



NEWSLETTER

Finally, and just in time for the Bank Holiday, we're enjoying some sunshine!

In our May issue, you'll discover an exciting new boat brand now exclusively represented by Boat Showrooms as the sole UK dealer. We also explore the etiquette of renaming your boat, share an insight into the yacht clubs we have represented here at Shepperton, and bring you this month's edition of Steve's Naturalist Bits, focusing on the wonderful herbs he's been planting to add a little extra flavour to your meals.

You'll also find details of all our upcoming events, including the Marina Open Day, the Annual Moorers' Party, a unique casting call for you and your vessel to become the face of Shepperton Marina, plus the latest information on this year's Flotillas.

Finally, we would like to extend our sincere thanks to everyone who attended the Marina Picnic. Thanks to your generosity, Momentum raised an incredible £554.88!



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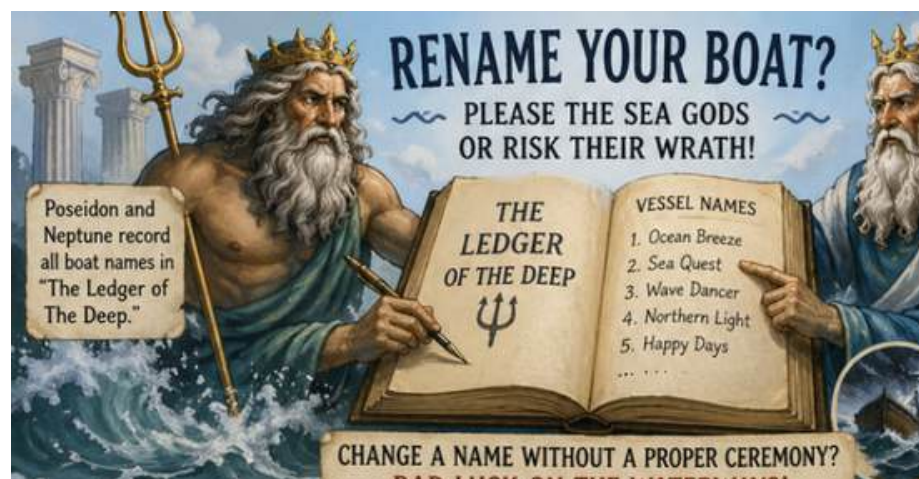
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Have you ever considered simply changing the name of your vessel, but hesitated due to the multiple folkloric warnings against it, lest you suffer bad luck on the waterways?

So the story goes, Poseidon and Neptune, the Sea Gods with their roots in ancient Greek mythology, record all boat names on a list aptly named 'The Ledger of The Deep,' and changing your boat's name - without consulting them via a long-winded ceremony - will invite misfortune: boats are rumoured to sink or crash into rocks or face any number of perilous catastrophes if the correct re-naming procedure is not followed.



The re-naming ceremony is a bit of an event, involving long spiels of promises to Poseidon, champagne being sprayed in every direction possible, and a metal tag with the old boat name written on it, which eventually gets tossed into the water from the bow of the boat. So, if you're feeling the itch to change your vessel's name or have just bought a second-hand boat with a name you can't stand, the re-naming ceremony might provide an enjoyable evening for you and a group of your nearest and dearest.



If you're a believer in mythology and folklore or simply prone to superstition, to re-name your vessel and purge the old name from Poseidon and Neptune's ledger, you should perform an intricate 're-naming' ceremony, during which you remove all traces of the previous boat name. This includes anything the boat name is printed on, including logbooks, life-rings, and stickers. Yes – those cushions painstakingly hand-embroidered with the old name will have to be removed. Some recommend burning these items, but if that's too far for you, the bin will work just as well.



Better to be safe than sorry – even if superstition isn't your thing, the re-naming ceremony is a fun piece of maritime history to honour.



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While it may feel like a long time ago since we “Dunked the Manager” for our Cold Water Shock training, We’re pleased to now share the slides from Dan @ Vitae Vi’s eye-opening talk - [HERE](#).

Although we are heading into the summer months, as we learned during the session, cold water shock remains a very real risk in the UK throughout every season of the year. UK waters are cold enough to trigger cold water shock even in late summer — we are not just talking about icy winter conditions.



While some of these statistics can sound alarming, our intention is not to create concern, but to keep you informed and help you enjoy your time around the water safely and confidently.

One of the most important messages from the talk was that the first 60 seconds after entering cold water are absolutely crucial. Sudden immersion can cause an involuntary gasp reflex, rapid breathing, panic and loss of muscle control. Dan’s advice was simple but powerful:

BREATHE | FLOAT | PLAN

Control your breathing - Stay calm and float to regain control - Then think carefully about the safest way to get out of the water

We also learned that over 60% of drownings happen after people accidentally enter the water, often very close to safety but unable to get themselves out quickly enough.

A properly fitted lifejacket is one of the best pieces of safety equipment you can wear and could quite literally save your life by keeping your airway clear while you regain control of your breathing. As highlighted in the session, it is important to wear your lifejacket correctly, including ensuring it is properly fitted and that crotch straps are used where provided.

As an added extra, to help encourage our younger community members to get involved, we have a special treat available in the office for any young person who visits wearing their lifejacket and in addition, our friends at Lindon Lewis are kindly offering a fantastic discount on children’s lifejackets purchased in store this month (details attached). *Terms and conditions apply.

Thank you again to everyone who took part and supported the training. If you have any questions or would like to be added to a waiting list for future cold water shock training, please do not hesitate to contact the Marina Office.

Quick Guide to Children's Life Jackets

	BABY (3KG+) YOUNG CHILD 	OLDER CHILD 
SIZE / STYLE	Based on weight not age	Based on weight and independence
INFLATION	Foam-filled or automatic	Automatic or manual
FIT	Snug - doesn't ride up. Extra room reduces safety!	Snug but not outgrown
SECURITY FEATURES	Grab handle Crotch strap Beaver tail	Crotch strap
TOP TIP	Foam-filled is bulkier but always buoyant	Check child is capable of inflating a manual life jacket



*Water sports?
A buoyancy aid is more
suitable but is not a life jacket!*



Brand new guide to children's life jackets:

lindonlewismarine.co.uk/blog

We're offering 15% off in May - pop in to the chandlery!

Terms apply



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SHEPPERTON MARINA OPEN DAY



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FELIX LANE
TW17 8NS

OPEN 10AM | 27TH JUNE 2026

BOATS | CRAFT STALLS | FOOD | BAR
LIVE MUSIC | BOUNCY CASTLE | FAMILY FUN



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Celebrating Our Community at Shepperton Marina

One of the quiet joys of life at Shepperton Marina is the colourful tapestry of yacht club burgees fluttering proudly from boats across our moorings. Each one tells a story — of journeys made, friendships forged, and a shared love of the Thames. As we welcome members of Penton Hook Yacht Club to our community, it feels like the perfect moment to celebrate the many yacht clubs represented here.

All of the clubs listed below are members of the ATYC. The Association of Thames Yacht Clubs (ATYC) is a long-standing organisation that brings together boating clubs along the Thames to promote safe navigation, camaraderie, training, and shared events. With more than 40 member clubs, the ATYC acts as a unifying voice for river users and a hub for collaboration — something we see reflected beautifully within our marina.



Penton Hook Yacht Club: We're delighted to welcome PHYC members to Shepperton. Known for its friendly atmosphere and active cruising calendar, Penton Hook Yacht Club has a strong tradition of encouraging new boaters and fostering a supportive community. Their arrival brings even more energy to our already vibrant marina.



Richmond Yacht Club: With its rich history and enviable riverside location, Richmond Yacht Club is a cornerstone of Thames boating culture. Members are known for their passion for river cruising, social events, and maintaining the traditions of leisure boating. Their burgee is a familiar and welcome sight along our pontoons.



Weybridge Mariners Cruising Club: A close-knit and proudly independent club, Weybridge Mariners are known for their hands-on boating spirit and strong camaraderie on and off the water. Their members bring a wealth of practical river knowledge, a love of shared adventures, and a tradition of supporting fellow boaters.



Thames Motor Yacht Club: Steeped in heritage and recognised for its active social calendar, TMYC has long been a pillar of motor-cruising life on the river. TMYC members are passionate boaters who value good seamanship, friendly company, and the joy of exploring the Thames. Their presence adds yet another layer of experience and vibrancy.

And Many More...

Seeing so many different burgees flying proudly across the marina is a reminder of what boating is really about: shared passion, shared waters, and shared moments.



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BOAT OF THE MONTH

2023 PRIMEUR 615 - EXCITED



For more information or to arrange a viewing, please contact Harry or Tim at Boat Showrooms on 01932 260261 or shepperton@boatshowrooms.com

For our full list of available boats, both new and pre-loved, visit www.boatshowrooms.com



Volunteers Wanted!

Be Part of Our Marina Lifestyle Photos & Drone Footage!

We're refreshing our collection of candid marina lifestyle photos and video, and we'd love to feature our real customers enjoying their boats and the marina.

We're looking for volunteers who are happy for us to capture some relaxed, natural footage during an allotted time slot.

This may include: Moving your boat around the marina, enjoying the BBQ and leisure areas, fuelling up, and general day-to-day boating moments. We'll also be taking drone footage to capture the marina from above. And if you're a little shy about close-ups—no problem at all! We can easily focus on your boat, surroundings, movement, and atmosphere, without filming close shots of individuals.

What's in it for you? You'll receive your own personal collection of all photos and video taken of your vessel and family to use however you wish as well as a bottle of fizz to say thank you! Selected shots may be used on our social media, website, and marina marketing—giving your boat its moment in the spotlight! You'll also be entered into a prize draw for a £100 voucher towards marina services, such as craning or similar.

If you'd like to volunteer, just email office@sheppertonmarina.co.uk and we'll organise a time that suits you. Thank you in advance to everyone who takes part. Your involvement helps us showcase the vibrant, friendly boating community that makes Shepperton Marina so special.

Thank you!



Steve's Naturalist Bits: BBQ Herb Garden

**Steve's been hard at work planting fresh herbs in the Basin B BBQ area —
because apparently your burgers deserved a glow-up.
So now you can season your sausages straight from the garden and
pretend you're on MasterChef.**



Chives: A nutrient-rich herb that support bone health and circulation. With a history stretching back over 5,000 years, they were first found in Siberia, China, and the Balkans. They contain high levels of vitamins K and A, along with beneficial sulphur compounds. Traditionally, chives have been used to ease digestive discomfort by gently stimulating digestion.



Mint: Discovered in Egyptian tombs dating to 1000 BC, and its name comes from Minthe, a nymph in Greek mythology who was transformed into the plant. The ancient Greeks rubbed mint into tables to welcome guests, Hebrews scattered it across synagogue floors, and both Greeks and Romans used it to scent baths, freshen breath, and flavour wine.

Mint is rich in vitamin A, antioxidants, and salicylic acid. It has been used to ease symptoms of IBS and is known to help improve alertness and memory.



Rosemary: Ancient Greek scholars wore rosemary garlands to enhance memory, and legend tells that the Virgin Mary once laid her cloak over a rosemary bush while fleeing Egypt, turning its white flowers blue. Rosemary has long been valued for its anti-inflammatory and anti-fungal properties. Traditionally it has been used to soothe headaches, stimulate appetite, and support wound healing.



Parsley: A nutrient-dense herb rich in vitamins A, C, and K, and it's often used to naturally freshen breath.

Flat-leaf parsley has a stronger, more robust flavour.

Curly parsley offers a milder, lighter taste.

Just two tablespoons provide around 70% of the recommended daily intake of vitamin K.

Parsley is also high in apigenin, a plant compound known for its antioxidant properties.



Thyme: Containing thymol, a compound with strong antiseptic, antibacterial, and antifungal properties. It has long been used to soothe sore throats, loosen mucus, and calm coughing. Historically, thyme was used to treat aches and skin conditions, and the ancient Egyptians used it in embalming because it slowed bacterial decay. Greeks and Romans also burned thyme as incense in their temples.



BERTH HOLDER COUNTRY PARTY

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1PM-4PM



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- INFLATABLE GAMES
- CHARITY RAFFLE
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- ALL YOU CAN EAT BBQ
- CHARITY AUCTION

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SHEPPERTON MARINA FLOTILLAS

The Swan Hotel, Staines – 11th July 2026

(Please note change of date)

Join us for a short trip up-river, mooring outside The Swan Hotel for an evening meal.

(you are welcome to join us by car if you wish)

Limited guaranteed moorings available but alternative options are available.

Spend as much or as little as you wish on food and drink

Free of charge to join, Time TBC



St Katharine Docks – 17/07/2026 to 20/07/2026

St Katharine Docks – 28/08/2026 to 31/08/2026

Both trips will include:

Welcome Drink and Pastries in The Marina Office

Personalised Welcome pack

Mooring at Teddington Lock (first night) with a table for drinks reserved at The Anglers

Mooring at St Kats for two nights including access to electricity on Berth.

Welcome drink at St Katharine Docks

Time to explore central London

Buffet-style meal on the Saturday night hosted on the St Katharine Docks Events Pontoon

Lock-in Times TBC

Windsor – 11/09/2026 to 13/09/2026

Guaranteed mooring with French Brothers (along the rocky wall) or

option to select rafted mooring along the promenade (not guaranteed)

Reserved area for arrival drinks at Browns 11th September PM

Opportunity to explore Windsor Town Saturday day time.

Group Dinner at Browns – 12th September 7.30pm

If not already done so, please register your interest with the marina office. All costs will be confirmed in due course.



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- Rent includes utilities, business ~~estate~~ building and service charges and buildings insurance.

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- Available from 1st July 2026

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Contact:

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Cruise Control: Isla's Boating Playlist

As we prepare for the new season, Isla has been busy curating a collection of her favourite songs to build the perfect boating playlist for 2026. Carefully chosen to suit long days on the water, relaxed cruises along the river, and sunny afternoons moored up with friends, the playlist is designed to become the soundtrack to your time afloat this year. Whether you're setting off early in the morning, enjoying a gentle cruise, or winding down as the sun sets over the marina, Isla's selections aim to capture the laid-back spirit of the boating season and add a little extra atmosphere to every trip.



May Stand Out Song.

May's song of the month is Rio by Duran Duran. Has a song ever aged so well? Rio is the definition of a summer tune – while we're not quite there weather-wise yet (the rain is currently lashing down) if you close your eyes, you can at least imagine yourself to be lounging on a beach in Brazil. Best played at full volume!



MAY / JUNE What's on?



01932 247 427
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LifeJacketClinicwiththeRNLI

The experts will check your life jacket(s) at the marina open day!
NO CHARGE (RNLI donations welcome)

*Saturday 27th June
Outside the chandlery*



15% off

May

Offer



Children's life jackets*

Test Ride the New Whaly 620R

Europe's biggest plastic boat will be here in Shepperton - try it!
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*W/C 22nd June
In the marina / lake*



Length: 6.20m

Width: 2.28m

Outboard: Max 115 hp

Number of persons: 10 (CAT D)

Maximum load: 1180kg (CAT D)

*15% off children's life jackets when bought in the chandlery during May. Max. five per customer. Not extended to groups, clubs, schools or organisations



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Marina Photo Album!

The Winner for April is



We'll contact the winner to collect their prize.

We are now accepting May entries.

Click the link to join our shared Google album.

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



We can't save lives without RNLI fundraising volunteers like Chris organising fun, local events.

Fundraising helps meet the cost of our lifesavers' kit and training.
Can you give a little time and help power RNLI lifesavers to the rescue?

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ANY

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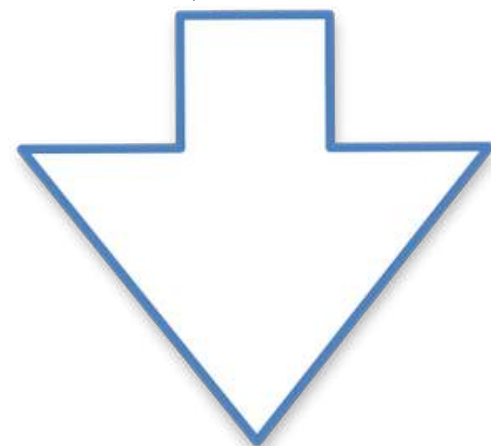
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