

ATYC NEWSLETTER – MAY 2024

This is the ATYC Newsletter which will be sent out to Clubs on a regular basis for onward publication to all club members. 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

ATYC RALLY -WEST INDIA DOCK -AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY



£ 190.00



£220



£250

The Rally Packages - full details are on the website

The cut-off date for bookings is 21 July 2024

Changes to Submit a Pleasure Craft Report. Since 01 January 2022, sailors have been legally required to report their departure and arrival in the UK to Border Force, sharing details of the vessel, the voyage, the skipper and crew and any goods onboard. From 18 April this year, travel checks will be introduced for all crew, which means the details of all travel documentation, such as visas and passports, recorded on the Submit a Pleasure Craft Report will be checked to ensure everyone on board has valid permission to travel to the UK.

Advanced Passenger Information (API) should be submitted via sPCR between 24 hours and 2 hours prior to the scheduled time of departure. This replaces the need to contact Border Force or the National Yachtline directly.

Boaters Fined Carl Wych, of Bray Boats, Ray Mead Road, Maidenhead, entered a guilty plea at East Berkshire magistrates' court on Friday 19 April, to charges relating to his boat, Orion. He was convicted of breaching the Environment Agency (Inland Waterways) Order 2010, fined £200 and ordered to pay compensation of £1,056.21, costs of £250 and a victim surcharge of £80. Peter Jones, of Dormers Wells Lane, Southall, pleaded guilty

at Staines magistrates' court on 23 April, to charges relating to his boat, Bairns Pride. He was convicted of breaching the Environment Agency (Inland Waterways) Order 2010 and – as he had also failed to move his boat from short-stay moorings at Desborough Island, Walton-on-Thames – the Thames Conservancy Act 1932. He was fined £100 and ordered to pay compensation of £1,906.30, costs of £275 and a victim surcharge of £40.

EA to Consult Over Registration Fees Increases. As they are coming to the end of the 3-year charging plan 2022 to 2024 (4%/4%/2%), EA need to consult to increase charges from January 2025. They aim to consult towards the end of May for 6 weeks. They will set up workshops once the consultation is launched, to allow you to ask any questions about the proposals.

EA to Employ Summer Reliefs. Despite earlier statements regarding the employment of summer staff, the EA have announced that they have been given the green light to employ 10 summer reliefs out of 24 usually employed (due to an overspend on their budget).