



## Portland Yacht Club 2017

### A message from the commodore

Well for many reasons 2017 was a year that went very quickly, and the organisation of the numerous PYC events certainly contributed to that. I hope that in my inaugural year as commodore everyone felt that there have been enough events to develop interest within the club.

After the AGM in January our first sortie was a walk up “the mountain” to the Jailhouse café where we had lunch and a recuperation, to prepare for the descent. Needless to say no one was lost and all returned to the marina with a gentle glow in the calf muscles.

The launching supper in March was a great success, with 60 members enjoying the sociable atmosphere, and meeting other Portland sailors.



During the summer



we had numerous BBQs “on the green outside the office, and even though the weather was sometimes marginal, everyone managed to have a good time, and the standard of the cooking was rather splendid!

Sailing wise many members ventured outside the bay, and I hope that in 2018, we can develop some PYC sailing in company, particularly day events around the bay, that everyone can enjoy.

The September Boat Show trip ended up as a terrestrial trip owing to the boisterous weather. However many members assembled at the D&R stand creating quite a party atmosphere, which



I'm sure was not just the wine!



The laying up supper seemed to come around very fast in October, and was another jovial event, even though it heralded the end of the sailing season: Look forward to next year!

Our more thought provoking trip was a very interesting visit to the Met Office in November. Now we have a greater insight into the issues of producing a forecast.

What a way to round off the PYC calendar; carols and mulled wine with the Weymouth Concert Brass Band under the Christmas tree, complete with perfect weather.

A few diary dates for the start of the year:

AGM January 31st

Quiz Night February 2nd

Coast Guard Visit February 21st

Launching Supper March 24th



Have a very happy New Year and great sailing in lovely weather in 2018, even though as I write this the snow is falling and settling outside!

Best wishes

Christine