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2023 Rally/Cruise-in-Company

-) 11th or 13th to 23rd June 2023
-) West Country & Solent starts
-) Visiting Channel Islands and France
-) Meeting together in St Peter Port
-) Sailing and socialising together
-) Dinners, pontoon drinks, barbecue
-) Walks, visits and more

Your Channel Section 2023 Rally/Cruise-in-Company has two flotilla starting points, one from the Solent and one from the West Country.

Both flotillas offer the attractions of cruising together; some local tourism opportunities; plus drinks and dinners and general socialising.

It is all within a two week period allowing you to fit around other commitments.

It's an ideal opportunity for a first time Channel crossing with support and advice from others or an opportunity to cruise and socialise with friends old and new.



Start in Plymouth and cruise to Salcombe, or start in Yarmouth and cruise to Poole and then Cherbourg (France). Then both flotillas cruise onwards to meet in St Peter Port (Guernsey), before cruising on to Carteret (France) where, after some further shore attractions, the rally ends.

You can then cruise home or onwards, with your new rally friends or alone.

There will be a rally WhatsApp group for liaison between members during, before and after the rally.

Book now as spaces are limited.



The West Country Flotilla

Tuesday 13th June - Meet in Plymouth

The rally will start at Queen Anne's Battery (QAB), in Plymouth - the Ocean City. QAB has all the usual marina facilities with chandlers, sailmakers and marine engineers on site. QAB is a short walk from the historic Barbican area with many restaurants and attractions.

Pontoon welcome drinks and then a meal at Waypoint Bistro, a relaxed restaurant, located within the marina complex with a great view over the yachts in the marina to the breakwater beyond.



Wednesday 14th June - Day in Plymouth

Guided walk along the coast from Mount Edgcumbe to Kingsand. We will take the ferry from Mayflower Steps to Mount Edgcumbe via the former victualling depot of the Navy at Royal William Yard. Following a coffee halt we will walk part of the SW footpath to the village of Kingsand and a lunch stop for a pint and a pasty before taking the ferry from Cawsands to the Barbican and the chance for shopping at some bigger supermarkets before returning to QAB.

No dinner booked so eat on board or try one of the many Barbican restaurants.

Thursday 15th June - Cruise in Company to Salcombe (~20 miles)

Salcombe is a popular holiday destination with a picturesque harbour, set in a dramatic coastline and surrounded by unspoilt countryside. The town surrounding the harbour consists of narrow streets and steep alleyways with a great variety of shops, restaurants and cafes to choose from - and a small but very interesting maritime museum. We'll be moored on a pontoon further into the harbour in the area known as 'The Bag'. A water taxi runs regularly to and from the Whitestrand quay if you don't fancy a long dinghy ride to the town.



Drinks follow by Pot Luck Supper on the pontoon and a briefing for the channel crossing.

Friday 16th June - Day in Salcombe

Group walk, via the ferry to East Portlemouth, around the headland to Gara Rock including views of the infamous Salcombe Bar. Returning on the ferry and a chance to visit the shops in Salcombe, the maritime museum and the RNLI Lifeboats (unless they're called out!)

No dinner booked so eat on board or go ashore to restaurant.

Saturday 17th June - Cruise in Company to St Peter Port (~74 miles)

This town port has a picturesque sea front and marina. There is an inner marina with a gate as well as shore-connected pontoons (and for deeper draft vessels) with full tidal access in the outer area.

Berth in Victoria Marina.

The combined rally programme continues on page 4.



The Solent Flotilla

Sunday 11th June - Meet at Yarmouth

This is an attractive harbour and town in the western Solent, convenient for setting off around the Needles and to Cherbourg.

Pontoon welcome drinks and then a meal (barbecue) at Yarmouth Sailing Club.



Monday 12th June - Cruise in Company to Poole (~23 miles)

Poole harbour claims to be the largest natural harbour in the world and has much happening of a nautical and other kinds.

Berth at Poole Quay Boat Haven.

No dinner booked so eat on board or at a local restaurant.

Tuesday 13th June - Day in Poole

Visit to the RNLI College to see how their volunteer lifesaving volunteer crew and lifeguards are trained with a 90 minute behind the scenes tour. Then have two course hot buffet lunch at the College overlooking Poole Harbour.

There is an interesting historical self-guided walk of the town you might wish to do to occupy your afternoon.

No dinner booked so eat on board or at a local restaurant.



Wednesday 14th June - Cruise in Company to Cherbourg (~67 miles)

The city has many restaurants and shops all located quite close to the marina. Amongst the town's attractions are: the excellent maritime museum which includes an aquarium and a French nuclear submarine; the Cherbourg & Liberation Museum in a fort on the rock above the town; the Emmanuel Liais Park and much more.

No dinner booked so eat on board or at a local restaurant.

Thursday 15th June - Day in Cherbourg

Option to hire the marina's electric bikes for the day to go further afield along the cycle routes westwards maybe including a ride out along the massive harbour wall.

Purchase your bottle of wine for this evening's "Pontoon Wine Tasting Challenge".

No dinner booked so eat on board or at a local restaurant.



Friday 16th June - Day in Cherbourg

Option to hire the marina's electric bikes for the day to go further afield along the cycle routes westwards maybe including a ride out along the massive harbour wall.

Group dinner at L'Equipage restaurant (Yacht Club restaurant).

Saturday 17th June - Cruise in Company to St Peter Port (~50 miles)

This lively town has a picturesque sea front and marina as well as a number of tourist attractions. There is an inner marina with a gate as well as shore-connected pontoons with full tidal access in the outer area.



The Combined Flotilla

Sunday 18th June - Day in St Peter Port

Guided group “Potato Peel Pie” walk around St Peter Port.

Pontoon drinks party.

Three course dinner (with selections for each course made in advance) at Guernsey Yacht Club

Monday 19th June - Day in St Peter Port

“Safari supper” where each boat prepares one course of a meal (not gourmet) for a few extra crew. Crews move from boat to boat for each course in an organised manner to meet and mix.

Tuesday 20th - Cruise in Company to Carteret (~30 miles)

A drying entrance to a gated marina for this pretty resort town with numerous restaurants, a good sandy beach and some attractive walks.

No dinner booked so eat onboard or at local restaurants.



Wednesday 21st - Day in Carteret

A group walk to the lighthouse and ruined church on the beach.

No dinner booked so eat onboard or at one of the restaurants.

Thursday 22nd - Day in Carteret

It is market day in town though not the big summer market yet. So get supplies for your barbecue this evening at a market stalls, at the delicatessen in Carteret or go to Barneville for more larger shops and a supermarket.



DIY barbecue (bring and cook own food) at Barneville Carteret Yacht Club.

Friday 23rd June - End of Rally

Say farewell to all your new cruising friends, and maybe sail onwards or back home with some of them.

Further passage and other details will be provided prior to the event to those who have booked.



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. Many items are to be paid on arrival.

Note that many marinas are now limiting the size of boats for rallies. If your boat is >14m LOA or draft >2m special arrangements may need to be made by you.

Item	Price (on Eventbrite)	Notes	Max numbers
Rally Fee (per boat)	£10	Includes CA Channel Rally 2023 flag and some pontoon drinks parties.	20
Rally Deposit (per boat)	£40	This deposit allows us to make advance booking payments and will be refunded by the end of the rally for all who take part.	20
West Country Flotilla: Plymouth Queen Anne's Battery berth for nights of Tuesday and Wednesday 13 th and 14 th June	£0	To be paid to the marina on arrival.	8
West Country Flotilla: Dinner at Waypoint, Plymouth on Tuesday 13 th June.	0	Specify number wishing to eat. Pay restaurant for individual orders. Menu selection for you to choose from will be available later and must be ordered in advance.	24
West Country Flotilla: Guided walk on Wednesday 14 th June.	0	Specify number taking part in walk.	24
West Country Flotilla: Salcombe mooring in The Bag for nights of Thursday and Friday 15 th and 16 th June	0	To be paid to Rally Leader in cash while in Plymouth.	8
West Country Flotilla: Drinks and Pot Luck Supper in pontoon on Thursday 15 th June	0	Specify number wishing to take part in Pot Luck Supper.	24
West Country Flotilla: Guided walk on Friday 16 th June.	0	Specify number taking part in walk.	24
See further below for continued order form for the Combined Flotilla.			
Solent Flotilla: Yarmouth berth for night of Sunday 11 th June	0	To be paid to the marina on arrival	15
Solent Flotilla: Barbecue at Yarmouth Sailing Club on Sunday 11 th June Note the price is hopefully an overestimate, and there will be a refund.	£25	Per person	36
Solent Flotilla: Berth in Poole for the nights of Monday 12 th and Tuesday 13 th June	0	To be paid to the marina on arrival	15
Solent Flotilla: RNLI College Tour on Tuesday 13 th June	£7.50	Per person	30
Solent Flotilla: RNLI College Lunch on Tuesday 13 th June	£12	Per person	36



Solent Flotilla: Berth in Cherbourg for the nights of Wednesday 14 th to Friday 16 th	0	To be paid to the marina on arrival.	15
Solent Flotilla: Hire of e-bikes for the day on Thursday 15 th June	0	Only 10 e-bikes are available and we have reserved them all so book now while they are available and pay the marina on the day. Estimated day hire is €20.	10
Solent Flotilla: Wine tasting challenge on Thursday 15 th	0	Specify numbers to take part.	36
Solent Flotilla: Hire of e-bikes for the day on Friday 16 th June	0	Only 10 e-bikes are available and we have reserved them all so book now while they are available and pay the marina on the day. Estimated day hire is €20.	10
Solent Flotilla: Dinner at L'Equipage on Friday 16 th June	0	Specify numbers taking part. Rally organiser to be paid in Euros (approx €45 per person inc. some wine) on arrival in Cherbourg. Price will be fixed in April when summer menu is defined.	36
Combined Flotilla: Berth in St Peter Port for nights of Saturday 17 th June to Monday 20 th June	0	In order to secure rally discount (25%) pay the Rally Leader in cash on arrival at St Peter Port.	20
Combined Flotilla: Guided group "Potato Peel Pie" walk around St Peter Port on Sunday 18 th June.	0	Specify number taking part in walk.	46
Combined Flotilla: Drinks on pontoon and then dinner at Guernsey Yacht Club on Sunday 18 th June.	£33	Specify number taking part and pay as part of booking. Menu selection for you to choose from will be available later.	46
Combined Flotilla: Safari Supper on Monday 19 th June.	0	Specify numbers for planning purposes.	46
Combined Flotilla: Berth in Carteret for nights of Tuesday 20 th June to Friday 23 rd June.	0	To be paid to the marina on arrival.	20
Combined Flotilla: Coastal walk to lighthouse and beaches on Wed 21 st June	0	Specify numbers for planning purposes.	46
Combined Flotilla: DIY Barbecue participation on Thurs 22 nd June	0	Specify numbers for planning purposes.	46

Book now as spaces will be limited. Booking deadline 18th May; early booking helps planning and ensures your space as previous rallies have always been fully booked.

Booking are subject to standard CA Terms and Conditions.

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.

