

## Lunch at the Royal Victoria Y.C. Tuesday, 13th. May

Having been born on a Friday 13<sup>th</sup>. I should have known that any other 13<sup>th</sup>. would be fraught with difficulty.... there was confusion over whether the Club was open on Tuesdays or not. Fortunately the new House manager, Gunars, was able to resolve the problem (the staff rearranged their work schedule for the week to accommodate us), and 24 of us on 7 boats and a car dutifully turned up, though one boat was delayed. Most of our fleet was captured by Martin Wannell.



The weather was perfect, blue skies, gentle breeze for the sailors and only my mistake on the timing of the East-going tidal stream to slightly dull the trip! The return was much faster in calm waters!!!

The welcome was warm as always with drinks and conversations flowing most agreeably on the balcony. Service was prompt at 1300hrs. with Gunars holding the meals for the delayed boat.

Whilst the menu appeared to be simple the new in-house team delivered wonderful food, and I, being a gourmand (Eileen didn't know I had ordered dessert!), revelled in the bavette steak and ginger and apple crumble.



Catherine asked Gunars to take these pictures, for which many thanks.

I hope to see you all again at the Cowes Corinthian Yacht Club on 1<sup>st</sup>.July.

David