



# BOATS IN THE BAY 2013

6th and 7th September

Dear Friends,

We very much look forward to warmly welcoming you to this year's event and are hoping, as ever, that the weather will allow you to come.

If you've not been before, Boats in the Bay is the antidote to sailing festivals!

It began in 2006 as a celebration of luggers to gauge public support for our proposed revival of the maritime heritage of St.Ives and the formation of our Association. It's popularity ensured that it became an annual event. The lack of moorings and facilities for the cruising sailor at St.Ives limits our potential to expand. So eight years on, in contrast to most other festivals, we still retain the character of the early events - spontaneity, a certain chaotic charm, and the freedom to entertain ourselves (which is usually more fun). The event runs on sheer enthusiasm and the goodwill of local businesses.

The dramatic passage of some 35 miles separates us from the busy South Coast so that St.Ives Bay is virtually empty but for other participants.

**TIDE TIMES: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September:** HW 0619, LW 1240, HW 1832 (5.5M 18.0ft). **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September:** HW 0650 LW 1314 HW 1906 (5.6M 18.4ft).

Unfortunately, there were various incidents following last year's event, some involving third parties and others which could have had serious consequences for the vessel concerned. Thankfully, our Harbour Master, Steve Bassett (01736 795018 or 07793515460) remains supportive providing we take steps to avoid any repetition this year. Consequently, we have drawn up the following list of requirements. Future events will depend on skippers adhering to them.

All vessels attending Boats in the Bay are to be adequately equipped, crewed and insured to a minimum of third party cover.

Any vessel over 7m without an engine must have assistance when manoeuvring onto and off moorings within the harbour. have vessel with engine power to assist

Any such manoeuvres onto or off moorings must be done within 1 hour each side of high water. (This is to allow adequate time to keep the operation as safe as possible to minimise any risks to other vessels in the harbour).

There will be no overnight or long stay mooring alongside the piers without the permission of the Harbour Master, unless the vessel has serious problems. (This is to keep the pier clear for the fishing vessels working to land their catch on various states of the tide).

Only moorings allocated to be used.

**Moorings.** (The availability of moorings depends on which vessels are still using the harbour and weather conditions).

There are 3 visitor's moorings outside but please be prepared to anchor off (with something other than a fisherman's as the bottom is sand).

Within the drying harbour there are moorings for 2 large luggers, and yacht moorings for at least 2 smaller boats. In favourable conditions we can raft up to accommodate more. If intending to dry out on legs please be advised to fit ply 'soles' to prevent their legs sinking in the sand.

**Launching from trailers.** Small dinghies are advised to arrive before 8am on Sat to avoid congestion. Anything larger must launch at Hayle as access through St.Ives and parking here is a nightmare.

*NB. The lateral buoys marking Hayle Bar have been replaced by a single N. cardinal buoy in the position of the port hand buoy marking the eastern extremity of the bar.*

The Hayle Harbour Master has asked to be contacted by anyone wishing to launch at Hayle:

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## **BASIC ITINARY**

### **Friday 6th September**

- 6pm onwards. Arrivals and crew reception at the fishermens lodges. We will be frying fish outside the Rose Lodge.
- 8pm. Skippers meeting at the Shore Shelter (adj. to Rose Lodge).

Later we will adjourn to the Castle Inn, Fore St.

### **Saturday 7th September** Morning activities to be arranged.

- 2pm - 6.30pm. Racing/Parade of Sail between
- 4 -6.30pm Swimming Gala within the harbour. *We have been asked not to re-enter the harbour til 6.30pm.*
- 4.30pm Jumbo race. Start/Finish at Harbour entrance.
- 6pm - Pasties and tea at Shore Shelter
- 7pm Prizegiving
- Singing, etc. up at the Castle

**Please let me know if you're intending to come and with roughly how many crew.**

I shall write again with more details in due course.

Looking forward to hearing from you meanwhile

Best wishes

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