



JOLLY HARBOUR YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER #1 OF 2017 1/1/17

Commodore's Message. It is with regret that Liz and I have had to return to UK for medical reasons. We hope to be back with you in the near future.

May I wish all Club members past and present a happy and prosperous 2017 full of good winds and great sailing. Social events complement our racing and cruising programme and ensure friendships are maintained. Your social secretary **Sally** (tel 778 2031) has a number of fun events planned for you and I and your Committee hope you will all participate.

Membership To enjoy it you have to be in it! Membership fees have been held unchanged for the past five years, and continue to be EC\$200 for a Family Membership, EC\$ 150 for a single membership. Contact **Barbara** at Club night at Al Porto's next Thursday (5 Jan) or pay at the AGM. Her email address is : Barbara.thomson123@gmail.com

AGM. The annual general meeting will be held on Monday 9th Jan at De Underdog, Jolly Castle. Doors open at 5pm, we hope to get the meeting under way at 6pm. You can pay your annual membership at the door, members will be entitled to two drinks each on production of membership cards. Voting will be by show of hands for members only. Anyone wishing to stand for any Club office or have any other motion to propose should submit it to **Budgie** (783 2021 or budgie.burge@gmail.com) 24 hrs prior to the meeting.

I would like to nominate my great friend Bob Bowen to take the reins for a few months during my absence. Bob is a great sailor and has handled simpler roles in his club in Eastbourne Yacht Club. With the support at the AGM I would like him to be Vice Commodore. JoAnn has agreed with this proposal. Please support him in this role.

Saturday Sailing. Despite the strange absence of so many regular participants this year, Saturday sailing continues, attracting eight boats a couple of weeks ago. The Winter Series is also under way, results on the Club website www.JHYCantigua.com .

Cruising. As there are so few boats around at present, the cruise to **Guadeloupe** on 3/4/5/6 Jan is postponed to a later date. The annual trip to **Barbuda** has been moved to **21/22 Jan**

as it clashed with the AYC RTI race. Would yachts intending to take part please inform Budgie on the number/email above.

Social. Sixty four participants enjoyed the Club Xmas Dinner at Al Portos. Delicious starters, a turkey per table, individual plum puddings, crackers and an open bar made for a great evening. Thanks to Alain and his super staff. Carols and other songs were led by a small detachment of the **Jolly Harbour Ukulele Band**.

Over 30 members used the refurbished Club barbecue at Reeds Point on Xmas Day.

Regular Club nights at Al Portos on Thursdays and post-race prize-giving at De Underdog on Saturdays have become established Club venues. We welcome new members and old friends to either.

Fair winds!

Grahame Williams, Commodore, JHYC