



# London

## We Offer:

- Talks and presentations in autumn & spring
- Newsletters
- Honorary Local Representatives (HLRs)
- Summer social events

## Welcome to the London Section

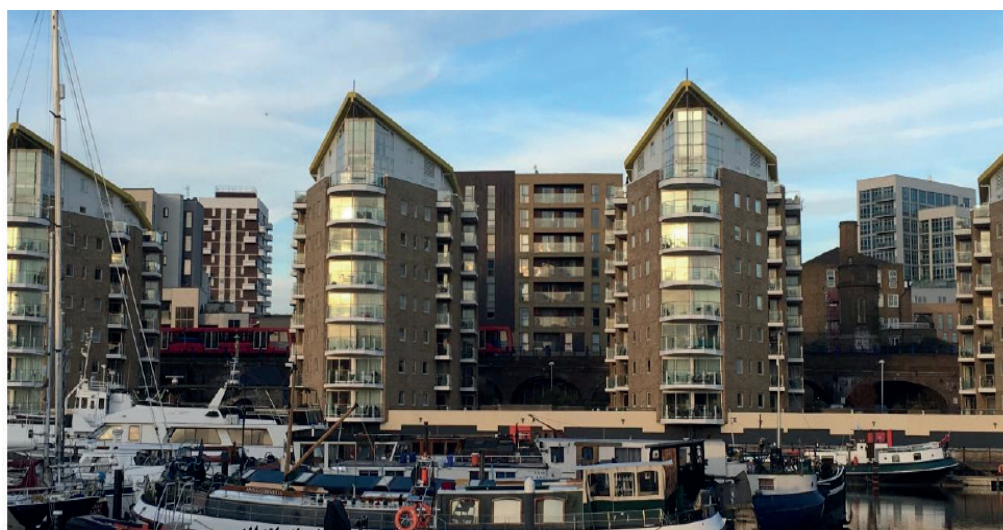
Sharing information and expertise is what the CA is all about and CA London plays its part by organising talks, seminars and social events at our London HQ.

## Being Part of CA London

If you live or work in London, or even if you are just visiting, we hope you will come along to some of our talks and events. We run extremely popular weekly lectures on Wednesday nights from October to April and hold a monthly club supper over the summer months.

## Where we meet

We meet at CA House, 1 Northey Street, London E14 8BT. Our HQ is home to the CA's small administrative team, our library and information centre and cabin accommodation. Ania, our catering manager, and her team, are always happy to see you in the bar and restaurant, which is generally open from 6pm on week nights and from midday at weekends. Lectures begin at 7pm and finish around 9pm with a break for refreshments. The full programme is published on the CA website.



## Section Secretaries

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## Join Us!

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# Forthcoming Events

## Autumn programme 2025/26

### **Wednesday 1st October - Slightly pear-shaped part 2 by *Jeremy Batch***

That the Earth is round had been known for centuries; that it might also be (very) slightly oval was long-suspected. Jeremy explores the early British and French-led projects to create accurate maps and charts in his own inimitable way. Plus: why NATO compasses are divided into 6,400 degrees and why, if you capture a Russian field gun, you really need to watch which way you point it.

### **Wednesday 8th October - First Voyages of the East India Company by *Rob Smith***

Rob Smith looks at the attempts by British sailors to set up trading missions in India, China, Japan and what is now Indonesia and the difficulties they overcame to establish the world's most powerful multinational: from getting shipwrecked on an island full of penguins, accidentally firing their cannons at their ship's boat, clashes with the Dutch East India company, mutinous crews, not to mention the ever-present problem of diseases like scurvy and dysentery.

### **Wednesday 15th October - Round Britain in a Cornish Crabber by *Roger and Chris Hardman***

Despite never having owned a yacht before, Chris and Roger set off to sail round Britain. Storms, dolphins, breakdowns, a Coastguard commendation and becoming lead feature on the Home Page of the Berwick Upon Tweed Lifeboat website followed.

### **Wednesday 22nd October - Not Sailing in Western Greece by *Nigel Cuthbert***

Greece has many hidden treasures in addition to the well-known tourist sites, some of which can be reached easily from ports where your boat can be left safely for a day or more. Find details!

### **Wednesday 29th October - Electric engines by *Algie Bennett***

Advancements in battery technology and an evolving range of motors make it increasingly feasible to swap out both the petrol outboard on our tenders and the diesel inboard on full size sailing yachts.

### **Wednesday 5th November - From the Med to the Caribbean by *James Kenning***

James covers all the preparation for his passage from the Canaries to Grenada and how it helped overcome mid-ocean problems including shredding sails and damage following a whale strike 1000 nm from land.

### **Wednesday 19th November - Our Albanian adventure by *Cath Bruzzone***

Sitting between the Greek and Croatian cruising areas and the rising star of Montenegro, Albania has a way to go before it can offer all the delights of the Med, but it's still a fascinating country to visit.

### **Wednesday 26th November - Stars to Steer by *Julia Jones***

Sailing can so often seem to be a male dominated activity, but women have been on board all along. Not just the stars like Clare Francis and Ellen MacArthur but also women on clipper ships, in naval uniform, in boatyards, tending navigation marks, as well as racing or cruising. And the most popular all-time guide to celestial navigation was written by a woman: Mary Blewitt.

### **Wednesday 3rd December - Our annual joint event with the Royal Institute of Navigation. Speaker to be announced**

Photos L to R: CA London lectures autumn 2025

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