



Greetings Members here is our latest newsletter. All our newsletters are on the web site so if you haven't read any Club news lately please read the back issues when you can. We now have WiFi available in the Club house, also Television so you can take your browser things with you and keep up to date with the news while you are there. Don't forget to talk to other members though!

Whilst talking about the Club House should you have Tuesday evenings free I am informed that pub games and general pub evenings will commence Tuesday August 11<sup>th</sup>. For the inaugural opening RCS has arranged a Pursuit sailing race on the Tuesday afternoon which will be a first. The idea being that you will sail then attend the Club House after sailing.

If you have any news of interest to members please send me some words and a picture and I will see what I can do to include it.

### **Summer Regatta at A.G.**

We had visitors from Dhekalia with four dinghies (3 x Laser 2000 and one RS200). The visitors also loaned members boats and made up some of our crews so that they all had a sail over this busy weekend. We had three classes racing, General Handicap, Kestrel and Wayfarer. All the results are on the web site so I won't repeat them all here. Thanks to Bob Vart for being Race Officer. Bob as well as being a PISC member is also member of Hebe Haven Yacht Club, Hong Kong and the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club. We had overall winners of the FM Group Cup who were Richard Peacock and Sharon Kimber in Kestrel "Black Magic". Thanks to Lee Hinton of FM Group for being with us all weekend and for presenting the FM Group Cup to Richard and Sharon. They took 1<sup>st</sup> prize glass yachts for their Kestrel class win as well as a litre of J&B Whisky! Sharon also later took second place helming Kestrel "Black Magic" in the Ladies race with Claire Lambert her crew. Winners of the Ladies race were Daphne Van Vonterghem and Tracey Young who excelled after only a years experience sailing. Well done to them. You must have had good instructors!

The Wayfarer fleet first prize went to Commodore Paul and Penny, while the General Handicap Class went to Rod Kershaw and Alex in their Dhekalia Laser 2000. Thanks to Rod for ferrying two Laser 2000's to A.G. on two separate days and then returning them on a further two days. George and Eva Georgiou took the Friday General Handicap race in a fleet of 20

boats and John Palsar (PISC & Cdre. St Ives, Cornwall) won the single handed two man boat race. All our visitors took accommodation in the West End Hotel at A.G. which they all said was very good.

### **Summer Ball Spectacular**

We had a great Summer Ball and our ladies all looked spectacular in their evening gowns and splendid dresses. More photos are available on the web site. Sue Scorer did an excellent job with the Organisation and Kamares Club was, again, an excellent venue for us. The guests were greeted with a glass of champagne and the members went into the gardens for photographs and to greet each other.



**Cheers! Chas, Janet and Dave celebrating Janet's passing her sailing course**

The three course meal was superb and very plentiful. Both a hot and cold buffet was available. Dancing was spontaneous and the dance floor was full for most of the evening thanks to Marcus who was our D.J. It was lovely to see old friends attend the Ball who hadn't attended for some years.

What a lovely, delightful evening!

### **New CEO FOR ISAF**



**Peter Sowrey new ISAF Ceo**

The world governing body for sailing, International Sailing Federation (ISAF) has appointed former

Managing Director of Business Process Outsourcing and Sales for Accenture as the new Chief Executive Officer effective immediately.

ISAF President Carlo Croce said, "Peter Sowrey has vast experience in business and working at the top level with major companies across the world. The decision for the new CEO for ISAF was not taken lightly, and we had some exceptional candidates to choose from. Because of the high calibre of applicants, it was an extensive process and now both myself and the Executive board believe we have the very best person for the job. The only thing that rivals Peter's exceptional business know-how is his love for sailing, and this combination of attributes ensures that Peter will lead the organisation forward with distinction."

"I am honoured to have been chosen by the Executive to lead ISAF," commented Sowrey. "Sailing has always been a passion for me, and to now combine this with my business knowledge is a great opportunity for me to affect a change and drive the sport and organisation forward. To be given the chance is a tremendous honour, and I look forward to the exciting challenge ahead and working with everyone associated to the sailing world."

## **World Cup Golden hat-trick for the U.K. hosts**

On final day of World Cup racing Written by RYA 14 June 2015

### **British Sailing Team win 11 medals at ISAF Sailing World Cup Weymouth & Portland**

British sailors secured a hat-trick of golds on a nail-biting final day of World Cup racing in Weymouth and Portland, with Giles Scott, Nick Dempsey and the 470 duo of Hannah Mills and Saskia Clark all closing out event victories.

Silver medals also went to Tom Squires and Bryony Shaw in the men's and women's RS:X windsurfing events, and bronze to the 49er duo of John Pink and Stuart Bithell as Great Britain topped the Olympic classes medal standings at this fourth leg of the ISAF Sailing World Cup series.

The British Sailing Team's total tally, including the Paralympic classes which concluded racing yesterday, stands at five gold, three silver and three bronze medals from this home World Cup regatta.

Giles Scott's was the first British gold of the day, with the World Champion admitting it was a 'stressful

race' as he had to fight back from a difficult start and a yellow flag penalty on the first upwind leg amid the light wind conditions.

Scott had a six point lead over New Zealand's Josh Junior going into the final race, and once he had worked his way back following the penalty, he pulled out his match racing skills to cover his Kiwi rival and ensure that he couldn't get away. Scott finished ninth in the race to Junior's tenth, but the points was enough to secure the overall victory.

Although Scott's winning streak now extends to 18 months in the heavyweight Finn event, he's not prepared to take his foot off the gas with just over a year to go until Rio 2016.

"Everyone's getting better all the time, and there's still a long time to go to the Games so I certainly can't rest on my laurels at all. "I really just have to try and concentrate on getting better myself. That's exactly what everyone else is doing."

Ben Cornish finished his Finn regatta in eighth overall and Ed Wright in ninth.

470 women's duo Hannah Mills and Saskia Clark turned the tables on their New Zealand rivals Jo Aleh and Olivia Powrie – the London 2012 gold medallists – in another gripping medal race.

The 2012 silver medallists Mills and Clark took an aggressive approach and got a great start in a bid to overturn their Kiwi rivals' two point margin ahead of the race.

The British duo held on to fourth around every mark, with the Kiwi pairing moving up from eighth to fifth during the race to finish on equal points overall. But with Mills and Clark having the superior medal race score to break the tie, they could celebrate gold on their home waters.

"It feels sweet, definitely!" said Clark after the race.

"It feels like it's been a long time coming. We've been close several times over the last few years, but we've always just lost out. To finally nail it, in what was a great race as well, is just awesome."

"This event is hugely important to us, and being on the top of the podium is just a massive deal. It's taken us a while, we had some time off after London and we really feel like we're gaining some momentum now towards Rio.

"We're just really happy. We love racing in Weymouth and it's been a great week."

Sophie Weguelin and Eilidh McIntyre were also in 470 Women's medal race action for the British Sailing

Team, finishing fifth overall and seventh in the final race.

Nick Dempsey secured the golden hat-trick for the home team, beating his younger rival Tom Squires to gold in the RS:X men's windsurfing event.

The double Olympic medallist sailed his own race to finish fourth in the ten-boat final, and take the event win by 18 points over the silver medallist Squires.

"It was a different day today, so the most important thing was to get a clear start," said Dempsey, after hinting yesterday of a pre-start tussle with Squires.

"I knew I was pretty quick in those conditions, so I just had to get a clear start and then take the opportunity when I was ahead, and stay ahead. A couple of minutes after the start I had the chance to put a tack on top of him and then that was it, he was pretty trapped. That was pretty enjoyable for me, but probably quite painful for him."

Squires, who finished the medal race in ninth, was happy with his silver medal and back to back podium finishes after claiming bronze at the Delta Lloyd Regatta in the Netherlands last month.

"It's been a solid few weeks training in the harbour and then after medalling in Medemblik and medalling here it's just a great experience and I am really pushing forward, which is handy and training with Nick has been great," enthused the Oxford sailor.

Bryony Shaw won the RS:X women's medal race to claim overall silver, but an otherwise fantastic week for Izzy Hamilton, who went into the day leading, ended in disappointment after she sailed the wrong course at the final turning mark and had to retire from the race. She finished fourth.

Shaw was happy with silver and felt it was a great springboard ahead of her European Championships starting in just over a week's time.

"I'm going to have my A-game kit there, I've been a bit compromised on equipment for this event so hopefully my pace will be a little bit quicker."

Shaw spared a thought for her teammate Hamilton. "I was gutted for her.

"She's a great training partner and it means we really push each other and that's what it's all about towards getting the gold medal we deserve in Rio. We're both working really hard for that and I very much see it as a team."

John Pink and Stuart Bithell scooped the final medal of the day for home team – a bronze in the 49er class – amid a British 1-2 in the race.

Local knowledge appeared to prevail today as Pink-Bithell and Dylan Fletcher-Alain Sign led the race from start to finish, with Pink and Bithell elevating themselves onto the third step of the podium as a result. Fletcher and Sign ended their week in fifth.

Elsewhere in medal race action, Alison Young finished fourth overall in the Laser Radial event, John Gimson-Hannah Diamond and Ben Saxton-Nicola Groves finished fifth and eighth in the Nacra 17.

Luke Patience-Elliot Willis were sixth in the 470 Men's event and Nick Thompson rounded off his week in tenth in the Laser.

"We've had a great World Cup regatta, and it's great to see the event continue to innovate and move forward," said RYA Olympic Manager Stephen Park.

"In terms of the British performance, we've had some great outcomes. It was good to see Hannah and Saskia beat the Kiwis and put some of the memories of 2012 behind them, and Giles raced fantastically in the Finn to ensure he closed out the gold.

"It was also especially pleasing to get a medal in the 49er as we've spent a lot of time outside the medal zone, and we've had plenty of other really pleasing performances this week across a range of conditions."

Park continued: "Equally there are some of our regular medallists who'll be disappointed with this week. It reinforces that with ever increasing competition levels, as soon as you're a little bit off your game, you'll be punished and it also reinforces that if we want to be pushing for four or five medals at each major event then we need to have medal potential in every class.

"But overall it's been a great team performance and we look forward to going to Rio and hope everyone's really enjoyed having a World Cup regatta back in Weymouth and Portland."

British medallists at the ISAF Sailing World Cup Weymouth and Portland:

#### **Gold**

Giles Scott (Finn)  
Hannah Mills-Saskia Clark (470 Women)  
Nick Dempsey (RS:X Men)  
Helena Lucas (2.4mR)  
Alexandra Rickham-Niki Birrell (SKUD)

#### **Silver**

Bryony Shaw (RS:X Women)  
Tom Squires (RS:X Men)  
John Robertson-Hannah Stodel-Steve Thomas (Sonar)

## Bronze

John Pink-Stuart Bithell (49er)

Will Street-Megan Pascoe (SKUD)

John Brooker (2.4mR)

The ISAF Sailing World Cup Weymouth and Portland is part of UK Sport's #EveryRoadtoRio events series, which will feature over 30 world class sports events the length and breadth of the UK, with over 900,000 tickets available to the British public to support their athletes. **Article courtesy: Yachts & Yachting**

## Yeronissos Plate Race 2015



### Yeronissos Race plate & champagne

We had a magnificent sailing day for the inaugural Yeronissos Race around the Island. Ex Cdre. Kit and Sharon Whitehouse did the Club proud by organising everything from arranging for flags, banners, cake, champagne and a very nice prize list. We also received VIP visitors in the form of an ex American Ambassador and members from the Cypriot Antiquities Department. Apologies if I haven't mentioned all of them. Professor Joan Breton-Connelly of New York University was absolutely delighted to have their 25<sup>th</sup> birthday party honoured in this way by our Club. Sharon had been discussing and working on this project for several years as part of the Pafos City of Culture events for 2017 and everyone was very thrilled to have the race put on at short notice prior to them flying back to New York.

The "Dig" continued on Yeronissos Island whilst our yachtsmen formed up and headed for the start line. Bill Crawford was Officer of the Day and Bob Vart carried out the duties of Race Officer. The initial tote for the race was 23 yachts but we eventually fielded 22 with one not being allowed to enter the race due to his boat not having a PY. What a shame, I hope we can sort this out for future races.

Sport for all and all that!

The Race was inspired by Sharon Whitehouse in conjunction with Professor Joan to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Archaeological work on

Yeronissos. PISC Members filled the beach café to witness Professor Joan present the prizes for us.



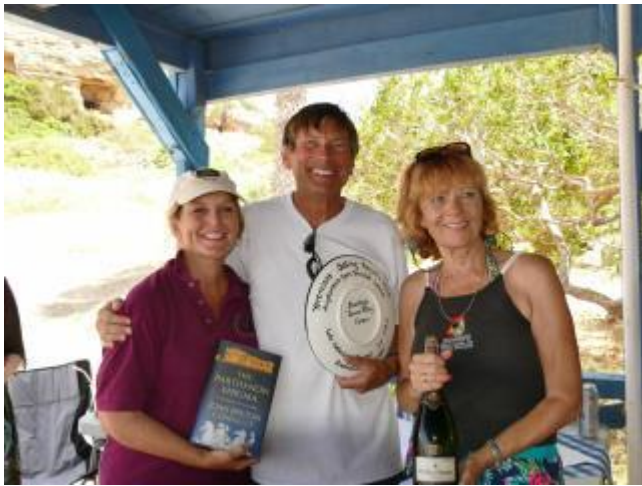
The yachts ready to launch for the Yeronissos Plate Race



Great Yeronissos cake large enough for everyone!



A delighted Professor Joan and a beaming Sharon!



**And the winners were! The Commodore and Penny  
Congratulations to them!**

The race was run on a Thursday and we were pleased to have a good breeze which sent the dinghies racing twice around the Island. The Archaeologists took photographs of the sailors from the RIB and from the Island as they went past.

**Thanks to the Archaeologists /Chris Scorer for the photos.**



**Professor Joan showing the reverse of the Plate**



**Second time around the Island; Photo by Joan**



**View of Race start from Yeronnisos Island**

## **PISC Members assist Archaeologists**



**Sharons Prizes galore for the lucky few.**



**Sharon & Gaynor Kimber and Sharon Whitehouse  
cleaning some of the many days' finds  
Photo's courtesy: Chas**

After the inspiration of the Racing some members asked if we could assist with cleaning the day's finds back at the beautiful stone buildings at the top of the hill where the work is done. Look at that concentration!

We found it all fascinating and thanks to our Club members assistance the sudden boost in manpower help allowed the teams to get to evening dinner on several occasions sooner than normal!



**You didn't know there was a "joanna" at A.G.!**

If we have a piano tuner in the club can you sort it out for the Professor before her team returns next year. Mind the nest of rats though!



#### **Cleaning session underway**

Our members attended several evening sessions cleaning artefacts at the end of the days' dig. Terry & Rose, Chas, Gaynor & Sharon and Kit and Sharon Whitehouse. Also Dorothy and Yeng all helped to clean the artefacts. We were also kindly invited to attend an evening presentation by one of the Professors' Graduates, Chris who gave an extremely interesting presentation to his colleagues and our members on the large scale Egyptian/Greco history of trading activity on the Nile. Chris also spoke of the dwarf god Bes and the use of amulets by ancient mariners who travelled the Mediterranean.



#### **Egyptian dwarf god Bes**

A pocket sized god who was an Ancient Egyptian deity worshipped as a protector of households, and in particular, of mothers and children and childbirth. Bes later came to be regarded as the defender of everything good and the enemy of all that is bad.

**By Ed: I think if he had been in the Navy he'd have been called tripod!**



#### **Scarab amulet**

Amulets have been found all over the Mediterranean in ports where ancient mariners gave their prayers and thanks for successful voyages

Apparently we need to carry scarab amulets on board!



#### **Club members at fitting of RCS's new mast**

It might be a bit short but there were plenty of revellers available for the fitting of the new mast to the huge concrete base. Alan Barrow spent a whole day digging, mixing and filling the hole for the new base at the last work party, finishing at 1600 with his topping out ceremony watched by few. The base proved very sturdy and should we need to tether air balloons in the future it will easily secure a Hindenberg type craft! I did hear RCS Tony refer to

the new mast as his folly so there we are! We can always save up for a few more feet in the future.



**William Green (PISC) getting ready for the off**



**Clippers resting in their Marina**

**Good Luck William!**



**William teaming with his crew mates**

We all wish William a bon voyage and good luck with the trip. We hope to follow his exploits once he sets off in August.

Members please consider contributing to William's cause which is Old Basing Scout hut project at Basingstoke. If anyone wishes to pull together some funds that would be great for him and the racers. The boy scouts will be pleased too!



**Wall's ice cream anyone? A Solent pleasure; Pull alongside and buy one!**

We will have to get Roula out in a boat for hot days at Agios Georgios!

## **Volvo Race around the World finishes in Gothenburg**

The final leg of the Volvo Race around the World finished in Gothenburg on the 27<sup>th</sup> June. The final leg from L'Orient to Gothenburg, Sweden was won by Team Alvimedica (Charlie Enright/USA) led the Volvo Ocean Race fleet out on the final 'sprint' to Gothenburg as the seven teams bade farewell to The Hague after a hugely successful pit-stop in the famous old Dutch port.

The Turkish/American boat retained the one hour, 46 minute lead they established in the first part of the 1,000-nautical mile-plus ninth and final leg from Lorient, France, to Gothenburg in Sweden, having arrived here just after 0130 local time on Friday morning.

Leg 9 victory in Gothenburg tasted so sweet for skipper Charlie Enright and the youngest crew in the

race, which is also peppered with experience including 50-year-old navigator, Will Oxley (AUS), who took on his fourth Volvo Ocean Race.

Team Alvamedica had not scored a leg win since the race began in early October.

## Louis Vuitton America's Cup World Series Portsmouth

Article courtesy: RYA | 22 July 2015



### Ben Ainslie Racing (BAR) Team Portsmouth

Fans visiting the Louis Vuitton America's Cup World Series Portsmouth will be able to meet some of Britain's best sailors throughout the weekend. Members of the British Sailing Team will be attending the regatta from 24-26 July, with the public able to attend Q&A sessions hosted with the sailors, as well as meeting them in person at the RYA's Get Afloat stand.

As racing begins on Saturday, newly crowned Laser World Champion Nick Thompson will be on the Waterfront Festival Arena stage from 12:30pm, with 49er European bronze medallist John Pink and 49erFX sailor Charlotte Dobson taking to the FanZone Stage at 12:45pm. And the winner was: **Ben Ainslie**

Royal congratulations for winner Ben Ainslie



Sir Ben sprays the champagne

Extreme winds forced the cancellation of racing at the Louis Vuitton America's Cup World Series in Portsmouth on Sunday, but didn't dampen enthusiasm for a Royal visit from the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge.

With no racing to close out the weekend, the results from Saturday stand, meaning Land Rover BAR is the winner of the first event of the 35th America's Cup cycle. Ainslie and his team were congratulated on their win at the official prize giving by the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, who were on site all day on Sunday and met with all of the teams, presenting the awards for the regatta. Michael Burke, the CEO of Louis Vuitton, was on hand to present each of the skippers with a gift.

"We're absolutely delighted to win the first Louis Vuitton America's Cup World Series event here in Portsmouth. This is a great start for us in our America's Cup journey," said Ben Ainslie, skipper of Land Rover BAR. "With the conditions that we saw yesterday and the standard these teams are sailing at, it's absolutely amazing racing and looks wonderful on TV. In my sailing career, I've never seen anything like it - the amount of people who came out on the water, on the shoreline, supporting the event, supporting us as the home team..."

"It's a real shame we couldn't race today considering all the effort that's gone into the event and the support we've had from the local fans here in Portsmouth. But that is the weather and we can't control it."

By Ed: The televising of the series is on BT Sport 2 and hopefully we can see the next race in the new Club House at the end of August. Other facts are that the entry fee is 3 million dollars for each contender! Bermuda is now host for the 2017 final and they have paid 77 million dollars for the event. San Diego and Chicago are now withdrawn. The rule changes have not only been to the racing rules. But also for the size



of boat and they are now using AC45 craft so it all is getting very expensive. Previous boats built have been AC72, AC65 and other sizes!

Maybe we could ask for two feet off a Wayfarer MkIV?

## Bart's Bash 2015

I reported in last months news that we would be entering this years Bart's Bash at PISC. I now understand that RCS and the General Committee have now informed members that we shall not be entering Bart's Bash this year. However it's not all bad news, the Club will concentrate on the Autumn Regatta and there will be sailing for the Peter Dicker Memorial Trophy. There will be many members flying back into Cyprus for the regatta from their summer holidays.

## Offshore Sailing Plan 2016

I have produced some general information for a PISC Rally. We are going to propose dates for 2016 and then plans can begin to be firmed up. I hope to organise two Rallies, one in the Spring (May/June) and one in the Autumn September currently being planned for 2-17<sup>th</sup> September. We obviously don't want to have a confliction with the Dinghy Series and Regattas so the dates are for planing purposes only at this time. So far I have three charter skippers and almost twenty interested crew members who are keen to take part. We also have up to seven PISC Owner members with private yachts in Greece and Turkey who might attend. Please inform me if you wish to take part and if you would offer any places for crew members I intend to hold an Autumn briefing for all those interested in 2016. For those not available I will email any vital information to you. If you haven't emailed me to sign up your interest please do so.

## Cyprus based Yachts:

Members with Yachts in Latsi are used to regular partying and having beach parties however those interested in a Mini Rally to Paphos/A.G. or even local Sailing in Chrysochou Bay please let me know your interests. We might be able to add some club Power boats/RIB's to work into a plan and to go along with your or who might rendezvous with you at various waypoints!

## Boat Charges for Members

RCS has now asked the General Committee to support a new charge plan for all club boats. Here are the prices for boats as from August 1<sup>st</sup> 2015.

With effect from 1 August 2015 Members may book PISC club boats by signing up on the AG Sailing Notices Board - Club Boats Booking Sheet on a "first come" basis. A donation of not less than €5 per person, per sailing day, regardless of boat type, will be requested by the Officer of The Day, RCS or his deputy and recorded on the Sailing, Fees and Donations Sheet prior to leaving the boat park. This donation is in addition to the €2 per head Sailing Fee. Monies collected will be forwarded to RCS along with the day's Sailing Fee takings.

The following charging situations will apply:

**Condition - Donation per person requested**

**Temporary Members (Once cleared as competent) Yes**

**Temporary members undergoing Assessment Yes**

**Instructors or Assistant Instructors Conducting**

**Temporary or New Full Member No**

**Full Members using a Club Boat Yes**

**Students using club boats on club organised training courses No**

**Our members using Club Boats at external and internal regattas Yes (A donation of €20 per person will be invited to cover the duration of the regatta plus 2 days travelling time)**

**Use under Ripping Yarn Deed of Gift No**

## Member Barbara Jones writes a Kindle book:

Barbara has informed me that her book is about the journey and the challenges she underwent (like so many others of course) learning to sail.

Written by a novice sailor for novice sailors and for those who are thinking of sailing. I share my enthusiasm for sailing with the intention to draw in new sailors and entertain those more experienced. It covers my pre PISC days but there is a very positive mention of PISC towards the end where I am mull over how I can further develop my skills. The link is:

Barbara has also created a website which supports the book. [www.sailingbeyond.com](http://www.sailingbeyond.com).

Well done Barbara! Our V Cdre, Phil Mutton was kind enough to offer his skills as technical adviser and helped to unravel a few knots in the rigging. Phil said; "This book will, I am sure, intrigue those armchair wannabe sailors and for many beginners it will definitely strike a cord. Most people like myself will recall the many close shaves we had over our formative years learning what must be one of the best skills and abilities open to mankind"

## Trafalgar Day Anniversary outing from Latsi (Wednesday October 21<sup>st</sup>) tbc.

The Commodore has asked Peter Bruce to arrange the annual Trafalgar Day outing to Quarry Cove or other distant parts! Peter has accepted this task and if you wish to attend he will need informing of your boat and your crew. For those without power boats George's Rental of Latsi or Latsi Water Sports will rent you a suitable boat which can be shared between six (or more) members or guests depending on size. Both boat dealers have web sites and will give members a discount if you say you are PISC. You only need a driving license for renting but we do have plenty of members with HSSVOL Cyprus power boat licenses so it makes sense to have one of them to do the driving. Peter will be producing a flyer with more details. I can say we take a good barbeque lunch for this and all the appropriate beach kit you can carry. **P.S. Dark Rum is the usual tot for the toast so break out your hip flasks early/check those stoppers for leakage!**

## Grapevine August front page

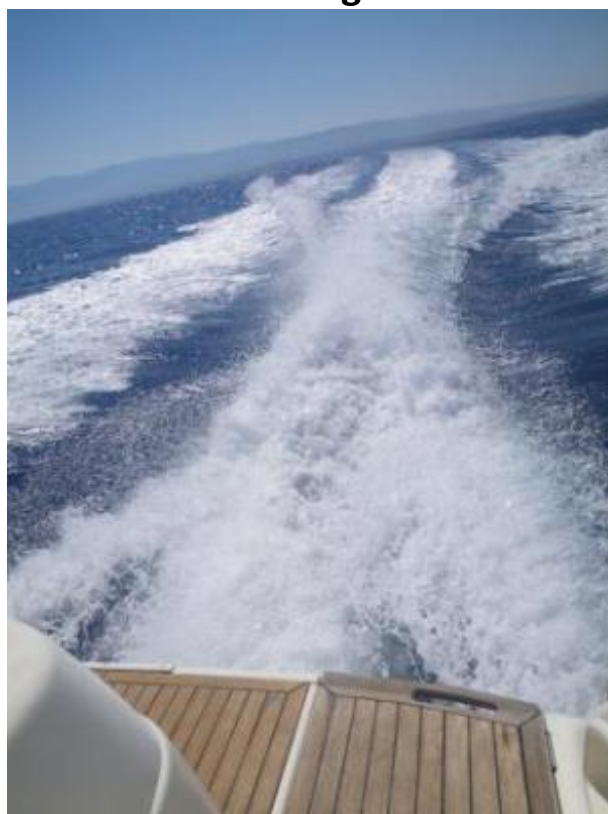
Well done Billy for getting us onto the front page of the forthcoming Grapevine magazine. Nice to see Martyn leading the Wayfarer fleet. I don't know how you do it especially with that iffy jib! Amazing P.R. for the Club make sure you get your copy.

**Thanks Chris Scorer for the photo.**



Nice cover picture of our Wayfarers

## Power boaters delight!



One for the Power Boater's! "Cloud 9" at sea.

Peter and Jo pottering off to Blue Lagoon in Cranchi "Cloud 9". Two engines, four contra-rotating props luvvly jubbly!

It makes a right mess of Chrysochou Bay



"Holy Smoke" gently arrives at Blue Lagoon with ladies intent on boarding "Cloud 9"  
"Holy Smoke" moving in for a quick visit alongside at blue lagoon. Watch out for that buffet Peter!



Well finishing on this slightly flippant report, that's our Latest News.



On behalf of the Commodore and the General Committee thanks for reading it and have a great summer wherever you are.

All the best  
and stay safe



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