

COLDHAM CHRONICLE

Goldham Hall Sailing Club Est. 1951

'The Heart of Sailing in the Yare Valley'

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The Coldham Chronicle

The racing has ended, paddling has all but stopped, AGM been and gone. The Yeomans and Cruisers have flown the moorings for safe storage in Sam's yard and the Christmas puddings have been awarded. Activity at the club heads into hibernation for a couple of months but behind the scenes things are still being planned. January's presentation dinner is being organised so if you wish to attend please respond before the deadline (see notice at end of this issue). Work on the Quay heading is expected towards the end of next month and preparations are in hand for replacing the clubhouse roof when it gets a bit warmer (watch this space for details). Before you know it, we'll be looking to get back on the water in whatever way we can.

The weather continues to dominate things again, access to the club has been difficult and high winds have put a halt to at least two weeks sailing. We thought the flooding was past but as reported in last month's newsletter the conditions continue to not be favourable.

This December's Chronicle is primarily covering the AGM with reports from the outgoing Commodore, the Hon. Treasurer and the Race Officer keeping you up to date with club affairs. No apology the volume of information, some of which is quite detailed.

We also include our regular features from the Midweekers (lunch and future walks), Paddlers section.

As 2024 comes to a close may we on behalf of our President, Commodore and all the committee send our best wishes to you all and your families for a wonderful, peaceful Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous 2025.



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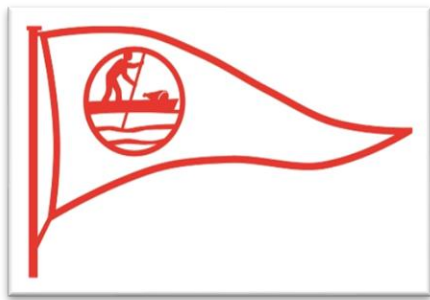


Yare Navigation Race



CHSC Triple B Dinghy & Keel Boat Race





Notes from The Committee

No meeting for the committee this month as December brings the club's Annual General Meeting.

David Taitt takes up the Commodore reins, but sadly no volunteers for either Vice or Rear Commodores came forwards. The committee were elected (some positions are still vacant if you would like to join them) followed by the election of a new Club President for 2025.

The Coldham Hall Sailing Club 2025 Officers and Committee as elected at the AGM are: -

The Club Flag Officers:-

President – Gary Corbet
 Commodore – David Taitt
 Vice Commodore – to be filled
 Race Officer – Ben Adams
 Treasurer – David Woolston
 Honorary Secretary – Emma Crowfoot

General Committee: -

David Durrant
 Mike Roll
 David Greenacre
 Chris Logue
 Amanda Blezzard.

The next committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th January at 7.30pm online using Microsoft Teams.

Anybody wishing to put forwards ideas or suggestions for consideration by the committee please contact any of the Officers or members of the committee.

Upcoming Events 2025

January

Saturday 18th Presentation Dinner (2025)

April

Sunday 6th Racing Commences

May

Saturday 3rd CHSC/NFSC/WOD Open Regatta
 Sunday 4th CHSC/NFSC/WOD Open Regatta

June

Saturday 21st Hardley Mill Cruise & BBQ

July

Sunday 6th Club Regatta
 Saturday 19th Triple B race

August

Saturday 2nd Reedham Race

September

Saturday 20th CHSC/Waveney OD

October

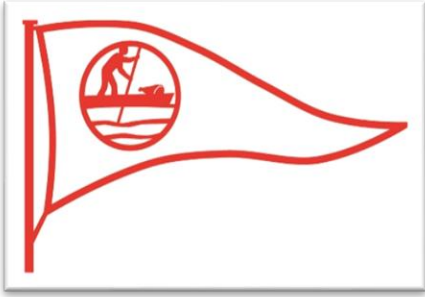
Saturday 4th YNR
 Sunday 19th Commodores Day
 Sunday 26th Winter Downriver Series starts

December

Wednesday 3rd Annual General Meeting
 Sunday 14th Christmas Pudding Race

The above list is correct at time of going to press but may be subject to change throughout the year. A full list of all racing and social events for 2025 will be shortly updated on the club website.





2024 Annual General Meeting

Outgoing Commodore Gary opened the evening welcoming members to CHSC 74th AGM

All present joined in a period of reflection for friends who are no longer with us, this year Jonathan 'Geoff' Pinder, **Club President** David Hickman and member Jonathan Flatman.

All members received a copy of last year's AGM minutes, along with tonight's Agenda, Financial documents and proposals for our 2025 Committee.

Gary proposed those present to agree our 2023 CHSC AGM Minutes; Agreed.

Commodores report Gary Corbett.

Where has the year gone, 12 months since we were here proposing our new committee, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to you all; it has been a privilege to serve as Commodore, a truly memorable and enjoyable time. I hope you have all enjoyed the year.

I may have been in the seat but there are a lot of people working continuously helping to make our club so successful, not just on the committee, there are many examples of work parties, repairing, enhancements to the club and preparing for the future work for example the quay heading and club house roof, a member has procured replacement metal roofing sheets, once up they should not need replacing. A job for the spring.

This and a lot of this information is documented in our Coldham Chronicle, two years ago Dave and I started to publish our current editions, a reference point for monthly activities, a diary of events, keeping you informed of all matters, it covers many subject's importantly photographs. Additionally, a record of our clubs history.

I thank all the committee for their work and commitment, they meet monthly dealing with all management affairs on our behalf, it doesn't stop there, their work continues to promote and maintain the club, this includes arranging activities and functions, importantly so we can do what we enjoy, 'getting on the water'.

Our Treasurer actively deals with all our financial affairs completing comprehensive reports and including the accounts you have all received, David maintains contact with our landlords, our insurers, the RYA, he collects our money, pays the bills promptly, his records are excellent, precise and always timely. On top of that he enters all the weekly results electronically on the club website which he also manages. When we're looking for a quiz master 'ask David'. Thank you, David.

Emma for all her work as Secretary, keeping us informed, maintains contact with the local sailing world and beyond, taking and producing our monthly minutes and all our club communication. Certainly Emma has kept me well informed.

Ben you do a grand job as Race Officer, take a minute to digest our race programme, just a quick count up we have in excess of 42 events throughout the year just on our sailing programme, Open, Club Regatta's weekly sailing, Ben, I'll leave you to do your report, but what does stand out this year for me is our relationship with the Waveney One's at Oulton Broad, it grows each year. I reflect on our evenings visit to WOBYC in May, eight members, after a short briefing being given the reins of someone pride and joy, not just have a sail but a interclub race with 7 other Waveney's some intent on winning, nobody mentioned numerous other boats on the water.

Oulton Broad, has 7 buoys dotted about and you had to round five from all directions, just to cap it, it was a windy night, my first time in a Waveney, mooring inside the jetty was scary, but a truly wonderful night, we were well looked after. I would certainly go again, no I didn't win.

Ten Waveney's joined us in October forging continued and new friendships, importantly a good weekend of sailing. The buffet provided by Jude Harris was exceptional; the Waveney's will be back even if it's just for the food. I understand at least six boats are planning to come to our Regatta in May, rebuilding a tradition from years past. We look forward to it.

Whilst on food, we thank our social secretary's Judith this year joined by Mandy for all their organisation throughout the year, there are at least 10 club events to organise from the rigging out supper through to the annual dinner, including arrangements for tonight. I'd like to mention the club BBQ in July, 3 BBQ's, 3 cooks with a back up team in the galley, 70 club members enjoying the evening together.

Special thanks to Judith who is standing down from the committee, I'm sure she will continue helping out at events. Thank you Judith.

A timely reminder to members of our forthcoming annual Dinner and presentation on 18th January, please contact Mandy or speak with her tonight please. It all helps with preparations.

Try Sailing, a good way to introduce and welcome people to our club and sailing, importantly to encourage them sail and to continue at Coldham, thank you Dave for planning and arranging, the sailing, the tutorage by Mike starts off with two weeks theory then volunteers 'Us' helping out on Thursdays at TRY Sailing, after that Mike takes those who wish to continue for further sessions and assessment. Over the last two years ten new members have now been approved to use the clubs Wayfarers. They all remain as members, Thank you Mike and all who spare time on the evening sessions, whilst enjoying a sail.

Another passion of mine is paddle boarding; yes I do look like a baby giraffe on the board, to the amusement of others I think I fell in or was pushed off once this season so improving.

Last year for the first time we appointed two paddle ambassadors Clare & Vickie who manage the paddle section for our club, a truly successful year maintaining close contact with all our paddle members, now in excess of 30 members, talking and getting information to each other via 'WhatsApp', our Tuesday Open Paddles attracted up to 23 people certainly high double figures every week, just one week was cancelled owing to the weather, we meet together venture off and stay as a group, anyone not having confidence is supported throughout, it is a great way of exercising, wellbeing and a mardle, you have all seen interesting photo's throughout the year, if you wish to join in all are welcome. Yes we have a 'cheesy chip social afterwards.

Our paddle section is flourishing and will build further under Vickie & Clare's guidance next year; I know they are looking at paddle safety including First Aid which we hope be able to incorporate all club members.

Thank you all.

Honorable Treasurer. David Woolston

As can be seen in the past years accounts the income from members and craft stored both in the dinghy park and on the deep water moorings rose in line with expectations after an increase in fees of 10% to a total of £22,480 this figure was also driven by an increase in both Family and paddle board membership and with after last year's exceptional contribution from the try sailing evenings of £1886 a return to the more expected contribution of £1222 The total for the previous year was £20,988

For information membership figures are

	2023	2024
Full Member	38	38
Family Member	41	44
Social Member	3	4
Try Sailing Member	24	13
Paddle Family	29	32
Paddle Single		
Dinghy	35	31+1
Mooring - Cruiser	5	4
Mooring - Halfdecker	14	15
Paddleboard/Canoe/Kayak	28	31

Looking at the profit and loss section of the clubs income, the Yare Navigation Race made a very healthy profit of £1046 against the previous year's contribution of £533. The annual dinner shows a profit of £353 against last year's loss of £286 this is explained by the fact of the deposit paid for last year's dinners was paid in the 2023 accounting period so is actually a catching up of costs. The Open Regatta contributed rather better with an income of £270 against last year's £191 due to a far better attendance of this event.

Looking at the Sundries section we see a very much enlarged amount of £1993 against the previous year's £126, this is explained by an exceptional payment of £423 this being for unpaid dinghy trailer fees stretching back over many years. And also a payment of £1560 from Norfolk Quay Heading this being the return of a deposit paid for the proposed quay heading renewal after the firm unfortunately found themselves unable to undertake the work. More of this latter in the accounts.

Bank interest peaked at £350 a considerably increase on the previous year's contribution of £144.

To conclude the income section we see an amount of £1124 in the Donations and Grants section this is explain by the very generous legacy of £1000 left to the club by its former long standing member and long serving Hon Secretary Geoff Pinder, the remaining amount of £124 being the kind donation made by Kim Hickman on behalf of her husband David Hickman the clubs President, also a very long serving member of the club. Both Geoff and David who passed away earlier this year were passionate about all things sailing but especially passionate about CHSC their contribution both to the club and on the water will be very much missed.

Turning to the Expenditure section of the accounts

The rent increased as per our lease agreement by the percentage increase in the RPI to £10464 this being an increase of £715 on the previous year's cost of £9749 a percentage increase of 7% slightly less than the previous year's 10%, but still a substantial increased cost to the clubs accounts.

Insurance costs rose to £1303 from £1233 not an unexpected rise given the recent hikes in general insurance premiums.

Repairs and expenses for club Facilities cost £2186 a decrease from the previous year's £2847, this due to tight control of expenses, the looming costs of quay heading replacement keeping in check all but the most necessary outlay on club infrastructure. The major costs were Grass Cutting £820 Service Payment of Coldham Tavern £660, General Maintenance £599 (this figure includes remedial work to quay heading)

Club boat expenses were considerably lower at £237 leading to a small surplus of £71

Rescue boat expenses increased due to the purchase of a prop guard cost £119 and also running repairs needed during the season costing £229

Miscellaneous costs are made up of small costs incurred over the year not placed in any of the other designated areas of the balance sheet.

Printing = £92 White book down on last year reduced number printed

Quay Heading Costs

The amount of £11523 for quay heading cost is broken down as follows £1560 deposit paid to Norfolk Quay Heading (refunded as seen in the income section) £363 cost incurred for planning permission application, £9600 deposit paid to J D Services current contractors.

At this point it will be helpful to explain the problems encountered concerning the first contractor engaged to replace the quay heading Norfolk Quay Headings, having agreed to complete the work at a cost of £15642 the firm subsequently informed us that they would not be able to complete the work and terminated the contract to do so. This meant of course that another contractor had to be found, after several quotes being obtained, JD Services have now been engaged at a cost of £24420. This as you can imagine created problems for the finances of the club, we have coped.

Assets

The pontoons attracted a small amount of expense £444 bring the total cost to £14705

The Facilities extension continues to evolve with an additional expense of £358 bring the total cost to £31391

End of year Balance

The balance held in cash at year end amounted to £22644.41 a decrease from the previous year's £23223.38 the decrease explained by the large deposit paid to J D Services.

Treasurers Estimated 2024 for year ending Oct 2025

I have prepared these estimated set of accounts in the large part comparing like with like from the last year's accounts. In my opinion it is the best option as a comparison as it's impossible to predict the future.

Turning to the main theme of the estimated accounts. The increase in fees of 5% recommended by myself and your committee. This increase we feel is needed for these reasons. The clubs unavoidable cost increases, rent, insurance, toll fees etc, and also to make a start on rebuilding the clubs financial reserves (it has always been accepted that the club tries to hold one year's operating cost in reserve (approx £14500)

Looking at the estimated accounts you can see that if all goes well and with an ongoing strict restraint on all spending this should leave the club with a total of £15856 in the bank, which after the very large increase in the costs incurred (£8778) by the pulling out of the first contractor engaged to replace the quay heading, is no small feat.

Looking back over the years after covid, I think that together with the improvements made to the clubs infrastructure and also running repairs carried out, the cost of membership has been kept to a very reasonable amount, given how much the general cost of living has rocketed, I hope you agree.

I hope you can all support this proposal for a 5% increase in the fees, which I think keeps fabric of the club intact and also the safety net in the bank.

With regard to the increase in membership and mooring/dinghy park fees, I would like to inform you that the increase is 5% rounded up to the nearest 5 or 10 decimal point. This was the decision of the committee.

We must all remember that as the faculties footprint of the club increase so will the cost of maintain those faculties we all enjoy.

Club member's proposed, seconded and all attending unanimously agreed a 5% increase in club fees for 2025.

Race Officers Report 2024 Ben Adams

Looking back over the past year it has been jam packed with numerous events, all very successful.

The summer series has been well supported throughout the year with an average of 7 boats per race with numbers increasing to 10 and 11 on occasions. Predominantly with Yeoman keel boats with 1 or 2 Wayfarers. The cruisers averaged 3 boats and once at 4.

Our Open Regatta was well supported this year with a bigger fleet of Norfolk One Designs from Frostbites compared with last year.



This was swiftly followed the next week with our invitation to 6 members of the Yeoman fleet from Lough Erne Yacht Club in Northern Ireland along with special guests from Norfolk Broads Yacht Club and Horning Sailing Club. I am sure many of you remember the mornings downriver team race which Lough Erne narrowly won, followed by a fabulous bring and share picnic lunch and for our guests the thrill of sailing in a broads traditional sailing yacht in the afternoon. The day was finished off with a meal in the tavern and the presentation of the team trophy to Lough Erne's team captain.

Our next passage race was for the Reedham cup. A strong wind helped the boats speed to Reedham in a time of 1hour 19 minutes. Just think, it often takes us that long to get to Buckenham. The winning combined time after the return leg was 3hours 15 minutes just 10 minutes short of the record time.

The very next day we were back again for the first picnic race. The wind was fresh and we had no problem getting to Cantley, with time to relax by the river bank and wait for the flood tide for the return leg.

The Hardley Mill cruise proved to be a glorious sunny day and a fresh breeze stronger than forecast. As a precaution Gary and Jude Harris offered to motor down in their launch in case we were stranded but as it turned out we were all able to sail both ways without assistance. The BBQ was fabulous as always.

The club regatta was as popular as ever with 11 boats taking part. Some of the try sailors attended but could not be encouraged to enter the novice race.

There was no wind for the second picnic race and it ended up as a fun day just drifting down on the tide. The race was rescheduled for 2 weeks later and proved to be a successful day.

That takes us to the Yare Navigation race. A better weather forecast than the year before allowed the committee to set the course to Pokeys Mill, half way from Reedham to Berney Arms. 37 boats took to the line, encouraged by the change in handicap system separating into 3 classes. All boats completed the course in time although dusk had fallen by the time the last boat returned. With the trophy presentation and entertainment in the evening at the Tavern, it finished off a very successful day.

The very next week saw the visit of the Waveney One Design fleet from Oulton Broad for the weekend's event. 10 Waveney's travelled up the Yare towed by 6 motor cruisers. On the Saturday afternoon we had a downriver team event narrowly won by the Coldham fleet and Sunday morning was our regular local races and the Waveney's racing for their own trophies. The Waveney fleet thoroughly enjoyed their weekend with us and will try and join us for our spring regatta as well as our autumn event next year.



Last, but not least, was our Triple B Race on 12th October. This race is becoming more popular with more visiting boats. 4 punts from Barton Broad, Wroxham and Beccles a Merlin Rocket from Blakeney Sailing Club and a 470 from Snowflake Sailing Club. A Laser from Waveney Sailing Club and 2 Seafly from Blakeney were hoping to come but were put off by the weather forecast. We anticipate even more visiting boats next year.

Over some years now, we have forged better links with many other sailing clubs. Norwich Frostbite, Waveney & Oulton Broad, Norfolk Broads YC at Wroxham, Snowflake Sailing Club now at Wroxham. Horning, Barton Broad and Lough Erne in Northern Ireland.

Next year we are planning for more of the same.

The significant changes for next year are that the Yare Navigation Race is later in the year 4th October. Not ideal tides but the best option around at that time. For the Triple B the tides are awful but we have the option of moving the date significantly. We have chosen 19th July. The benefits of this time of year is that the daylight hours are much longer and we can extend the period of the race with the potential of setting the course all the way to Breydon Water.

On the domestic front, we increased the number of downriver races this year and I have had a request to extend the Yeoman mid-summer downriver series on Sunday afternoons which I have increased to 8 races.

Notwithstanding all of this activity there has still been time to enjoy a mid-week sail during the year and I thank Judith for managing this admirably.

It remains for me to wish you an enjoyable sail for the remaining 2 races this year and to look forward to an exciting programme next year.

Following the reports there then took place the appointment of Auditors, Election of Officers and Election of the committee.

The meeting was then opened to a discussion open forum. Topics discussed included:-

- Norfolk County Council draft consultation document with proposals for future flooding issues.
- Requirements for paddlers – possible purchase of electric pump to assist with inflation
- Problems with Mole hills occurring on the dinghy park.
- Work being done by Bill Clark in conjunction with other Broads bodies, clubs and organisations to deal with threat to sailing due to excess trees.

The meeting ended around 9pm.

Winter Series Downriver, Sunday 8th December.

Previously postponed due to storm Conall's poor timing earlier in the month the final race of the Winter Downriver Series was forced to be cancelled a second time as storm Darragh blew in from the West. Race officer Ben had hoped that the winds would, as forecast, abate in time for the race start time. As Sunday dawned though it became obvious that Darragh was not going to do as predicted and at the last-minute Ben took the tough decision that with winds of 50+mph and high tides making access to the club difficult it was the safest and wisest option to cancel the race. So, with that the main race seasons both came to a blustery finish, with just the Christmas Pudding race to go. Who would have thought with the first 3 races of the series being marked by a lack of wind the series would end in such a dramatic way. At least we didn't suffer any damage to either the club premises or boats.



Thankyou to all who took part in the races that could be run and also to those who gave up their time to man the rescue boat and run the races as OOD. Lest hope next years Winter series has better luck.



The Carnser from Tavern



Coldham Boatyard

The Midweekers

Judith Robertson

Midweek sailors have had a busy year, with regular weekday outings either up or down river, maybe stopping at lunch time for a picnic or pub food and a pint at The Reedcutter in Cantley or The Ferry House in Surlingham. Reedham or Bramerton are other destinations. It is a good way to team up and to have the bonus of other boats to sail with. Mostly it has been Yeoman, but Janet and Tim have joined us in the club Wayfarer on occasion. Perhaps other Wayfarer sailors might consider this is something they would like to do?

A day is chosen with sun, wind and tide in mind. Meeting at 10am to leave by 10.30 and typically back by 3.30 or before if time is limited. This is organized by email.



On Thursday 19th Midweekers travelled up to The Ferry, this occasion by road for their annual Christmas lunch, although the water was covering the road when they left, an enjoyable festive lunch and a couple with Fish and Chips provided by Sonia's team along with a choice of starters and traditional sweets were enjoyed by all.

Winter walks are planned for the New Year, Midweekers will receive an email update, all members are invited to join a walk, if you wish to join in please email Judith; jude_rob2000@yahoo.co.uk

Christmas pudding Race 15th December 2024



After the blustery end to the Winter Downriver Series all eyes were turned to following the forecast for Sunday 15th and the Christmas Pudding race.

Fortunately, the winter storms relented to give a mild if grey morning with winds light to moderate. Officer of the day Dave Woolston set a simple two buoy course, fairly well separated and with a large field of eleven Yeomans and two Wayfarers opted for a split start and four laps.

Sandy and John Wells in Yeoman 'Diamond Lil' hit the line running and took an early lead which proved unassailable giving them the overall win (and the biggest puddings). Dave and Will Taitt in Yeoman 'Trio' having started in the second split made good time over the water to finish just 1 minute behind Sandy and John with Stuart Lee, Emma Crowfoot and Judith Robertson in 'Millchic' just 17 seconds behind to claim third place and a share each of the smallest puddings around.

Following the racing crews assembled in the clubhouse for the prize presentation accompanied by Mulled Wine and Mince Pies.

Editors note - apologies for the shaky race pictures but I was sailing a heeling yeoman whilst trying not to hit anything and holding a camera and trying not to drop it overboard all at the same time



Canoe and Paddle Board Section



Paddle News – December 2024

Vickie and Clare

With recent weather conditions and chilly days there is not much to report for the paddle and canoe section this month. We would like to give a reminder to all members that Paddling can and does continue through the winter months at the club, so on a suitable lovely day with light winds, after checking the forecast and the tides, why not head to the club and set off on a refreshing paddle.

Company is recommended and it is essential that you inform someone of your planned trip and likely return time. Please wrap-up warm and ensure you have adequate protective warm clothing and a change of clothes at the club, just in case. Importantly wear suitable protective clothing including a buoyancy aid.

Enjoy the days and a Merry Christmas and Happy new Year to You All

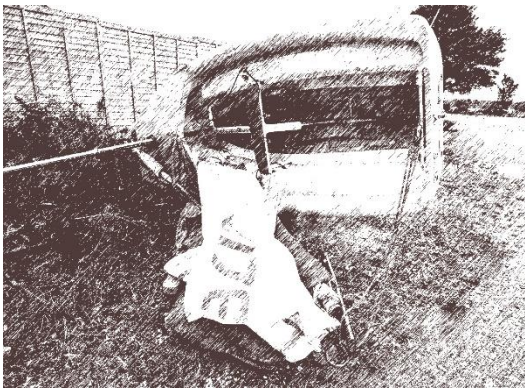
Winter Weather Preparation

A plea to all members sailing, canoeing & paddling.

The last two months have seen the first couple of storms of the season and luckily the club has not had any damage to property or boats etc. occur. So far!

However, we should not become complacent. There are sure to be bigger and stronger storms with much stronger gusts in the coming couple of months. In the past we have had instances of boats being blown over by wind and sometimes damaging boats to the side of them. So please, if you cannot take your boat/canoe/kayak away for safe winter storage then take a few moments over Christmas break to prepare and go down the club and do so.

Make sure your boat cover is properly fitted and secured. Remove any equipment that is not needed over winter such as sails and store safe and dry at home. If you can, tie the boat down to the trailer and additionally fit tie downs securing the boat and trailer to stakes in the ground so that it cannot blow over.



Owners of canoes/kayaks on the racks should consider securing them to the frame of the rack with strong rope to prevent them being blown around by high winds.

If you leave anything in the clubhouse then please make sure it is not on the floor so that it is protected should the clubhouse flood.

Members are reminded that CHSC are not responsible for damage to members property (Club By-laws dated 2022) as such members are responsible for damage caused to their boat/canoe/kayak or to other members boats/canoes/kayaks or club property caused by failing to ensure a boat/canoe/kayak is adequately secured.

Your Insurance company may not pay out if they feel that you have not taken adequate precautions leaving you with what could be a major expense.

Eyes on the Moorings and Dinghy Park



The club would like to recognise and thank Steve Martin for his daily visit to the club premises, keeping an eye on and checking things are in order. On a couple of occasions Steve has managed to contact members to quickly rectify any issues he has spotted (such as loose or sagging canopies) thus saving further complications and possible damage. We also thank Sean (currently moored outside the Pub) for particularly keeping an eye on the moorings where the Yeomans and Cruisers are. During Storm Darragh he spotted a problem and assisted two Yeomans back into the river when the bow of one and the stern of the other were lifted onto the bank with the extremely high tides, leaving the boats stuck half out of the water. A feat on any day but on this occasion, it was **4 am. Yes in the early hours of the morning** and all by torchlight. Both Sean and Steve returned in the morning and ensured all boats were finally safe and secure.

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We thank you both for keeping an eye on things and contacting support when needed.

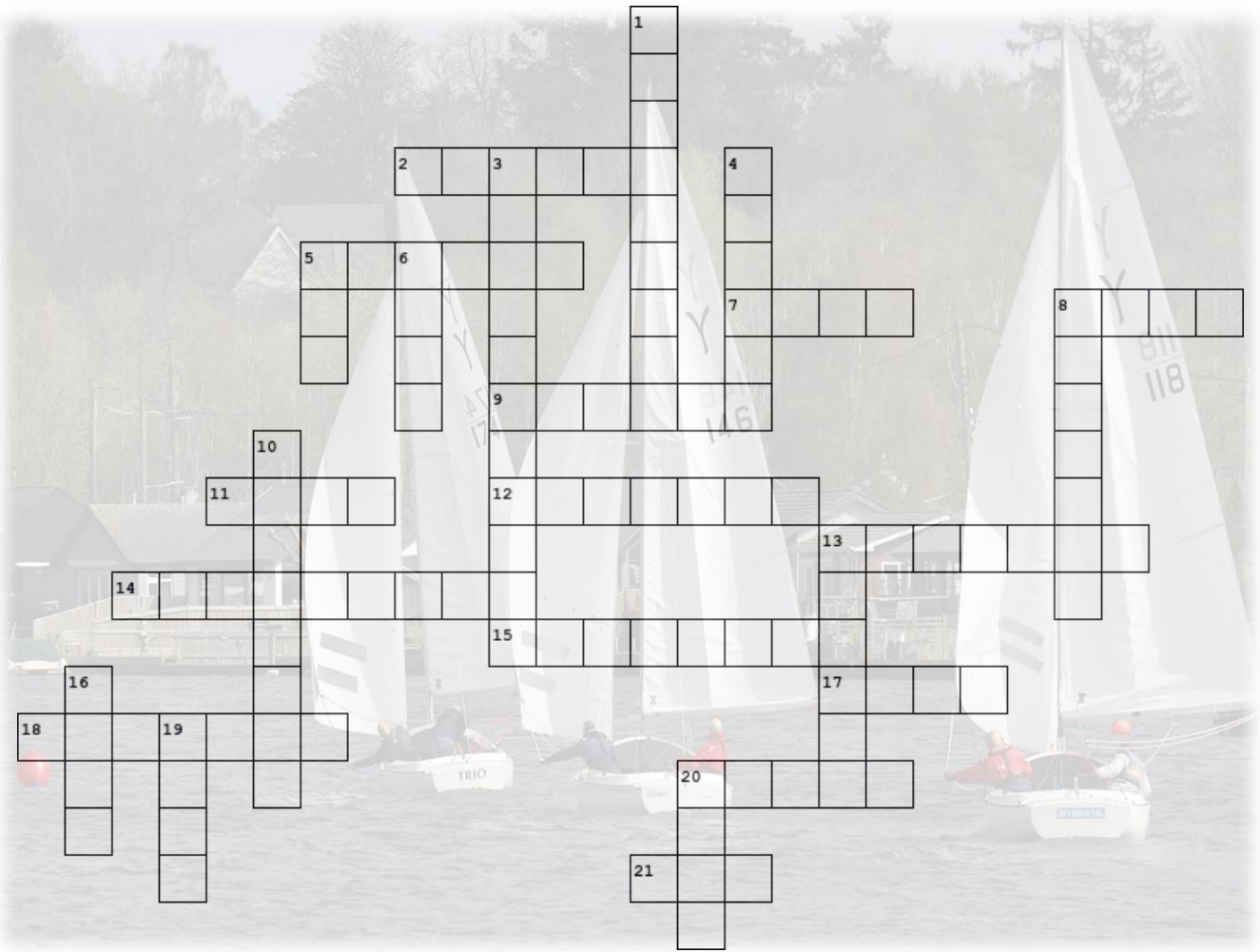
Club Notice

Quay heading repairs are planned to start in late January, you may notice we have moved some of the dinghies on the front to spaces further along the park, we will move at least one of the front benches in the New Year to assist contractors.

If you plan to sail or paddle the slipway remains open at this time.



Something for the quiet moment at Christmas



Across

- 2. A line or piston system on a sailboat used to exert downward force on the boom and thus control the shape of the sail.
- 5. An action you do in order to go downwind.
- 7. upper floor of a ship.
- 8. The main body of a ship or other vessel, including the bottom, sides, and deck.
- 9. A flat piece hinged vertically near the stern of a boat or ship for steering.
- 11. The object that holds up the sail.
- 12. An object that tensions the sail.
- 13. An action you do in order to go upwind.
- 14. A sail designed specifically for sailing off the wind from a reaching course to a downwind course.
- 15. A system on a windsurfing sail that controls the shape of the sail.
- 17. The edge of a fore-and-aft sail next to the mast or stay.
- 18. The space IN the boat where you can eat, sleep and not be wet.
- 20. The object that you stand on in windsurfing

Down

- 1. A position when you have to be given space.
- 3. A pivoted board that can be lowered through the keel of a sailing boat to reduce sideways movement.
- 4. An object that protects the body of a boat when it is in a port.
- 5. A triangular staysail set forward of the mast.
- 6. an anchored float serving as a navigation mark, to show reefs or other hazards.
- 8. An action caused by the force of the wind on the sails.
- 10. The biggest sail on a sailboat.
- 13. A horizontal bar fitted to the head of a boat's rudder post and used for steering.
- 16. A position when you have to give space for the starboard to cross.
- 19. The lengthwise timber or steel structure along the base of a ship, supporting the framework of the sailboat.
- 20. An object that controls the angle and shape of the sail.

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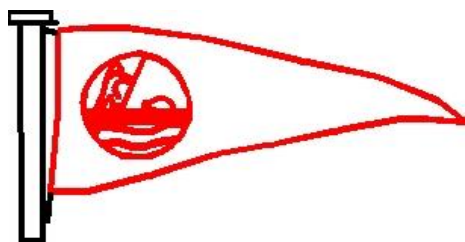
21. The most forward part of a boat.

And finally, one for the Oldies! – A bit of nostalgia for anyone born before 1971 basically

If you are old enough you will recall that Britain changed to decimal money coinage on 15th February 1971 but how well do you remember the old (pre decimal) money. Dust off the little grey cells, and see if you can work out the clues to find various old monetary values that add up to £32 18s 2½ d. For you youngsters that 32 pounds (£) 18 shillings (s) and tuppence halfpenny (d) (ask your Gran).

No	Clue	Answer	£	s	d
1	A Stone				
2	A Type of Bicycle				
3	Two Policemen				
4	Tommy Steel Musical				
5	A Mans Name				
6	A Male Singer				
7	A Kind of 'Pig'				
8	A Monkeys Leg Joint				
9	A Leather Worker				
10	The Sun, Moon & Pluto				
11	Fifty % off Panties				
12	To Hit Repeatedly				
13	Unwell Sea Creature				
14	A Royal Head Dress				
15	A Girls Name				
<i>Answers in January issue.</i>			32	18	2 ½

Crossword Answers
Across 2.Kicker,5.Jibing,7.Hull,8.Deck,9.Rudder,11.Mast,12.Outhaul,13.Tacking,14.Spinnaker,15.Downhaul,17.Luff,18.Cockpit,20.Board,21.Bow
Down 1.Starboard,3.Centerboard,4.Fender,5.Jib,6.Buoy,8.Heeling,10.Mainsail,13.Tiller,16.Port,19.Keel,20.Boom



Coldham Hall Sailing Club Annual Dinner and Prize Giving

Saturday 18th January 2025 - 7.00 for 7.15
The Old Feathers, Loddon Road, Framlingham Pigot. Nr14 7QB

Menu

Starters

Feathers vegetable soup. (GV)
Mozzarella sticks with a roasted tomato chutney
Breaded chicken tossed in our teriyaki BBQ & sesame seed sauce
Prawn & crayfish tail cocktail with Marie-Rose
Smoked Salmon, beetroot & caper salad with a lemon and dill sauce

Mains

Homemade beef lasagna, chips and salad
Prawn, crayfish, smoked salmon and beetroot salad (GV)
Homemade steak & local Woodforde's ale pie, mash, peas, green beans and broccoli
Scampi, chips, peas, salad & tartare
Cheese and bacon beef burger, chips & coleslaw
Chicken in a creamy leek & mushroom sauce with mustard mash & green beans (GV)
Salmon grilled with caper butter & cherry tomatoes, crushed new potatoes, green beans & wilted spinach (GV)
Wild mushroom Stroganoff & rice (GV) (can be made vegan on request)
Vegetable tikka masala, rice, onion salad & poppadum (GV) (can be made vegan on request)

Desserts

Fresh banana ice cream sundae (GV)
Apple & cherry crumble & ice cream (GV) (can be made vegan on request)
Mint chocolate ice cream sundae
Warm chocolate fudge cake with ice cream (can be made vegan on request)
Brownie with ice cream (GV) (can be made vegan on request)
Mocha coffee & walnut ice cream sundae
Homemade lemon tart with ice cream
Mixed berry Eton mess (GV)
Fruit Salad

Cost of the meal will be £30.50 for three courses per person. This includes tea/coffee but not a gratuity.

Donations for raffle prizes will be most welcome.

Last chance to book is **3/1/2025**.

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