

ATYC NEWSLETTER -- APRIL 2017

This is the ATYC Newsletter which will be sent out to Clubs on a regular basis. It can be used as an ATYC Club Noticeboard and can carry such items as a Club's major event or a short news story. Contributions should be sent to me. Happy reading and stay safe. Mike Chambers

Flare Disposal/Life Jacket Clinic. Lindon Lewis in conjunction with the RNLI will be holding a Flare Disposal Amnesty and Life Jacket clinic at their Open Day which will be held at Shepperton Marina on 22 Apr starting at 10000 hrs. Further details can be found on the ATYC website

Open Meeting. The next ATYC Open meeting will be held on 12 Jun at the Windsor Yacht Club at 1930 for 2000 hrs. Full details of the forthcoming rally at Beale Park will be announced

London Boat Show Changes. The 2018 show at ExCeL London will now be a five-day event, instead of the usual 10 days, starting on Wednesday 10 January until Sunday 14 January. The dates have been scheduled further away from the Christmas and New Year period to entice more exhibitors and visitors. The revamped event will encompass new shows within the show, introducing the Boating & Watersports Holiday Show and another event to be announced soon.

Boat Fire. Two boats were destroyed following a fire at the Burton Waters Marina in Lincolnshire. A petrol engined Freeman 22 caught fire shortly after refuelling and the fire spread to an adjacent boat and the refuelling pumps. Fortunately, no one was hurt. The cause is unknown but a carburettor backfire is being considered

Thames Flow is Low. Statistics released by the EA for the period ending 4 Apr show that the river levels on the Thames are below normal. Rainfall for the catchment area has been below average for some time. Both the Lee and the Medway rivers are currently marked as being notably low

The **London On-Water Show** returns for 2017. Based at the recently refurbished St Katharine Docks, the exhibition runs from Thursday 8th June through to Sunday 10th. The usual luxury yacht brands are expected to be there again, plus sailing boats, RIBs, tenders and dinghies, all accessible for viewing. A Mariner's Village will present an eclectic mix of nautical goods, including clothing, electronics, chandlery and gifts.

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