

# TEMPLE NEWS

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB

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## COMMODORE'S BLOG

February and the building works have now started on schedule. There is, without doubt, going to be inconvenience in the club over the next few weeks. We have a very tight programme and in order to get completion in time for our season the whole of the ground floor bar area had to be closed. The plan shows the new bar being ready to be opened in early April and we will, of course, keep everyone advised on progress.

We have just had a combined dinner and dance with our friends at Broadstairs Sailing Club and 167 of us enjoyed a very pleasant evening. Once again, a big "thank you" to our Entertainments Committee, under Bob Booth, for organising the evening.

With the sailing and cruising programmes now finalised and on our web site it is starting to feel like spring is only just around the corner. The first major event will be the arrival of the Tall ships in April and that will really signify that the season is under way.

I think we are all looking forward to the summer months now and just waiting for that break in the weather to provide the encouragement to get on to the boat and start the painting process.

See you all in the Boat Park soon.

**Mike Brand**

## NEWS FROM THE HON SEC

**I have received the following letter from our neighbour, Dr Crawford, which is self-explanatory. Any interested party should get back to me:**

### **Lifeboat Operations Manager (LOM)**

*Dear John*

*Geoff Tully the present LOM is retiring in November 2010 and we are looking for a replacement. As a Committee we need to put forward names to the Divisional Inspector who then recommends to HQ.*

*I wondered if any member with interest in the RNLI would be interested to have his or her name put forward. The retirement age is 70 so our ideal candidate would be about 60+/-.*

*As Chairman I would be pleased to speak to anyone interested. Perhaps you could let me know.*

*Bill*

**and**

My new boat has arrived in the country. It is a Beneteau FIRST 35. It is a new boat in the FIRST range designed by Bruce Farr. It will be called *STILETTO* and those of you who know me will immediately know why! It is presently being commissioned by Ancasta in the Hamble ready for the Solent Spring Series. The latest North 3DL sails have arrived from America so sea trials and crew training start 6th March.

The misfortunes of the Dehler *Déjà Vu* are hopefully behind me.

**John Barrett**

## ENTERTAINMENT AT THE RTYC

After much careful consideration regarding the building works to the Club to improve the bar and facilities, we have decided that we will have to, unfortunately, cancel the planned functions for February and March.

We intend to hold the RNLI Supper on St. George's Night, April 24<sup>th</sup>, and we have arranged some adult entertainment for the evening provided by *Mark's Magic*.

Please provide your support by attending this event, and remember that your payment pays for an RNLI crew member's meal. Those of you that attended the Children's Christmas party will have already met Mark. We are sure that this will be a night to remember and will be a splendid way to celebrate the opening of our new and improved Club facilities.

**Bob Booth**  
**Entertainment Chairman**

## ENTERTAINMENT DIARY 2010

20 February	CANCELLED	RNLI Supper
13 March		Wine & Wisdom Evening
27 March		Combined Cruising & Fitting-Out Supper (7.45 start)
24 April		RNLI Supper / St George's Night
14 May		Michel Jonette Party Night
11 June		Scalextric Racing & Supper
16-21 August		Ramsgate Week, Entertainment TBA
4 September		Inter Club Quiz Night
25 September		Rifleman's / Officers Reunion Supper
24 October		Racing Crews' Lunch
6 November		Prize Giving
27 November		Club Dinner & Party Night
5 December		AGM
12 December		Children's Christmas Party, 3:15 start
18 December		Christmas Dinner
31 December		New Year Eve Dinner

## SOUTHERN IONIAN FLOTILLA

### Update/Reminder

Jo and Martin Ross (yacht *Magnum*), Sue and Tommy Foster and Davena and Roger Green have booked their yachts for the week starting 20 June. Last year we had six boats on flotilla (see account in September's newsletter). Should you wish to join us please contact Joanne Ross for details at:

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or

07880 796963

(or Sue – details at the end of this newsletter)

## 300 CLUB – MONTHLY DRAW

### January 2010

£25	N <sup>o</sup> 90	Mr T Strong
£50	N <sup>o</sup> 179	Mr E Wright
£100	N <sup>o</sup> 51	Mr A Jenkins
£200	N <sup>o</sup> 253	Mr G Werry
£50 (Snowball)	N <sup>o</sup> 11	Mr R Hatley –not present

## 300 CLUB – THE ANNUAL, BIG DRAW

£200	N <sup>o</sup> 151	Mr M Dale
£500	N <sup>o</sup> 122	Mr R Knight
£1,000	N <sup>o</sup> 183	Mr B McNeill
£2,500	N <sup>o</sup> 46	Mr R S Fuller

## TEMPLERS GOLF SOCIETY

### Match played 16 December 2009

#### Winners:

Rod Oates	27 points (Cut 2)
Richard Sparrow	26 points (Cut 1)
Nearest the pin:	nobody

#### Players:

Rod Oates  
David Say  
Florence Sparrow  
Richard Sparrow  
Ron Vaughan

#### Commentary:

A very cool day and with the nasty weather held at bay. Only five members attending which made the match all the more interesting as four of the five had handicap changes. Ron and David tried extremely hard to come last in order to get a handicap increase but failed due to some unexpectedly good play (luck) towards the end of the game. Rod asked that special mention be made of his win this month and his handicap reduction by -2. A warm (?) welcome back to Florence and Richard who had been in warmer climates.

#### Next Templers Meeting

Wednesday 17 February 2010 @ 09.45

Anyone wishing to play please ring

David Say

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