



Newsletter Christmas 2018

Good Morning Boaties!

Season's greetings and welcome to the Lyme Bay Boats Newsletter – a look back at a few highlights from last season and a look forward to next year.

The summer of 2018 will go down as one of the best in recent memory and offered some superb weather and fabulous conditions for boating.

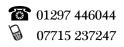


Happy ChristDas and a fun 2019
of and off the water...

Thank you to everyone for all supports
and pelp dwing 2018

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So......
That's what happened is it!?



Hamish McCarthy and Jonathan Lawton, in their boat Maria Diem, made the crossing to Jersey in support of 12 pupils from Taunton School, who completed a 41 mile swim around the island in support of 'Holiday for Heroes'.

Hamish McCarthy - Taunton School's Long Distance swimming coach - said: "I am so proud. To put 12 children around what I think is one of the hardest swims, in not the best conditions was absolutely fantastic. It takes courage, it takes tenacity and it takes resilience and they have it in spades."

The swim took around ten hours and the children, all from years 8-13, raised £4000 for Holidays for Heroes. A superb effort and well done to Hamish and John for providing the support!







Skipper (mentioning no names) of Boston Whaler 'Frankie' was overheard in a bar in Salcombe: "Something is not quite right with Frankie I couldn't get her up on the plane". Anyone got any ideas??

Answers on a postcard please, best idea wins a prize ©















Tim H, Natalie and their two little ones felt the need to take Blue Thunder to Chichester and explore the winding waterways there. They tell me 'The Salterns' is the place to stay and a 'must try' for everyone. It must have been good they all went back there later on in the year.





Then there was speed merchant Rod, with Arlene, Lily – oh and Google the dog. They just never stopped using their Karnic 'Get Reel'– well done!!

One memorable voyage Rod and Arlene had was to Babbacombe
Bay where they spent the evening shore side at the Cary
Arms – (Editor's note: recommended as a day out for others). Rod's not stopped talking about it, so it must have been good!!











Now here's someone who knows how to look after the 'Better Half' One lobster or two for supper Dearest?



Well done John and everyone who also had success on the pots.





Was anyone aware that one hot August evening Ghandi (aka Burt from Mobile Marine) held court and dispensed wisdom at The Harbour Inn?

Who of those fortunate enough to be there will ever forget:

"You can't be a real country unless you have a beer and an airline - it helps if you have some kind of football team, or some nuclear weapons, but in the very least you need a beer."



Paul & Gilli undertook their first 'solo' voyage on Naiad, sailing to Topsham, mooring overnight on a visitor's buoy at the sailing club there. Not bad, considering they only started to learn to sail last year when they bought the boat – look closely you can see Gilli at the helm ©







Fishing & 'Sport Angling' by special request of Steve Sweet, skipper, Amaretto IV

I heard a few say that it was too hot for the fish and others that they couldn't reel them in fast enough – Jason 'it was that big' Holly was hauling them in by the bucketful. Mark Hix and Monkey must get a special mention for the most time spent catching the least fish – the whole day for two mackerel (tiddlers at that).

Sport Angling – Amaretto IV

Steve & Jackie had a good year 2018 and the fish were plentiful. Lyme Bay Boats were at the helm with respect to fuelling, cleaning and taking the ropes after a busy day at sea. Angling trips to Dartmouth, Alderney and even some marlin fishing in Fuerteventura.

Just quick thanks as well to S & J for their assistance on 'The Jolly Day Out'











Surely 'Catch of the Season' was that of Andrew Wadland

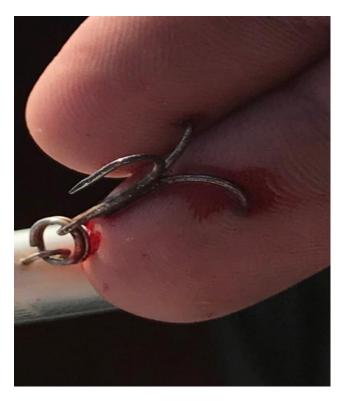
Whilst enjoying a chilled San Mig' in 'The Office' (Harbour Inn veranda for those that

haven't had the call), Monkey & I got a call from Andrew.

"Jamie, I've landed a Bass on a small triple hook, the fish is on one hook and two of my fingers on the other two hooks". Ouch!!!!

Monkey and I raced out to the pontoons to assist Andrew and his crew Matt 'The Brewery'.

Once off his boat we got him to the lifeboat area to evaluate the situation. The hooks were too small to cut and pull through, so we considered our options. Chop his fingers off? Hospital - No chance there was still half my beer on the table. Got it! Dr Ken Lavery our local retired surgeon and DLA of the Lifeboat was walking past on the way to a dinner appointment. Ken was kidnapped, Andrew's hand strapped to the stairway banister and surgery commenced. There was an almighty scream, people queuing for fish n chips shouted out 'a murder is taking place'. Ken had performed his rightful duty. Thanks Ken! Andrew, despite a bit of whinging, was fine – well apart from his pocket, as he proceeded to buy everyone in Harbour Inn a drink. Well done Andrew!

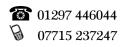






Karen from Henshaws at the helm of a yacht for the first time. Converted Karen?







A Jolly Day in Lyme Bay – penned by your Editor











On a beautiful, hot, sunny summer's morn in early August, fortified with a hearty breakfast courtesy of The Royal Standard, an armada of nautical craft set forth for the distant lands of West Bay. Upon arrival the natives - who proved on the most part friendly – provided safe moorings and assisted with disembarkation. A colourful harbour scene greeting the travellers and close by, a busy market offering an abundant selection of local delicacies was to be found. A trek of moderate determination through aforesaid harbour and market brought them to The Quarterdeck, a local hostelry of excellent repute, where a fine luncheon was taken.

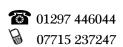
Fed, watered, cidered and feeling refreshed, the advance party made their return to the harbour to prepare the boats in anticipation of the afternoon's revelries. The remainder of the party swapped tales of sea-faring derring-do, purloining the shade of a handy fig tree to provide some respite from the glaring afternoon sun.

Post-luncheon the intrepid travellers returned to the harbour to embark for the return journey, which was to be an extraordinarily jolly affair. In preparation, craft had been rigged to offer maritime pastimes such as fishing, water-skiing, boarding and sailing to be undertaken on the return journey. After careful negotiation, an ugly free-for-all was avoided and, revellers were allocated berths for the return passage to match their desires for afternoon entertainment.

Moorings were slipped, engines started, sails hoisted and the fleet left harbour endeavouring to return to Lyme Regis at some point later that day. The afternoon was sweltering and reminiscent of the tropics, thus some took the opportunity to return in haste and sleep off the fine luncheon. Others were more energetic and flew across the water on boats, boards and skis. The fishermen had a moderately successful time, it being a trifle hot for the fish – or so they would have us believe. For the sailing fraternity there was little wind, so a leisurely meander of some hours enjoying the peace and quiet was had.

All vessels bar one, which was abandoned in West Bay due to mutiny on the part of a stubborn engine, made it safely back to Lyme Regis by four bells and readied themselves for the eventide amusements.

Hosts for the evening, The Harbour Inn, provided superior sustenance, by provision of an outstanding three-course dinner, accompanied by fine ales and wines. The repast was followed by the taking of digetifs – or Hob Nobs for some – the drawing of lots for prizes and auctioning of apparel. A special mention to Simon from Lyme Bay Auctions, and son Max, who raised nearly £300 for the RNLI with a magnificent display of the auctioneer's craft and some fine bucket-waving skills.





A splendid time was had by all, many of whom were last seen on the steps of the Harbour Inn quaffing copious libations of rum, watching a magnificent pyrotechnic display afforded by the RNLI to mark the end of Lifeboat Week.



Thus ended the inaugural Lyme Bay Boats 'Jolly Day Out', a resounding success! All credit to Jamie for coming up with the idea, Gilli & Paul for organising the event and the Harbour Staff at Lyme Regis & West Bay for their assistance. Huge appreciation to The Royal Standard, The Quarterdeck, The Harbour Inn and all their staff.

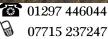
And multitudinous thanks to those who sponsored the day:

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Last, but not least......

Thanks

Thanks to Mark at the Harbour Inn for the use of 'The Office' throughout the season, and also to the Harbour Inn staff for their help with the 'Jolly Day' and for being just great and friendly all round.

Thanks also to Grahame Forshaw and the Lyme Regis Harbour team, always helpful, flexible and friendly.

Piccies

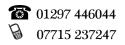
We are putting together a LBB Drop Box where you can see pics of you and your fellow Boaties out and about on the water – and various other places! We are hoping to make this a sharing site, so that all can post pics throughout the year.



Looking forward

The Jolly Day next year will be Friday 2nd August 2019 – get the date in your diaries now folks!

The Jolly Day Out is intended as a fun day for anyone who enjoys boating, of any form, in Lyme Bay. This year we had power boats, fishing boats, sailing yachts, water-skiers, ringo-riders, allsorts. It's your day and any ideas for next year would be most welcome.





Wishing everyone fair winds and calm seas for 2019



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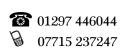
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If you would like to be part of the Lyme Bay Boats Community, meet fellow boaties and share fun times on and off the water with like-minded folk, we would love to hear from you. Please get in contact to subscribe to email bulletins on events, activities, tips and services from Lyme Bay Boats.

Motor-boating, fishing, sailing, rowing, in fact, anyone who enjoys time on the beautiful waters of Lyme Bay would be most welcome.



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