



Venturer

Newsletter of the **North West Venturers Yacht Club**
Gallows Point, Beaumaris, Anglesey, LL58 8YL

Forthcoming Events

OCTOBER 15th

Work party at the Clubhouse, from 0930hrs, come along and help get the place spick and span for the End of Season Party later that evening with food being served from 1900hrs.

OCTOBER 22nd

Des Founds is hosting an outboard winterising session between 1000hrs and 1300hrs. Come along with your outboard and join in the fun!

NOVEMBER 5th

AGM commencing at 1100hrs followed by Members Forum and bonfire night celebrations later that night.

DECEMBER 3rd

Annual dinner dance and prize giving at the Bulkeley Hotel Beaumaris.

JANUARY 14th

Talk by Viv Cox on anchoring, with supper.

FEBRUARY Date TBA.

Welsh dancing at Traith Coch Sailing Club.

MARCH 11th

Talk on The Prince Madog by Mike Kizer with Supper.

APRIL 8th

Start of Season Party.

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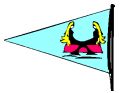
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Commodore's Corner

As I write this (Wednesday 14th Sept) the sun is shining and the outside temperature is 24 degrees plus, what a shame the weekends' have not been the same....

Having said that, it's still in the back my mind that on 1st of November last year we were lucky enough to be sailing back from PY in shorts and tee shirt, so hopefully, we will have some more of the same this year.

Avalon has had a good season again with two weeks in Southern Ireland and a good 15 days in Scotland getting us as far as Stornaway - what a lovely part of the world it is once you get to the outer Hebrides - absolutely stunning and I'm looking forward to spending more time there in the future.

Back to club business. By the end of the sailing season we are hoping to make a start on finishing the last few jobs on the heads then go on to the insulated metal cladding for the outside of the club house to complete this stage of the refurbishment.

Once again we have a full winter social programme in place with, of course, the Dinner Dance on 3rd of December. If it's as much of a success as last year, with Georgie Star once again booked to entertain us, we should all have a very good night indeed. Please save the date and try to attend - it's your chance to dress up and dance the night away in style.

The AGM and Forum will be held on the 5th of November, along with the bonfire night celebrations in the evening, so hopefully we will have a good turn out for the whole day.

The AGM will be your chance to come forward and stand to represent the club.

At the moment we have the Vice Commodore and Sailing Captain's places that need filling, along with two places on the Committee so if you feel you can help your club with these positions, please give it some thought and put your name forward to the secretary before 14th October.

The Forum which follows the AGM will be your chance to have a say on how you want the club to be run, where you want the next years cruise to go too and to talk about next years sailing programme format.

I'm also sure you will have questions regarding the court case presently being brought against the club from an ex member, which we will do our best to answer!

Anyway, that's enough for now and further information will be sent out regarding all the points mentioned above next month.

I hope you all enjoy the rest of the season and may the sun shine on you, along with a steady breeze to fill your sails.

Lee. Commodore.

A piece of Vice

De vice.

Now that the 2016 sailing programme has drawn to a close, it does not seem five minutes since we were all admiring that hard work we had put in over the winter months. Of course there are some who remain in the water right the way through the winter months hoping to catch a few glorious days of winter sunshine to have a sail. For those lucky Venturers, the website blog will have a title of Scratch Cruise to enable you to post any intentions that may come to mind during the coming months.

It has been suggested that perhaps on some of the winter weekends we can explore on foot some of Anglesey's anchorages' and other hidden gems. The rough idea being we could meet at the clubhouse then drive to a local pub where we can leave the cars, go and explore returning to enjoy some lunch or just a nice pint. If you are interested in Winter Walks and would like to help organise them please contact myself by phone or email.

2016 has been like the last few years with the weather proving challenging, July and August especially. However the Venturers always seem to prevail managing to carry out extended cruises North and South while others continue further afield not just in UK waters. Wherever you cruised, I hope that all your goals have been achieved as for me it feels like I have spent the season cruising mostly in the dark. John Hull has converted me completely to the ways of the Darkside.

Finally, it is that time of year when we would like to know what you've been up to! There is a whole array of cruising trophies which you can win. The criteria for each are listed below and in the Cruising Compendium. Please contact the Vice Commodore or the Secretary (Joy) with your entry by 6th October 2016. If you are unsure whether or not your entry is applicable, give me a ring and I am sure we can make it fit.

Cruising Trophies

Commodore's Cup Awarded to the winner of the Senior Log Competition, for logs of cruises of 10 days' duration or more.

Storm Trophy Awarded at the discretion of the committee for a sailing achievement by a relative newcomer to sailing.

Kioni Cup Awarded to the winner of the Children's Log Competition, for logs of cruises from a day sail upwards.

Venturers' Cup Awarded at the discretion of the committee (and not necessarily every year) for an outstanding sailing achievement during the year.

Junior Venturers' Award Awarded at the discretion of the committee (and not necessarily every year) for achievement during the year by a Junior member.

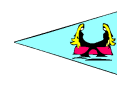
Junkette Bowl Awarded to the yacht which cruises to the furthest point of call from Anglesey around the coast of Ireland (North or South about).

St. Kilda Trophy This is a plaque mounted on the wall of the clubhouse. It bears the name of every club yacht and skipper who visits St. Kilda after leaving their mooring usually in Anglesey

I look forward to hearing from you all.

Mike Hollingworth,

Vice Commodore.



A view from The Rear

LOOKING AHEAD - FROM THE REAR....

If you're wondering what you're going to do with yourself over the winter months, then reach for your diary and put in it all the goodies we have on offer but we are leaving you time between all the events to catch up on all the painting and paper hanging jobs you've been promising to do since last winter!

ARE YOU READY WITH YOUR DIARY? THEN WE'LL BEGIN

OCTOBER 15 WORK PARTY

Willing hands are needed as always to get the clubhouse Spick n Span.

John Wrench our House Officer will be in charge - bring shears, paintbrushes and lots of enthusiasm



Not this much !!!!!

There will be a list of jobs to be done on the Notice Board. We will start at 0930hrs with refreshments!!!

END OF SEASON PARTY

Come and share your stories and pictures of where you've been to and what you've seen and experienced on the way. Supper will be served at 1900hrs.

Sue's Fantastic fish pie, Lovely lasagne and a Veggie delight

And as always donations of puddings would be much appreciated. During the evening we will hold the Cocktail Competition (which we never got around to holding on the beach) but once the supper dishes have been washed up by our gentlemen, the Galley will be available for you to

CREATE CRAZY COCKTAILS

and we can have ice which be a treat for those of us who don't have fridges on board! These alcoholic delights should be given a title and preferably a little ditty as well. We always have plenty of volunteers to be judges. During the evening there will be various Funfair Activities to try out (bring plenty of penny's) plus

THE SPOOF CHAMPIONSHIP 2016

Don't know what SPOOF is? Come and find out - no skill needed!

SATURDAY OCTOBER 22nd

Can he fix it? Yes, he can!

DOCTOR DEZ will be holding an *OUTBOARD WINTERISING CLINIC*

Between 10 am and 1 pm. If you would like to join in, please let DEZ know during the week prior to the event and don't forget to bring your outboard motor with you!!!!



A view from The Rear, cont'.

NOVEMBER 5th

CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING COMMENCING AT 1100 AM followed by Members Forum where you can bring your ideas forward for discussion openly.

Bonfire building - Chris Hughes is in charge this year and willing hands will be needed to set up the bonfire once the tide goes out!!

Bring your own FIREWORKS and we will let them off for you in a safe environment and we will be able to watch the Beaumaris display from the best vantage point on Anglesey - DIY Barbecue at night with SOUP- n- BUN **Available during the day to purchase**



No, this isn't the Commodore waiting for the AGM to begin !

Saturday December 3rd CHRISTMAS AGAIN!, ANNUAL DINNER DANCE & PRIZE GIVING

THE BULKELEY HOTEL BEAUMARIS

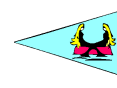
Following the success and popularity of entertainer **Georgie Starr** last year, we have managed to book him again, so rest assured we can dance all evening. The booking form and menu will be published in the next Venturer but book in early as you know how quickly these tickets go. Discounted room rates have been arranged at a number of venues in the town so book your rooms soon to avoid disappointment.



ADVANCED DIARY DATES – SAVE THE DATE

JANUARY 14th

Once the Christmas and New Year Festivities are over - come down and check out your boat and in the evening enjoy supper and a talk by **VYV COX on ANCHORING** - something we are all interested in.



A view from The Rear, cont'.

FEbruary

TRAITH COCH SAILING CLUB have once again invited us to their WELSH DANCING NIGHT.

The date yet to be confirmed 18 or 25th.

MARCH 11th

Yes, it's the long awaited **BOAT JUMBLE**

You will have had chance to clear out the Garage Boat Store /Wardrobe and Boat Lockers over the winter months so here is your opportunity to sell off the unwanted and buy another lot!! More info at a later date.

During the evening we have invited **MIKE KIZER from the Ocean Sciences Dept.** at Bangor University who will give a talk on the work and activities of **The Prince Madog**, which we see regularly in the Straits and Menai Bridge. Supper at 7pm followed by Mikes talk.

Menu to be arranged.... any requests?

APRIL 8th....OFF WE GO AGAIN!!!

Rigging checked, sails laundered, anti-fouling sorted - any new colours this year? Then there's the club room to sort out, the exterior cladding will have been completed over the Winter months.

THEN IT'S THE START OF SEASON PARTY

WATCH THIS SPACE

Jen Barcroft

Social Coördinator (*and very valued rear c's assistant*).

Delivery trip

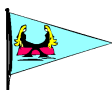
A delivery from Largs to Y Felinheli.

September 2016 and a good friend of mine who had set off cruising, asked me if I could arrange to bring his West-erly Discus back from Fairlie Marine in the Clyde. He had set off for his first proper post retirement cruise, had become unwell and came home, leaving his boat on a mooring just south of Largs.

Although two of his friends had offered to help, I had asked Joy (our Secretary) if she could ask around the Venturers if there were any volunteers to give me a hand in case they couldn't make it when the weather looked good. Paul Morton, Des Founds and Graham Jones volunteered, and although I did not need to call on them I was extremely grateful for their generous offer for a fellow yachtsman in trouble.

Getting up to Largs is quite a logistical problem and after looking at flying to Prestwick, getting a train or hiring a one way car, all with their individual problems, not to mention the cost, Maura, my partner, offered to drive us up there and then pick us up from Dinas boatyard, our final destination.

The first week we decided to go was full of southerly F6 winds, so this was called off, but the next week we set off.



Wednesday afternoon, 14th September, saw us arrive at Fairlie with a strong offshore wind, with gusts of 35 knots recorded at Largs, but after putting some air in the dinghy and test running the outboard motor, we decided it was not fit to try to ferry our equipment out to the boat. The wind was forecast to abate before the morning so we found a B&B and then a nice pub for some refreshments!

Thursday morning – what a difference, no wind and the water was like a millpond so two trips saw the three of us and our equipment on the boat. It had taken a battering in the winds with the dodgers hanging off and the Dan buoy drogue trailing in the water. After a clear up, getting all the instruments on and getting the engine running, we set off for Portpatrick under engine. The closer to Portpatrick we got, the worse the visibility became, until off the port we could see no more than half a mile. Arriving at dead on low water springs we entered the harbour, hoping the information from the Harbour Master that the entrance now had two metres at MLWS was correct, and after the depth reduced to 0.7 metres below the keel at one stage, we entered safely to find we were the only visitor there. The forecast the next day was for NW F4 to F5, F6 later so we decided again to find a nice pub and look at the weather early in the morning and make a decision then.



Ailsa Craig in the mist

Friday morning at 5am the wind looked reasonable so after setting the 2nd reef in the main we set off for Port St Mary and were soon making 8.5 knots over the ground for the next few hours, thanks to a nice F5 and a fair tide with blue skies. Half way down the West coast of the Island we had to put the motor on as the wind had decreased to about a F2, and we passed through Calf Sound in the flattest seas I have seen there. Tied up on the wall at Port St Mary and found a nice pub, followed by a curry in the local Indian restaurant, showers and a few nightcaps in the Sailing Club.

Saturday morning, after being relieved of £15 by a very friendly Harbourmaster, saw us motoring all the way to Menai Bridge with no wind, the main up to stop us rolling and passing through Puffin Sound in absolutely flat seas at low water. We picked up a buoy for the night at Menai Bridge after hoping we could go alongside on the pier, but although the Madog was missing, the three yachts already there were so badly tied up, with no visible springs, the outside one lying at forty five degrees to the others, we decided tying up alongside it was not advisable.

No pub for the night!!!



Menai Bridge on a beautiful Morning

Sunday morning through the Swellies in absolutely flat water to get lifted at Dinas. Trip over.

Whether it was luck or possibly more luck (or possibly good seamanship), we went into Portpatrick with no tide running past at low water, through the tidal gates of Calf Sound, Puffin Sound and The Swellies - all in absolutely flat water. I wondered if our least experienced crew was thinking "what is all the fuss and reputations of these places about"!

Finally, I have to thank Graham at Dinas Boatyard for pulling out for us and lifting Calluna with only a days notice.

Dave Calvert



Obituary, Sue Forder

Sue Forder

The chapel at Hutcliffe Wood Crematorium, Sheffield, was packed with Sue's family, colleagues and her wide circle of friends to celebrate her life.

Sue was born in Cheltenham but the family moved to North Devon when Sue was about 10 years old and she attended Braunton Primary School and then Ilfracombe Comprehensive School.

The family were keen dinghy sailors and at the celebration Sue's brother recounted a family legend that as teenagers Sue and her sister used to sail a Kestrel with their father on the River Tor in North Devon. Following a capsizing, Sue's mother, who was watching from the shore, decided that they were in difficulties and contacted the Coastguard who despatched a helicopter from Chivenor. On arrival at the scene the downwash from the rotor blades capsized the dinghy again and Sue and her sister were winched aboard followed by a reluctant father who did not want to leave the vessel.

Sue attended Sheffield University and sailed Merlin Rockets in Team Racing events. Sue met her husband to be, Richard, in the Physics lab at University and they married in 1979 whilst she was completing her PhD.

Following a PGCE year to train as a teacher Sue worked at City School and then Tapton School in Sheffield and during this time had two sons, Tom and Andrew. She then moved to Sheffield Polytechnic (later to become Sheffield Hallam University) and worked there for 25 years lecturing in physics and mathematics. Sue's extensive research in her specialised field using the 'Mössbauer effect' to identify elements within a substance using Gamma particles took her to many conferences in Japan, China, South Africa and several European countries.

When her first son was born Sue and Richard joined Sheffield Viking Sailing Club and took it in turns to sail - Sue crewing for other members in a Lark. As the children grew Sue sailed with Richard, first in a Lark and then later in an RS200 and took part in the Viking trips to Abersoch Dinghy Week for many years. They also successfully campaigned the Lark and RS200 at the Instow Regatta, North Devon.



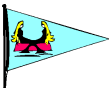
Following a yachting weekend taster at Plas Menai a long held ambition to move into bigger boats began. Sue completed her Day Skipper theory and practical courses and then purchased Andante, a bilge keel Westerly Merlin. Sue and Richard joined the Venturers about 10yrs. ago and took part in both the social and cruising activities. Over a number of years Sue sailed on Andante to Ireland, the Firth of Clyde, the Isle of Man and back to near her childhood home of Ilfracombe, Devon.

More recently Sue, Richard and Charlie (their youngest son's dog) sailed extensively on Pearl a fin keel Moody 36 cruising to Brittany, the Channel Islands, and were familiar with many ports and anchorages on the west coast of the UK and the east coast of Ireland. Sue would always make any visitors aboard very welcome with her home baking.

Despite her illness Sue remained very positive and continued to sail whenever she could. Post retirement from Sheffield Hallam University, Sue began a clockwise round Britain trip that had been planned for the 2016 and 2017 sailing season. Unfortunately, on reaching Stornaway in the Outer Hebrides and just two months into the voyage symptoms returned.

Sue passed away on Sunday the 17th July 2016, it was her wish that her ashes be scattered at sea.

Many thanks to Dafydd Griffiths for this obituary - Ed



Marjorie Rutter

John Partington received a "thank you" card from Gordon Rutter and Family following the sad passing of Marjorie Rutter and requested that the text of it be included in this issue of the Venturer.

Dear Jenny and John

We wanted to thank you for your kindness and support and for sending the lovely photo of Marjorie – pictured just as how we will always remember her. Would you also please pass on our grateful thanks to "The Venturers" for all the cards and messages of sympathy, and for the great turnout at Marjorie's' funeral. It means a lot to know we have such great friends.

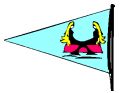
The donations collected in memory of Marjorie reached a grand total of £525 which has been split equally between St David's Hospice and Cancer Research UK. Thanks again to all who contributed.

We are trying to move forward and are planning a family trip to Crinan to carry out Marjorie's wishes to have her ashes to be cast out to Dorus Mor. Also hoping to attend future Club and social events as she would have wanted.

With love and best wishes

Gordon and Family.

Marjorie was a much loved member of the Venturers and will be sadly missed. ED.



A cruise to Ouzo and Olives!

I looked at the weather forecast on Monday and it wasn't looking very good for the weekend, but keeping positive, I decided to post our intentions to go anyway, at the same time saying I would be OOD.

I have eaten at Ouzo & Olives before and thought it would be a good idea to book there again for this trip, so up it went on the blog site.

Andrew and Jan Stevenson with Seagem posted to say they would like to go but as they are already in the Dock would see us there.

As the week progressed, the weather forecast improved.....slightly.

They were still giving very strong winds for Friday, but next to none on Saturday but by Sunday dinnertime, blowing 22 to 30 odd knots again.....ok, so, a late start on Saturday with a departure time of 15.15 from the bay to head to the Swellies along with a departure time on Sunday of 07.30 to leave the Dock before the gate lifts...or a leave time of 15.30 in the afternoon when the gate drops again.

By Friday, Swanrad, with Piers and Tony had booked along with Graham and Noreen on Sizzler, Paul and Jen on Mood Indigo were going to travel by car so that they could work on the clubhouse over the weekend.

Saturday morning also saw Derek and Carol on Abraxus, who were going into the River Seiont and Steve and Lesley with Swedman who would join us in the Dock. Unfortunately, we could only get ten places in the Restaurant so Abraxus had to make their own arrangements to dine and Swedman said they would like to eat on board anyway.

Abraxus were the first to drop the mooring lines, followed by Caretta and Swanrad fifteen minutes later. We picked up Sizzler and Swedman en-route by the Gazelle.

We all tried to sail once through The Swellies but a lack of wind and a booking of 1830hrs for tea meant we had to press on rather than tacking, but well done to Abraxus for pressing on and sailing with less of a time constraint than the rest of us.

We were all tied up for 18.00 and booked in for the night with Mark, but the bad news was, as we were on neaps Mark thought that there would not be enough water at 07:30 to let us out, but very kindly said he would be there for.....06.30 when there would!
As Mark does not start work until 07.00, we thought that was very good of him to put himself out and happily accepted.

The meal went as planned and there was more than enough food for all, and very nice it was as well.

When we had finished, we all departed for The Royal Welsh sailing club and were once again



A cruise to Ouzo and Olives! Cont.

made very welcome, although we were under dressed as they were celebrating The Last Night at the Proms, flags and all, along with us all having a sing song to boot.

Cakes were placed on the table for us to share but none ventured forward due to the large meal we had just had, but I did notice our Bosun, Graham, starting to fidget and twitch after 30 minutes or so and then finally being defeated by no less than three of the little beauties.

I gave this some thought and decided it would be rude not to have at least one, I mean, the Commodore has to be seen to be polite to our hosts don't you think!

Well, no sooner had I shut my eyes than I had to open them again as the alarm was going off, 06.00 already.....hmmm!! It was still dark outside.

The trip back was a motor again and early for Swellies LW slack, but on the good side back on the moorings for 09.30, and still not much wind.

Those with drying mooring made it back with not too much water under the keels, and true to forecast, by 11.30 ish the wind was starting to blow.

A big thank you to all who attended and more so for Mark in Victoria Dock for coming in early to let us out.

Lee.





50 Club update

It seems ages since we last updated you on the winners in the 50 club. We have had three draws since our last edition of the Venturer and the winners are as follows: -

June 2016

1 st	No 13	Ian Warren
2 nd	No 22	Mike and Trish Butterfield
3 rd	No 14	

July 2016

1 st	No 41	Don Marshall
2 nd	No 14	
3 rd	No 28	Ralph and Mary Pierce on Glas-y-Dorlan

August 2016

1 st	No 23	Lee on Caretta
2 nd	No 22	Mike & Trish Butterfield
3 rd	No 05	Ed and Margaret on Osprey

As per my usual statement, there are numbers still available for purchase and it doesn't matter when you buy your number, you are still entitled to all the draws throughout the year – 12 monthly draws and a mega draw at the start of season and end of season party which pays £150 for the first number drawn (from 1 – 49). Your £50 gives you the chance to win and also helps to support the club. If you are interested and require any further information, please contact Joy Bennett using the details in the yearbook.

CLUB AFFAIRS

YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!

The time has come around again when we ask for willing volunteers to step forward to help to run our club for the next twelve months. Many of our officers are happy to continue in their posts for which we are very grateful. Continuity of serving officers makes for the smooth running of the club and it feels like you have only just settled into the task sometimes before someone comes along to take over! Ill-health has played a part and some committee members have voiced an opinion that if others are willing to come forward to serve, they are more than willing to stand aside. We are looking for a new Vice Commodore, a new sailing captain, a new honorary secretary and maybe some committee members.

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Club affairs cont.

Our constitution states that the criteria for you to be able to stand for election is that you have been a member of the club for two full years prior to election. If for any reason the posts are not filled at the AGM, there is an option to co-opt members into vacant positions after the meeting.

The "job description" of the vacant roles is available in your current yearbook for you to look at and if you feel that you would like to be put forward for election, could you please forward your details to the Hon Secretary preferably with a proposer and seconder.

AGM

The AGM is to take place this year on Saturday 5th November commencing at 11am followed by the members' forum, after we have had a short comfort break.

If any member would like anything including on the agenda at the AGM, could they please ensure that it is received by the Hon Sec preferably via email (or in writing) by Thursday 6th October 2016 in order that it can be discussed at the next management committee meeting on Saturday 8th October and included in the AGM agenda which will be issued electronically to all members that have provided their email address to the club in accordance with the current constitution. If any member has changed their email address since 1st Jan 2016, could they please inform the Hon Sec a.s.a.p. secretary@nwvyc.org.uk Members without email addresses will have the agenda and the draft minutes from last year sent via post w/c 10th October 2016.

Graham Beetlestone

Just a quick email to let you know that I received an email late last night (15th September) from Sue Beetlestone as follows:-

"Hello Joy

I hope the committee meeting went well at the weekend?

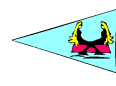
The main reason for contacting you though is to let you know that Graham is in hospital in Glasgow having been flown there from Islay on Monday. He collapsed while we were anchored in Aros Bay and the joint efforts of Coastguard and RNLI got him to hospital. He's improving now and the doctors have ruled out a stroke and also an ear infection but he's still having tests to try to find out what the trouble is.

The coastguard helped me get Mentor to Port Ellen where she is now secured and I came by ferry and bus yesterday. Will let you have further news once we are more certain what's happening."

I have emailed back and sent our best wishes and told her not to worry about the club and we will muddle through without her, as Graham must be her first priority.

Joy.

We later heard that Graham was to be discharged from hospital and we all wish him a speedy recovery. Ed.



Moelfre

Moelfre – Saturday 17th September 2016

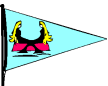
The last cruise on the official Venturers programme saw ten yachts venture out – the tides were kind to Larus, Seagem and Whispered Secret who left Victoria Dock and transited the Swellies in time to collect Mood Indigo from Menai Bridge and Avalon, Chinook, Hhwl Dha, Daisy and Shoalbird from Beaumaris with Cara Mia sailing from Conwy. Leaving early, with light winds, slower than normal progress was made but once through Puffin Sound, some great sailing was had. As we sailed across Red Wharf Bay, the sun came out and then warmth returned. Once at



Moelfre, crews ventured ashore to avoid the swell whilst other crews took the opportunity to have a great sail, tacking across to the anchorage, maybe for the last time this season.

Twenty-one of us took over the top end of the Kinnel Arms for an early tea before returning to our boats in time to view the Harvest Moon rise magnificently across the bay in a bright orange ball of colour. Chinook and Seagem decided to return to the Strait as there was still some swell coming into the anchorage but with the wind forecast to go to the SW, the others yachts all decided to stay. True to form, the swell subsided and we all slept soundly.





Molfre cont.

Sunday morning saw an early departure for Larus, Whispered Secret and Cara Mia who had the sun rise in front of them as they sailed away, and one by one the remaining yachts departed to return to their moorings/berths.

Thanks to all the crews for making the effort with the early start and for suffering their mal de mer!



Fancy a Curry?

This is a simple and surprisingly tasty curry that takes the minimum of cooking, ideal for warming up a cold sailor!

Ingredients (serves two)

Vegetable oil.

4 eggs, hard boiled.

1 onion finely sliced.

1 tin of chopped tomatoes.

Small tin of peas (250 grams).

1 or 1½ tbsp. mild curry paste or 1 level tbsp. curry powder (amount to suit taste!).

Cup of plain yoghurt (optional)

Chopped coriander or parsley.

Cooking

Sweat onions in oil.

Add curry and stir well.

Add tomatoes and a cup of water and cook over moderate heat for 10 minutes (until it thickens).

Add peas and yoghurt and simmer for 3 - 4 minutes whilst stirring.

Add hard boiled eggs and put on low heat for 3 – 4 minutes.

Serve with rice and chopped parsley and chutney of choice).



Picture gallery



Above and right pictures from a
“Cruise to Ouzo and Olives,”
pages 10 and 11.



Landing on the beach and the Lifeboat Station from
the Cruise to Moelfre, Pages 14 and 15.



Below and right, Calf Sound on a quiet day
and passing Ailsa Craig during a delivery
from Largs to Felinheli. Pages 6 and 7.

