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ark your calendars as 24 September 2025 promises to be another exciting day for the marina industry as TYHA reveals the finalists for our Marina of the Year Awards 2025. once again generously sponsored by Haven Knox-Johnston.

Every nomination tells a story. Each reflects a boater's personal experience at their favourite marina, whether inland or coastal, in one of the 29 countries where Gold Anchoraccredited marinas operate. While customers may be drawn by spectacular locations and world-class facilities, time and again it's the people behind the scenes who make the difference. Every vote is, at its heart, a thank-you for outstanding customer service delivered by you or one of your colleagues.



Jon White TYHA General Manager

Customer service will also take centre stage at this year's World Marina Conference in Venice, where an impressive line-up of speakers will address a wide range of industry topics. We're delighted to welcome experts from some of the world's leading marina groups, including D-Marin, IGY Marinas, Suntex Marinas and Safe Harbor Marinas.

The Venice conference will also see the launch of TYHA's newly revised Code of Practice, the result of an extensive re-write in collaboration with Marina Projects Limited. This updated code reflects our commitment to supporting marinas in delivering excellence across all aspects of design, planning and operation.

I look forward to connecting with many TYHA members at our Marina of the Year Awards ceremony in September at the Southampton International Boat Show, in October at the **World Marina Conference** in Venice and in November at METS in Amsterdam.





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Mark your calendar for the Southampton International Boat Show 2025!

oin us from 5pm on 24th September at Stand H394, New Wave Hall, for the annual TYHA stand party.

This exciting event follows the TYHA Marina of the Year Awards, held on the Academy Stage and proudly sponsored by Haven Knox-Johnston. Celebrate excellence in the marina industry with the TYHA community.

Enjoy drinks, networking and great company at this lively gathering. Proudly supported by IGY Marinas, the party is the perfect way to toast the achievements of marina operators, professionals and enthusiasts from across the sector.



See you there!





Marina News Marina News

TINGDENE GROUP

Expands UK Presencewith Acquisition of Farndon Marina

ingdene Group
have completed the
acquisition of Farndon
Marina near Newark,
adding over 300 berths to its
growing national marine
portfolio. This latest acquisition
marks an important milestone for
Tingdene Marinas as it expands
its footprint to 11 marinas across

the UK and establishes a presence on the River Trent for the first time.

Strategically located with navigable access through Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire, Farndon Marina further strengthens Tingdene Marinas' waterways network and underscores its commitment to providing high-quality facilities and services to the UK's boating community.

Ian Collier, Managing
Director of Tingdene Group,
comments: "Farndon Marina is a
strong strategic fit for our group,
enhancing both our geographic
reach and our customer offer. We
are delighted to add such a well-



regarded and well-established marina to our portfolio and look forward to working with the team on site to support berth holders and develop the marina further."

Previously managed by the Ainsworth family for over 59 years the site offers a wide range of on-site amenities, including modern washroom facilities, secure parking, fuel, pump out, chandlery, boat servicing and repair, a slipway and an on-site restaurant.

Paul Ainsworth, son of the founder who has managed the business for the past 16 years adds: "This has been more than just a business - it's been part of our family's identity for decades. I am delighted to hand over the helm to another family-owned group that shares our passion for the waterways and our dedication to serving the boating community. I'd like to thank everyone who has supported us over the years and look forward to seeing Farndon Marina thrive as part of the Tingdene Marinas network."

This latest acquisition extends Tingdene Marinas' offering of marina berths, boat sales, and customer services into a key boating region and is in line with Tingdene Group's vision to provide an integrated national network of marinas that deliver consistency value, and community throughout the UK.

Ethan Zone, Strategy Director for Tingdene Group, concludes: "We would like to thank Paul Ainsworth for his work and support through the



transaction and trusting us with the marina that has been in his family for generations.

The acquisition of Farndon Marina marks a strategic step north in our expansion program, providing a valuable foothold in the East Midlands. We continue to expand our marine portfolio across the UK adopting our long-term value add investment principles."

Tingdene Group's acquisition was supported by Shoosmiths LLP, who led legal due diligence, and Mercer & Hole, who conducted tax diligence.

Paul Ainsworth was supported by Browne Jacobson leading vendor legal due diligence and Corporate Finance Advisors Xeinadin, with the sale and marketing process being overseen by Christie & Co.

A note from PA - Reflections on Farndon Marina

"The marina has been part of our family for over 59 years. From its beginnings as a small boatyard, we've grown it with care, attention and a deep respect for the boating community. Every berth, every improvement and every boater has shaped its spirit. I want to thank our staff, loyal customers, and the local community for making this journey so rewarding. As I pass the baton, I do so with confidence. Tingdene Group is a family business like ours and I know they'll continue to uphold the same values that have always been at the heart of Farndon Marina. While I'll always carry it with me, I'm excited to see what the future holds."

MARINA PROJECTS UPDATE ON THE TYHA CODE OF PRACTICE

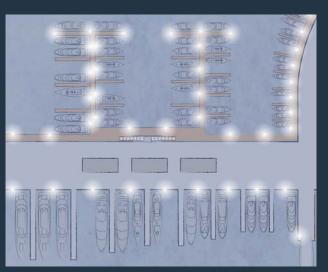
he Yacht Harbour Association (TYHA) is currently updating its esteemed Code of Practice, as previously announced, with the assistance of leading international marina design experts, Marina Projects Ltd. This well-established guide is widely recognised within the industry for outlining best practices in marina design, construction and operation.

The progress to date and the structure of the new document was presented at the most recent TYHA conference and was well received, reflecting the strong interest and support for the initiative. It marked an important step in the process and gathered

valuable feedback from across the membership.

In addition, there's been a very positive response from the topic specific working groups and those consulted on the content. TYHA & Marina Projects would like to thank all who have contributed to this collaborative approach to ensure that the final version is both comprehensive and robust. The document is currently undergoing some refinement which will reflect this feedback.

A bespoke suite of graphics is also being developed to complement the new content and help bring the document to life, making it clearer and easier to digest.



Final reviews are now underway ahead of the official launch in October, which will take place in Venice at the ICOMIA World Marinas Conference.

Jon White, General Manager of The Yacht Harbour Association commented; "We are incredibly proud of the progress made in updating TYHA's Code of Practice, an industry benchmark that continues to evolve with the needs of the spectrum of modern marinas. The collaboration with Marina Projects and the input from our members and working groups have been invaluable. This collective effort ensures the new 8th Edition will be both practical and aspirational, setting a global standard for marina excellence."

Mike Ward Managing Director at Marina Projects Ltd commented: "We strongly support the comprehensive update of TYHA's Code of Practice and are pleased to be collaborating with Jon and the wider TYHA membership on this initiative. The industry is evolving rapidly, with shifting customer expectations and emerging trends. It's therefore crucial that TYHA's industry-led design and operational guidance not only keeps pace with these changes but also helps shape and elevate standards across all areas of marina design and operation for years to come."



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Marina of the Year Awards 2025

he 2025 Marina of the Year Award's presentation will be held on Wednesday 24th September at 4pm on the Boating Academy Stage at the Southampton International Boat Show. As the Awards sponsor, it is our pleasure to invite everyone in the industry to discover the 2025 prize winners and celebrate the results of the hard work and dedication put in by marinas like yours to provide world class boating experiences.

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New For 2025 – Benchmark Review Report

We are pleased to offer a brand-new risk management tool which is ideal to help marina operators like yourselves understand all manner of risks faced as you trade, on a daily basis. The Benchmark Review Report provides an independent 'health check' for your business. It looks to help you not only spot areas of risk that need to be addressed but, also give you reassurance on the areas that don't.

Risk management is the corner stone of insurance and an annual review of risk can help provide a solid story to take to your insurers. It can document the tangible evidence needed to confirm vou are a better risk when it comes to setting premiums and conditions. The Benchmark Review Report is completely free and comes with no obligations to purchase insurance from us. It's purely another way for us to help take the load off your shoulders and provide more time to care for vour customers and build vour business in a sustainable way.

For more information about the Benchmark Review Report email Hello@HavenKJCommercial.com or call the team on 01905 930 760. To talk to us about how we can help your berth holders with their insurance needs throughout the year, email Paul Knox-Johnston directly at paul.knox-johnston@havenkj.com

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NEW HYTHE MARINA PUMPOUT SUPPORTS GROWING DEMAND FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL

brand new, self-contained pumpout facility has just been installed next to the fuel berth in Hythe Marina Village by world renowned marine sanitation specialists LeeSan.

Operated by MDL, Hythe was the first marina village to be built in the UK. Located on Southampton Water's western shore, it is a unique development comprising of a 206-berth marina, waterside homes and shops, restaurants, bars and a boutique hotel. There is storage ashore for over 120 boats and a slipway with ample space for trailer and car storage. Both petrol and diesel are available.

Recently, MDL contacted Warwickshire based LeeSan and asked them to design a new black water pumpout solution, since the existing system was old, difficult to operate and not particularly efficient.

However, the specification was complicated (and has taken a little time to plan) due to the fact that the unit was to be sited in close proximity to the fuel berth to improve accessibility. This meant that the LS30T peristaltic pump needed to be ATEX rated – protected against explosion to the uninitiated – while still being robust, efficient, user friendly



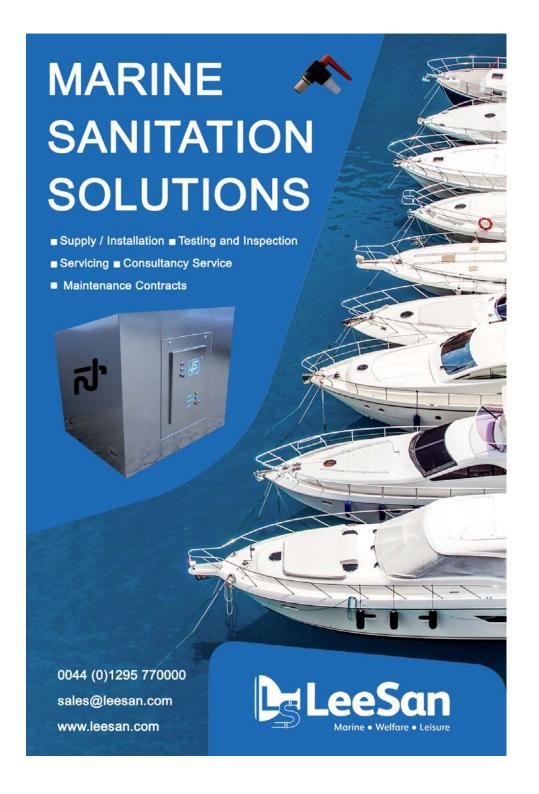




and easy to operate!
The new station is a LeeSan
LS200W-ATEX, featuring stop
start function and will be
controlled by Hythe's on-site
fuel/pump operator. It is housed
in a stainless-steel cabinet with
easy access for service. It can
pump roughly 120m distance and
incorporates a 12m suction hose
with an ISO probe valve and a set
of adaptors to fit all deck fittings.

The "Green Blue" has developed an online map to show which marinas, boatyards and harbours provide environmental facilities such as pump out, black water/Elsan disposal, recycling, freshwater refill points, hazardous waste disposal and filtered/bunded boat washdown.

Karl Sutcliffe, LeeSan's Technical Director comments -"It is fantastic to see more and more coastal marinas installing machines to help cut the amount of black waste dumped in our harbours and seas. The specialist team at LeeSan are able to design and install solutions for just about any application, so there is no reason for any marina not to offer this service in the future. Experience has shown us that installing these units generally drives additional business to the marina creating a win-win situation".



Technology News Marina News

Marinas Are Replacing

Outdated Energy Systems

n the age of smart everything, phones, boats, even fridges, it is remarkable how many marinas still rely on legacy systems to manage electricity on the pontoons. Prepaid smart cards, office-hour top-ups, and tangled wires remain the norm in too many locations. But that tide is turning.

Across the UK, a new generation of marina operators is adopting wireless metering technology that makes life easier for berth holders while improving site efficiency and reducing energy waste. Leading this shift is a partnership between Rolec, a trusted name in marina hardware and Metpow, whose wireless platform is transforming utility management.

Why wireless metering changes the game

Metpow's cloud-based platform enables berth holders to connect



Operators, meanwhile, gain full remote control of their berth network. They can monitor usage, enable or disable supply, set limits and respond to issues in real time. The system runs on a LoRaWAN connection, built for the challenges of marina environments where Wi-Fi and GSM often fall short.

The sustainability and cost advantage

This level of visibility has a direct impact on consumption. Sites using Metpow typically reduce their electricity bill by up to one third by eliminating overuse, accidental overruns, and inefficiencies. It supports both cost-saving goals and sustainability ambitions.

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Unlike traditional smart card systems, Metpow requires no specialist hardware, no office-hours availability and no costly maintenance. Berth holders can pay in any currency, track usage and even receive refunds for unused credit.

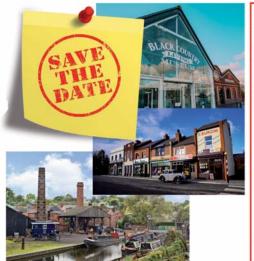
Meet Neill Walker

In September, Metpow welcomes
Neill Walker as Business
Development Lead for Marinas.
With decades of experience in
both marina development and
software solutions, Neill brings
deep sector insight and a passion
for innovation. He will be working
closely with marina operators
to help them modernise their
infrastructure and unlock the
benefits of wireless metering.

You can reach Neill directly at neill@metpow.com

By Harry King, Marina Correspondent





Dear valued member,

Please find details below for the 2025 Inland Conference. Don't miss out - make sure you save the date in your diaries for what promises to be an even bigger & better event than last year!

Keep an eye out for more information on our website over the coming months.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Date: Thursday 13th November 2025

Time: 9.00am – 4.30pm + evening meal/entertainment

Location: The Black Country Living Museum

Sponsorship opportunities are now available, including options for trestle tables / small pop up stands to maximise your visibility at the event. For more information email nsanders@britishmarine.co.uk



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Inland Water Safety Management and Marina Water Safety Management courses

British Marine has launched two new accredited training courses to enhance water safety awareness and emergency response for those working close to the water's edge across the non-tidal inland and tidally affected marina sectors.

The Inland Water Safety Management and Marina Water Safety Management courses are designed to equip individuals with the knowledge and practical skills to operate safely within three metres of water – whether from a riverbank, dockside, or aboard a vessel. Both courses are delivered by leading industry trainers at Birmingham and Midland Marine Services Ltd, partnered by Atlantic Crest for the tidal marina course, and are accredited by the Institute of Search and Technical Rescue.

Location: Southampton (UK) Duration: 4 days

Price: £230 + VAT (British Marine members) £345 + VAT (non-members)

Accreditation: Institute of Search and Technical Rescue

For more information and how to book: Contact Vicki at training@britishmarine.co.uk







Intermediate Marina Managers Course 16/19 September

This four-day course is accredited by the Global Marina Institute (GMI) and is designed to provide marina personnel in a leadership position with fast-track training in the critical issues in marinas. It is also an essential course in a career path leading to the globally recognised Certified Marina Manager (CMM), Certified Marina Operator and Certified Marina Professional (CMP) qualifications.

Location: Southampton (UK) Duration: 4 days
Price: £1987.00 + VAT (BM/MIA members) £2384.40 (TYHA members)
£2517.20 + VAT (LMA members) £2650.00 + VAT (non-members)

Advanced Marina Managers Course 15/19 September

The Advanced Marina Management (AMM) programme is a profit-management training course designed for senior marina professionals.

Location: Southampton (UK) Duration: 5 days

Price: £2381.00 + VAT (BM/MIA members) £3397.20 (TYHA members)

£3644.60 + VAT (LMA members) £3892.00 + VAT (non-members)

For more information and how to book: Contact Vicki at training@britishmarine.co.uk



AQUEDUCT MARINA TAKES ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS DECARBONISATION

queduct Marina
has taken another step
towards decarbonising
their operation with the
installation of 73kw of solar panels on
the workshops and facilities building.
The new installation, carried out by
TB Electrics, saw 170 highly efficient
440w solar panels being fitted to the
main building, which houses the
administrative offices, reception
and the cafe. A project partly funded
by Cheshire East Council.

The installation complemented the existing ground source heat pump and solar tubes on the facilities building that already provide heating and some of the hot water. It is hoped that the combined output of these new panels will reduce Aqueduct's consumption of electricity from the grid by 20%. The resulting cost savings mean the installation cost is expected to be recouped in around four years.

The new solar panels help
the Cheshire-based marina to reduce
its carbon emissions even further,
something Aqueduct's MD, Robert
Parton, is keen to do after calculating
the business's carbon footprint a few
years ago. To enable the marina to
reduce its emissions of CO2, the
company now uses HVO fuel in all of
its vehicles, as well as offering it to
boat owners for use in their boats.
Hydrogen fuel can also be purchased
from the chandlery and even casual
visitors to the marina can make use of
the EV chargers located in the carpark.





For more information and additional news about the award winning 5 Gold Anchor Marina, visit www.aquaductmarina.co.uk



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BEAULIEU RIVER

Celebration to mark grand opening of new £2m boatshed at Buckler's Hard Yacht Harbour

ooring holders have helped to celebrate the grand opening of Buckler's Hard Yacht Harbour boatshed after a £2m redevelopment to create workshops, waterfront offices and meeting rooms with panoramic views across the Beaulieu River.

Lord Montagu invited Olympian Vita Heathcote to cut the ribbon and open the impressive building at the annual berth and mooring holders' summer party. The special guest, from Lymington, became Team GB's youngest member competing in the 2024 Paris Olympic Games.

Joining them in the
VIP line-up was one of the
yacht harbour's first customers
Joanne Husband – who, with
her husband Tom, has made the
Beaulieu River home for their

British Folkboat Tomic for over half a century – as well as one of the newest mooring holders, Dewi Thomas.

Lord Montagu said: "The redevelopment of the boatshed is an important next step following the major renewal and extension of Buckler's Hard Yacht Harbour in 2021. It is good to see this 54-year-old building given a new lease of life and brought up to the standards required by today's marine industry.

"The refurbished boatshed provides the opportunity for marine businesses to relocate to the Beaulieu River so that we can offer the best facilities and services to our mooring holders."

Mooring holders were invited to tour the new boatshed for a first glimpse inside its five first-floor offices and two meeting rooms, plus a workshop which is tall enough to accommodate the full height of a boat and two further bays which are also fully insulated with roller shutter doors for boatyard services.

Rentals are going fast but for more details and enquiries visit:



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Letting terms include parking, a communal kitchen, electricity and Wi-fi (subject to service charge). Office lets can also include the use of meeting rooms and a secure leased line share to offer guaranteed bandwidth. Or meeting rooms can be hired by the day or half-day.

Preference will be given to tenants who provide value-added services for boat owners on the marina's 200 fully-serviced walk-ashore pontoon berths and 300 river moorings, as well as more than 10,000 visitors who stay there each year.

A new marina shop, chandlery and reception have also opened, providing quality food and drink, newly designed gift ranges, boating supplies and a cafe area where customers can sit and relax with service provided by the Beaulieu River team.



For more details about Buckler's Hard Yacht Harbour and the Beaulieu River, berths or moorings visit www.beaulieuriver.co.uk or call 01590 616200.

PARKSTONE BAY MARINA SUSTAINABLE WASHROOM UPGRADE A SUMMER SUCCESS

arkstone Bay Marina is delighted to announce the resounding success of its recently completed £150,000 investment in upgraded washroom facilities for berth holders, following a bustling and positive summer season. This significant enhancement, which combines premium comfort, modern design, and eco-conscious technology, has been met with overwhelmingly positive feedback, further solidifying the marina's commitment to delivering a first-class experience while reducing environmental impact and supporting the local community.

The new facilities, unveiled just before the peak season, feature spacious private cubicles, stylish contemporary finishes, and enhanced accessibility, all thoughtfully designed to meet the needs of today's discerning boat owners. A key innovation proving particularly beneficial during the busy summer months has been the introduction of climatecontrolled air source heating with heat recovery, delivering efficient, low-carbon comfort year-round. Berth holders have also enjoyed a range of added benefits, including complimentary toiletries, a dedicated family shower room. and ambient music, all of which

have enhanced their experience throughout the season.

In line with the marina's sustainability goals, the washrooms have performed exceptionally well, partially powered by newly installed solar panels, contributing to a significant reduction in energy usage and carbon emissions over the summer.

Feedback from berth holders throughout the summer has been exceptionally positive. One berth holder commented, "What a fantastic job you have made of the new facilities block. These new facilities have been well thought out, are extremely attractive and well-appointed and are simply a joy to use. Congratulations to all involved in this project, a lot of hard work has obviously gone into it. Clearly a significant investment has been made by the marina owner and in my view, it has been money well spent, lifting the facilities to a high level comparable with the top end Solent Marinas."

The project was expertly designed and supplied by Commercial Washrooms, and constructed by Parkstone Bay's own in-house team, with support from a small group of trusted local tradespeople. This hands-on, community-focused approach

ensured the project was delivered to the highest standards whilst also contributing to the local economy.

"We're incredibly proud of what we've created - not just in terms of the finished product, but the way we've delivered it," said Henry Cobley, General Manager at Parkstone Bay. "Our in-house team, supported by talented local professionals, has brought this vision to life. The result is a facility that reflects both the quality and values of Parkstone Bay Marina, and the positive feedback we've received throughout the summer season is a testament to that."

Alex Carnegie, Sales Director at Commercial Washrooms, added, "It's been a pleasure working alongside Henry and the wider team on this project to deliver a premium washroom for berth holders and visitors alike. The specification was tailored to ensure we aligned with the vision of Parkstone Bay, with a strong emphasis on sustainability and water saving and providing a premium experience for the user."

The successful washroom upgrade is the latest in a series of enhancements at Parkstone Bay, with further plans in place to continue raising the bar in service, sustainability and facilities across the marina.





PORT MARINE SAFETY CODE GUIDANCE AND NEW SAFETY MANAGEMENT TRAINING COURSE

n April the Department for Transport issued an updated version of the Port Marine Safety Code (PMSC) – with clear expectations that marinas and other non-statutory marine facilities bring their safety practices in line with the national framework. Originally introduced in 2000, the PMSC has long applied to statutory harbour authorities. However, the latest revision now explicitly includes all marine facilities – including privately operated marinas,



piers, jetties and terminals – even when located outside of traditional harbour jurisdictions.

To help our members British Marine released guidance in May explaining how the PMSC and the guide to good practice (GTGP) applied to Marinas, this guidance can be found both on the TYHA and British Marine websites -

www.britishmarine.co.uk/resour ces/knowledge-centre/britishmarine-publish guidance-latestedition-port-marine-safety-code

Coming Soon – Autumn 2025

Safety Management Awareness for Ports and Marine Facilities

To support our members in better understanding the requirements of a Safety Management System – a core element of the PMSC – British Marine and TYHA are planning to launch a new training course that will cover the following topics:

- An overview of the PMSC and GTGP
- A summary of the 10 key requirements of the PMSC
- An in-depth exploration of Marine Safety Management Systems, including a clear explanation of the requirements and the distinctions between HSEbased Health & Safety law
- and Merchant Shipping Health & Safety law
- Practical exercises covering regulations, emergency procedures, standard operating procedures (SOPs), maintenance and accident reporting
- Guidance on conducting reviews, including both internal and external audits

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To register your interest in the new training course please contact Hayley Cloke via hcloke@britishmarine.co.uk



PORTONOVI MARINA

Charting Excellence: Our Commitment to Quality, Service and Sustainability

s a proud member of The Yacht Harbour Association (TYHA), we hold ourselves to the highest standards in the marine industry. Our mission is to consistently deliver world-class service to discerning yacht owners, captains and crew members who expect nothing less than excellence – and we are proud to rise to that expectation every day.

Our journey toward excellence has been guided and strengthened by TYHA's unwavering support. Their professional and constructive advice throughout our development has been invaluable, helping us fine-tune every aspect of our operation to meet - and exceed - global standards. Thanks to this shared dedication. our marina is now recognized around the world as a premier destination for supervachts. We proudly hold certifications as a "TYHA Supervacht Ready" marina and a "TYHA International Clean Marina" - accolades that reflect both the quality of our facilities and our commitment to environmental responsibility. These achievements are now forming a strong foundation for

the next step in our evolution: certification by Bureau Veritas for ISO 9001 (Quality Management System) and ISO 14001 (Environmental Management System). This marks a significant milestone in our continuous improvement and reflects our deep-rooted values of accountability, precision and respect for the environment.

Sustainability: At the Heart of Our Mission

Beyond service and quality, sustainability is a core pillar of our philosophy. We are actively investing in innovative and ecoconscious practices to minimize our environmental impact and foster a culture of care among our clients and community. Some of our key initiatives include:

- Solar-powered pontoon and berth lighting, reducing reliance on conventional electricity.
- Sea bins strategically placed throughout the marina to capture floating debris.
- Mandatory use of biodegradable cleaning products for all vessel washing within the marina.
- A filtered vacuum system providing free black and grey water tank discharge, ensuring marine water integrity.

- Comprehensive waste management protocols across the marina.
- Annual underwater clean-up dives provided free of charge to the local community, removing marine debris and promoting ocean health.

These initiatives are more than operational policies — they are part of a broader movement to protect and preserve our oceans. By setting an example, we aim to inspire boat owners, crews and visitors to join us in safeguarding the marine environment for future generations.

Looking Ahead

The sea has always been a symbol of freedom, exploration and beauty. With that privilege comes responsibility. As we continue to lead with innovation, service and sustainability, we invite you to stand with us – not just as clients or guests, but as partners in preserving the waters that unite us all.

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Safety News Safety News

Plunge Taking the Plunge

ollowing on from a presentation at the TYHA Marina Conference in May 2025, where the realities of working in and around water were explored, one message landed clearly: theoretical knowledge alone isn't enough when it comes to safety. Teams need experience - real, physical, felt experience - to build the kind of calm, confident response that saves lives, their own, or others.

In a bold response to enhancing water safety and team wellbeing, marina operational staff across the country are now undertaking immersive cold water safety training, a pioneering approach designed to better prepare them for real-life emergencies on and near the water.

Led by health and resilience specialists Vitae Vi, the programme combines classroombased learning with practical, scenario-led experience - all designed to build confidence, competence and most importantly calmness under pressure, so critical and therefore life-saving decisions can be made, without panic.

The training begins with an introduction to the physiology of cold water shock: what happens to the body and mind during sudden immersion, what to do and how, and why taking control is critical in those first vital seconds. From there, participants move to a pool or controlled marina environment where they put theory and protocol into action - experiencing firsthand what it's like when a lifejacket self-inflates, how to plan your escape, manoeuvre in the water with an inflated lifejacket, perform survival techniques and practice both self-extration and casualty recovery techniques.

One of the most impactful moments of the session was an optional plunge in the ice bath, where team members experienced the mental and physical effects of extreme cold. "When people fall into cold water, they're rarely ready," explains Dan Hughes, Co-Founder of Vitae Vi certified Wim Hof Method

Cold Water Immersion Training for Safer, Stronger Teams



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feel that in a safe setting – and
learn how to overcome it. It's
worth noting that even in the
height of the summer, UK water
temperatures can still be cold
enough to elicit a cold water
shock response"

The training focuses on simple, life-saving techniques & protocols that are easy to remember and apply in high-stress situations. This kind of hands-on, scenario-led training is still rare in the maritime and leisure sectors, where many roles involve close interaction with the water, often alone and at night.

What made the course particularly effective was the

blending of Dan's background in breathwork, resilience training and prior experience in the marine industry. "We were able to tailor this course specifically for the real risks people face on pontoons, jetties and dockside areas," he says. "It's not just about safety - it's about building a more confident, capable team who know how to act in those moments that really count."

"At MDL Marinas, safety is at the heart of everything we do," says Joe Walton, Head of Heath, Safety and the Environment at MDL Marinas. "Cold water immersion training helps prepare our teams for real-life situations and supports our efforts to improve safety standards within our industry. We've found, historically, there are limited practical training options out there that deliver the critical, hands-on skills needed for working safely around pontoons and dockside areas. From cold water immersion to self-recovery, this training equips our teams with invaluable experience in a controlled, supportive setting."



The feedback from course participants? Eye-opening, empowering - and, quite literally, breath-taking.

"Cold Water Immersion training with Emsworth Yacht Harbour operational staff – picture members of the EYH Team during live drills"

Want to equip your team with practical essential water safety skills?

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Please contact Dan directly by email at hello@vitaevi.co.uk Dan also offers posters, news articles, podcasts, Blogs and Berth-holder Talks as part of the course cost*.





Wave International

Previews Wavecleaner VAC at TYHA Conference

he Wavecleaner VAC is further improved and developed from the original Wavecleaner skimmer unit, following feedback from users which includes marina operators, river authorities and emergency services.

The system is designed to be a fast response solution for any accidental spills which can occur at locations such as marinas, ports, dockyards, fuel jetties and barges as well as waterside businesses such as boatyards. As well as dealing with spills from marine activities including bilge and boat related discharges, it will also clear up pollution created where rainwater has mixed with fuels and oils on carparking and hardstanding areas and is washed into the waterways.

By pumping the contaminated water through a sediment strainer and two Wavestream System 2 filters, which are Lloyds Register Type Approved, The Wavestream VAC removes pollutants including micro-plastics ensuring only clean water is discharged back into the waterway or surface drains. The filtered water meets the strict 5 ppm requirements, thus also avoiding any costs for disposing of polluted water or clean up materials.

The new Wavecleaner VAC comprises a new, higher capacity pump which improves the flow rate and therefore the speed at which an oil, fuel or other surface pollutants can be hoovered up, it has a flow rate of 22 L/min with a vertically lift capacity of 3 metres and a discharge head of up to 40 metres. The skimmer head has been upgraded and redesigned and now includes a strainer to prevent any large floating debris entering the unit.



The Wavecleaner VAC is fully portable and mounted within a sturdy cage and operates using a 12vDC rechargeable, hi-capacity battery pack, Similar in appearance to a small gen set, it can be permanently or temporarily sited on a standard marina trolley, or similar, enabling easy and fast access for just one operator to the area of the spill.

Designed to be robust, longlasting and reliable, the Wavecleaner VAC is manufactured in the UK using highest grade materials including quick release

couplings on the hoses enabling ease of use and for cleaning if required.

When a fuel, oil or any other form of pollutant spill occurs, the user can simply move the Wavecleaner VAC to the location and start cleaning up immediately. This avoids the need for other forms of intervention and the use of spill response materials which can be awkward to use. The filters in the Wavecleaner VAC have a long service life, depending on usage and once saturated, can be easily removed and disposed of appropriately and replaced.

Paul Gullett of Wave International said: "The Wavecleaner was originally developed as a result of demand from marina operators and dockyards who have seen and used our proven Wavestream bilge filters systems in vessels, being the foundation of Wavecleaner. They asked why we couldn't create a portable product to deal with accidental spills in the waterways or even on land. After some development work, and trials to prove its success, we launched Wavecleaner, which is now superseded by the improved Wavecleaner VAC system."

Wavecleaner VAC is available for pre-order through Wave International. More information can be found on the website www.waveinternational.co.uk



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Marina de Lagos

partners with Altitude Angel to implement drone flight control platform

arina de Lagos announced today that it will install the Altitude
Angel platform, a global leader in UTM (Unified Traffic Management) technology, at its marina. This platform will enable drone operators to request and pay for their operations at the marina digitally.

Marina de Lagos, with more than 470 berths, is one of the most popular and busiest marinas in Portugal. Drone flights in the marina are currently mostly recreational, aimed at capturing photographs and videos of boats and the infrastructure. Marina de Lagos has ambitious plans to introduce new services

that could benefit its clients, including delivery services from the marina to boats sailing offshore. The installation of Altitude Angel's new system will allow for the monitoring of all airspace over the marina and its surroundings.

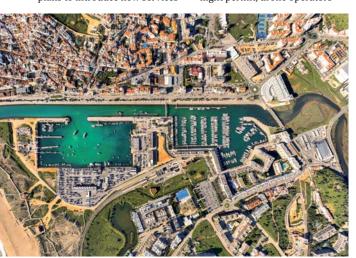
Altitude Angel's service platform, already widely used in the UK at airports, heliports, aerodromes and large properties, will allow drone operators to submit flight plans involving take-off, flight, and landing at Marina de Lagos, obtaining the necessary local authorization, after obtaining flight permits from the relevant Portuguese authorities.

With the new platform, once they have their official flight permit, drone operators will be able to complete the local authorization process digitally via the Drone Assist App or through DroneSafetyMap.com, and in most cases, they will receive instant approval.

Martinho Fortunato, CEO of Marina de Lagos, added: "At Marina de Lagos, we are constantly looking for ways to improve the safety and comfort of our customers, as well as the quality of our services and invest in innovation. The partnership with Altitude Angel to develop airspace control over and around the marina, the first in Portugal to do so, is something we are very excited about. We are also looking forward to sharing our experiences with the broader marina community in a few months, at the next World Marina Conference."

Regarding the system to be implemented at Marina de Lagos, Chris Forster, CEO of Altitude Angel, said: "This is a great news, not just for the team at Marina de Lagos, but for marinas and harbours across Europe and beyond. As drones are being used more frequently, either recreationally or by businesses to provide additional services, the need for a greater understanding of shared airspace grows. The introduction of Approval Services will give Marina de Lagos the understanding and clarity they need to manage drone operations around the marina safely and securely."

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PERSON IN WATER

Lessons Learned

profoundly sobering case study at the 2025 **TYHA Conference** centred around the drowning of a berth holder last year after they fell off a pontoon, unwitnessed, late at night. What lessons were learned and how can you better prepare to prevent loss of life within a marina?

The case study highlighted two critical points for all marina operators.

The first was the traumatic impact upon marina staff, family and friends, even in a well-run facility where all precautions met or exceeded best practice. Despite readily acknowledging the support he received from his own management team, it didn't need a Powerpoint slide for everyone in the conference to

visibly take in the emotional impacts upon the marina employee who managed this incident.

The second was the critical importance of being able to prove that your marina operations are permeated with a safety culture. In this case study, evidence prepared for the inquest or subsequently provided in response to the coroner's requests included:

- the company's general approach to safety;
- · details of ladders, lighting and other safety equipment;
- accurate marina safety plans clearly showing the location of equipment and ladders;
- · accident book entries;
- · safety audits (several previous, not just the last one);
- the health and safety policy;

- risk assessments:
- any safety-related reports by external agencies;
- statement(s) about events on the day of the accident from staff involved;
- details of the marina's Gold Anchor award (evidencing compliance with the standards in that scheme);
- copy of the TYHA code of practice (and how the marina met or exceeded the defined relevant recommendations);
- details and photographs of arrangements and any postaccident improvements;
- relevant health and safety qualifications of staff;
- · minutes of directors' meetings for the preceding two years (to demonstrate that claims about its health and safety culture was true).

presentation from Dan Hughes, a marina professional turned qualified breathwork instructor now running his own business, Vitae Vi. His stark advice

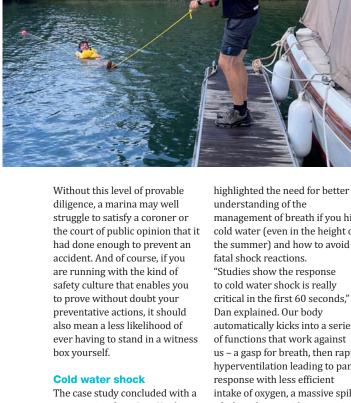
management of breath if you hit cold water (even in the height of the summer) and how to avoid fatal shock reactions. "Studies show the response to cold water shock is really critical in the first 60 seconds." Dan explained. Our body automatically kicks into a series of functions that work against us – a gasp for breath, then rapid hyperventilation leading to panic response with less efficient intake of oxygen, a massive spike of adrenaline, rapid increase in blood pressure with cardiac risk and loss of mobility in your limbs as blood flows to your core to maintain temperature.

Your sodden clothing will also add around 30% to your weight, further hampering your ability to swim or leave the water. It's not hypothermia that is going to kill you if you fall in from a marina in the UK - it's drowning."

Dan explained that breath control is the key to survival. "The average adult breathes about 12 times a minute. In a panic situation that breath rate can go up to 66 times a minute. That's 114lt of air through the system, some of which is going to carry some water. You only need about 1.5lt of water in your lungs for it to kill you. A gasp response can be 2lt-3lt of air. If you are underwater that's lethal."

Dan teaches a three-step process to prevent cold water shock killing you - breathe, float, plan. He also emphasised the need for effective means of getting out of the water reinforcing a theme of the day that safety ladders have a critical role to play in marinas and should be as numerous and visible as possible and never inadequate or poorly maintained. Dan also suggested that marinas might consider adopting World Drowning Prevention Day on 25 July each year, as an opportunity to promote use of lifejackets by all when walking on pontoons.

Further information You can read more about Dan **Hughes educational work** on cold water shock at www.vitaevi.co.uk



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White Mills Marina Open Day Success



hite Mills Marina's first charity open day held on Sunday 8th June has proved to be such a hit that the marina situated at lock 9 on the River Nene at Earls Barton in Northamptonshire is now looking forward to it to becoming an annual event.

The open day came just two weeks after this year's Crick boat

show and many visitors from the bank holiday event who were looking for permanent and temporary moorings came to White Mills to see for themselves exactly what the marina and the River Nene has to offer.

Around 25 traders which included boat related exhibitors as well as a selection of artisan crafters set up their stalls in the marina's dedicated camping

field to create a retail avenue. The ambiance of the afternoon was enhanced thanks to some fabulous music from The Whisky Flowers and Odds 'n' Sods.

With the marina's charity of the year 2025 being Northampton based Pink Rooster the amazing raffle which included flying lessons and weekend breaks raised a fantastic £602.00

Said Manager for White Mills Marina, Georgina Wickham, "We are absolutely over the moon with the feedback we have had, it was so nice to welcome people to the marina that we had met at Crick and to show them round. Being a small team, we were kept very busy which was great and to raise so much money for such a worthwhile cause was a win win all round. Roll on next year, we will be back! "

Anyone interested in getting involved with next year's charity open day should contact the office on 01604 812057

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Roll on next year, we will be back!

Sustainability Rooted in Practice, Not PR



ustainability, for Rolec, is not a finite project or a problem to be 'solved.' It is an enduring mindset and an ethical commitment that aligns with sound business practice and responsibility to future generations.

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Long before sustainability became a headline topic, Rolec was already acting in ways that reflected environmental stewardship – often without even labelling it as such. Minimising waste, using local supply chains and designing for durability were simply part of doing good business. Something that has been further pushed upon receipt of ISO 14001:2015 certification.

As UK manufacturers we maintain full control over the design and development of our core product range. This visibility allows us to think more deliberately about the full life cycle of our products. From conception to creation to delivery to ongoing maintenance and repair.

Having this unique overview of the business means that we have the opportunity to effect positive changes through a host of ways. For example, by upgrading our solar array and reducing our consumption of heating oil sitewide, we were able to generate an estimated annual CO_2 e saving of 76,410kg.

Alongside this, the addition of battery storage allows us to store excess solar energy,

which can then be used to help power our factory and charge electric vehicles, without drawing from the grid. It's these incremental and continuous improvements that not only improve our energy resilience but collectively make a real difference over time.

Additionally, by reducing the size of our packaging we are now able to ship 50% more products per pallet, reducing transportrelated emissions by 33%. We also ensured that all materials used in preparing products for shipping are FSC certified and 100% recyclable. It is by taking these extra additional steps that we can push ourselves to find new ways to make an impact. Due to this method of thinking, we also switched to water-based inks to further reduce our carbon footprint by nearly 40%.

In our mission to keep waste out of landfills, we have diverted 70% of our manufacturing refuse to recycling facilities. Whilst this would've been great on its own, we also found a use for the remaining 30% of waste material, converting it to SRF (Solid Recovered Fuel). By implementing this change, we can support the creation of a circular economy: where raw materials are continuously repurposed.



Today, with ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) matters taking centre stage, we remain dedicated to genuine, measurable change – not just compliance. While we actively track and improve our environmental performance, our ethos goes deeper than meeting checklists. It's about aligning our operations, supply chain, and workforce development with the long-term health of both planet and people.

That's why we remain: Conscious by Design. Responsible by Nature. **Powered by Progress.**



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JACHTHAVEN ANTWERPEN AND PORT DU TRÉPORT JOIN TRANSEUROPE







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Jachthaven Antwerpen, with its two facilities on the Scheldt River, offers superb access to the vibrant city of Antwerp.

Linkeroever Marina provides a tranquil, green setting, while the historic Willemdok Marina, a proud Blue Flag holder, places boaters right in the cosmopolitan heart of Antwerp. Both locations are well-equipped with comprehensive services including electricity, water, laundry, Wi-Fi and bike rentals, ensuring a comfortable stay for all visiting yachts. Their unique accessibility via tide gates and canals adds to their appeal for those exploring this key European waterway.

Joining Norman destinations like Dieppe and Fécamp, the Port de plaisance du Tréport is a charming addition to the stunning white Côte d'Albatre. Centrally located within the city, this marina offers convenient access to numerous amenities and shops. With 100 berths plus 10 dedicated visitor berths and reliable 24/7 access around high water via its lock, it provides secure facilities including

modern sanitary amenities, water and electricity, making it an ideal stop for cruisers along the French coast.

"Speaking from Belgium myself, it gives me immense pleasure, on behalf of the entire TransEurope Marinas association and its members, to welcome Jachthaven Antwerpen and Le Tréport to our growing family," says the TransEurope Marinas Chair. Maarten Desloovere. "These two marinas truly embody the quality and diverse appeal we strive for. Jachthaven Antwerpen, with its dual offering in such a key European city and Le Tréport, a beautiful new gem on the Norman coast, significantly strengthen our network and enhance the cruising opportunities for all our members. We look forward to many years of fruitful collaboration."

Julien Lebas, TransEurope Marinas Representative for France, added: "The Port de plaisance du Tréport's inclusion is particularly exciting for our French network. It's a fantastic new stopover for boaters exploring the magnificent Côte d'Albatre, enriching our French destinations with its authentic charm, dramatic cliffs, and vibrant town."

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HONOURING HISTORY AFLOAT JEANIE JOHNSTON PROJECT

s part of a major enhancement to one of Dublin's most iconic maritime attractions, Inland and Coastal Marina Systems has completed a two-phase floating platform installation around the Jeanie Johnston – a full-scale replica of the 1847 famine ship that transported over 2,500 emigrants to North America during the Great Famine.

Moored at Custom House
Quay in the heart of Dublin's
Docklands, the Jeanie Johnston is
both a memorial and a museum –
playing a vital role in preserving
and presenting Ireland's
maritime and cultural history.
Commissioned by Dublin City
Council and delivered in
collaboration with Purcell
Construction, RPS and Urban
Agency, the new pontoon system
improves access and visitor
experience, while supporting



essential services.

Phase one involved the supply and installation of a breakwater system comprising six pontoon units - forming a 40m x 10m floating platform. A dedicated 20m x 4m unit was also fabricated to provide added functionality and stability. These structures now support a striking 30-ton Glulam frame (glue laminated timber) - towed and craned into position with meticulous planning, given the inner-city location and tight logistical constraints. A key technical challenge was ensuring level integration with

the existing quay wall and adjacent infrastructure, requiring precise coordination with engineers from RPS and on-site adaptability from Inland and Coastal's team.

Phase two saw the installation of an additional Glulam-supported platform -15 tons this time - alongside two further 20m x 4m pontoons. A new gangway enhances access for both visitors and operational users. While the expanded pontoon supports the adjacent Jeanie Johnston visitor centre, it also provides upgraded facilities for Dublin City Fire Brigade and improved berthing for small leisure craft. The platform now serves as a dynamic interface between land and water, enabling safer, more seamless public interaction with Dublin's historic waterfront.

This project is a prime example of how well-engineered marina infrastructure can enhance both heritage preservation and urban functionality – and demonstrates Inland and Coastal's capability in delivering complex floating structures in sensitive, high-profile locations.



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CAPTAIN YILMAZ



TYHA along with our Gold Anchor Assessor Murat Tuncer, would like to honor the life of a remarkable man, Captain Yilmaz Dagci, whose journey from the decks of Norwegian ships to the helm of Turkey's maritime community spanned nearly a century and left an indelible mark on the seas he loved.

orn in 1927, Captain Yilmaz began his career as the youngest seaman aboard Norwegian vessels. With grit and determination, he rose through the ranks to become an oceangoing master, navigating the world's oceans for 25 years. His deep respect for the sea and its rhythms shaped his every endeavor.

Transitioning from seafaring to shore-based roles, Captain Yilmaz became General Coordinator of six Setur Marinas, where he played a pivotal role in enhancing Turkey's marina infrastructure. His leadership at Ataköy Marina further solidified his reputation as a visionary in the maritime tourism sector.

Beyond his professional achievements, Captain Yilmaz was a passionate advocate for marine conservation. As one of the founders and the first Secretary General of the Turkish Marine Environment Protection Association (TURMEPA), he

championed initiatives to protect Turkey's seas and raise environmental awareness. His commitment to preserving the marine environment was unwavering and his legacy continues through the association's ongoing efforts.

In his advisory role to the President of the Board of the Istanbul, Marmara, Aegean, Mediterranean and Black Sea Chamber of Shipping, Captain Yilmaz contributed to shaping policies that advanced Turkey's maritime industry. His insights and dedication were instrumental in fostering a sustainable and thriving maritime sector.

Captain Yilmaz was a devoted husband to Mrs. Nazan Dağcı and a loving father to their daughter. His family was the anchor in his life and his love for them was evident in every aspect of his being.

As we bid farewell to Captain Yilmaz on June 14, 2025, at the age of 98, we remember a man whose life was a testament to dedication, passion and service. His contributions to the maritime world and his commitment to environmental stewardship have left a lasting legacy.

May his soul rest in peace, and may we continue to honor his memory by upholding the values he cherished.



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MDL MARINAS ENHANCES LIFTING CAPABILITIES AT NORTHNEY MARINA WITH POWERFUL 35-TON HOIST



DL Marinas has significantly upgraded its lifting operations at Northney Marina with the addition of a powerful 35-ton hoist, following a £400,000 investment. Since its installation earlier this year, the hoist has already made a notable impact, enabling the safe and efficient handling of larger vessels, streamlining daily operations for the marina team and enhancing the overall service experience for customers.

Supplied by industry leader Marine Travelift, the hoist features an extended beam and remote-control functionality, improving both safety and the speed and precision of lifting operations.

"This equipment is a gamechanger for us," says Tom Ward, Marina Manager at Northney Marina. "The new hoist allows us to support a wider range of vessels and deliver an even better service to our berth holders and visitors. Its speed, power and ease of operation have already made a big difference to the way we work and support our customers."

Stephan Chayer, Managing Director of International Sales at Marine Travelift, adds: "We're proud to partner with MDL Marinas on this project. The 35-ton hoist at Northney is a great example of how modern equipment can transform marina operations, offering precision, safety and speed. We're confident it will serve the marina and its customers exceptionally well for many years to come."

Located on the north shore of Hayling Island on the UK's South Coast, Northney Marina features over 200 fully serviced berths, modern shower and toilet facilities, ample parking and a welcoming on-site café.

Accessible at all states of tide, the marina offers boaters a blend of convenience and peace of mind, with stunning views and direct access to Chichester Harbour and the Solent.

Its combination of tranquil surroundings and high-quality facilities makes Northney a preferred destination for both cruising and maintenance.

For more information on summer offers at Northney Marina and other selected MDL Marinas, visit the website: www.mdlmarinas.co.uk/summer

Abu Dhabi International Boat Show Launches New Charter Show and Announces Strategic Partnership with Abu Dhabi Maritime

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The Abu Dhabi International Boat Show (ADIBS) is proud to announce two major developments set to boost this year's event and editions well into the future, taking place from 20-23 November 2025 at Marina Hall, ADNEC Centre Abu Dhabi.

For the first time, ADIBS will introduce a dedicated Charter Show, offering a premier platform for yacht charter companies, brokers, and fleet operators to connect with a growing regional market. With increasing demand for marine leisure and luxury experiences across the Gulf, the

Charter Show will provide direct access to high-net-worth visitors, adventure seekers, and marine tourism operators from across the UAE and beyond.

In parallel, ADIBS is delighted to confirm the signing of a three-year strategic partnership with Abu Dhabi Maritime. This milestone agreement strengthens the show's position as the leading marine and lifestyle event in the region and reflects a shared vision to promote innovation, sustainability, and investment in the maritime sector. Abu Dhabi Maritime's support will enhance programming, infrastructure, and international outreach-offering even greater value to exhibitors and partners.

Together, these developments make ADIBS 2025 an unmissable opportunity for marinas, boatbuilders, marine tech firms, and charter specialists looking to expand their footprint in the Middle East's thriving maritime market.

We invite members of The Yacht Harbour Association and the wider industry to join us in Abu Dhabi this November-whether as exhibitors or visiting professionals to discover new business opportunities, forge valuable partnerships, and experience the future of hosting in the Gulf

For stand enquiries or partnership opportunities, contact the ADIBS team at www.adibs.ae



A great example of how modern equipment can transform marina operations

A NEW HELM FOR FAMBRIDGE YACHT HAVEN

fter 20 years of service, Danny Adams will be stepping down from his role as Marina Manager at Fambridge Yacht Haven, effective 1st June. Danny has been a central figure at Yacht Havens since he first joined as a young man at Plymouth Yacht Haven and over the last 20 years, he has played a pivotal role as manager at Fambridge, transforming the marina into the modern & thriving haven it is today.

During his time as Manager, Danny has overseen significant improvements and developments that firmly established Fambridge Yacht Haven as one of the most comprehensive boating facilities on the east coast. His knowledge, leadership and unfailing good humour have left a lasting mark on both the marina and its many berth holders.

While Danny is stepping away from the day-to-day management, we're delighted to confirm that he is not going far.



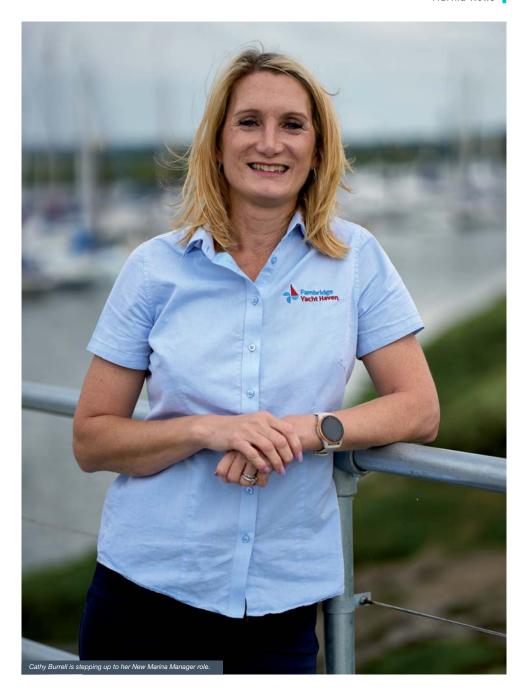
He will be taking on a new role within Yacht Havens Group, offering group-wide support across a variety of sites. Danny will also continue to assist with seasonal activity at Fambridge – so his experience, smile, and trademark enthusiasm will remain very much part of the team.

Danyal said, "It's been a real privilege to manage Fambridge Yacht Haven for so many years. Watching it grow and evolve – and being part of that journey – has been incredibly rewarding. I'm proud of what we've built together and excited to continue contributing to Yacht Havens in a new wav."

So it's a new chapter for Fambridge and stepping up as the new Marina Manager is Cathy Burrell. Cathy has been with the Fambridge team for nearly five years, most recently serving as Assistant Manager. Known for her calm leadership, exceptional customer service and deep knowledge of marina operations, Cathy has earned the respect and support of her entire team.

Danyal added, "I have every confidence in Cathy's ability to steer the ship, whatever the weather. She's supported by a strong and capable team with a can-do attitude, and I look forward to seeing Fambridge continue to thrive under her leadership."

Cathy Burrell said, "It is an honour to step up and be given the opportunity to continue to build on the great work Danyal has worked hard on over the last 20 years. Myself and the team will continue to bring out the best that Fambridge Yacht Haven has to offer to our berth holders and visitors alike."



BOAT SHOW

A Glorious Debut for the London and Thames Valley Boat Show at Shepperton Marina

he London and Thames Valley Boat Show, held at Shepperton Marina for the first time in June, was nothing short of a resounding success. Blessed with glorious sunshine, the event brought together a diverse array of exhibitors and visitors, creating a vibrant and engaging atmosphere that celebrated all things nautical.

The marina was abuzz with activity as boat sales companies from across the Thames showcased their latest brands, offering attendees a glimpse of the newest products available in boating. The variety of exhibitors was impressive, ranging from insurance companies and boat bed suppliers to decking specialists and boat cleaning services. The Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) also had a strong presence, with a stand selling memorabilia to support their vital work.

New boat brands were on display along the quayside with a variety of models available for on board viewings and enquiries. There was something to suit everyone!

A highlight of the weekend was the life jacket clinic hosted by Lindon Lewis Marine. Over 50 life jackets were serviced on Saturday, revealing some

surprising results. One life jacket, which appeared brand new, was found to be over 25 years old and was among the 54% that were condemned. This clinic underscored the importance of regular safety checks and maintenance, ensuring that all boaters remain safe on the water. touch to the show.

Adding to the vibrant atmosphere, an on-site bar and eatery provided a relaxed setting for exhibitors and visitors to unwind and enjoy the event. The weekend culminated in a lively evening of live music on Saturday, which was enjoyed by all and added a perfect finishing

This traveling boat show has previously graced other marinas and it will be exciting to see where it heads next. We look forward to it returning back to Shepperton Marina in the future!

A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the exhibitors for their support and participation. Your contributions made this event a memorable one and we look forward to many more successful shows in the future.

The London and Thames Valley Boat Show at Shepperton Marina attracted an impressive 638 visitors over the three days. This strong turnout is a testament to the event's appeal and the hard work of all involved. It certainly bodes well for future shows!



For more Information visit



Premier Marinas

n celebration of their ongoing commitment to environmental sustainability, Premier Marinas is proud to announce the retention of its EcoVadis Silver rating, placing them in the top 11% of companies assessed by EcoVadis – a globally trusted provider of business sustainability ratings.

To mark this achievement and continue driving local environmental efforts, Premier Marinas is teaming up with Sea Angling Classic and Veolia to host a community coastal walk and litter pick around Portchester Castle on Sunday 8th June.

Open to all, the event encourages community involvement in preserving

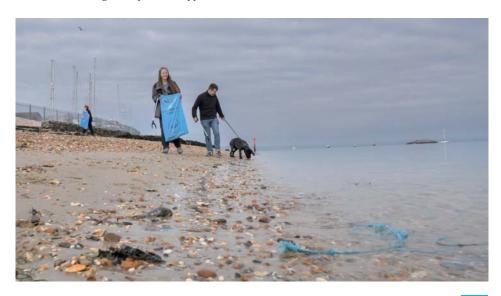
and protecting our coastline. Volunteers will gather on the green by Portchester Castle at 12:30pm for a safety briefing, before setting off at 1:00pm on a scenic coastal walk and cleanup, finishing at Premier Trafalgar Wharf via Wicor Marine.

Premier Marinas, which owns and operates 11 first-class marina locations along the South Coast, sees this event as a key opportunity to turn sustainability pledges into action. The event aligns with the company's environmental commitments, and its recent EcoVadis rating reaffirms its commitment to responsible operations across all sites.

"We're incredibly proud to retain our EcoVadis Silver rating and continue leading the way in sustainable marina management," says Peter Wortley, EHS Manager at Premier Marinas. "As a Group, we are in a position of responsibility to maintain the environment in which we operate and where our customers enjoy spending time. This community cleanup allows us to work further with Sea Angling Classic and Veolia to bring people together in support of environmental care."



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