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2023 Meet Up: 16th - 18th August in Plymouth

- **Watch the British Fireworks Championship**
- Guided Walk
- Pontoon Drinks
- Pot-Luck Supper

Book Early To Avoid Missing Out



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Our 2023 Plymouth Rally is focussed on viewing the spectacular British Fireworks Championships in this super sea port and interesting city.

The British Fireworks Championship

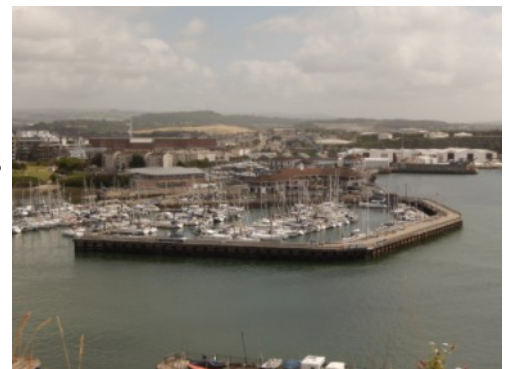
Over two nights' six fireworks companies compete with displays to show who can offer the best presentation. From the wave-break wall at Queen Anne's Battery (QAB) we will have a terrific and free view of the displays.

Social Events

On both evenings we will meet for pontoon drinks before watching the fireworks. On the second day there will be an organised walk and in the evening a pot-luck supper on the pontoon.

Plymouth

Known as Britain's Ocean City, Plymouth has a superb harbour and stunning waterfront. Attractions include Plymouth Hoe (where Sir Francis Drake played bowls before engaging the Spanish Armada), the Mayflower steps (where the Pilgrim Fathers set sail for the new world in 1620), the Barbican (the historical centre with hundreds of listed buildings), the National Aquarium (the largest in the UK), the Royal William Yard (former Royal Naval victualling centre built in 1830) and so much more.



Book now as spaces are limited.



The Programme

Wednesday 16th August - Arrival at Plymouth

Arrive during the afternoon at the MDL Queen Anne's Battery marina (QAB) or the Cattewater Harbour Authority visitor pontoon. Please note that the Cattewater pontoon is not a walk ashore pontoon, so you will need a dinghy to make the short trip to QAB. No meal planned so either eat on board or make own arrangements at local pubs or restaurants (booking early is recommended!)

Pontoon drinks at QAB and the first night of the British Fireworks Championship viewed from the wave-break wall above the marina.

Thursday 17th August - Day in Plymouth

Guided walk starting with a ferry ride from Mayflower steps to Mount Edgumbe (via King William Yard) and walking to Kingsand. Coffee and 'pint and a pasty' lunch halt, before returning via the Cawsand ferry. You will need to pay for the two ferries, lunch and coffee. Opportunity for shopping in the Barbican area prior to.... a pot-luck supper (details will be provided to participants) and drinks in the early evening on the pontoon at QAB.

Viewing the second night of the British Fireworks Championship from the wave-break wall above the marina.

Friday 18th August - Departure

The end of the rally.

Participants may stay before or after by direct arrangement with the marina. Please **ensure you mention you are already booked** on the rally if booking extra nights berthing.

Some may choose to cruise onwards in company.



Booking

These marinas and restaurants are popular during the summer and we need numbers early to secure your place.

Costs

The items identified below are all to allow you to select your options and to make initial payments through the CA booking system. Some items are to be paid on arrival.

Item	Price (on Eventbrite)	Notes
Rally Fee(per boat)	£10	To include a rally flag and the pontoon drinks on both nights
Berthing at QAB Marina. This is available for up to 6 boats less than 12metres LOA. We will be rafted on Red pontoon below the wave wall. <i>Charges are £4.35 per metre per night, plus electricity (if required)</i> Deposit for 2 nights berth (per boat)	£40	Berthing balance to be paid at QAB office on arrival. MDL berth-holders using free nights will get a refund after the rally.
Please indicate if you are entitled to MDL Freedom Berthing or are an MDL Otium member with a cruising bundle		
Berthing on the Cattewater Harbour Authority visitor pontoon (mid river between QAB and Mountbatten, dinghy will be required) The pontoon is available for up to 10 boats less than 14metres LOA <i>Charges are £2.20/m per night, with a minimum charge of £24 per night.</i> Deposit for 2 nights (per boat)	£40	Berthing balance to be paid to the rally organiser on arrival.
Guided walk		Please indicate number likely to take part
Pot-Luck Supper		Please indicate number likely to take part
If your boat exceeds 14metres LOA or you have a local berth and would like to join in the other rally activities please add one here (as well as paying rally fee and making other bookings for walk or supper).		

Booking will be online and with a deadline of 17th July or when berthing spaces are filled.

Booking are subject to standard CA Terms and Conditions.

[Book your place by clicking here.](#)

If you have any queries, feedback or comments, please email channel@theca.org.uk.



Terms And Conditions

1. The skipper shall be a fully paid up member of the CA.
2. Should the rally have to be cancelled before it starts then all monies will be returned to participants. The organisers retain the right to vary the programme if necessary.
3. A vessel may withdraw from the rally but will still be liable for costs unless their place is filled by another vessel or suppliers agree to reduce their charge, which the organisers will use all reasonable efforts to achieve.
4. Vessels attending the events are to be covered by adequate third party and public liability insurance; minimum £2,000,000 for any one accident.
5. The Event Organisers and Organising Body shall not be in any way liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner, skipper, his/her crew or other persons on a boat, as a result of their taking part in the Meet, Rally or Cruise-in-Company. Moreover, every skipper/owner warrants the suitability of his/her yacht/boat for the Meet, Rally or Cruise-in-Company and that his/her boat is insured for taking part in the Meet, Rally or Cruise-in-Company;
6. When on a Meet, Rally or Cruise-in-Company with the CA the safety of any yacht/boat and her entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/skipper who must ensure that the yacht/boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by a crew of sufficient number and experience who are physically fit to face bad weather. The owner/skipper must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and all other gear. He/she must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in-date and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used.

The vessel is insured and I have Third Party and Public Liability insurance cover of at least £2,000,000 for any one accident. My insured cruising range covers the area relevant to this event. I am aware that the Cruising Association and the Rally organisers accept no responsibility for the safety of my vessel, or its crew. The decision to sail and all handling of the vessel and its tender are the responsibility of the skipper who should take his/her decisions knowing the abilities of his/her vessel and of his/her crew. I confirm that I have read and agree to the General Conditions that apply to the CA Sections' Rallies/ Meets and Cruises.

