

County Antrim Yacht Club

Newsletter



Wine Tasting Night - Saturday 11th February 2006

Dates for your Diary

WINE TASTING NIGHT
Hosted by Paul Abraham
Saturday 11 February
At 8.30 pm
£10.00pp Entry Fee

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Thursday 16 February
At 8.00 pm

ST PATRICK'S DAY
Friday 17 March
SPONSORED CYCLE TO SLEMISH
Starts at 9.00 am

Saturday 18 March
SPONSORED CYCLE TO BALLYGALLEY
Starts at 9.00 am

ENTERTAINMENT QUIZ
Hosted by Noel & Gillian McKee
SATURDAY 8 APRIL
At 8.00 pm

OPENING DAY
Saturday 29 April
At 3.00 pm

MID SUMMER BBQ
Saturday 24 June

After much debate the roof repair has commenced and in fact by the time you read this, will probably have been finished. This includes the work required for the chimney. Having reviewed the situation the General Committee has decided to replace the sea facing side of the roof completely.

The other side of the roof appears to still be in reasonable order, so the plan is now to install central heating and redecorate the inside of the General Room. Quotes for the heating installation have been sourced from 3 potential suppliers and the General Committee will make an early decision on this. Overall we expect that the cost will be in the region of £15,000.

Fund raising activities have started with a ballot held on Commodore's Night. On Saturday 11 February Paul Abraham will be your popular host for a Wine Tasting Night.

The sponsored cycle to Slemish has caught the imagination (madness!). If everyone taking part can raise £100 each, we should have close to £3000 from this venture. We even have some non-members participating. If you haven't made a donation towards the roof fund, please take the time to sponsor one of the following:-
 Rory McKenna, Stephen Foster, Harry Carse, John Lewis, Gary Stanbridge, Lennie Entwistle, David Ellwood, Henry Fletcher, Bill Foster, Colin Todd, Richard Henning, Noel McKee, Julie Haveron, Keith Black, Dessie McKendry, Alistair McCarlie, Raymond Patton, Claire Patton,

David Jamison, Bob Nixon, Sharon Magee, Mark Winters, John Rodgers, Jim Bothwell, Jim Rankin, Paul Abraham, Gavin Pollard, Stephen Todd and Gareth White. Any others are more than welcome.

Some people can't make the 'Friday Run' so the alternative is to cycle to Ballygalley on the Saturday morning. There will be food in the Club on your return followed by the last 3 matches in the Six Nations Championship. (Eng v Ire is the last match.)

The start of the **Ice Breaker Series is Sunday 12 March** with 2 races scheduled for each Sunday. Regatta Day will be on **Saturday 10 June**, so this will give us a good opportunity to tidy the place up. Please ensure that any changes of boat owners are advised to the Hon. Sailing Secretary. Raft Race Day in aid of the RNLI has been scheduled for **Sunday 30 July**.

Membership Fees are now due. The Direct Debit Scheme continues to prove very successful with over £7,500 now collected in this way. **Please come and support the AGM.** This is a crucial year with a lot of money to be spent on the Club. We need your continued input.

And Finally!!!

A big thank you to all the Committee Members who contributed during the last year (and more).