



# **Royal Temple Yacht Club Ltd**

**Annual General Meeting  
Sunday 25 February 2018  
11.30 a.m.**

## **PLEASE NOTE:**

This meeting is the first Annual General Meeting of the Royal Temple Yacht Club Limited.

No Member will be admitted to the Meeting unless his/her subscription has been paid in full in accordance with Rule 8 or having signed a Direct Debit for deferred payment.

Members are deemed to be entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting provided that they have completed and returned to the Club a Company Application Form.

Gold membership cards must be produced at the door. Staff will then confirm that all documentation is in order by referring to the 2017/2018 database.

The attendance register can then be signed.

Any member who has a query with regard to the procedure of the Annual General Meeting **must attend between 10.30 and 11.00 am** in order that Officers can respond to those queries.

Members are requested to ensure that they have complied with all procedures required to attend the Annual General Meeting as Members could run the risk of non-entry to the meeting.

Your co-operation to ensure delays are not incurred as a result of last minute issues will be greatly appreciated.

**Elizabeth Anderson**  
**Honorary Secretary**

## **TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB LIMITED**

In accordance with Rule 5, Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Royal Temple Yacht Club Limited will be held on Sunday 25 February 2018 at 11.30 a.m. Please be seated by 11.15 a.m.

### **AGENDA**

1. Apologies
2. To approve the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 4 December 2016
3. To consider matters arising there from.
4. To introduce the Directors who are standing for election as Officers and Committee.
5. To elect in accordance with Rule 5 the Officers of the Club, as enumerated in Rule 3, to serve for the coming year.
6. To elect in accordance with Rule 5 the Non-Executive Directors of the Club to serve for the coming year.
7. To elect in accordance with Rule 5 a General Committee to serve for the coming year.
8. To receive the accounts and balance sheets for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017, together with the report of the Honorary Treasurer and to approve the same.
9. Determination of Annual Membership Subscription 2018/2019.
10. To receive reports from the Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore Sail, Rear Commodore Cruising, Honorary Secretary, Honorary House Officer, Entertainments and Navigation School.
11. Any Other Business allowed by the Chair.
12. To announce the result of the Votes for the position of Directors

**Elizabeth Anderson**  
**Honorary Secretary**

Dear Member,

Please find enclosed the Annual Reports from your Flag Officers and the Annual Accounts for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Since the last Annual General Meeting there have been 12 General Committee meetings with attendance as follows.

Commodore	12	<b>Committee:</b>	
Vice Commodore	8	S Carter	8
Rear Commodore Sail	9	K Cox	10
Rear Commodore Cruisers	10	N Collingwood	7
Honorary Secretary	12	A Ketteringham	11
Honorary Treasurer	10	D Parish	9
Honorary House Officer	6	A Peers	9
M Brand - Trustee	2	P Russell	3
P Moore – Trustee	0		
R Oates – Trustee	1	R. Smith (Nav. School)	6
F Martin ex-officio	9		

Total Membership of the Club at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018 was 418

***If a member wishes an item to be included under AOB, it is advisable that details should be submitted to the Commodore seven days prior to the AGM. Also, if a member wishes to ask a question relating to the accounts, written notice of that question should be given to the Honorary Treasurer not less than seven days before the meeting.***

Yours sincerely,

**Elizabeth Anderson**  
**Honorary Secretary**

# ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON THE UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS

We report on the accounts for the year ended 30 September 2017.

## RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE OFFICERS OF THE CLUB

The Club's officers are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to carry out procedures designed to enable us to report our opinion on those accounts.

## BASIS OF OPINION

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the professional and ethical regulations of the Institute of Certified Practising Accountants. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the club and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the officers of the club concerning any such matters. These procedures provide only the assurance expressed in our opinion.

## OPINION

In our opinion the club's accounts are in agreement with the accounting records and correctly disclose the club's financial position at 30 September 2017.

Signed: Dudley Gore & Co  
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**Dudley Gore & Co.**  
Certified Practising Accountants

50 Queen Street  
Ramsgate  
Kent  
CT11 9EE

15 December 2017  
Date: .....

## **Honorary Treasurer's Report**

2016-2017 Treasury Report

The Honorary Secretary Elizabeth, our book-keeper Zoe Tudor and Peter Smith at our auditors Dudley Gore have had another good year doing all the work and leaving me with little to do. Thank you.

During the year we have added a monthly performance indicator for room hire and accommodation to the one already existing for the Bar. We will add further of these for the Navigation School (well underway) and for Catering. The overall idea being to report each month to the committee the position of the principal sources of income and expenditure so that we can take any necessary action.

We have had additional expenses this year with the incorporation of our club and although we still have some of this extra expense outstanding we have ended the year in a good financial situation and can look forward to the next year with confidence.

Our auditor's comments are: Bar turnover has increased although the gross profit margin has dropped slightly. Ramsgate Week was of course a little different to previous years and although income rose slightly there was a bigger increase in expenditure. Room hire and accommodation income in particular helped to improve overall income although there were still some significant items of maintenance expenditure and, overall, the increase in expenses exceeded the increase in income.

**John Adkin**  
**Hon Treasurer**

# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **TRADING & PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2017**

		2017 £	2016 £
<b><u>BAR</u></b>			
Sales		158,275	144,053
Stock at 1st October	9,245		7,518
Purchases	67,262		58,911
	<u>76,507</u>		
Less: Stock at 30th September	8,007	68,500	(9,245)
	<u>          </u>	<u>89,775</u>	<u>86,869</u>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

## **RAMSGATE WEEK 2017 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

		2017 £	2016 £
Sponsorship and advertising		7,589	6,550
Entrance fees		7,675	6,134
Sundry income		1,088	-
		<u>16,352</u>	<u>12,684</u>
Refreshments for sponsors	951		-
Printing and advertising	2,521		1,320
Bands	1,310		-
Race packs and fuel	183		340
Trophies	1,623		1,295
Postage and copying	819		584
Sundries	511		590
Committee boats	3,450		2,650
Marketing/Yacht charter	968		-
Officials	690		676
Cannon blanks and maintenance	557		-
Equipment	1,608	15,191	862
	<u>          </u>	<u>1,161</u>	<u>4,367</u>
Net profit		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2017**

<b><u>INCOME</u></b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Bar profits	89,775	86,869
Insignia profits	28	15
Subscriptions and entrance fees	68,356	59,101
Sundry income	7,780	6,052
Accommodation, functions and catering surplus	41,224	34,460
Donations	17,413	9,148
Interest received (gross)	19	69
Ramsgate Week surplus	1,161	4,367
Return on catering	5,151	4,746
Warrants	150	90
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	231,057	204,917
 <b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>		
Rates, water and refuse	16,480	10,457
Insurance	12,408	10,387
Staff wages and NIC	96,899	90,716
Lighting and heating	15,374	16,133
Repairs and maintenance	44,782	24,088
Printing and stationery	1,800	2,099
Laundry and cleaning	5,542	7,215
Newspapers and periodicals	772	728
Postage and telephone	3,387	2,015
Advertising and promotion	1,965	2,465
Stock taker and bar expenses	1,680	1,680
Legal fees	5,955	780
Accountancy and bookkeeping	5,838	3,345
Sailing and racing	5,724	4,407
Subscriptions and licences	1,189	3,321
Donations	980	480
General expenses	1,819	174
Bank charges	4,765	3,773
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	227,359	
Depreciation of furniture and equipment	5,796	5,767
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	233,155	190,030
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(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	(2,098)	14,887
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Transfers from/(to) reserves	12,500	(12,500)
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	10,402	2,387
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# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **BALANCE SHEET AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2017**

	2017 £	2016 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>		
Freehold premises and improvements	186,083	186,083
Furniture and equipment brought forward	14,854	816
Additions	8,332	19,805
Less: Depreciation	(5,796)	(5,767)
	17,390	14,854
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<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Stock on hand	8,392	9,395
Debtors	18,633	19,983
Cash at bank and in hand	164,467	156,507
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	191,492	185,885
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<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Creditors and accrued charges	52,994	60,474
Subscriptions in advance	16,050	10,829
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	69,044	71,303
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<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	122,448	114,582
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<b>NET ASSETS</b>	325,921	315,519
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<b>FINANCED BY:</b>		
<b>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</b>		
Balance brought forward	315,519	291,632
Net profit	10,402	2,387
Roof reserve	-	7,500
Bar floor reserve	-	10,000
Heating reserve	-	4,000
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	325,921	315,519
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# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB - 250 CLUB - FINAL ACCOUNTS

### REVENUE ACCOUNT

For the year 1 October 2016 - 30 September 2017

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2016</b>
SUBSCRIPTIONS	11648		12235	
PRIZES	8100		7983	
<b>GROSS SURPLUS</b>		3548		4253
<b>Add: OTHER INCOME</b>				
Transfer from Deposit	0		0	
Bank Interest Receivable	1		2	
		<hr/> 3549	<hr/> 4254	
<b>Deduct: EXPENSES</b>				
Bank Charges	292		94	
Refund				
Postage and Stationery				
Cost of Buffet	252		160	
		<hr/> 544	<hr/> 254	
<b>NET SURPLUS</b>		3005		4000
Payments to RTYC		8330		5945
<b>TRANSFER TO ACCUMULATED FUND</b>		<hr/> -5325		<hr/> -1945

# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB - 250 CLUB - FINAL ACCOUNTS**

### **STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

**For the year 1 October 2016 - 30 September 2017**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Cash at Bank 30.09.17	10697		16352	
Deposit A/c 30.09.17	3766		3765	
	14462		20117	
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<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Subscriptions in Advance				
Sundry Creditor	120		450	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		14342		19667
<b>Represented By:</b>				
<b>ACCUMULATED FUND</b>				
Balance Brought Forward		19667		21612
(Deficit) / Surplus for the year		-5325		-1945
		14342		19667
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**Signed: J E Barrett**

**Treasurer:** Elizabeth Anderson

# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **Honorary Secretary Report**

It has proved another busy and eventful year for the Office not only with staff changes but supporting events held at the Club. We have said goodbye to Carol and Val who have left to start new careers and the Club now has a new Administrator, Barbara Fuller who is settling in well and I am sure a number of you have now met. We have been working hard on the Incorporation of the Club and are looking forward to the first Annual General Meeting of the Royal Temple Yacht Club Ltd.

Barry and his team must be thanked for the smooth running of the club. They are all very willing and able staff who must be congratulated for their commitment to the club and the well being of the members and visitors.

Outside functions and meetings continue to be sought and the listing of the club's accommodation on Booking.com continues to be very successful even though we have certain restrictions listed. Guests are returning time and time again which is very reassuring.

I would particularly like to thank all those who have supported me this year in what has been a very busy year.

**Elizabeth Anderson**  
**Honorary Secretary**

## **Royal Temple Yacht Club 250 Club**

This past year the 250 Club has been able to assist with improvements to the club by funding the new curtains in both the dining room and main bar. Also, the purchase of new light weight banqueting tables. The red leather chairs which grace the bar and TV lounge are being progressively repaired and refurbished and will be funded by the 250 Club in the coming year. Our club is an expensive building to maintain and the 250 Club is always on hand to provide the funds for the things that make it special.

New members are always welcome; the cost is £60 a year which can be paid at £5 per month. £400 is paid out every month at the Sunday draw then annual bonus prizes totalling £3750. Membership is restricted to 250 people. Application forms are available on the club website or from the office.

I should like to thank Elizabeth Anderson who keeps the accounts and Jean Beale who oversees the Sunday Draw when I am away sailing and most especially all the 250 club members for their unselfish support of the RTYC

**John Barrett**

# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **Commodore's Report**

This is my first report as Commodore, it has been a challenging, productive but ultimately rewarding year. It is quite a challenge to take over the helm of a successfully run club and grow on that momentum. I have to thank my predecessors for leaving the RTYC in such good health.

I must also add additional gratitude to our previous Commodore Frank Martin for leading the club into incorporation. A role Frank has continued to fill this year as we finalise all the details. It has taken a strong dedicated team to oversee all the work involved and I would like to thank them all on behalf of the Members. We believe these actions will help to continue the success of the club for many years to come.

Running a club like ours involves a great many volunteers who give their time and effort to keep the ship moving smoothly forward. Without the willingness of our members to step up and fill the positions of Officers, General Committee, Navigation School, Academy, plus all the additional rolls it takes to cover all the racing, cruising and social events held throughout the season, they would not be as successful. Again I express my gratitude on behalf of the RTYC for everyone's efforts.

We have a very dedicated team of staff who on a daily basis help make the face of our club a very professional well oiled machine. Despite the many challenges faced this year they have pulled together and worked very hard so everything ran seamlessly. A very big thank you to them all.

And finally to you all, the members. Whether Cruising, Racing or Social, without your support at the many functions and events throughout the season the RTYC would not be the active, lively place to be.

Looking forward to further success in 2018.

**Andy Beaumont-Hope**  
**Commodore**

# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **Vice Commodore**

As the Vice Commodore's principle role is Ramsgate Week, it is my job to look back and reflect on the success of our Club's major event of the year. Since I have only officially been in the job since mid September, compiling a report on Ramsgate Week 2017 might have been a daunting task, but having served as Rear Commodore Sail for nine years from 2004-12, all that was required was to brush a few of the cobwebs away and the responsibilities and organisational headaches came flooding back.

Ramsgate Week 2017 lived up to our expectations. The competitor entries held up to the 2016 numbers in both the IRC classes and the Cruisers classes at a time when many other Yacht Clubs have seen numbers falling, the racing was good and the atmosphere both on and off the water lived up to the Ramsgate Week reputation, 'Family Friendly and Full of Fun'.

This year we were again lucky with the weather, which is always an important bonus, and enabled us to enjoy a full, and at times exciting, week of racing. This of course would not happen without the smooth and efficient operation of our 'on-the-water' teams and therefore our thanks must go to Peter Rumbelow and his Committee Boat Team, Peter Holland and the Race Hut Team and the Broadstairs Sailing Club 'RIB' Team.

To complete the success of the week, activities ashore are as important as those afloat and we must thank our Bar Staff who work long hours in helping us to maintain our bar profits, and of course all our members, far too many to name individuals, who have worked so hard in a wide variety of jobs, not only those that are undertaken during the week, but also the myriad of jobs that are on-going from January and without which, Ramsgate Week wouldn't happen.

Another important thanks is to all our Sponsors who support us in many different ways, from donating race prizes to sponsoring a full day's racing or an evening's entertainment. To name just a few, our Bar was supported by Shepherd Neame, and Page & Sons who have been loyal sponsors of Ramsgate Week for many years, our 'After Race' Bar-B-Ques, which were very popular this year, were sponsored by Rook & Son's Butchers and our Competitors' Reception was again sponsored by 'Copper Rivett Distillery', which, as expected, went down very well with all competitors who were present, but to all our sponsors, large or small, we give our thanks and look forward to your continued support.

The organisation for Ramsgate Week 2018 is already well underway and your Ramsgate Week Committee is working hard to maintain the high profile event we have come to enjoy over the years.

**Richard Smith**  
**Vice Commodore**

# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **Rear Commodore Cruising**

The Cruising Section had another very successful year in 2017. For cruising, we were blessed with beautiful weather for most of the year, which enabled us to undertake a record number of enjoyable and successful cruises.

The first of these was a weekend trip to Dover where we were welcomed by our friends at the RCPYC.

At the beginning of May, nine boats took part in a trip to Brightlingsea. We were allocated berths in the marina and it proved to be a challenge in the windy conditions. However, with a lot of great teamwork and mutual help we managed to get all nine boats moored up successfully.

Our most successful cruise this year was to Holland. Seven boats took part in this trip. Our first stop was Nieuwpoort after a rough crossing, but being the seasoned sailors we are, we took it in our stride. We visited the inland lakes and had delightful stops in Breskens, Veere, Zirikzee and Midleberg. All to soon it was time to time to head for Ramsgate arriving home on the 4<sup>th</sup> July.

In August we had a cruise to Woodbridge in Suffolk. While we did not have to brave great ocean swells, we did have some tricky piloting around the Deben and the Orwell.

In addition to our cruising trips, we organised a number of other activities including talks by visiting speakers. The most enjoyable of these was a talk in February by Simon Northrop who gave us an update on the latest sailing techniques and materials.

The cruising socials which are held on the second Thursday of every month are as popular as ever and allow our community to keep in contact and socialise.

The Ramsgate Illuminations event this year was our best ever; a record eighty three boats lit up. This is now an established event in Ramsgate's social calendar. It attracts visitors from far and wide and the local restaurants and bars benefit greatly.

I would like to thank the Cruising committee for all the help and assistance they have given me for the last year. In particular I would like to acknowledge the great contribution by Dennis Payne and also Elizabeth Anderson who has guided us in our endeavours. We are preparing our Cruising programme for 2018 which will include other activities as well as traditional cruises. Hopefully the weather gods will be kind to us.

**Stan Jacob**  
**Rear Commodore Cruising**

# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **Rear Commodore Sail**

The Club's racing season in 2017 ran from 1<sup>st</sup> April through to 22<sup>nd</sup> October with 36 club races scheduled alongside Ramsgate Week and the Euroregatta with the finish of the Buckley Goblets also hosted by the club. 31 local yachts competed in the club racing which was split between the IRC and Cruiser classes with good turnouts each weekend and some very close racing enjoyed by all classes.

In order to build links with other clubs, efforts were made to incorporate other events into the 2017 programme and this will continue in the 2018 racing programme. Ramsgate Week 2018 has been set during more favourable tides and the Goodwins Race has been readopted by EAORA as part of their series.

The club's temporary racing marks are an important part of our club racing and require continual investment to ensure they are serviceable. In 2017 we reverted to the 'square' configuration and predominantly the large spherical buoys. In order to achieve this, some steel sinkers were procured to replace the concrete in the most onerous locations to avoid the buoys moving and a larger vessel used to install them. This was mostly successful, and we will look at further improvements in 2018.

Thanks to Stuart Carter and his Race Officer team, daily race management is again independent of the competitors, with courses as well as starts and finishes being based in the Race Hut. This facility along with the willing volunteers to attend, greatly improves the quality and flexibility of our races especially when having to allow for marine construction activity. But investment in the Race Hut is urgently required to ensure we maintain the safety and comfort of those who volunteer. The first phase of this is now approved and I look forward to more improvements going forward to create a real race control centre for the future.

**Matt Green**

**Rear Commodore Sail**



# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **House Officer Report**

Another year in the position of House Officer, has again flown by. We have a beautiful clubhouse however, the upkeep is a never ending project.

We have had a very busy year, and I must say "thank you" again to Barry and all the staff, for their help and support throughout the year. Managing the day to day tasks required in the clubhouse, the daily cleaning duties, and dealing with minor repairs and, many smaller "in house" jobs. Clive Nichols, has come in on a part time basis, attending to some of the general maintenance requirements, and contractors JJUK have completed several of the larger projects.

There have been several projects for this year including, to reinforce the flooring in the main lounge area, to redecorate and upgrade the hold bar and navigation school, install a new gas fire and chandeliers to the lounge bar, various plumbing and heating issues, upgrading and modernization of the bedrooms, replace the double glazed door to the terrace, overhaul the windows in the bedrooms, new curtains and curtain rails to the lounge and dining room, electrical issues- the list is endless!

Our ongoing improvement programme, of repair and redecoration of the building continues. In early January with the works to the Lounge Bar and T.V. Room. Repairing the ceilings and walls, redecorate all through and install new lights to the TV room.

At the same time the office will have a complete overhaul to make a more user friendly working environment.

Hopefully all works will be completed by the end of January.

During the year, the usual tasks have been carried out, such as the carpets cleaned regularly, the annual check to the roof and guttering, safety testing of the electrical equipment. The regular cleaning of the silverware in the trophy cabinet, and various white goods have been purchased including a tumble dryer and washing machine.

Looking forward to 2018 being another busy year at the RTYC.

**Judy Pearson**  
**House Officer**

# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **Entertainments Report**

As usual 2017 has been a busy year for the Club with many events well attended and our thanks go to all who participated and helped organise.

After St Patrick's Day and the Murder Mystery Dinner we celebrated 160 years of the Club at the beginning of April. As the year moved on we had the Joint Summer Ball in June at The Pavilion with Broadstairs Sailing Club. After Ramsgate Week we were back in the swing with a few Carveries, the Commodore's Choice and Trafalgar Night Dinner, Racing Crews Lunch, Prizegiving for Sailing and the Cruisers. Thanks to the Committee and Club members who have stepped up to help and attend these and many other functions throughout the year.

In October thanks go to Karen Cox for organising a very successful well attended Quiz Night.

The latter part of the year was taken up with an afternoon buffet to celebrate the Queen and Prince Philip's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the 250 Club Draw Carvery, Christmas Dinner and New Year's Eve Dinner with the Children's Christmas Party slotted in between!

Of course, throughout the year the Cruising Social evenings, monthly Walking Group and the Snooker Competition continue to be popular dates and are great events for welcoming new members.

Thanks go to those members who chose to celebrate their birthdays and other occasions in the club. It's always nice to support the club as a venue.

# **ROYAL TEMPLE YACHT CLUB**

## **School of Navigation and Sail Training**

The Navigation School continues to flourish and after another very successful 2016/17 season, our numbers for the coming year are again very encouraging.

Our winter theory classes, from October 2016 to April 2017, were well subscribed with a total number of 30 students, which was above average from previous years, but sadly the Ocean Master Course failed to attract any students and so didn't run for the 2016/17 season.

Our 'End-of-Term' Presentation Supper was held on 21<sup>st</sup> April, when the 26 successful students were presented with their certificates and Special Trophies awarded.

In November we ran a VHF DSC Course for 10 students and in February another 12 students attended our 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Course. All students in both courses were awarded their respective certificates.

During the summer months we continued to offer a full range of Practical Courses with a number of our members achieving their Day Skipper, ICC & CEVNI and Coastal Skipper Certificates.

In June we again ran a 6-week 'Introduction to Sailing' Module for our 'Mini Academy' students from Chilton Junior School when ten 11-year-old students enjoyed six sessions afloat.

None of this would happen without the dedication of our instructors, to whom I give my sincere thanks; Mike Greenstreet, who ran the Day Skipper Course, Simon Gasston, who assisted me on the Yacht Master Course and our Commodore, Andrew Beaumont-Hope, who jointly ran the Yacht Master Ocean Course with me. We also have to thank Elizabeth Anderson and Beverly Smith who between them run the administration side of the school, from the enrolment of our students and ordering all our student packs to keeping a firm hand on our purse strings.

Our 2017/18 season started in October and student numbers for the coming year are well up. The Day Skipper class is bursting at the seams with 18, the Yacht Master class has 9 and I am pleased to report that we are able to run the Ocean class again this season with 7 students.

In addition to the teaching services we offer to members of our Club, a further aim of the Navigation School is to make annual donations to the Royal Temple Yacht Club to fund projects that will either enhance the building or add to the amenities that we can offer our members. I am pleased to report that in February we donated £7,738.60 for the redecoration of the Hold Bar with the addition new notice boards and Disco lighting. In spite of that outlay, the Navigation School's finances are in a very healthy state and we are now looking forward to funding new projects, small or large, as and when requested by the General Committee.

**Richard Smith**  
**Principal**