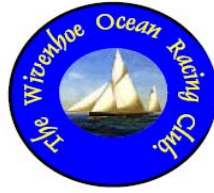


# *The Wivenhoe Ocean Racing Club*



*The Quay Wivenhoe Essex*

## **Summer Newsletter 2011**

Dear Members,

After a blistering April, July has brought weather more reminiscent of the aforementioned. I got soaked at 'The Crabbing Competition' last weekend, so all praise to the children who braved it out. With 'The Regatta' nearly upon us, along with the Cricket Club Concert this Sunday, let's hope the elements will be a little kinder.

You could not have dreamt of a better weather forecast for the 'Pimms Party' at the end of June (*the hottest day of the year at the time*). It was very well attended and proved to be an extremely popular occasion amongst those who came. Well done to Nathalie & Victoria for organising the event, it will definitely be in the calendar again for 2012.

Speaking of regatta, 'The Girls' have entered a team into the Raft Race, Nathalie Claiborne, Victoria Carrick, Lindsay Wheatley and Emelie Banks make up the 'WORC Wonders', I am sure you will all want to wish them good luck and if you are about on the day, they will no doubt hope for and enjoy your support. They will of course be contesting the WORC Boys, racing on behalf of the British Legion.

As you are all probably aware WORC takes a break in July and August, the next published event was a 'Mexican Night' in September. However at a recent committee meeting it was decided to change both the date and the theme. The next event will be a **70s Cheese & Wine Party** to be held on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September** from **2.00-5.00pm, £10 on the door**. We promise cheese and pineapple hedgehogs, celery and dips, prawn vol au vents and as many other delectable fancies that we can collectively recall from that era (*suggestions most welcome*), accompanied by some background music from those heady days.

I would also like to take this opportunity to let you all know of an event, that although nothing to do with WORC, may interest some of the membership. The Wivenhoe Branch of the RBL have for over twenty years looked after the local branch of The Normandy Veterans Association. They are a wonderful bunch of guys, who have steadfastly remained the genuine article, not opening their membership to associates in order to keep going. They all

served with the Navy, Army or Air Force at D Day. Sadly over recent years their numbers have diminished, simply because they are all aged in their late 80s to mid 90s, time has taken its' natural toll. There are still about 20 of them that meet on a monthly basis however they have decided that no one has the strength left to carry their standard. Thus a laying-up of the standard service has been arranged at St. Mary's Church, Wivenhoe on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October** at **1.00pm**, all members of WORC are cordially invited by the NVA to attend. This service will be followed by a reception at the RBL.

Whilst on things military, this years' Poppy Appeal will run from the 5<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> November. I am always eternally grateful to all of you that help out both in the village and with our major collection at Tesco's. Normally we collect at Tesco's from Wednesday to Saturday. If I could find a few more volunteers we could add an extra day, which could increase revenue by about £1,000 for this very worthwhile appeal. Please let me know if you can spare a couple of hours, we run 2 hour slots with 2 people from 8.00am until 6.00pm.

**We need volunteers** to help with the Fireworks on the Quay, anyone who would like to bucket collect, steward, help with the provision of soup & mulled wine or if you feel you have any ideas to help enhance the evening please do not hesitate to contact me.

#### **WORC dates for the rest of 2011**

<b>Sunday 25<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	70s Cheese & Wine Party (£10 on the door)
<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October</b>	WORC Fireworks on the Quay
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Remembrance Sunday (£5 on the door)
<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Drinks party (£5 on the door)
<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	AGM (7.30pm)
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Cocktail Party (Tickets TBC)

I sincerely hope you all enjoy the rest of the Summer, see you in September.

With kindest regards  
Yours sincerely

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