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Dear Members,

We were extremely saddened to learn of The Queen's passing and we are sure we speak for all when we say our sympathies are, first and foremost, with the Royal Family. Even though those of us who saw her with Liz Truss on Tues knew that there was a significant difference in her appearance, yet she was still smiling. An inspirational person. It just shows how we all become very used to how things are, we now have a King and even that word sounds alien to us just now, we will get used to the change. An emotional couple of weeks ahead for those of us who loved and respected Queen Elizabeth II

We decided to do our quiz last night but change it to ask all things about the Queen and, whilst there was lively heckling about some of the answers, it seemed to be just what we needed and all in good spirit.... The pies were delicious if I say so myself! and some even got as far as 3 helpings!!! We had a toast to The Queen and to King Charles III with The Queen's favourite tipple Gin and Dubonnet- it is seriously strong...... A big thankyou to Bob who dealt

with the first mad rush magnificently along with Tim, Jo R, Stuart and of course Jo V for her Quiz Masters role (if only she wouldn't sing!!!)

A Message from Commodore Chris

I think the last few days has been very intense and whether a royalist or not I don't think anyone has anything but the upmost respect for Queen Elizabeth II both at home and abroad.

How great it was to be able to take advantage of the champagne sailing weather last month!? So many wonderful pictures and stories from members far and wide , long and short voyages inspiring us all to get out there and to stretch our sea legs. In the club house we've made some more friends , The Royal Navy TOT Group of Barbuda were in town, read all about it in the news section on <u>www.rpcyc.co.uk</u> . We have to thank again everyone involved in the fireworks night event , a wonderful supper and great atmosphere before heading out to watch the competition unfold. We had many members turn out to hear about the Sutton Harbour lock refurbishment proposals and are now working proactively with management there who are keen to support the club though actively promoting us to berth holders and visitors which is great. If you haven't seen our new flyer yet do pop into the club and pick a few up to share with your friends and colleagues! Thanks to everyone that nominated the Club for RYA Club of the year , fingers crossed.

We are very proud to announce that this week Tim signed up members 249 and 250 so we have achieved our aspirational goal of 250, well done Tim and everyone else who has brought new members into the Club an amazing achievement from having only 48 members when we moved. Now the next target 300 I thing we may close the books at that and who knows we may have a waiting list!! We do need to keep encouraging more people to join as there will always be a few that drop of for various reasons. We will do the draw for a free meal for two or half price meal for four kindly donated by Bruce and Lesley Brunning at either The Turtley Corn Mill at Avonwick or The Bridge at Yacht Haven. Yum....

(an add on - the membership as of today is 252!! Onwards and upwards! Welcome to our new members.

Introducing this years photo competition! Pick your best shot of either your boat out on the water or any of our events those things that show the spirit of our Club send it into <u>photo@rpcyc.co.uk</u>

We will post the photos on one of our web pages and all members can vote for the best one. The owner of the photo with the most votes wins a club polo top (yes no expense spared!!)- we will also use the voting to choose 12 photos as feature shots in the 2023 RPCYC Calendar which will go on sale in time for Christmas stockings! Closing date for photo entries is 8th Oct. Read all about the rules here -> https://rpcyc.co.uk/rpcyc-photo-competition-rules/

More From Commodore Chris next month.....

We launched our new incentive scheme last month to encourage more people to volunteer behind the bar or for functions. We have a "voucher" system where we deposit £6 for every hour the Club is open and whoever does that shift can spend it in the bar or save it for clothing or insignia. It has gone down really well and Neil and I are getting more time away from bar duty. We do still need more people and a few of you have volunteered but need to be trained. Please get in touch with me if you want to volunteer or need training. We also need a few volunteers to help get everything back in order after an event if you don't want to do the bar. Talking of which Mick is going to organise a group of members to come and help give the club "a bit of a going over" It just feels as if it needs all those nooks and crannies dusted. When he puts it out please see if you can help. Pizzas will be on us!!!

Talking about keeping everything right and current, we are looking to do a mini refurb downstairs. We think it is a bit cafe like and lacks a bit of the wow factor of upstairs. We can do this on a tight budget as it will be mostly a little move round and some of the tables will move upstairs (we will still need them for functions) So watch this space over the next few weeks.

As we come out of our summer season we can look forward to some great

events at the Club over the autumn and winter season. Please do all you can to support them, particularly when we have guest speakers. It's a nice warm and cosy place to be with great company.

Our next few events- you can book on the buttons below for some of them now

Somewhere we want to fit in an end of season sail and BBQ- TBA

23rd Sept 19:00 talk by Guest Speaker Karen Young about their sail around The Highlands £5pp-Upstairs

Book and pay now please

30th Sept 19:00 Adrian's solo sailor group- 5 Really Useful Bits of Kit- Upstairs **7th October** 18:30 Quiz Night Bangers, Mash and Onion Gravy and prizes of course £10

21st October 18:00 for 18:30 Trafalgar Night 3 Courses £35 and Casino Night. 50% booked already!!!

Pay deposit £10 per person now. Don't miss out.....amazing night last year.

28th October 19:00 talk by Guest Speaker Kitiara Pascoe author of In Bed with the Atlantic. £5

4th November 19:00 Adrians Solo Sailing Group- More Philosophy of Single Handed Sail **11th November 18:30** Quiz with Stuart who will also be cooking Spag Bolognese and Gar Julie!!)

Xmas Lunches- they were amazing last year however the Bottling Plant has also grown and can only do our lunches outside of the weekend so to give you notice the dates are

Friday 2nd December-

Monday 5th December-

Friday 9th December- All at 12 noon until......well who knows!

Sunday 11th December early evening.(subject to change) **Boats in lights**we would really like to get as many boats in Plymouth to get lit up and parade around Plymouth Sound. It doesn't need to cost much either solar lights or LED battery lights will do. As far as we are aware this has never happened before so wouldn't it be great!! RPCYC leading from the front!

Hopefully a couple more sailing outings, weather dependant New Years Eve 18.30 for 19:00 3 course dinner from The Bottling Plant Details to follow

That's all for now- lots going on, thankyou all for your support and if you can help it would be very much appreciated.



Julie