



NEWSLETTER

We're opening 2026 by taking a moment to look back—as well as ahead. This month, we celebrate our heritage with A Shepperton Marina History and Marina Timeline tracing how our community has grown and flourished over the years. You'll also enjoy Steve's winter Naturalist Bits on the birds we might spot in and around the Marina in the cooler weather, details on securing your pitch at our upcoming Boat Jumble, and information on casting your vote for Marina of the Year 2026. We're also hosting a free Cold Water Shock Info Session for Berth Holders—important safety knowledge especially in the colder months. Alongside this, you'll find our Marina Photo Album, a poem inspired by life at Shepperton, offers from our tenants, information on securing a storage unit and a 2025 roundup from Momentums children's charity. As we look forward, don't miss our updated 2026 Events Calendar, packed with the activities and gatherings that will shape another memorable year on the water. Here's to a great 2026!



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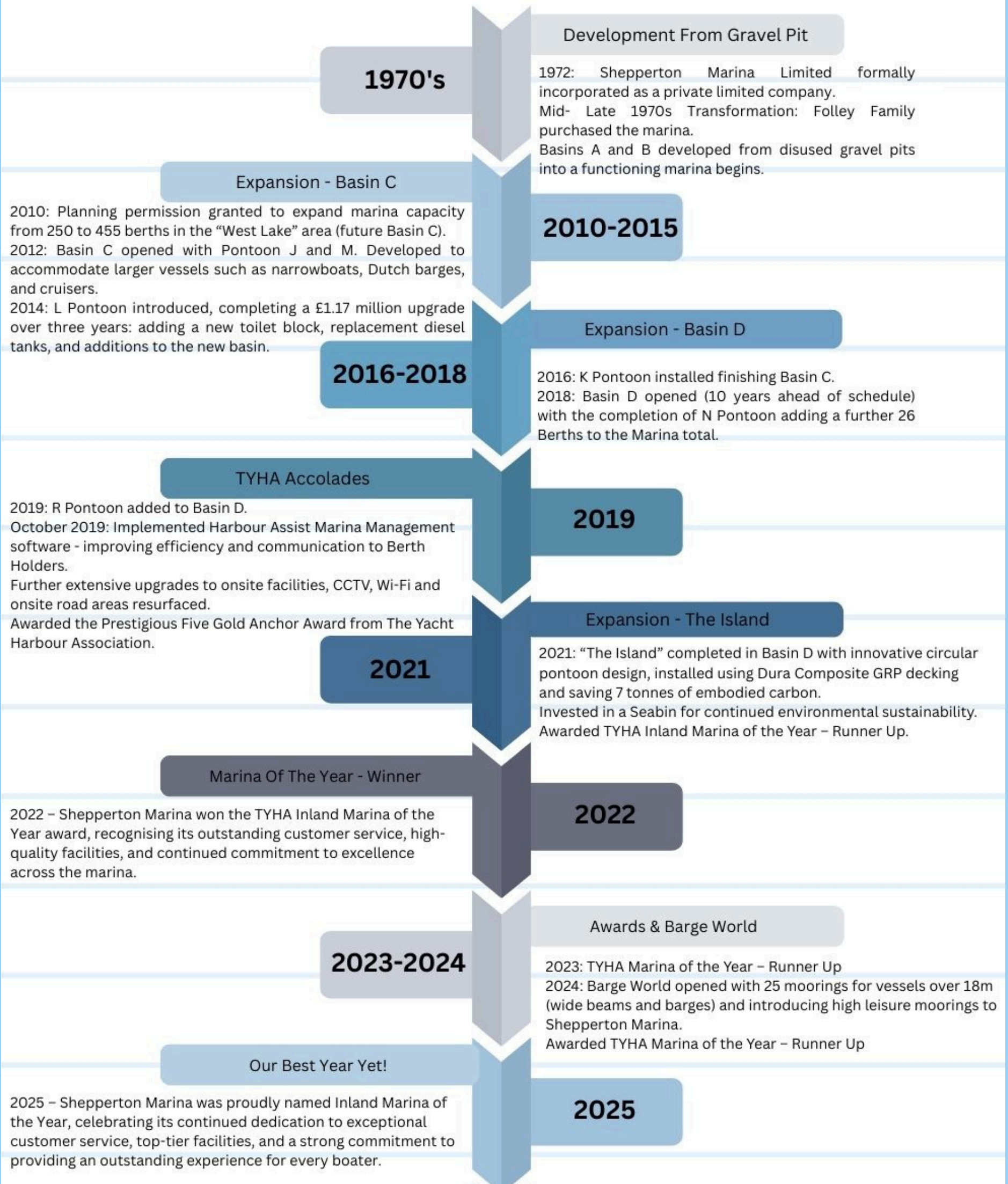
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HISTORY OF SHEPPERTON MARINA





Shepperton Marina – A Journey Through Time

Shepperton Marina has a story as rich as the Thames itself. It all began in 1972, when Shepperton Marina Limited was formally incorporated as a private company. Just a few years later, in the mid-1970s, the family purchased the site and transformed disused gravel pits into Basins A and B—laying the foundations for what would become one of the Thames' most celebrated marinas.

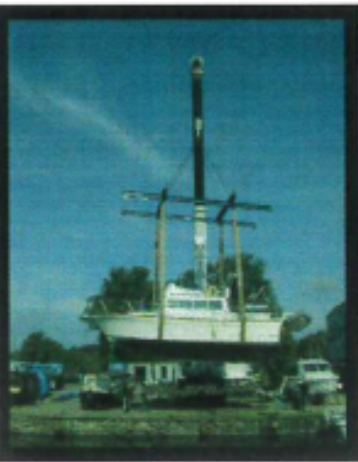
By the late 1970s, the vision was clear: turn gravel pits into a thriving boating haven. Fast forward to 2010, and planning permission was granted to expand capacity from 250 to 455 berths. In 2012, Basin C opened to welcome larger vessels with the completion of Pontoon J and M. The marina continued to grow, introducing L Pontoon in 2014. K Pontoon arrived in 2016, and by 2018, Basin D opened 10 years ahead of schedule with N Pontoon, followed by R Pontoon in 2019—a year that also saw the introduction of Harbour Assist software and the prestigious Five Gold Anchor Award.

Innovation didn't stop there. In 2021, "The Island" was completed in Basin D with its unique circular pontoon hub, eco-friendly GRP decking, and a Seabin for sustainability. That same year,

Shepperton Marina earned TYHA Marina of the Year – Runner Up, kicking off a streak of accolades: Winner in 2022, Runner Up in 2023 and 2024, and Winner again in 2025. Along the way, Barge World opened in 2024, adding 25 moorings for vessels over 18 meters.

Today, Shepperton Marina boasts over 450 berths across four basins, combining decades of history with modern innovation, award-winning service, and a commitment to excellence. It's more than a marina—it's a community, a destination, and a proud part of the Thames boating tradition.





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COLD WATER SHOCK

INFORMATION SESSION



Discover the dangers of Cold Water Shock, learn the importance of marina safety, and gain essential tips to protect yourself if the unexpected happens.

11th March 2026 5pm

Complimentary hot beverages will be provided.



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**SHEPPERTON
MARINA**



There were 3,052 water-related fatalities in the UK between 2018 & 2022.

Approximately 15% of accidental fatalities on the coast were reported in a harbour, dock, marina or port.

1x UK adult drowns every 20 Hours
1x UK child a week (2020)

**FREE TO ALL SHEPPERTON MARINA CUSTOMERS
REGISTER WITH THE MARINA OFFICE**



Steve's Naturalist Bits: Winter Feathered Residents



Meet Steve, our dedicated Head Groundsman who ensures the Marina is always in top-notch condition. Steve's day is spent outside when he's not impressing us in the office with his facts.

Mute Swans

The UK is a key winter destination for mute swans. Our resident population of around 6,500 swells to over 50,000 as birds arrive from colder parts of Europe. During January and February, mature adults drive away their young to make space for new broods. These juveniles often gather in non-breeding flocks, which you might spot at Shepperton Marina.



Kingfishers

Although kingfishers are scarce in winter due to freezing temperatures, Shepperton Marina is lucky to host a healthy population. With less foliage, they're easier to spot as they defend their territories. Listen for their sharp whistle as they skim along the banks! Both sexes share the striking blue and orange plumage, but males have black beaks while females show a reddish-orange streak underneath.

Tufted Ducks

Winter brings an influx of tufted ducks migrating from Iceland and northern Europe. Males are striking in black and white with long drooping head tufts and bright yellow eyes, while females are brown with shorter tufts and sometimes a white patch under the tail. These ducks often gather in flocks on the water, diving out of sight—especially when disturbed by passing boats.



2026 Events Calendar



January

23 - Beat The Blues
Quiz Night
17- VHF Course

February

28- Introduction to the
Tidal Thames Course

March

11- Cold Water Shock
Seminar
15- Mothers Day Treats
21- Boat Jumble

April

3 - Easter Party
5 - Easter Sunday Treats
TBA - Flotilla to
Harleyford

May

3- Berth Holder Picnic
22- Flotilla to St Kats.

June

21- Fathers Day 'Boats
and Beer'
27 Shepperton Marina
Open Day

July

TBA- Gin Tasting In The
Meadow.

August

TBA- Flotilla to St Kats.

September

5 - Berth Holder Party
TBA- Flotilla to Windsor

October

31 Pumpkin Carving
Competition

November

TBA- Bonfire Night
Display

December

4-7 Christmas Market
5 Illuminated Marina
1-24 Mulled Wine at the
Marina



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FINANCE OPTIONS

BOAT OF THE MONTH



2021 LINSENSE GRAND STURDY 35 SEDAN

An excellent opportunity to acquire a current model Linssen Grand Sturdy 35 Sedan in nearly as new condition with the latest 'extended' long top and with many factory fitted options. Single Volvo Penta D-2 75 HP Diesel engine - with transferable 5 year warranty (3 years remaining)
Serviced July 2023 and ready to cruise, engine hours 180 at 13th October 2023.

MEET THE TEAM



TIM WALKER
SENIOR YACHT BROKER



HARRY SNOWBALL
YACHT BROKER



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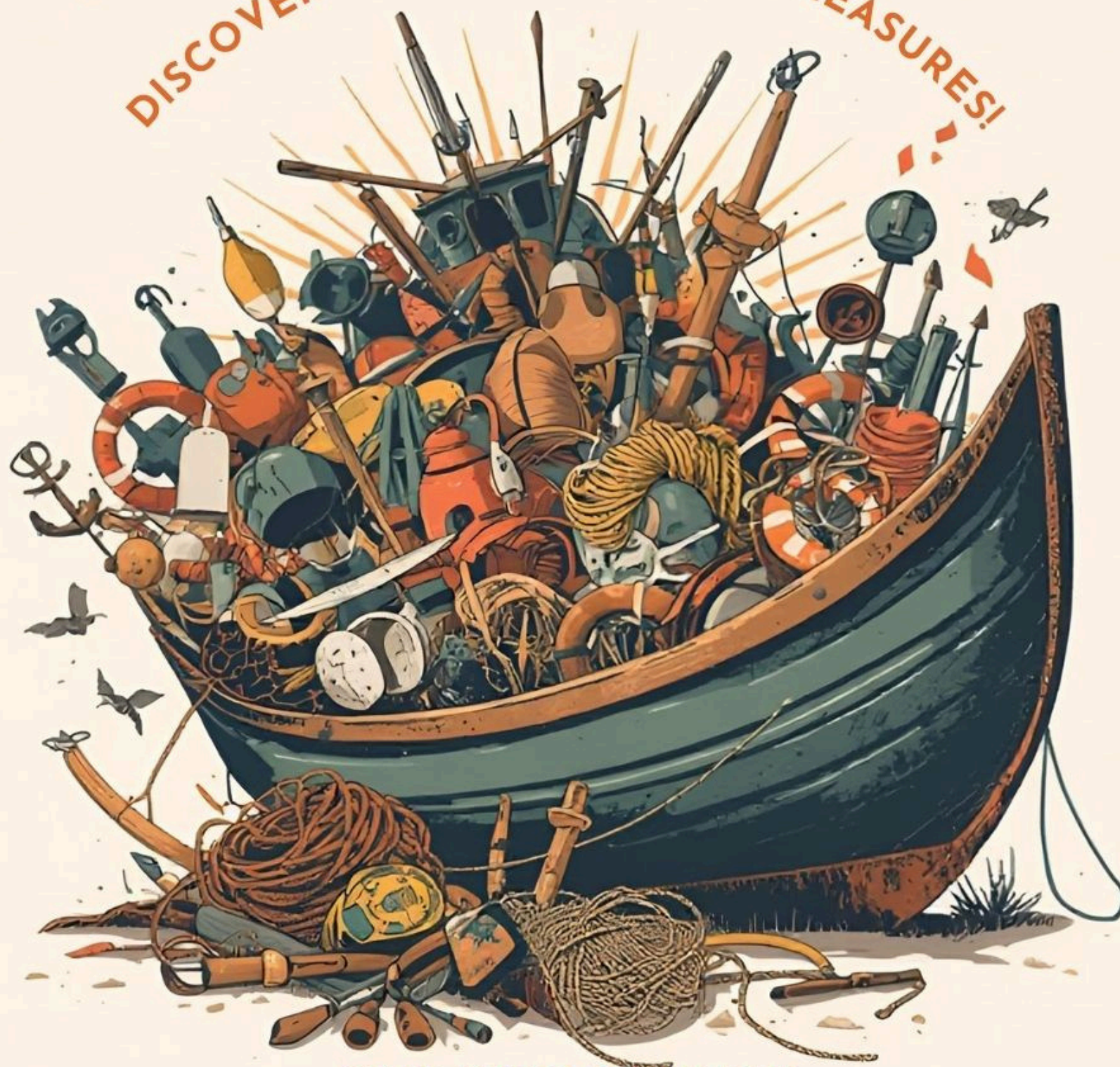


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MARINA



BOAT JUMBLE

DISCOVER HIDDEN NAUTICAL TREASURES!



SAIL INTO SAVINGS!

To Reserve a table please contact the Marina Office

Pitch for Berth Holder - £15

Pitch for Non Berth Holder - £25

SATURDAY 21ST MARCH 2026 10AM - 4PM

AT SHEPPERTON MARINA, FELIX LANE, TW17 8NS

Pitch bookings now being taken.

Booking Form - <https://forms.gle/PaHpZ9jcgWjQhhHn6>



Marina Photo Album!

Please upload your photos for January- a beautiful frosty morning? A New Years celebration with other Berth Holders? We'd love to see it!

We've included some inspiration below- Winner will be chosen in next months issue and receive a bottle of bubbles!



Click the link to join our shared Google album.

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/TSscVRvMUmX3rN4x8>



While revisiting our catalogue of old newsletters, we came across this poem—and honestly, we couldn't have said it better ourselves! (Winter 1995/96 Newsletter)

1995/1996

POEM by Mr V A Smith of "Claire

If you think you are a sailor ,
You own a boat upon a trailer,
Even a yacht to many a ton,
Then come along to Shepperton.

Their moorings are the best I know,
Easy to manoeuvre to and fro,
With boiling water and a lav,
What more could any sailor have.

A lifting crane and chandlery,
Amidst the Thames best scenery,
Car parks free and a beautiful lake,
Do come along for heavens sake.

The staff they are the very best,
They even smile when you request,
To pay your moorings, oh my dear,
How nice it is to see you here.

Our lovely Claire lies peacefully,
Next to our friends who make us tea,
Who always help if things go wrong,
That's the type at Shepperton.

I've tried Marinas up and down,
But dear old Shepp's the best in town,
Take my advice and don't be long,
Before you moor at Shepperton!



We're proud to finally unveil our long-awaited storage containers. They've been exceptionally well received so demand is high! If you'd like to join our waitlist, please contact the marina office for more information.



– NEW ARRIVAL –



Storage Units Exclusively for Berth Holders
For more information or to join the wait list
please contact the Marina Office.

Moments on the river



Boat Round Up 2025

It's been a fabulous and exciting year on the Momentum boat! We were able to start the season early with 4 Mother's Day 'cream tea' cruises in March followed by 23 boat trips during the Easter holidays in April, with all the early sunshine

This calendar year we can celebrate:

92 boat trips supporting 189 children

The river remained calm and the weather dry throughout most of May and into the start of June with 17 families booked in for Spring trips along the Thames.

During the Summer Holidays we organised 34 boat trips with plenty of activities, both educational and fun, including **Mo's River Ready Handbook!**

We also hosted 8 cosy overnight stays on board!

We continued to run our evening Echoes **Cruise & Craft** and **Beer & Cruise** boat trips for bereaved parents throughout the summer, which have proved to be very popular. Another highlight was a very successful summer picnic which we organised in August with the help of Shepperton marina, in the beautiful & tranquil marina meadow, with group boat trips for supported families with children in treatment, to get to know each other and share experiences and support.

A first for Moments on the River was being invited to take part in the Kingston River Cultures Festival, as part of a flotilla of boats from Raven's Ait to Canbury Gardens. The event was a celebration of the relationship between Kingston's communities and the river and a special commemoration of the 1100th anniversary of the crowning of King Athelstan.

The Festival took part in early September, during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and helped to raise awareness and funds for the charity and for CCAM.





SHEPPERTON MARINA



Annual Mooring Benefits



Fuel and Pump Out Discount

3p per litre discount on both Petrol and Diesel and preferential rate pump out tokens.



Crane Discount and Storage Ashore

15% discount on all crane packages and up to 3 months storage ashore



Extensive Events Calendar

Catering to everyone from Flotillas to summer parties.



Lindon Lewis

Discretionary discount on selected products.



Days Away

Up to 7 days free of charge mooring at Harleyford Marina, Marlow



Cruise Moor Scheme Membership

Up to a week Free Of Charge mooring at selected Marinas across the UK waterways network



Thames Club Discount

10% discount on all memberships



Harleyford Golf Club Discount

Highly reduced green fees



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Shotblasting: work to start from April 2026 with deposit due by end of February 2026

Inboard Engine Servicing Fee: £440 based on single 4-cylinder engine

Referral Scheme: £75 LLM gift voucher when you refer a customer for shotblasting in 2026.

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VOTE FOR US INLAND MARINA OF THE YEAR 2026!

Voting has now opened for Marina of the Year 2026. Please take a moment to scan the QR code below and cast your vote. Remember to mention the team members who've made a difference to your experience this year — your words help shine a light on the people behind our success!



VOTING OPEN UNTIL: SEPTEMBER 2026