



# Yealm Yacht Club

## Mid-September 2016 Newsletter

*To all members,*

It is with **sadness** that we record the **death** of **Michel Newman** on **6<sup>th</sup> September**. A **longstanding member** of the club, **Michael** was **charismatic** and **unmistakable** with his **bow tie, pocket handkerchief and buttonhole!** He **served** on the **Management Committee** and **contributed** to the club in **many ways**, not least his **cataloguing and valuing of our trophy collection**. His **funeral** will be on **Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> September** at **1100** in **Holy Cross**, followed by a **wake** in the **WI Hall**.

**John and Ann Provenzano** are taking a **well deserved holiday** for a couple of weeks from Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> September. **Francesca** will be our **chef** during that time. The **Bistro** will be **open as normal** with the **exception** of **Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup>** and **Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> September**, when it will be **closed**.

**Peter Taylor** has been **busy with his camera** on Sunday mornings during the **Autumn Series** yacht races. Last week was no exception when **for most it was a spinnaker start**. However, one or two **found it a little tricky** to get going!



*Off to a good start..there's a man in there somewhere!*



*That's how it's done!*

With no less than **14 boats** on the start line, the **coloured sails** made **quite a sight** as they flew off towards the **Draystone Buoy** in winds that started to **notch up towards F5** at times. Having rounded the **Draystone**, it was on to the **Knapp Buoy** followed by the **East Tinker** before making for home. Competition was keen, particularly in Class 2 where several boats jostled to get past each other throughout the race. **Class 1** results – **1<sup>st</sup> 'Zest' – Adam Booth, 2<sup>nd</sup> 'Satisfaction' – Chris Matthews and 3<sup>rd</sup> 'Saltheart' – Chris Williams. Class 2** results – **1<sup>st</sup> 'Katy Rawa' – Alan Lomax, 2<sup>nd</sup> 'Altered outlook' – Martin Mears and 3<sup>rd</sup> 'Cunning Plan – the Leonards. Congratulations to you all!**

Still with racing in mind, **have you entered the Laying Up Race on Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> October yet?** Don't forget it's **open to any member** of the club who has a **sailing yacht**. **All you have to do is to complete the course to stand a chance of winning one of the great prizes kindly sponsored by Yacht Haven Quay** boatyard in the **draw to be held at 1430** at the clubhouse **that day**. **Entry fee £11**. If you would like to enter, please email **Peter Taylor** – [peterptaylor@freenetname.co.uk](mailto:peterptaylor@freenetname.co.uk) for more information, or call **872 354**.

The various **prize-givings** are **fast approaching**. **If you have a trophy, please return it** to the club – **cleaned** – as soon as possible **so we can get them engraved** in time. Thank you.

We have a **beautiful bespoke made wooden Commodore's board** to be **unveiled on a date during October**. We **hope very much** that **you will join** us to **celebrate its arrival**. A **notice** about this **will be sent out once the date and arrangements have been confirmed**.

*We look forward to seeing you in the club. A warm welcome guaranteed!*

*YYC Publicity*