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Free To Members

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PROPOSED EVENTS FOR 2018 - Revised

Wednesday July 18th	Cruise to Commissioners Cut & Indian @ The Merchant of Spice.
Saturday July 28th	Pyes Mill, Fish and Chips.
Sunday July 29th	Brunch transferred to September 2nd
August 25 th – 27th	Carnival weekend and fireworks Oultan Broad
Saturday September 1 st 2nd	Cruise to Beccles, BRUNCH 2nd
Tuesday September 25th	Picnic Boat Trip Wroxham to Coltishall
Friday October 25th	Annual General Meeting. .
Friday November 23rd	Talk + Judging of photography competition.
Saturday December 8th	Christmas Meal

NOTE: This is only a proposed list, other members suggested events may be added as and when.



CLUB MEETINGS

The Salhouse Lodge

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Chairman's Chat

The months have whizzed by and here we are at midsummer.

I am pleased to say that all of our events have been well supported. From the meeting at Rockland at Easter to our cruise to the northern Broads. It has been gratifying to see members come by road when unable to attend by boat.

A sudden change of proposed venue for our cruise in May to Brundall and a meal at The Yare went well. Followed by a cruise to Brammerton Common the following day. We then had a good turnout at Oulton Broad where a walk/ferry trip into Lowestoft was enjoyed.

We had six boats leave Berney Mill for the northern Broads trip and four return in company.

I am pleased to say that reports on these events are coming from members, which saves me a lot of hassle.

Unfortunately it appears our sea trip as been put on the back burner due to this persistent northerly breeze, gusting to force 6 as I type.

As I said at the picnic, it is you, the members, who make the Club what it is. I think we have struck the right balance at the moment by the number of members taking part in the events.

Please don't forget our photo competition, which will be judged at our November meeting.

At the moment we are having to hand over our web site to another person, as Graham who kindly carried it on for us after Tony Grozvenor had to call it a day has had to change server. It may take a little time to sort this out but I am assured that we will have a much more modern looking site. I will keep you posted.

If you have any articles for Broadly Speaking please send them to me and I will forward them to Ann, our editor.

Happy Boating

Roger, Chairman.



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Oulton Broad Meeting May Bank Holiday 25th – 29th May

This was an amazing weekend and well attended; all boaters that came along said they had a good trip to Oulton Broad Yacht Station; the Harbour Masters were very kind to us and moored us all close to each other at the end of the floating pontoon, making for a great start to our Bank Holiday weekend together. Chairs and drinky's came out closely followed by lots of chats and laughter, all in the glorious sunshine, just what the Doctor ordered, fabulous day.

A decision was made for a visit to Lowestoft on the Saturday morning, some had a pleasant walk and others tried out the ferry, which turned out to be a lovely way to travel there, nice boat. We all met up at the Pier for morning coffee, they must have thought a bus had arrived. Of course the walk along the sea front can't be missed together with a 'few' doughnuts and chips, naughty but nice. What a lovely day again in the sunshine and with great company.

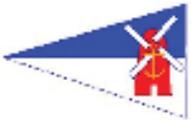
Dinner at the Wherry Hotel was planned for the evening and it was lovely that two of our newer members, who couldn't make it by boat, joined us for that; again a fabulous time was had. Of course, later on Bobby's Karaoke at the Boulevard was on the cards for a 'certain member' so 8 of us made our way over; two of us didn't leave until 1am, naughty stop outs.

After breakfast on the Sunday, it was time for the Golf tournament; crazy golf & putting, we all paid our £2 and 'armed' with clubs off we went, what a great laugh it was, the poor young attendant looked a bit worried, can't think why? Two poor souls had the job of keeping score as well as playing but did a good job. I didn't realize it could be just as effective to cue the ball in the hole at one of the stations, nor could anybody else come to that, LOL. Anyway, of course when we were all finished it was time to add up the scores over coffee in the park cafe, well we do know how to enjoy ourselves.

Monday came round and really it was a day to get the chairs out (over drinky's) and reflect on the lovely weekend we had; some members left in the afternoon followed by the rest of us on Tuesday.

On summing up, it was a very successful 'get together' and may we have many more.

Until next time,
Kath



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BCCC VISIT TO THE NORTHERN BROADS 11th to 18th JUNE 2018

A visit to “The Dark Side” is apparently an annual event, although for some it was the first time. On a beautiful Monday in June 6 boats including Tantalus IV, Wild Rover and Meander met at Berney Arms and made the intrepid voyage across Breydon Water (which turned out to be very calm) to Stracey Arms and on the following day the afore-mentioned three continued to Womack Water where we met up with Beryl and Alistair on Genii. Sylvia, on Cloud 9, returned to Somerleyton and Rolling Rock and Midnight Star whizzed off to Potter Heigham in search of electricity for hairdryers. Anna, Mary and Beryl walked to Ludham for supplies and a menu from which to choose for the evening meal. As Mary passed the list of choices out of the boat to Graham he knocked it all out of her hand into the river. Quick as a flash he was on his knees and retrieved the menu and the very soggy list which he duly gave to Beryl with apologies. Ringing through with the order proved quite stressful as Alistair had given Beryl a phone number for the King’s Arms and after insisting that we had booked for 12 people, it turned out that Beryl was speaking to the wrong pub! It was nice that Kath, Tony, Ann and Colin joined us that evening for dinner making a good sized party of twelve.

Next day we moved on to Salhouse Broad where there were walks around the Broad and woods and even a trek by Roger’s crew member, John, to Woodforde’s Brewery to buy a keg of Nelson’s Revenge.

Cockshoot Dyke was the next stop and a short walk to the bird-hide revealed a super view of the Broad. A number of wild orchids and a beautiful swallowtail butterfly were spotted but the best sighting of all was a bittern skimming along the quiet river in the early evening, then back again to its home in the reeds.

Friday Genii sailed on to its berth at the island in South Walsham Broad but the other boats stayed in Fleet Dyke where it was only a short walk to the island. While the men erected the gazebo, Anna, Beryl and Mary enjoyed a pleasant walk along the lanes and over a field to Fairhaven where refreshment was taken before setting back. Alistair fetched fish and chips from Acle for everyone and we amused ourselves in the evening sun watching the antics of the of the swans and grebes with their little ones.

On Saturday several of us rafted up on S. Walsham Broad while Paul or Alistair ferried us to the island in the dinghy. At 2pm our picnic began and the tables were full of food and drinks for the 24 people who gathered in the gazebo. It was good to have so many other members of the club able to join us, plus Mavis, the owner of Genii’s mooring. Paul had organised an interesting quiz and there were two extremely difficult games – making a paper aeroplane to fly through a hoop onto the table, in which I believe Georgie had success after great persistence - and



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casting a line so the fish landed in a floating bowl. No-one quite achieved this but on Mary's first over-enthusiastic try she managed to hook Wild Rover and the dinghy had to be launched to free it! The gazebo having been struck and everything tidied away, Alistair proceeded to ferry us back to the rafted boats. All was going smoothly until Mary was getting in and the dinghy decided to move away suddenly and she fell in – complete with bag and Graham's camera!! The life jacket works! (Unlike the camera now.) After much heaving and struggling Mary eventually flopped into the dinghy and was returned to her boat, none the worse for the experience except needing a shower.

Sunday, returning to Stracey Arms prior to crossing Breydon the next day we were impressed by the Red Arrows' flying display which seemed to have been put on especially for us. We had a great view.

Thanks go to Beryl and Alistair for arranging the week, including perfect weather and to all who took part for making it such fun.

Mary Davies

Pictures Northern Rivers – Graham Davies.





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