NEWSLETTER 4 - 2011

Dear Member  **30th Sept 2011.**

Well as summers go, this has been a season of two parts – summer part one was in April/May, and summer part 2 is obviously in September! Unfortunately, the weather for every one of our organised events this season has been more like autumn! So much for our rallies to France and for theirs here, I hope that your individual trips have been more successful, with our apologies for the cancellations.

LAYING UP SUPPER

This brings us to the one event that cannot be cancelled because of bad weather – the annual Laying up Supper. After the success of last year’s event, Roger Clark - our Social Secretary has booked a brand new venue for this event, the new Liberty’s Restaurant, Bar and Entertainment venue overlooking St. Helier Marina (see [www.libertysjersey.co.uk](http://www.libertysjersey.co.uk) ), on **Saturday 22nd October**. They have arranged a special menu for us (see enclosed) for £25, retaining last year’s price. A good range of house wines are available at £15.75 a bottle.

The meal will start at 7.30 for 8pm in the Quayside Restaurant, although the Mimosa bar will be available for us to meet up from 6pm. For those wanting to chat afterwards, there is live music in the bar area, or stay in the restaurant, which are both reserved for us. For the more energetic, there will be dancing from 10.30 when the DJ’s take over.

Apologies for the relatively short notice, as they have only just opened - however please return the booking form below with full payment as quickly as possible, as it is likely to be a sell-out, since we are again extending the invitation to the other Jersey and French Boat Owners Associations. It will be strictly first come, first served, so don’t miss out, and please feel free to put together a table with friends.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This has been arranged for Sunday November the 20th, with the usual format, but a new venue. The meeting will again be held before Sunday lunch, but this year we will be going to the Maison Gorey Hotel. The main reason for this is by using a bigger room, everyone will be able to sit down for the AGM. Full details, agenda and minutes will be sent out in the final newsletter of the year in the first week of November, but please put the date in your diary.

MAYDAY REGULATIONS

It has been brought to our attention that the procedures for a Mayday call must now include both the MMSI number AND the radio call sign. As most boat-owners are unlikely to know or use either of these (myself included), it is suggested that these be found and displayed in some way near the VHF radio. Please also remember that the French authorities have been checking for valid registration papers and VHF radio licences.

WINTER RYA COURSES

In conjunction with St. Helier Yacht Club and RYA trainer Julian Barber, we now have access to a number of highly recommended courses. I would urge any members who take their boats off-shore to take at least the Day-skipper theory and VHF radio courses. Please send back the slip below (or email me) if you are interested in either of these. Please note that the first VHF course starts on the 5th October, and the first Day-skipper one on the 23rd. There will however, be more after Christmas, so please let me know whether you can make the first ones or not – this is a very good way to use some of the winter lull.

THEFTS AT GOREY

Once again I have to report that the fuel thieves have been at it again in Gorey Harbour. Please make sure that you do not store fuel in containers that can be accessed by thieves – remove temptation. In addition, whenever you are down at the harbour, please keep an eye out for suspicious activity and report anything to the police immediately.

FISHING GEAR

We are very pleased to report that the brand new cages for fishermen’s gear are now in place at the end of the pier, complete with first floor balcony! Many thanks to Harbours for these, we now look forward to a tidier pier-head.

So I hope to see many of you at the Laying Up Supper on the 22nd, don’t delay in getting those slips back as quickly as possible please, to avoid disappointment.

Calm Seas,

Chris Parlett

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Chairman

Don’t forget to check out our website at [www.gboa.org.uk](http://www.gboa.org.uk/)

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Please return the slip(s) below by 14th October to Chris Parlett (Chairman), **Sunnylands, La Grande Route des Sablons, Grouville, JE3 9HG**

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I am interested in one of the RYA courses this winter, please let me have some details.

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I would like to reserve \_\_\_\_\_\_ places at the Gorey Boat Owners Laying-Up Supper at the Liberty’s Restaurant on **Saturday the 22nd October**, and enclose full payment of £25 per person *– (Cheques payable to the Gorey Boat Owners Association)*

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