



Yealm Yacht Club



Dear Member,

It was good to see some of our members enjoying the spring sunshine on the **new deck** last week! Let's hope the next few months will give us the chance to enjoy it on a regular basis – uninterrupted views across the river and protection from the wind.

Easter Weekend was **very busy** indeed at the club and it was lovely to see so many of you with **your families** over the holiday period. In recent weeks we've hosted both the **RNSA** and the **RWYC** and the feedback was very positive and complimentary. We truly have a club to be proud of!

And so to **April** – here's what is on offer!

Monday evenings continue to be popular with the **2 courses for £12** and **3 courses for £15** and will carry on, so do take a night off and eat at the club. Don't forget that the **Bistro** is also open on **Wednesday** and **Thursday** as well as over the weekend.

Coffee in the Club is growing in popularity and people are enjoying a delicious whilst reading the day's news or chatting with friends. It'll be lovely when the sun is warm enough to sit out on the deck. What better way to relax for a mid-morning break! With coffee **served from 1000**, **home-made cakes** and **newspapers** are available through the morning.

With the children on school holidays, there's still time to book a table for **Tuesday, 5th April** when there's a **Burger/Scampi Basket Meal and Beetle Drive – all for just £5-00pp**. **Food will be served from 1730** followed by the Beetle Drive. A good fun evening for everyone – prizes for the winners!

On **Saturday, 16th April**, the **Shakedown Dinner** is a must. Help us celebrate the beginning of the new sailing season in style with a **cocktail on the deck followed by a three course dinner and coffee/tea. £25pp. 7.00 for 7.30pm. Evening Dress** – a chance to dress up!

Menu

To start

Crayfish and capaccio of salmon salad with a dill mustard dressing

To follow

Belly pork marinated with molasses, star anise and ginger, served with a shredded duck parcel and a sticky orange and ginger sauce

To end

Pistacchio and olive oil cake with grappa syrup and honeycomb ice cream

Tea/coffee

The **Wednesday Evening Dayboat Series** competitors are holding a pre-season meeting on **Wednesday, 13th April** in the evening, so if you're a regular or wanting to find out more about it, come along. TBC

The last talk of the season is on **Wednesday, 20th April** when we are very fortunate to have **Mike Johnson, RYA Race Officer Instructor and Race Officer at the Olympics** coming to talk about racing rules. The **talk starts at 8.00pm** with supper available beforehand for **£8-50pp**.

A reminder that the **AGM** is on **Sunday, 24th April**, starting at **1115**. You will have seen from the AGM papers that have been sent out in the last week that we are seeking a member to stand for the position of **Vice Commodore** whilst other committee members are standing for election/re-election. If you are interested and would like to know more, please email **Tommy Taylor** on commodore@yealyachtclub.co.uk . **Nominations close on Sunday, 10th April**.

A message from Peter Taylor, Organiser of the Queen's 90th Birthday Parade of Boats

This year we are going to celebrate the **Queen's 90th Birthday** with a **Parade of Boats** followed by a lunchtime barbeque so that everyone can join in and enjoy the day.

It will be held on **Saturday, 11th June at 11.00am** and will be **open to all Yealm boats**, large or small of all types. All should **'dress overall'** or show as many flags as possible and there will be prizes for the best efforts.

Fancy dress will certainly improve your chances of a prize which will be judged by **'The Queen'** who will be onboard the **'Royal Barge'** at the head of the line. We already have agreement that the **Gigs** will take part as well as the **Regatta Crabbers** and it is very much hoped that other similar groups such as the **Devon Yawls** will come out in force to put on a show.

So, now is the moment to **think about your decoration based on a Royal Theme** so that the last-minute search for flags is avoided!

Entries will be **accepted from now**, at **NO FEE**, to secretary@yealmyachtclub.co.uk . Replies will be sent out by e-mail. Written instructions to all entrants in will be emailed out in good time.

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Ashore on the **11th June**, the club will be open from **1030 for coffee, croissants and cake** followed by a barbecue which will run through **lunchtime and into the afternoon**. It is an **open event** so **everyone is welcome** and we hope very much you, your friends and families will join us to celebrate this very special occasion. Plans are afoot for some other attractions, but more about that in a later newsletter!

We look forward to welcoming you!

Abi, John and the team