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## **Riverside Review - Call for Articles**

I am now putting together the next issue of Riverside Review and need articles, items, anecdotes, letters, pictures and anything else that may be of interest to fellow RAFYC members.

This issue will be in a new format, available digitally. There are no specific article size requirements, so they can be as brief as you like, or longer if you prefer. Please include a photo if you can to illustrate the article.

If you are not confident at writing articles you can send me notes and I will craft the article around these.

If you have any questions please let me know. Items can be emailed to me at: [rreditor@rafyc.co.uk](mailto:rreditor@rafyc.co.uk)

Many thanks,  
Martin Farrow  
([rreditor@rafyc.co.uk](mailto:rreditor@rafyc.co.uk))

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## **Launch Service**

From the 4<sup>th</sup> March, the Saturday and Sunday launch service will run from 10:00 until 17:00. If you wish to be returned to the club from upstream of Mercury, please make sure you call before 16:30.

The Friday launch service will be starting on 31st March. This service is much valued and in order to ensure it continues to operate well, we need to continue to recruit volunteer drivers. This is an enjoyable task and with sufficient volunteers this means the service can continue without using too much of their valuable sailing time. If you are interested in volunteering, please let the office know or just turn up on a Friday and either speak to one of the volunteer drivers, Rob Crighton or email myself at [rsc@rafyc.co.uk](mailto:rsc@rafyc.co.uk).

Ron Colvin, Rear Commodore Sailing  
([rsc@rafyc.co.uk](mailto:rsc@rafyc.co.uk))

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## **Club Moorings Available**

The mooring allocation is nearing completion with most of the waitlist having been satisfied. Any member interested in our river moorings should apply to go on the waitlist and it is even possible that one or two of you (subject to boat length) may be allocated a berth from 1st April 2017.

If you would like to be added to the waitlist, please contact the office or RCS with your boat details. Successful applicants will be contacted directly.

Ron Colvin, Rear Commodore Sailing  
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## **Catering Update**

Unfortunately there will be no restaurant service this weekend. We are continuing to look at alternative solutions for members dining. Please see future e-shots, the club notice board and website for future information. updates will be placed on the Club noticeboard and future e-shots.

Tina Gehring, Rear Commodore Hospitality  
([rchospitality@rafyc.co.uk](mailto:rchospitality@rafyc.co.uk))

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## **Six Nations Rugby Friday 10th & Saturday 11th March 2017**

We will be showing the following rugby matches so come along and join us!

### **Friday 10th**

20:00 Wales v Ireland

### **Saturday 11th**

13:30 Italy v France

16:00 England v Scotland

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## **Club Talk (18:30) Saturday 11th March 2017**

**'An Evening with the Supersonic Plumber:**

## **RAF stories by Group Captain Sir Henry Riley'**

The Talk will commence at 18:30 with a Cold Buffet Supper at approximately 20:00.

Buffet Supper price £10.00 per person.

To register your interest, please see the Club noticeboard, contact the office by email at [office@rafyc.co.uk](mailto:office@rafyc.co.uk) or by phoning 02380 452208 during office hours or the bar on 02380 453278 during evenings and weekends.

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## **Quiz Night (18:00 for 18:30) Sunday 12th March 2017**

Come and join us for our popular Quiz Night, to be hosted by February's Quiz Winners, Gail and Martin Foster, John Chitson and Carol Thompson.

Fee £1.00 per person - teams up to 6 people. Prizes for the winning team!

Followed by "Play Your Cards Right" for a chance to win another cash price!

Supper will be our infamous pontoon style evening, please bring a delicious plate of food with you!

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## **New Members Rally (Marchwood Yacht Club) Saturday 8th to Sunday 9th April 2017**

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

Dear Members,

This year, Marchwood Yacht Club will be hosting our New Members Rally. If you are a new member, why not join us on this rally and put the 8th/9th April 2017 into your calendar.

Please remember this is your rally and provides you with a chance to meet other new members as well as the longer serving members who also attend.

The criteria to attend the rally is as follows: -

- a) You are new member with your own boat.
- b) You are a skipper and have a new member as one or more of your crew.
- c) You are on the crewing register as either a Skipper looking for crew or as crew looking for a boat to crew on.

**Saturday evening meal and Sunday breakfast will be available. Menu to be published next week. Please email me if you or any of your party are vegetarian or have any other specific dietary requirements and I will advise the chef at Marchwood Yacht Club accordingly.**

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I look forward to seeing you there. If you have any questions then please email me.

Kind regards,

Chris Furner, Membership & Marketing Director

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## 2017 Rally Dates

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April - New Members Rally (Marchwood Yacht Club) -

**Rally Officer (RO) Chris Furner**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> to Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April - Chichester Rally - **RO Paul Oliver**

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April - Bembridge Rally - **RO David Jobson**

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May - Folly Rally

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> to Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May - Weymouth Rally

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June - Hamble Scramble

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June - Beaulieu Rally - **RO Martin Foster**

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July - Island Harbour Rally

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Royal Yacht Squadron Rally - **RO Gail Foster**

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August - Newtown Creek Rally

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> to Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August - Cherbourg / Beaucette (Guernsey) Rally

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September - Lymington Rally

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September - Battle of Britain Regatta

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October - Yarmouth Rally - **RO Veronica Annis**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November - Frostbite Rally - **RO Dave Freeman & Sue**

**Carline**

Please contact RCS ([racs@rafyc.co.uk](mailto:racs@rafyc.co.uk)) if you would like to volunteer to be Rally Officer for any of the above Rallies.

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## RAFYC Crew Register

Dear Members,

The Club is in the process of overhauling and relaunching its Crew Register. If you would like to be part of the Crew Register, please read the attached and respond to Alex Rosie with the information requested by Friday 17th March.

[https://gallery.mailchimp.com/08abe1dc9f832d6dedb429a24/files/ce8533ba-e6ed-436e-b8bb-351158c7e5db/RAFYC\\_Crew\\_Register.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/08abe1dc9f832d6dedb429a24/files/ce8533ba-e6ed-436e-b8bb-351158c7e5db/RAFYC_Crew_Register.pdf)

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## **Sea Start Membership and RYA Diesel Maintenance Course**

We'd like to gauge the volume of interest among our membership for joining Sea Start and/or taking their RYA Diesel Maintenance Course.

If there is sufficient interest we will approach Sea Start for a discounted Club rate. Please state your interest on the poster on the Club's 'Sailing' noticeboard or respond to [rsc@rafyc.co.uk](mailto:rsc@rafyc.co.uk) and indicate membership and/or maintenance course. Please also state if you are already a Sea Start member.

Ron Colvin, Rear Commodore Sailing  
([rsc@rafyc.co.uk](mailto:rsc@rafyc.co.uk))

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## **Antifouling Offer from All Boats Care Limited**

The above local company was introduced to the Club by a member. They import the 'High Performance Antifouling' from Boero Yacht Coatings in Italy, and we will be applying their product, Mistral NF, to the Club launches. Their offer is to sell Mistral NF to Club members at trade prices - £59.95 per 2.5Lt unit. Information on the product is on the Club's 'Sailing' noticeboard, or you can contact Drew or Ben directly on 02380 338941. Please state you are an RAFYC member and give your membership number.

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## **Dates for your Diary**

**March 2017** (date to be confirmed)

**Open Sail Night**

**Sunday 26th March 2017**

**Mothering Sunday Lunch**

**Saturday 1st April 2017**

**Ladies Lunch (12:00)**

Two Course Meal to be confirmed.

**(Please note this is a change of date from previously advertised).**

**Saturday 22nd April 2017**

**Commodore's Reception**

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