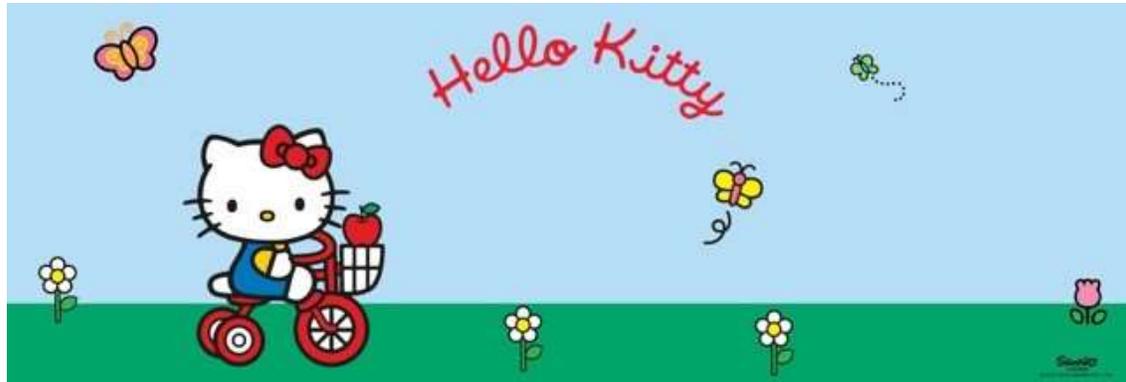


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V47 Kitty

Now that I have your attention I am delighted to report that V47 Kitty has been bought by Simon Perkins. Simon is now based in Hampshire but grew up near Falmouth and his sister Emma Mantle is a part-owner of V5 Whimsey. We look forward to welcoming Kitty to Itchenor in the not-too-distant future!



Racing update

A lot has happened since my last newsletter. Just in case you were out of the country, five Sunbeams raced at Cowes Classic Week - and 14 in Cowes Week. See <https://solentsunbeam.co.uk/news> for the race reports.

The fleet had some excellent video coverage of the starts in Cowes Week. I would especially recommend the footage taken by a drone!
<https://solentsunbeam.co.uk/cowes-week-video-footage>

The Crews Race back to Itchenor was won by Jacqui Evans and Jenny Yeates who shared the helming on Query. Well done Jacqui and Jenny!

It is noteworthy that, on the first Saturday of Cowes Week, 8 Sunbeams raced at Itchenor at the same time as the 14 Sunbeams at Cowes.

Thursday evening racing

Last Thursday we had our last evening race. Unfortunately, there was not enough wind so we went on a booze cruise instead and watched the beautiful sunset! See the pictures here: <https://1drv.ms/f/s!ArcV6ntJRADDhCN351HvqSQHQyCt> (a safe link from Microsoft OneDrive).

With only 7 races to go, the three main race series - the McMeekin, the Saturday afternoon V1 Series and the Sunday morning V2 Series - are still wide open (excluding Danny who has a commanding lead in all 3 series!). In the McMeekin series only two points separates second and fourth positions!

Don't forget that the fleet competes for the 'Edwards Noggin' in the last 5 races, so come out before winter arrives!

V6 Little Lady

Little Lady has been in the Palmer family since 1934 - see an interesting article here: <https://solentsunbeam.co.uk/little-lady-v6-and-ian-palmer-the-early-history>

Sunbeams on tour

As well as Dainty making her annual pilgrimage to Cannes & St. Tropez, Fleury spent August in Falmouth! Reports to follow!



Dainty in the Jura



Dainty in Cannes

Forthcoming events:

AGM - Friday 19 October at 1830 at Itchenor Sailing Club

Please do make every effort to attend this important meeting, to be followed by a Sailors' Supper.

If you have any Agenda items please contact Graham Colbourne ASAP (graham.colbourne@btinternet.com).

Laying-up supper

This year's Laying Up Supper takes place on Saturday 27 October. This event is ISC's annual prize giving dinner, and is normally very popular, so early booking is recommended. Full details are in the autumn mailing and payment is required at the time of booking.

And finally...

Melody is currently having a new stem built following a recent collision. This is a timely reminder that we should all take care, especially at the sharp end of the season!

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