all required



PISC BUS TRIPPERS SHOP IN NICOSIA LEDRA STREET AND THE MALL

November 26th saw over fifty members, friends and guests head for Nicosia shops on a nice big coach. Sue S arranged for a technical three stop pickup which, once completed, had us speeding down the motorway

to Nicosia. Much to my amazement we raced past Macdonald's, where my stomach did a double flip, as I usually stuff a bacon and egg McMuffin and coffee down before proceeding past! Never mind, we arrived at Ikea and then the Citadel bus station very early and we were soon off in all directions. I was happy again once I had tested a cappuccino and large cherry tart in Ledra Street. I would have preferred a McMuffin though! Some of our members ventured into the occupied territory others remained at the Mall. All in all, despite some light rain we had a great day. We did some useful shopping, had a good lunch then a smooth run back to Paphos. Apparently Paphos had a thunderstorm and torrential rain so we were pleased to miss it!

Well done Sue and Chris for great organisation, it all went very well. Also to Richard the harmonica player for his renditions on the way back to Paphos...



PISC LONG TERM PLANNING



The Cdre and General committee have recently set up a sub-committee to produce a long term plan for the club. This is considered essential for the growth, planning and future funding of the Club. The plan will initially be for the next 5 years. More details will be passed when the plan begins to firm up in General Committee. If you think of a requirement which you would like to be considered please contact Chairman Brian P.

LEARN A FLAG AND A PENNANT

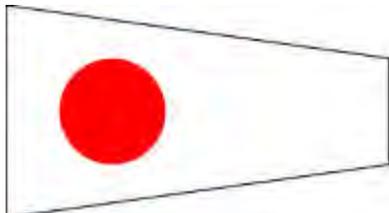
To help you learn your International flags I am going to start some flag recognition. Here's your first flag



Flag N – November

When racing it means all races started are abandoned. Return to the starting area. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal unless at that time the race is abandoned again or postponed.

Here's your pennant. Do you know this one?



Pennant 1

Numeral pennants are used in racing to indicate the course to be sailed. They can also indicate your class when flown on the backstay of Offshore racers i.e. this pennant would indicate "Class One".

For dinghy sailing when this pennant is flown it indicates Course #1 from the Sailing Instruction (SI's). Yes, you have read them haven't you?

P.S. Sometimes this pennant might be painted on a board on the committee boat.



Laser Pico with trolley (grey/blue sail) Nice boat hardly used. Please contact Claire should you like one of these nippy, modern dinghies.

Laser Vago with gennaker, trolley etc. now available as boat for crews of 75kg and below. Now Reduced to go: Offers to RCS Excellent boat for youngsters and light crews.

Power Boat For Sale: Brian L has his very clean powerboat "Rhian Ceri" up for sale. American Mercruiser 135hp engine. Ski's, tow line etc newish trailer. It is on view in the boatyard at Geroskipou. Contact Brian L or me.

There is always a selection of boats for sale advertised on the notice board in the Club House.

Toyota Corolla "Spirit" D4D TDI 1.9 Diesel engine 2003 One owner. Good fuel economy, well maintained, with sunroof and professionally fitted towbar asking £2700 (yes Sterling) or negotiate with Nikki on 99170406

KOULA SUPPLIES A PORTALOO FOR OUR SAILORS OVER THE WINTER PERIOD



Is this a queue forming for the new toilet block!

Koula has generously offered us a Portaloo for the five months over the Winter. RCS Jon originally asked for one of these last winter so this coming winter we now have one. All we have to do is to ring up when it is getting full and all will be cleaned out... Tony RCS will do the honours.

Two things; 1. The toilet is locked and has a combination which is similar to Sharon K's sail number. 2. When we finish for the day would users please put the barrels in front of the portaloo so the general public don't spot it and try to get in.

BACON ROLL'S BACK ON THE MENU AT A.G.

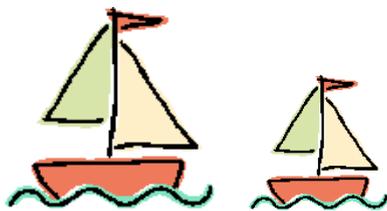
Not only is the food excellent at the Club House under the new organisation. (There were about fifty members there last Friday lunchtime). Thanks also go to Jaqui, Pauline and Liz P. Apologies if I have missed anyone else, for the lunch treats at the beach party. People have been known to leave their gardening and walking and come along as they know buns are available on Thursdays and Saturdays



Jaqui and Pauline hard at it! Smell the bacon!

MICROSOFT CLIPART DISAPPEARING

Whilst producing this latest email I usually add a bit of Clipart. However I have just seen a note from Microsoft saying that they are finishing with CLIPART. - Shame



A FRENCH SEAL TRIES SURFING



A seal off the French coast recently tried his “flipper” at surfing so I thought you might like to see this seal pushing a frenchman off his Surfboard.

Beware though; Sea Caves was famous for its Sea Lions in days of old and there still might be some around who might like Sailing! There was a story last year of a Paphos fisherman who was sitting fishing on a rock and a sea lion came out of the water to sit beside him.

You could probably get two in a Wayfarer!



NEXT YEAR'S DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Winter Series - 6th December 2014 - 28th February 2015

Spring Series - 7th March 2015 - 30th May 2015.

Summer Series - 6th June - 29th August 2015.

Autumn Series - 5th September - 28th November 2015.

PISC Summer Regatta - Friday 26th - Sun 28th June 2015.

PISC Autumn Regatta - Friday 18th - Sunday 20th September 2015.

Bart's Bash 2015 - Sunday 20th September 2015.

THE LAYING UP SUPPER 2014

Another great evening out, this time at The Artemis Restaurant, Tala. We all enjoyed a lovely buffet dinner and annual prize giving at the Artemis with over eighty members and their wives and guests attending. The food was excellent and plentiful. Once we got down to the Annual awards the trophies were soon presented and we enjoyed dancing afterwards. Again well done to Sue and Chris for arranging a different venue for this years event. One that we hadn't considered before. Thanks to Liz U for the photographs but unfortunately my laptop wouldn't open the disc hence I have no Photo's to show you. Hopefully we can get some for the web site shortly.

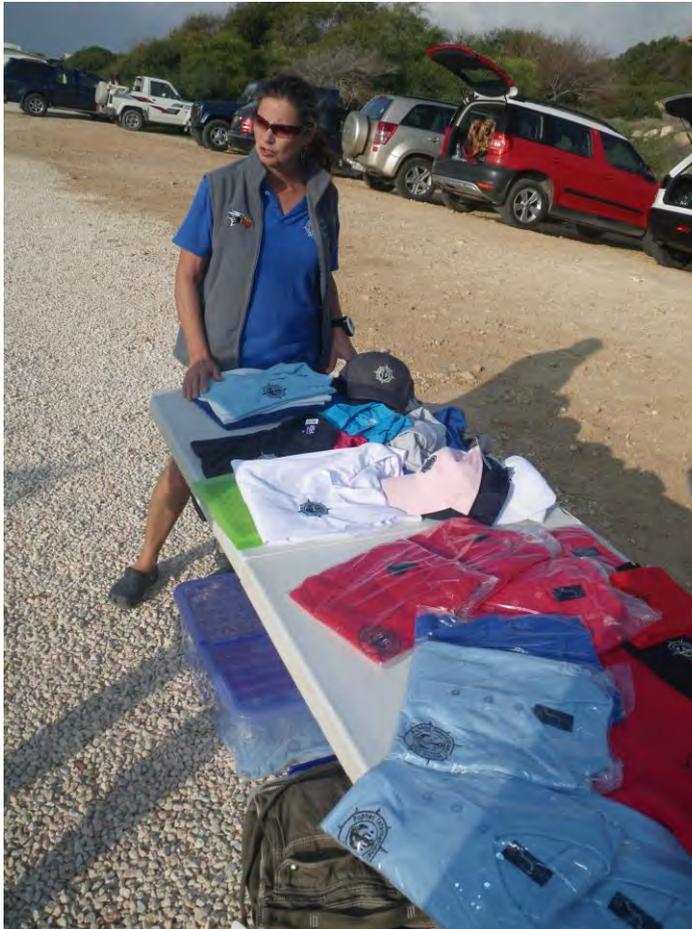


The Lucky winners are listed below well done to all for a great 2014

Trophy/ Prize	Winners		
Sober Water Cup	Bob Sheward, Kit Whitehouse		
Peter Dicker	Richard Peacock, Richard Roberts		
Aphrodite Cup	Lesley Anderson		
Rookie Prize	Tony Davenport, Brigitte Davenport		
RCS Trophy	Phil Mutton		
Series trophies	3 rd	2 nd	1st
Autumn 2013	Scotty Fraser	John Hicks, Steve Anderson	Graham Flint, Taylor Harget
Winter 2013	Chas Kimber	Bob Sheward Paul H-A	John Hicks, Steve Anderson
Spring 2014	Bill Crawford John Tremain	John Hicks, Sheila Godfrey	Phil Mutton, Tony Davenport
Summer 2014	Bob Sheward Paul H-A	Robin Marsh, Kathy Lewis	Dave Smith, Brian Graham
Cruiser Trophy	Peter Antill & Hilary Antill		
Offshore Trophy	John Lay, Phil Mutton, Kit Whitehouse, Paul Hutton-Ashkenny		
Powerboat Cup	Peter Dawe		
Committee Prize	Jim Ridgway, Mike Parry		
Hon Treasurer's Award	Sharon Whitehouse		

BRIGITTE HAS NEW STYLE MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

Brigitte now has a new catalogue, new shirts, new caps, new fabrics. Have a look and order when you are ready to purchase



Lots of new lines including Gilet's!

LEE RECEIVES PISC SPONSORSHIP MONEY FROM COMMODORE KIT



Commodore Kit hands the cheque to Lee

Our good friend Lee H of FM Group Cyprus did extremely well by completing his 40 plus kilometre runs over four days. Bill C arranged for a collection on behalf of our Members. Lee also collected lots of Euros



for his nominated Charities from other sources and our generous PISC Members handed over another 100 euros for

his achievement at the Beach on December 6th.

Lee ran dressed as a Pirate! Good for him!

THE BOSUN'S MINCE PIES ARRIVE SO IS MUST BE CHRISTMAS!



Two types of pies keeping the tradition going

Mike the Bosun has again gathered his ingredients together to produce his splendid mince pies. Well done Mike they're absolutely great. I think he is going to give me the recipe! If anyone has a recipe for me to put in the news I would love to receive it



Bosun's specials with marzipan and mincemeat – Yum!



Thanks Richard - the winds Westerly today!

WE ALL GIVE OUR LOVE AND THOUGHTS AT CHRISTMAS

We have members and families who are going through the most difficult of times, both at home and in hospital this Christmas.



On behalf of the Commodore, the General Committee and the whole membership we wish you all well and you can be sure our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.

If you are on Cyprus please keep us informed and any help will be forthcoming, I have no doubt!

If you are not, please let a member know your situation so support can be arranged.

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Well that's our News to date. I intend to produce another news in the New Year (January) where I will cover Lesley A's Raja Muda Regatta in Malaysia and Dave C (Tom) and his crew who sailed the Southern Ionian Rally in September.

If you wish to pass .photos to me I will .use them if they are .topical

I hope you all have a great Christmas in Cyprus and those of you who are abroad, I hope you have a great Christmas and a Prosperous, Healthy New Year

Christmas Greetings to you all

Chas

for Commodore