

RALLY 26

THAMES MOTOR YACHT CLUB

29 - 31
AUGUST



Chairmen's

WELCOME

Chris and I would like to welcome all attendees to the 2026 Association of Thames Yacht Clubs Annual Rally hosted this year at one of the three founder clubs, the Thames Motor Yacht Club opposite Molesey Lock at Hampton Court.

Since the event was announced in February at the Spring Ball, we have been overwhelmed by the interest and the early bookings. In fact, the rally was fully booked for boats and meals by the end of June which has made the organisation much easier for the Committee to work towards. Thank you all.

The TMYC has invited us to use all available facilities. You will notice, if you haven't already seen it, the modernised Riverside Club House and Bar which now houses a shower room and new toilets. These facilities will be available from 08:00hrs to 23:59hrs on Saturday and Sunday.

The Bar in the Riverside Club House will be open for most of the weekend with Clive, the club steward, looking after us with some help from staff and club members.

We're hoping that electricity will be used sparingly as the Club is concerned about the supply tripping out with 40 extra boats. Please do not unplug any other Moorer's connection unless it's just to use a splitter so only unplugging for a moment. Please try to limit yourself to using and splitting the 'Visitors' sockets and please restrict load to a maximum of 5amps.

If necessary, please run your engines between 08:00 and 23:00 so that disruption to your neighbours is kept to a minimum.

At the time of writing, we are still trying to arrange a large enough solution for rubbish disposal. This will only be possible if we can find a service provider able and willing to supply bins. Unless otherwise advised, please keep hold of your rubbish for disposal on the way home.

As we arrive on Saturday there will be food available until 15:00hrs, order and pay at the bar. The bar will be open officially until 16:00 but, with the help from the Commodore, we hope that it will be manned until 17:30.

All delegates are invited to an ATYC drinks reception in the main Clubhouse at 18:00hrs where Chris and I will welcome you with a glass of wine. The Hog Roast will be served from 19:00hrs and the live entertainment will run from 19:45hrs until 23:00hrs.

On Sunday morning for those who have pre ordered, breakfast will be available in the Riverside Clubhouse from 09:00hrs. Payment for breakfast is to be made at the bar. The first of the Hampton Court Tours should congregate on the lawn at 10:15 to meet your tour guide, Trevor Phillips. The second tour should aim to meet your guide, Stephen Burstin, at 11:45 on the lawn.

Dennis Nissen will be setting up some "Games on the Lawn" from noon for the afternoon, one of which will be an 'InterClub Challenge'.

The Riverside Bar will definitely be open from 11:00hrs until 15:00hrs but, with a friendly TMYC volunteer or two, may remain open, closing for supper in the main clubhouse which will be served at 19:00hrs.

We welcome back quizmaster Stuart Ashmore and his assistant Jane Dorrington who will run a quiz at the Sunday evening meal.

There will not be a raffle but we will have a draw for a 'lift, hold and scrub' from our great friends at Shepperton Marina. Entry is £25.00 per ticket, available on both Saturday Sunday evening and will be drawn at the supper on Sunday.

On Monday you are invited to depart at leisure but please be considerate to other Moorers in your trot and work your timings together.

Your Association committee is constantly striving to represent our member clubs on the political stage both non tidal and on the tideway. Please contact us with any suggestions or offers of assistance via the website.

We hope to try and drive more traffic through the website so we hope you are all subscribers. We would like the website to offer a greater service to clubs and, with that in mind, please email communications@atyc.org.uk to let us know of any courses your club offers both in the classroom and on the water.

At the next Open Meeting there will be an agenda item to discuss how clubs can use the website. For example, we could have a diary where clubs can post events inviting other clubs to participate.

We hope that you have fun at the rally and enjoy meeting up with friends, old and new, from among our other clubs in our Association.

Your joint chairmen,

Andrew Bernstein
'Knot Arf'

Chris Turner
'Silver Sceptre'



Dates for your diary:

October 19th

Open meeting with nibbles and guest speaker at The Windsor Yacht Club

February 27th 2027

Spring Ball at Richmond Hill Hotel

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TMYC WELCOMES YOU

Our President, Tim, myself, our Honorary Secretary, Peter, our Flag Officers, and all our members at TMYC feel truly privileged and excited to welcome Andrew, Chris, members of the ATYC Committee, together with representatives of all the visiting clubs, to this very special occasion. I understand that TMYC has not had the pleasure of hosting this event for a very long time – so long, in fact, that it is even longer than Andrew can remember!

It has been both a privilege and a pleasure to put the arrangements in place for this event, and we are delighted to see so many clubs represented here today.

We would like to sincerely thank Andrew, Chris, and all the ATYC Committee members for their assistance in making this event possible, and for choosing TMYC as the venue for 2026.

We hope everyone has a thoroughly enjoyable time, and that this will be an enjoyable and memorable occasion for all of us.

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Commodore, TMYC



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WEEKEND TIMETABLE

SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST

10:00 – 17:00hrs	Arrivals at TMYC
18:00 – 19:00hrs	Chairmen's Drinks Reception
19:00 – 23:00hrs	Hog Roast Meal with Live Music

SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST

09:00 – 10:00hrs	TMYC Breakfast
10:15 – 12:15 hrs	1 st Hampton Court Guided Tour**
11:45 – 13:45hrs	2 nd Hampton Court Guided Tour**
12:00 – 16:30hrs	Games on the Lawn (inc. Interclub Challenge)
19:00 – 22:00hrs	Evening Supper (Main Clubhouse)

** Guided Tours include entry to Hampton Court Food Festival **

MONDAY 31ST AUGUST

09:00 – 15:00hrs	Departures from TMYC
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