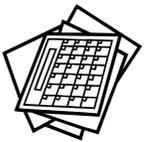
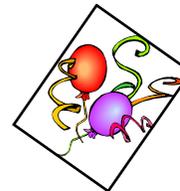
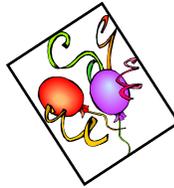


GROVE FERRY BOAT CLUB



January Newsletter



EARLY EVENTS 2013

COBWEB CRUISE

Sunday 27th January 11am

WORK PARTY

Saturday 9th March 10am on the North Bank

SIZZYLING GAMES EVENING

Saturday 16th February Clubhouse 7.30 p.m.

A.G.M. Clubhouse

Sunday 24th February Clubhouse 2.30 p.m.



27th October Lennie Clark's talk about Canterbury Cathedral was full of interesting historic details of events throughout the long life of the Cathedral & the mysteries re. the various locations of famous resting places. There were many slides of the inside taken from places that the Public cannot go. For instance did you know that there is a medieval crane in one of the towers? His presentation was humorous, very entertaining and his knowledge extensive. So much so that several Members requested his contact details for when they visit the Cathedral & he also gives tours around Canterbury City. I can recommend him to any group wishing to learn more about either. There were many questions during the refreshment break & at the end.. A truly enjoyable & very interesting evening.
Alan G

FEEDBACK I keep saying this, but it would be lovely to have your Comments, Any News, Suggestions & even Moans. I sometimes wonder if there is anybody out there! Jot down your missives & hand them in or:

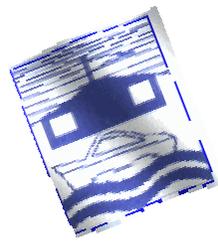
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Hi Everybody, Here we are again, a New Year with new challenges but most of all with a fresh start anticipating a glorious boating Season under blue skies & warm sun. At this time of the year it is all still possible. But I must snap out of my reverie & face up to the present. For me, enjoying my Winter migration in Spain, it really is blue sea, blue skies, sun & Sangria. For you lot, well, 'nuff said' ! Seriously though, hope you had a very good Christmas & Very Best Wishes for 2013. Good Health & Happiness to you All.
Joan H



20th October In the Club House This event was a bit of a stop gap, hastily arranged to replace the cancelled Laying Up Supper, so the support of 39½ members was doubly gratifying. It also happened to be Trafalgar Day so we had a double celebration with plenty of tots & toasts to Lord Nelson & a free & easy fun evening. Ossie's Fish & Chips were hot and delicious, Mandy scored brownie points for her home made sweets (the Banoffee pie in particular and we would like to thank Tony Mackenzie for the write up on the Club website. "The FAB 4" were very flattered by his kind words & look forward to doing something similar again sometime.

WATCH OUT! Thieves about. John Baker had uninvited intruders on his Moorings and several of the boats had been disturbed. Don't think they got into the GFBC premises but be aware. !!!



6/7th October was the time of the big push to get the finger berths ready for the final installation at the October Work Party. The Committee with the help of a couple of members turned out in force & got started. Fortunately the weather was good & the team were able to crack on & after some seriously hard graft they had the satisfaction of knowing that everything was complete & ready for the berths to be finally made operational. Alan G manned the "Field Kitchen" serving lunch & refreshments which were much appreciated by the "navies".



14th October ~ Work Party. The Weather was lovely although the recent rain ensured that the conditions were a trifle muddy. Extra help was needed this work party to manhandle the new pontoon into position, so what a delightful surprise when no less than 37 members turned up & signed in. It was even more pleasing to note many new members amongst them. The North Bank was a hive of activity & a tremendous amount of work was achieved but the icing on the cake was being able to admire the two new finger berths which are welcome additions to the GFBC moorings. Seemingly endless cups of coffee & tea were served along with a tasty lunch of bacon & sausage butties, followed by naughty but nice goodies for sweet. Our thanks to Mandy, Liz, Kath & Jon for feeding & watering us so well. To Marcia who donated kit kats & biscuits which were much appreciated & a special mention to Sheila T for working alongside the blokes on the pontoon. Last but not least grateful thanks to all 37 GFBC members who gave up their precious Sunday to lend a hand.