



Gybers News Pentewan Sands Sailing Club Newsletter

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a HEALTHY NEWYEAR

Welcome & festive greetings to all to a revived club Gybers Newsletter! As it's been awhile, thought it was about time and will give you an idea of what's been happening at the club & some but not all of the exciting things planned for next year.

2024 has seen more club members taking to the water both on & in it! Than in previous years with club members out sailing, joining in club racing, kayaking, Paddleboarding and swimming. The year started off with a rubbish clean of all the local coves and despite poor weather to start with! on water sailing & kayaking finally took off.

Thanks also to Gary for running a very successful 'Try Sail' day with several new members signed up. We

even organized the first sailing side of Portmellon Regatta.



Along the way have also hosted the Barbarians charity row again, which raised over £14K, with a few sore limbs and heads the next day! Apart from the popular Sunday/

Thursday Apré sail/kayak/swim at the Catz bar an ex Royal Marines fundraising event for disabled veterans was also held.



Portmellon Regatta



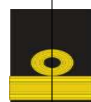
The Club A.G.M was held on the 24th November and you will be all pleased to hear that during these hard times membership & boat storage fees are remaining the same. The form will be emailed out separately when the mayhem of this festive time of year has abated!

Miles

Winter 24/25

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2025 MEMBERSHIP FORM. To be emailed out

- Diary dates:
- 25th December: Present opening :-)
- Boxing Day S.P.S
- New Years Day: S.P.S & HAPPY NEW YEAR .
- **Don't forget to** register on the clubs Facebook page for quicker updates and remember if you change your email address, let me know as I am not psychic!





Seasons Greetings,

The shortest day of the year is soon to be, or has gone , by the time you read this ,so let's look forward to brighter days ahead. Let's be positive and hope that the weather is a bit kinder in 2025.

Just because it's the winter, it does not mean that things will not be happening at the club. We have members who are planning to swim , sail and kayak if and when the conditions allow. The Clubhouse will be available for all members as usual.

From January to March we are looking to organise at least one club based event a month. Lunches, Bike rides and maybe the odd curry night! Please keep an eye on the Facebook page and emails for more details. The club remains indebted to its volunteers. Our two WhatsApp groups of Piskies and Cohorts will I'm sure be asked to step up come April to set up and spruce up the club for the summer.

We will be publishing a calendar of events soon for your perusal . So sharpen your pencils and make some dates.

As with this year, we plan to open the club on Thursdays and Sundays and provide safety cover for all water activities.

Step up, the volunteers to help us, provide this important facility!! Finally, we will look to host events , parties and socials to maximise the use of the wonderful facilities , we, the members have available to us.

So buckle up for fantastic 2025 PSSC adventure. *Meyrick*

Paddlers Section

Rubbish collection paddle around the bay for March/April. TBC

We are Planning on running a kayak refresher day/eve from the club once the water warms up a bit in May. Hints & tips on how to paddle, self rescue and kit to take.

Paddlers safari: TBC.



News from the sea (usually known as Sailing Secretaries bit)

Hello everyone,

I'm James Iliffe, and I'm thrilled to introduce myself as the new Sailing Secretary for Pentewan Sands Sailing Club. Having been a part of the club for the past year, I've grown to love not only the camaraderie but also the club's ethos of simply enjoying the water. Whether it's sailing, paddling, or just splashing about, there's no better place to appreciate the water than here at Pentewan Sands.

This year, I'm keen to see even more people getting involved in all types of watersports – not just sailing. If you've got an idea for something new or a suggestion for how we can encourage more activity, I'd love to hear from you. After all, the club is for everyone to enjoy, and the more we can offer, the better.

For our sailors, I'm excited to announce that we'll be hosting a **Spring, Summer, and Autumn Cup** this year. These events will give us all something to look forward to throughout the season, whether you're competing or cheering from the shore. In addition, we're aligning our calendar with **Porthpean Sailing Club** to give us the opportunity to sail with a larger fleet. I hope this will not only make our races more exciting but also strengthen our ties with the local sailing community.

Pentewan Sands Sailing Club has such a welcoming and enthusiastic spirit, and I'm looking forward to building on that this year. Whether you're a seasoned sailor or someone new to watersports, let's work together to make 2024 a fantastic year on the water.

See you out there!

James Iliffe
Sailing Secretary
Pentewan Sands Sailing Club



CATZ BAR



Some of the events from this year.





Mmmh sails!

Swim, Paddle or Sail @ the club

Boxing Day Swim/Paddle or Sail:

(or even just a walk on the beach with friends and family?)

Clubhouse open from 10.30 - 12. Mulled wine & Hot chocolate (with or without a shot available). £2

In case the weather is not very compliant! you missed Boxing Day due to other commitments

or your just keen/mad to start the year off.



New Years Day Swim/Paddle or Sail:

Clubhouse open from 10.30 -12. Mulled wine & Hot chocolate (with or without a shot available). £2

Available, a glass/mug of Mulled Wine, Stollen all for only £3 per head.

(booking not essential but it will help the Galley Slaves out if you do!)

NB: no safety cover so its at your own risk!



Sociable Sundays. Any ideas welcome. Walks and work parties included.



P.S.S.C. 2025 COMMITTEE.

Commodore: Meyrick Holmes

Rear Commodore: Roger Lewsey

Club Secretary: Miles Avery. members@pentewansailingclub.org.uk

Treasurer: Ashleigh Dowell

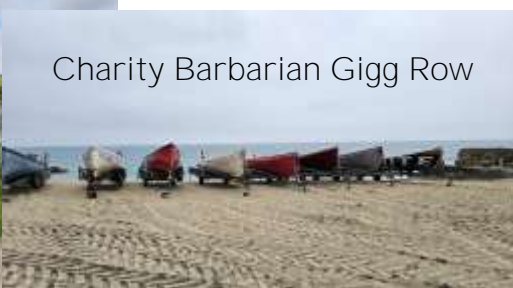
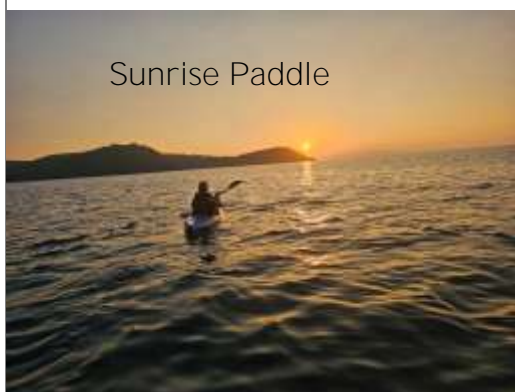
Sailing Secretary: James Iliffe

Paddle Sports: Ted Simpson

Club Engineer: Clive Pryor

General: Steve Humphries

Welfare: Andrew Earl



Hope this newsletter has been useful in reminding you what the club is up to and hopefully you can not only enjoy more sailing and time out on the water but help out on the club events. Remember 'the more the merrier' and 'many hands make light work'.

PS: The editor takes no responsibility in any spelling/grammar or insults.

Look out for the 2025
Club membership forms that will be emailed out at the start of the new year.
It will also be important that if you order drinks at the bar you will need your
club membership card



along with
your vehicle car sticker clearly on display if you are parked on the headland.

2025 Membership cards and car pass stickers
will be available for collection from the clubhouse bar on Sundays & Thursdays
when the clubhouse is open from
MARCH.



& thats why we changed the format!