

BRIGHTON MARINA YACHT CLUB

Summer 2020





We're back..... On 6th July the club reopened, with a brand new bar and galley team from Space and Thyme... a new look and a great new menu. (See p2 for more) We've had some sailing training events so the sea-deprived have been able to get out and limber up.. all within safe social distancing rules.

A few words from Greg: Rear Commodore Racing

I'm really pleased to see that so many of you have been able to take part in our Shakedown and Performances Builder Events. It's been great to have so many boats taking part.

In the coming weeks BMYC Racing would like to continue with them and offer more, including Coastal Events, a weekend 'regatta style' Festival of Sailing and long distance Round Rampion Challenge.



We have set a tentative date for our Festival for the 5th and 6th September and our Rampion Challenge is planned to take the place of the cancelled Round th Island Race on Saturday 26th September.



Welcome to The Watershed - the newly refurbished bar and restaurant at BMYC! We hope you like the changes we've made to the clubhouse and have been enjoying our food and drink offering so far. We have certainly been enjoying getting stuck into this new and exciting venture and meeting so many of the members, their family and friends (and pooches!).

All our dishes are made onsite from scratch using fresh local ingredients and our menu for the first few weeks has been designed to offer quality, value and choice

serving up small plates, classic dishes like fish & chip and burgers as well as larger sharing platters and charcuterie boards. The menu will be updated and adapted from time to time as we settle in and get to know members and the venue better as well as to ensure the best seasonal produce is being used. We also have dishes suitable for vegetarians and vegans.

The kitchen is open daily from 12 midday to 9 pm and we open early for teas/coffees and pastries on race days. On Sundays we serve one of the best roasts in Brighton with all the trimmings and don't forget We encourage all members to book a table in advance but will always do our best to accommodate any last minute bookings or walk-ins. To book a table you can email bar@bmyc.uk or phone 01273 818711. You can also message us on Facebook so please follow and like us on @thewatershed.bmyc. We have an Instagram account too which is @thewatershedbrighton and our website is now up and running so go to www.thewatershed.club to have a look!

Lastly, we would like to assure all members that we are doing everything we can to keep you and our staff as safe as possible during this time. We have hand sanitising stations at the entrance and around the clubhouse, signage around the venue, tables and seating that have been arranged to comply with

social distancing guidelines and are doing regular cleaning and sanitising checks.





Watershed@BMYC -when you can come and enjoy the view and the food. BAR – Opening Hours

Sunday 08:00 – 23:00 Morning Racing & Sunday Lunch

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GALLEY – Opening Hours

Sunday 12:00-21:00 (and for breakfast on race days) Morning Racing & Sunday Lunch Monday 12:00-21:00 Tuesday 12:00-21:00 Wednesday 12:00-21:00

Thursday 12:00 – 21:00 Friday 12:00 – 21:00 Saturday 12:00 – 21:00

An article from one of our members : Great to hear from you Alex

Alex Rickman – Ellen MacArthur Cancer Trust

Over the past couple of summers I have been volunteering with the Ellen MacArthur Cancer Trust on sailing voyages, as Mate, and with activity centre trips. You may have seen the Trusts' adapted yacht "Solent Hero" with its striking blue hull sailing out of Cowes, where the EMCT HQ is based.

The trust takes young people between 8-17 & 18-24 who are recovering from cancer on a 4 day trip to help rebuild their confidence. The transformation during these trips is incredible, a magic happens as they come together and overcome challenges. One young lad I sailed with was recovering from recurring brain tumours, as we sailed across the Solent away from land he was terrified and found safety in his cabin. Entering the Beaulieu River he nervously came up on deck and then confidently took the helm with a beaming smile. The Trust understandably isn't running any trips this year but they're finding new ways remotely through its Virtual Summer program to connect with the young people and recreate that magic!

Having worked with young people throughout my life and received treatment for cancer in 2012, the Trust has brought together many elements and experiences into one place. In March this year I was honoured to be presented with the Luke Gilbert Volunteer of the Year Award.

Charities have been hit hard by the outcomes of Covid-19 with the sudden loss of income from organised fundraising events being cancelled, EMCT is expecting to lose nearly a third this year. I was due to run around the Isle of Wight, 66 miles, in May in aid of the EMCT. Well, we didn't manage to sail around it last year as the wind dropped so I thought I'd give it a go under my own power! The event has



been postponed to 2021 therefore I have set myself a challenge to run a marathon a month for a year, completing my fourth on 25th July. You can follow my progress at https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/alex-rickman4.

Club class 2020

Club Class was an early victim of lockdown. We started week one with poor weather and were unable to get out. That was way back on 16th March... and you know the rest.

The lovely thing was that many of Club Class stayed with us, and those who could not made it clear that they would be back in the

Autumn...... But that was never going to be that simple.

We have taken the difficult decision to cancel the Autumn Club Class, due to start on 16th September. Social distancing rules means we can't be mixing multiple households either in the club house for our introductory talks, or on the boats. Many thanks for the patience of our eager Clubclassers.

Now we are aiming for the Spring.... No date settled yet, as we have yet to work out our race calendar for 2021, but hopefully life will be normal enough to make a start in mid-March. Finger crossed!

Welcome Ekaterina

The latest addition to our racing fleet, due to arrive shortly... Graham Walton's new International Folkboat coming to join us. We're looking forward to meeting her properly.





Burgee Swap

The former Commodore of Liverpool Yacht Club came to say hello and swapped YC burgees with Paul, our Vice-Commodore at BMYC.

Look out for it appearing in the club.

