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Free To Members  
Number 63

March, April, May, June 2019

## ***Proposed Events Remaining for 2019***

Saturday	June 15th	Trip to the Northern Rivers/Broads.
Tuesday	July 16th	Trip to Surlingham & meal, onwards to Norwich.
Saturday	August 10 <sup>th</sup> – 16th	Trip to Oulton Broad with talk in the evening.
Saturday	September 7th	Cruise to Pyes Mill.
Friday	October 25th	Annual General Meeting.
Friday	November 22nd	Judging of photo competition.
Saturday	December 11th	Christmas lunch, The Lurcher, Colton.



## **CLUB MEETINGS**

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## Chairman's Chat

Well, what a good start to our cruising season. We have had an excellent turnout to all our events so far.

It all kicked off at Easter with the trip to Beccles and the Easter Bonnet Parade. This was then followed by the Oulton Broad/Lowestoft trip and meal and next was the cruise to the northern Broads.

It appears that we have hit on the right formula for a successful social boating gathering. That is, a short daily cruise to a nice mooring sometimes followed by an evening meal. If a meal is not possible then a gathering on a members boat for nibbles and a drink goes down well.

We learnt a lot on our northern river cruise and new suggestions are already coming in for the next time we meet on the Dark Side.

Now we are halfway through the season with more of the same on offer. If you haven't managed to join in so far you still have time.

Happy Cruising,

Roger.  
Chairman



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## **May Cruise to Oulton Broad/Lowestoft.**

Although the “doo” at The Royal Norfolk & Suffolk Yacht Club was not until Tuesday, some boats started arriving at O/B on the Thursday, then more arrived over the weekend with some going to Lowestoft on the Monday and Tuesday.

Altogether we have nine members boats attending, which was very encouraging and possibly our best ever turn-out. We had Tantalus IV, Rolling Rock, Genii, Minnow, Wild Rover, Crown Jewel, Freeway, Northern Light and Carys Rose.

The weather over the weekend was dull and cloudy with a very cool fresh breeze, but it improved by Tuesday with bright sunshine and a very stiff breeze.

The Ladies were especially looking forward to the evening dinner as it meant they could dress-up and feel very feminine. Some members invited their friends as well so we had a total of 23 sit down for dinner in the evening.

After a very nice meal we were entertained by Kath on the microphone and a successful evening came to a close about 20.45 when quite a few members boarded their taxi back to Oulton Broad.

Wednesday dawned sunny with a gentle offshore breeze, so Freeway, Northern Light and Carys Rose departed Lowestoft for Southwold and Tantalus IV made way back to Oulton Broad. Genii and Rolling Rock left O/B making passage back to base just leaving Minnow and Wild Rover there.

A very enjoyable few days were had by all.

A separate report on the cruise to Southwold by Kath follows:



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## May Hop – Southwold Sea Trip

Following on from the Dinner at Royal Norfolk & Suffolk Yacht Club, a trip to Southwold was planned for Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May (weather permitting). Everything turned out to be in our favour; wind NNW and a flooding tide at a reasonable time for leaving Lowestoft and arriving at Southwold, gave the three boats a very pleasant run and were welcomed at the harbour by Gerry, Assistant Harbour Master.



Boats all secured, it was time for afternoon walkies and drinkies in the lovely town of Southwold and later, dinner; it was of course important to find the right pub with the best menu, as you do! The Red Lion on the green came up trumps for us all.

Thursday, we had planned the sea trip back to Lowestoft; it was perfect for time, tide and a southerly wind for an afternoon run back to Lowestoft and also catching the bridge and the last lock through to join the other members in Oulton Broad;

Lovely time all round.

Kath & Tony



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## Easter Cruise to Beccles.

After a bitterly cold few days it began to turn warmer. Just in time for our Easter gathering at Beccles. The forecast was for hot sunny weather, but you can't always rely on forecasts.

Quite a few members cruised down on the Thursday, with the rest arriving on Good Friday, in the afternoon we had ten boats moored all together at the far end of the yacht station.

Out came the chairs on the quayside, with a few drinks and the socializing started. By the afternoon the gazebo had been erected and Stephen and Linda (Caryes Rose) kindly accepted the task and went around collecting the orders for fish and chips. At approximately 17.45 fish and chips arrived and we all sat down to enjoy them. Afterwards Linda (Rolling Rock) served up a delicious chocolate cake.

Later it began to turn a little cool and various items of clothing were worn to keep warm. (Minnow) in a snow leopard onesie and Kath (Freeway) in Tony's dressing gown, over her clothes, of course!

As darkness fell as well as the temperature it was back on board and the heaters switched on as a large full moon crept up in the sky.

Saturday dawned bright and sunny and rapidly warmed up. Members did their own thing going into town or just socializing by the boats and soaking up the sun. After lunch a few went for a walk along the riverbank in the direction of Aldeby, and back in time for afternoon tea. Early evening was time for a meal, so some ate on board, some had take-away and some ate out. Afterwards we had one of Paul's (Rolling Rock) enjoyable brain teasing quizzes which went down well, and well as another of Linda's delicious cakes.

Easter Sunday was again wall-to-wall warm sunshine. Yes the forecasters got it right, but cooler and stronger breeze got up.

At 11.00 we had the Easter Bonnet parade with seven ladies and three gents taking part with some wonderful creations, Ann's (Northern Light) depicting the river, a windmill and BCC code flags.

Lunchtime saw twenty of us, including two crews who came by road, walk up to the Bear and Bells for a roast lunch. After a stroll back to the boats and after a short break Beryl (Genii) had us gather in the gazebo for our raffle. This raised £40.00 for the club funds.

The rest of the afternoon and evening were spent socializing, either in the gazebo or on the quayside.

Another very warm and sunny morning greeted us on Monday and some members gradually made their way back to their moorings throughout the day, whilst others enjoyed the fine weather until the next day before departing.

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a photograph or two :



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B&CCC Northern Rivers Cruise 2019

Saturday afternoon June 19th. Rolling Rock, Meander, Wild Rover, Minnow and Tantalus IV met up at the Berney Mill moorings in the warm sunshine with a brisk breeze blowing.

From mid afternoon vessels departed at various times, depending on the bridge clearance they required at Great Yarmouth. We all met up again at Stracey Mill where Genii joined us. Linda on Rolling Rock put on a delicious buffet for everyone to enjoy in the evening sun. Elaine from Minnow was presented with a large, very large, birthday cake made by Linda.

Next morning we proceeded to the B.A. moorings at St. Bennets Abbey, less Rolling Rock who stopped off at Stokesby to take on electricity. Again it was warm with the persistent brisk breeze which brought a few light showers in the afternoon. A very convivial evening was spent on Meander.

An early start was made on Monday morning so the taller boats could pass under Ludham bridge at 0750. A breakfast stop was made at How Hill.

Genii went back to her mooring at South Walsham where she was joined by Rolling Rock whose height prevented her going through Ludham bridge.

A leisurely cruise was then taken across Barton Broad and along the Ant to Sutton Staithe Here once again we all managed to moor together.

In the evening we were joined by the crews from Genii and Rolling Rock, who came by road and The Lady Ann who was moored in the boatyard.

A table was booked at The Sutton Staithe Hotel for fourteen of us and we sat down at 1820. The meal and service was deplorable, not getting our main course until 1950. Some meals were not as ordered, some hardly edible.

Needless to say five people were not charged for their meal.

At 1015 the next morning The Lady Ann appeared bang on time and led us to Gaye's (Gays) Staithe. Where we moored both sides of the peninsula.

Chairs were set up and (birthday) cake and biscuits appeared. It turned quite humid and the ladies walked to Neatishead and sampled the local hospitality at the White Horse. They come back with very favourable reviews.

Shortly after arriving back it started to rain so it was a withdrawal to our respectful boats. Although it did clear later and drinks were served on Tantalus IV.

After a night of thunderstorms another early start was made so we could return under Ludham bridge at low water. We continued to Womack Dyke where Genii



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And Rolling Rock were waiting. A fine morning gave way to a showery afternoon. As usual when we moor here we went to the King's Arms in the afternoon and had an enjoyable carvery meal except for Paul who had injured his knee.

Thursday was dry and bright and after a leisurely morning we departed after lunch for Acle and a mooring in the basin at Pedro's restaurant. Except for Rolling Rock and Genii who went back to South Walsham as it was deemed Paul ought to see a Doctor about his knee.

We fund ourselves inside in the evening sampling the tapas on offer. You could order individually, or share. Two portions were considered sufficient for each person. We were joined by Stephen and Linda (Carys Rose) who came by car.

Casting off at 09.30 we proceeded to South Walsham in glorious sunshine and a slight breeze. As boats in Fleet Dyke were spaced out Tantalus IV and Meander rafted up on the broad and the rest managed to squeeze in on the Dyke. The gazebo was duly erected on Genii's mooring and by early afternoon members and friends, some coming by road, assembled for drinks and nibbles. After a few games Alistair and John went to Acle and collected Fish and chips for all of us. As the sun started to descent on this the longest day the gazebo was dismantled and everyone dispersed.

Saturday started cloudy and warm with a little breeze. Some boats departed from South Walsham in the morning for Stracey Mill, with the exception of Minnow, who went straight back to Brundall, the rest meeting up in the afternoon. Tantalus IV left for Great Yarmouth at 19.30 to make use of the low tide.

The rest departed early next morning. Making the end of a very successful and enjoyable cruise.



## **Club PENNANTS**



*Club Pennants are available  
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