



# Paphos International Sailing Club

Newsletter

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Greetings to all for this our Summer and Autumn Newsletter. We have had a very long hot dry summer and our Club Members have been spread far and wide. Our very successful campaign for the Youth Worlds in Limassol far exceeded all our expectations and our 24 Volunteers gave a great performance. The racing dinghies taking part were a terrific spectacle and our Safety boat crews behaved in an exemplary way. They were great ambassadors for the club. More of that later. Well done all!

## Summer Regatta 21-23 June 13

The Summer Regatta seems a long while ago now and we have all been sailing all summer.



Colourful racing



Thanks to the UKCA Photographers, great shots! Thanks to Peter D for taking them afloat for us in his boat



The dinghy fleet lining up for the start



Early morning fog delayed start.



Paul M on Safety Koula during the Regatta. What Fog?

## Safety Koula naming Ceremony



Kit helps Kyriaci Droushiotis (Koula) to name her boat  
After the Sponsors representatives had presented the Regatta Trophies we called on Koula to name the new Avon 560 RIB. We were delighted as several members of her family also attended the presentations. Koula kindly accepted that the boat be named after her and everyone was delighted. The new boat named "Safety Koula" has now had electronics fitted by Jim and Mike P.

We are very grateful to the membership and also to the families who so generously funded the purchase of the electronics for the RIB. We have received and now fitted the combined GPS/Integrated VHF Radio from the USA. Also a new Garmin depth sounder/fish finder and VHF Radio aerial. A fused waterproof switch panel has also been fitted. We shall now place a plaque in the Rib to thank the members and also to include the family names of those who have kindly sponsored the electronic items.

## Club Officers

As I reported in the last news that we had asked Jim R to be Deputy Bosun/RIB Manager. With two RIB's and road trailers to look after we need to keep our eyes on every defect and rectify them as soon as possible. If you know something is not working or broken please report it to the duty Coxswain to put on his log sheet.

Whilst on the subject of the RIB's we are finding that the RIB Shed equipments are not being put back where they were taken from. If you borrow a club buoyancy aid please add the letters (LJ)

alongside your name on the sailing form. This helps us to track down lifejackets not returned to the coat hangers.

**Please keep our sailing equipment clean and tidy and ready for re-use.**

## Limassol Youth Worlds 13-20 Jul

As reported above our Illustrious team who volunteered for the Youth Worlds did exactly what they were asked to do, and more. We did the registration, ran the Help Desk, sorted out the teams and then ran the Safety for the main sailing area (Area Alfa from "Safety Sinka"). We had members attend all the events and then a week later we were invited to a final presentation evening at the Sailing Centre. Jaqui B was team leader in charge of Registration and Help desks and she received a glass trophy for her efforts. The trophy was received on her behalf by Liz P as Jaqui had left for the U.K. Another huge thank you must go to Brian P as he produced all the six hundred plus security badges and photographs of the teams for all the Nations. Thanks to CySaF for providing the Club with accommodation for our away team. Also for providing the fuel for the Safety boat.



Looking surprised Liz P received the Registration Trophy on behalf of Jaqui from the President of CySaF. Well done Liz.





Members enjoy the Staff presentation evening at Limassol Sailing Centre

### **Agios Georgios New car park**

Our new Agios Georgios car park is working well and by parking all our Club cars, and others over the road, we relieve the Café Car Park for Koula. She can now park the Mandoulis Beach Café Car Park with her customers cars. If you are sailing please use the new car park. You will see that there are also some of our yachts that are not currently being used also parked there. Once the new Rib Shed is built we will rearrange again. All boats are accessible for sailing immediately wherever they are parked

### **New RIB Shed**

Talking of expansion we are now in talks for the second RIB shed alongside the original one. Yiannis has a Contractor (Andreas) who will erect the new 5 metre wide unit and we will probably be asked to contribute some manpower and possibly funds for cladding etc. but this will be confirmed before work starts. The down side will be that we have had to reshuffle six Kestrels around the boat park again. The new shed will house Safety Koula and other items.

### **PISC Offshore Rally to Dodeconese**

At time of writing we have all now safely returned from the excellent Autumn Rally to the Greek Islands. James had 6 Offshore Cruisers lined up to gather at Kos for the start of the Rally on September 16<sup>th</sup>. What a brilliant time we all had! The fleet comprised a Contessa 32, a Sun Odyssey 37, a huge wide Lagoon 420 catamaran and Trevors' "Lucifer" plus two other 45 foot charter yachts. It is amazing that most yachts are over 40 foot length nowadays in the charter fleets.

The rally set off to visit Kalymnos, Leros (Xerocampos and later on Lakki), Patmos, Lipsi and Pseromos. Some of the fleet broke away to visit other islands in the fortnight. There are many photographs from the Rally on PISC Offshore on Facebook for you to look at. We had several Rally meals ashore which kept up the morale of all. Unexpectedly we had a few minor medical issues amongst the crews but with Doctor "Aunty" Mary onboard "Challenger", she patched up the crews as we went along! The final debrief and drinks party in Kos Marina was excellent. Aunty Mary was given a special award by the Cdre. Our thanks go to James and Maggie for pointing us all in the right direction and leading a great Rally (sometimes by remote control)! It was a great shame that they had their own issues but they kept up with the fleet where possible. Thanks to the Committee for sponsoring the final soiree and the battle ensigns.



Chas and gang chartered a Lagoon 420 "Swell"



The Rally visits Kalymnos with restaurants on the jetty



Lesley & Bob, Janet and Martyn & Aunty Mary on "Midas" pass catamaran "Swell"

I will publish more pictures the other yachts in next months news.

### **PISC Power boats**

The Powerboat Secretary had to return to the U.K. unexpectedly so the organisation for the Power boat treasure hunt was put on hold. Never the less Peter B in "Pete's Pet" went on the water with a good team from PISC who did the job for us at Quarry Cove near Latchi. Despite missing the treasure hunt it was a good day out. We later heard that John M had to stand down as Power Boat Secretary so Peter B took over the organisation of the celebration. We will be sending eight power boats with revellers to the Trafalgar Day celebration on the 21<sup>st</sup> October.

### **Wayfarers with Outboards**

An interesting article about the Wayfarer fleet earlier in the year several members got their outboards tuned up. Rick, Claire and Brian P all got motorised. The aim being that they could go cruising one weekend. Brian P has even manufactured a bimini for his boat.



Claire L's 4hp Johnson outboard on "Kallan"



Yes you can do 5.6 knots on a Wayfarer on a calm day!



Rick and Carol working up to five knots

A recent spate of owners with outboards on our Wayfarer fleet led to several boats being trialled with their new cruising kit. We expect the Boom tents will soon also materialise so that long weekend jaunts can be undertaken!

## Boat Review – Kestrel “Little Nellie”



Graham H takes delivery of his newly painted Kestrel “Little Nellie”

Little Nellie (Mk1 as far as I can gather) suffered some trailer damage on the way out so had to go straight to the repairers for fixing and respraying. Good luck sailing her Graham.

## Committee Work

We have recently held our October Committee meeting and quite a few interesting items were discussed. A petition was emailed to the Commodore to ask that the Laying Up Supper be held in the Club House. The Committee looked into this and as reported in the September minutes Sue, Hon Social Sec was tasked to investigate two internal club menus and also to look for larger facilities to take the members, food and band. It is “unfortunate” that, despite the petition, that Committee voted to run the Social onboard “Wave Dancer” in Paphos Harbour. All I can say is that the Committee is the elected group and they and me have to weigh up all the pros and cons in the running of the Club Socials. Also discussed was the fact that I will be standing down as Cdre after my two years as your Commodore. RCH (Dave S) will also stand down so we do need a volunteer for Cdre & RCH. It would appear that the majority of the Committee

will stand again for 2014. Subject to confirmation!

## Dodgy ship names:



A certain Lady has been searching for this boat for ages! It's based at Agios Georgios.

Well spotted Liz!

## Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club:



Bob V and Lesley A presented the Club with a super Burgee from the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

The Club gave support to several teams including the Hong Kong team at the Youth Worlds and we were very pleased to receive a very nice thank you from RHKYC and the Hong Kong Sailing team

Commodore Chas K thanked Bob and Lesley (who are member of both our Clubs) and sent greetings and many thanks for the burgee to RHKYC Commodore Joachim.

## Agios Georgios Beach Picnic

In September we also held our annual beach picnic. We were amazed at the turnout and the whole of the beach was covered with tents and gazebos. We were very lucky with the weather and everyone had fun, swimming, chatting and eating. Not to mention drinking.



Lunch is ready at the Beach picnic!



Boat trips and doughnut rides were offered. Thanks Big Pete!

## Episkopi Fete – PISC Display

Mike P our Bosun and a great team from the Club took three dinghies to display at the Episkopi fete. Quite a few members went along to support the stand and we had a lot of interest in our activities. An updated flyer with the latest PISC information was given out and it was generally agreed that it was a very good public relations exercise for the Club to take part in. Thanks to all the members for towing the boats there and returning them to A.G. Sharon, Tony and Angela, John M to mention just a few.



Episkopi Fete Team in action.



PISC Episkopi Fete display – Excellent!

## ESSC Regatta

While over thirty members were on the Offshore Rally in the Greek Islands we also sent a good team and four dinghies on trailers to the Episkopi Services Regatta in September. Camping and partying aside we managed to take a couple of trophies off the home team. It was noticeable that the ESSC fleet was much reduced this year but despite some high winds Phil M got a result in the Single handed two man dinghy race. Claire L also got a third in the Ladies race. Well done all who took part



ESSC Regatta plenty of Club members to assist!

Not sure who actually sailed “Sugar Plum” but the shore support was excellent. Sharon K even acted as our own Beachmaster which was great for the homecoming dinghies.

### **What’s On and Forthcoming Attractions:**

See Main Web site for details. Items to note!

*The Laying Up Supper* will be onboard “Wave Dancer” in the lower saloon. The date is now set for 7 November 13. There will be a band and dancing after the presentation of the annual awards. Dress: Smart .See Sue please

### **Sponsorship for Regattas**

Thanks to our Sponsors for the Summer Regatta. We hope to foster our relations with them so that we can keep them on-side for future events. We plan to concentrate a lot harder on Sponsorship for Regattas and we will be seeking a Sponsorship Manager to the growing list of Club Officers. **Anyone wishing to put themselves forward** for this job would be welcome to apply to the Cdre./Hon Sec

**Many thanks to:**

***Fraser Mackinlay***

***Coral Bay Divers***

***D Fitzgerald Marketing***

***Paphos Home market***

This year we welcomed **Fraser Mackinlay’s** sponsorship offer for the Summer Regatta. Martin T - M.D. of Fraser Mackinlay offered improved

sponsorship for the Regatta. The F.M. Challenge Cup was raced for and there was a special prize for the winning helm and a little something for the crew! Thanks to Lee H for attending the Regatta and for attending our presentation and presenting the F.M. Challenge Cup.

We also welcome **D Fitzgerald Marketing** of Paphos well known Auctioneers and Real Estate Company. Daryl Fitzgerald also attended the prize giving and he sponsored the Ladies race which was great.

Jurg Dahler of **Coral Bay Divers** was pleased to Sponsor PISC. We are pleased to be associated with Coral Bay Divers as they have similar environmental standards to which PISC also aspires to. Have a look at their web site for more details.

Rear Commodore House often buys his supplies for the Club House from **Paphos Home Market** and we are very pleased that they also supported the Summer Regatta. Thanks very much.

Members are encouraged to support any or all of these local businesses over the next year. Thanks to all our Sponsors for their interest in Sailing.

### **Fund Raising:**

Dave S has now completed his three year stint running our Fund Raising. During this time Dave (and Jan) has not missed a Friday at the Club which has allowed us to raise lots of funds for the Club. This is an essential job so **if you can help out once or twice each month on Fridays we will now share the job between several members.** Our thanks go to Dave and Jan for all the effort they have put into fund raising over the years. We now need other volunteers to help with Friday fundraising. Di and John M have agreed to assist with this but I would still like some more volunteers to come forward.

### **Boats For Sale**

F2 French 4.2metre Catamaran. Ideal fun boat.

Lying Latchi. This boat is fairly old and being offered for Euro 1000 Contact: Cdre

18 foot Powerboat with Bimini and Mercury 90hp it even comes with a rare berth in Latchi. Price now reduced. Contact: Tom Copley or Cdre

Also there is a half share in a Selva 80hp Powerboat on trailer is advertised on the club notice board.

Several other power boats are also listed on the club Noticeboard

## **New Members Welcome!**

Over the last few months we have signed on quite a few new members. We hope you all enjoy the Club and its facilities and boats. I would like to invite you all to get involved in all our activities. We always need ideas, volunteers and helpers, don't think you can't do things. Would all members please keep the Membership Secretary updated every time to you change email address so that we can keep you all informed. We have problems emailing you if your address changes and it causes a problem with bounced email through the web site. The Hon Membership Sec will send out an email to the Committee members and Web master with any new email addresses as your emails change

## **Latest Safety Boat Coxswains**



Sharon K receives her Safety Boat Coxswains ticket from Training Principal Paul Mcrae. Well done Sharon!

Paul M took another four candidates for their Safety boat Coxswains this month. This is the fifth course he has now completed. The standard we achieving in the Safety boats has greatly increased since these comprehensive training sessions were introduced. We are pleased to have all four pass the course and we congratulate Scotty, Paul H-A, John L and Sharon K.

For members interested in driving the RIB's we now run:

Safety Boat Acquaint Course – to familiarise you with all things about the boats mainly onshore

Safety Boat Advanced Skills Course – for those who can drive a boat but need to get practise and training on advanced driving

Safety Boat Coxswains course – for those who pass the Advanced course to go on for Coxswain of the Rib. This trains you to take charge of your Safety boat, the boat crew, sailors and the casualties involved in a rescue.

Paul is working on two further courses. One for Safety boat crews (not Coxswain) and one for dinghy crews familiarisation. We will advertise these in due course.

That finishes our news, I have lots more but I will tell you about that later in the next . All the best wherever you are this Autumn

*Chas*

Editor & Commodore PISC