

ATYC NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2025

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

Lock Keepers Action. On Tuesday the EA received notice of the lock keepers' intent to take 'action short of a strike' from 6pm on Tuesday 17 June through to 9am on Wednesday 2 July. This will consist of no voluntary overtime or use of personal vehicles. There may be some disruption to service during this time which could impact on partners and customers. The main risks are related to water level management, water abstraction and navigation outside of lock and weir keepers' normal working hours.

Shepperton Rally – August Bank Holiday. There are now just a few berths available for member boats so if you haven't yet booked please do so as when these places are filled there will be a waiting list in case of cancellations. Booking is also required if you are attending by car.

MOST IMPORTANT - when booking through the website please scroll down to the bottom of the details on the package page you have chosen where you will see:

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED - this is a separate form which will give us the name of your boat and club and other important information we need in order to complete your booking. Please ensure you complete the second page

Rowers Walkout. Britain's most prestigious rowing club – the home of many legendary Olympians - has been accused of ignoring the safety fears of its own female rowers, leading them to refuse to train with their male teammates. ITV News has learned of two investigations carried out by the Leander Club, both involving allegations against two of its male athletes. One was accused of a serious sexual assault in 2022, the other was investigated for harassment last year. The alleged victims were female rowers at Leander. Both men deny the allegations. The fall-out at the club, which takes on 20 to 30 new athletes every year as members and boasts a host of Olympic champions as alumni, became so toxic that last season female rowers staged a walkout.

CRT Change. The Canal and River Trust have announced that Campbell Robb will be appointed the new CE as from Oct. He will be replacing Richard Parry who has been in

post since 2013 and earns circa £214,155 (no wonder the CRT are short of money).
Campbell's CV does not mention any boating ownership or experience!