



Solent

We Offer:

- Talks, presentations, and social events in the winter months
- Meets and Rallies in the summer
- Newsletters
- Shared experience
- Section pages on the CA Website
- Honorary Local Representatives (HLRs)
- Discounts from local chandlers

Welcome to the Solent Section

The Solent Section is active and friendly, with a series of summer meets or rallies and a winter programme of nautical talks, pub nights, themed events and other social activities. Members include those who live around the Solent area as well as those who may live a distance away but keep their boats in the Solent or those who spend the winter only in the UK sailing their boats in European or international waters during the season.



The Solent Area

The Solent is a unique local cruising area enjoyed by yachting and boating people for generations. There is a wide diversity of creeks and harbours suitable for deep or shoal draft craft for people to experience and explore. It is easy to find quiet beauty spots or busy commercial centres bustling with life. Excellent sailing can be enjoyed weekends and during the week, even at high season and especially out of season too. With weather patterns in the UK being

increasingly unpredictable, one of the joys of sailing this area is the short hops between harbours and the many safe anchorages which can be found.

Being Part of Our Section

The Section has seasonal newsletters along with news items which are published in the quarterly CA magazine, *Cruising*. The Section news and programme are also published on the CA website, all of which help keep Section members up to date with what is going on. We welcome new members and encourage them to volunteer to help with the running of the Section such as writing-up an event for the magazine or organising one. There are many other opportunities to be involved that help new members get to know other members and give something back to the CA.

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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

Where we meet

Summer events take place in the many ports and harbours of the Solent and this year have included a Safari supper in Cowes and the forthcoming American supper at Lymington. Our members comment "such lovely kind people giving the best hospitality on their boats, sharing experiences and friends", and "the gastronomic delights enjoyed by our members in convivial company sets the bar very high for future events!".

We also visit nearby yacht clubs or hostelries for evening meals and visits to places of interest are often arranged. Occasionally we run events further afield which may include Poole and Weymouth.

During the winter months members enjoy events such as club suppers, themed nights, talks and pub nights. Guests are always welcome.

Forthcoming Events

A programme of talks of nautical interest and social events is planned for the autumn and winter:

Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 September - Rally at Lymington with an American supper

Tuesday 5 November - Visit to RNLI, Poole

Thursday 21 November - 19:00 - Club supper and talk: 'To the far side of the world' by *Paul Ellis*

Thursday 19 December - 19:00 - Christmas Dinner

Please check the CA website for further details

Image: RNLI

