

Mediterranean

We Offer:

- Talk and dinner in autumn and spring
- 2-day spring seminar
- Winter Zoom sessions
- Newsletters
- Honorary Local Representatives

Welcome to the Mediterranean Section

The Mediterranean Section is a community of cruising sailors numbering over 2,000 members. Most of our members sail in the Mediterranean, but quite a number are still in the planning stages or dreaming stage of heading there. We are a group of people who aim to support, help and encourage each other; we do this by keeping in contact electronically and meeting up both in the UK and the Mediterranean. Whether you sail or motor you will be very welcome.

The Mediterranean Area

Our sailing area extends across the Mediterranean from Gibraltar to the Levant and includes the Black Sea.

Image: Marina Preko

Where we meet in the UK

In the UK, Section meetings with a talk followed by supper are held in CA House twice a year, in November and February, along with along with winter Zoom meetings. We hold a weekend of talks about both technical aspects of Med sailing and favourite



cruising grounds at our Mediterranean Seminar in March at CA House. We also hold a Med Section Summer Party somewhere in the UK in August, which is a great opportunity to meet old and new members and of course the Section Secretaries who organise our events.

Where we meet in the Mediterranean

The Section aims to hold a sailing rally somewhere in the Mediterranean every year and a winter 'land-based' rally some years. The social side of our Section is very important and we encourage members to organise informal local 'get-togethers' where members meet for dinner and "cruises in company". These have been very successful, numbers varying from half a dozen to fifty or so people. Some members post details of their proposed sailing ground so that those in the same areas can meet up and sail together informally, if they wish. All members fly a CA burgee and are encouraged to switch on find a friend on CAptain's Mate which is a great way of welcoming other members along for a chat.

Section Secretaries Keith Pettican James Parnell

TreasurerAnthony Royle

Contact med@theca.org.uk

Join Us!

Be part of our cruising community ashore and afloat.

Join as many CA Sections as you wish. Section membership is FREE to subscribed members. To find out more about our other Sections, visit www.theca.org.uk/sections alternatively contact us on the details provided



Forthcoming events 2025/26

Thursday 16th October - Zoom - TBC

Thursday 13th November - Talk and Dinner - Sailing Ocean Fox Simon and Carla Fowler

Thursday 11th December - Zoom - Martin Sutcliffe Single handed ocean passage

Thursday 22nd January - Zoom - TBC

Thursday 12th February - Talk and Dinner

Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd March - MEDSEC Seminar

Being Part of our Section

The Section communicates with its members electronically where possible and makes strenuous efforts to keep members updated with information. We have our own Section pages within the CA website.

MedNet Forum

Is an interactive email network where questions are posted and information shared. Topics covered are wide ranging, from queries about gear, boat maintenance and repair professionals, to new regulations and procedures, to friendly restaurants and the best anchorages. Get automatic emails from MedNet – go to My Account -Notifications

CAptain's Mate

The CA app CAptain's Mate is being used extensively by our members to submit cruising reports. We have now collated some 11,000 Mediterranean cruising reports, meaning that information is being continually updated by members. It is readily accessible both at home and while on board. We have extensive coverage of all the Mediterranean islands and coastal areas.

Presentations from the MEDSEC Weekend Seminars

The Weekend Seminar is the highlight of the Mediterranean Section's calendar, offering a dynamic mix of presentations and workshops tailored to cruisers of all experience levels. Whether you're new to cruising in the Mediterranean or planning to explore new regions, you'll find practical guidance and inspiration throughout the event. For seasoned Med sailors, the seminar features expert-led sessions on a wide range of topics—from metallurgy to meteorology—designed to deepen your knowledge and enhance your cruising experience. We're proud to be regularly joined by the authors of leading Mediterranean Pilot books, including distinguished speakers such as Rod and Lu Heikell, whose insights are invaluable to anyone navigating these waters.

Some preentations are recorded and these will be available on the MEDSEC pages of the website https://www.theca.org.uk/sections/med. One of the most valued aspects of the weekend is the opportunity to chat with people who have experience of cruising in the Mediterranean either by sail or motor.



