

DIARY DATES 2016

- Fri 12th - Sun 14th Feb **Winter Weekend at Brancaster**
Another opportunity to don the drysuits, shake off the Winter blues and blow the cobwebs away! This has become the season starter event. Brancaster on the north Norfolk coast is an excellent area for practising your tidal sailing skills. Hurry, places limited! For further information contact John Mellor w10053@hotmail.co.uk or randt@wayfarer.org.uk Tel 01937 918917 or Mobile 07875 195729
- Sat 5th March **UKWA AGM & London Dinghy Show - Alexandra Palace, London**
Please see notices pages 42-44
- Fri 18th – Sun 20th March **UKWA Cruising Conference, Notts. County Sailing Club**
A fun weekend for meeting up at the start of the season! Ideal for fellow cruisers wishing to participate in talks, and demonstrations! There will be a boat clinic, so why not bring your Wayfarer for some top advice from the experts! A great opportunity to learn more about the versatility of the Wayfarer as a day boat and its potential as a cruising boat. Those new to cruising particularly welcome! Contact Jeremy Norman cruising@wayfarer.org.uk Mobile 07770 424180
- 1st April **UKWA Subscriptions due!**
- Sat 30th April-Sun 1st May **Haversham SC Open Meeting**
Inland sailing near Milton Keynes with hospitality and camping
Contact: Class Captain steve-garrett47@tiscali.co.uk
- Sat 30th April - Fri 6th May **Spring Rally, Northern Rivers of the Norfolk Broads**
Further details to follow. Following the weekend the plan is to extend the cruise for those who wish to continue until Friday May 6th, providing further opportunities for exploring these waters.
For further information contact Mike Playle Wuffa@tiscali.co.uk
- Sat 14th - Sun 15th May **Western Championships - Arun YC**
- Sat 21st - Sun 22nd May **Eastern Championships - Royal Harwich YC**
- Fri 10th - Sun 12th June **Irish National Championships - Ramor Watersports Club, Virginia, Co. Cavan.**
- Fri 17th - Sun 19th June **National Championships - Medway YC**
- Sat 25th - Sun 26th June **Calshot Weekend**
Using the excellent facilities at Calshot with accommodation camping and launching facilities, we plan to sail Saturday and Sunday to local harbours on the Solent and Isle of Wight. Likely destinations are Hill Head Harbour and Wootton Creek.
Details from John.Norman@fco.gov.uk or Jenny Jeffs Tel 07710 262102
- Sat 2nd - Sun 3rd July **L' Escargot Trophy Wayfarer Open Meeting**
One of the long-standing classic east-coast events
Secretary@aldeburghyc.org.uk
- Sat 9th - Sat 16th July **Scotland for first-timers**
This cruise will start at Dunstaffnage marina <http://www.dunstaffnagemarina.co.uk/> which is situated just north of Oban. The intention is to introduce those who have read about sailing the west coast of Scotland, and fancy it, but need a bit of help getting there. Applicants will be expected to show their preparedness by bringing their boat and equipment to the Cruising Conference unless I have already vetted their boat. Places are limited, so register early to avoid disappointment. Contact John Mellor w10053@hotmail.co.uk or randt@wayfarer.org.uk Tel 01937 918917 or Mob. 07875 195729
- Fri 22nd - Mon 25th July **Sailing in the Dwyryd estuary opposite Portmeirion North Wales**
We will be based on the south side of the estuary, with the option to camp on shore or on Wayfarers. There will be space for car and trailer parking. Shower and toilet at a nearby house. The

estuary is shallow and sailing is limited to 1.5 hours at either side of high water. There are options to sail up the estuary, across to Porthmadog or Borth y Gest, with some lovely beaches on the Portmeirion side. We can provide local knowledge and advice on sailing in very shallow water and walking around the estuary at low tide. This weekend would suit novice sailors and those with children. Please contact Vassili Papastravrou [vassili.papastavrou@gmail.com]
Tel: 01179 446923 or 07801 613514

Sat 16th - Fri 22nd Jul

2016 Wayfarer World Championships, Heeg, The Netherlands

<http://www.hartleyboats.com/index.php?id=132>. See also www.wayfarer.nl (See Pages 4 - 6)

Sat 23rd - Fri 29th Jul

WIC International Rally, Heeg, The Netherlands

This year's International Rally will be based at Heeg in the Netherlands. For information about the events go to <http://www.hartleyboats.com/index.php?id=132> and also <http://worlds.wayfarer.nl/>
Enter now and avoid that feeling of regret when you read the write up in Wayfarer News. Contact Ralph Roberts email: mrrmr@btinternet.com or ralph.roberts1@btinternet.com. (See Page 7)

Early August [Date TBD]

Coaching for Cruising Weekend, Yorkshire Dales

John Mellor will once again be running a training weekend in the Yorkshire Dales. The aim of the weekend is to improve the set-up of your boat and perhaps improve your skills. The sailing club is set high in the Yorkshire Dales and for this weekend we can camp. The Galley provides quality food at affordable prices at lunchtimes but we would have to be self catering for the evening meal, or go to the pub. For further information and joining papers contact John Mellor w10053@hotmail.co.uk

Sat 13th August

Isle of Wight Circumnavigation

Join this classic Wayfarer event starting from Calshot for a sail you will never forget. Sixty miles of exhilarating Wayfarer sailing in challenging waters is not for the faint hearted so experienced sailors only. Details from John.Norman@fco.gov.uk or Jenny Jeffs Tel 07710 262102

Sun 14th - Fri 19th August

Aldeburgh Yacht Club Regatta

A week of Wayfarer Class Racing with social events - see report of the 2015 event in this issue!
Secretary@aldeburghyc.org.uk

Sun 21st - Fri 26th August

Poole Week

Classic mix of harbour and bay courses with social programme
Details soon on https://www.parkstone yachtclub.com/Sailing/Major_Events.aspx

Sat 20th to Fri 26th August

Ullswater Family Gathering

The Gathering has run for many years and attracts a wide range of sailors, from professional yachtsmen right through to those who have only just taken their first steps in the class. This Gathering is like no other. It is for the Wayfarer sailing family in every respect. Some go to get back in touch with the roots of their sailing, others to get advice on boat set-up and others just to relax amongst a group of sailors who are simply there to have a good time. Children are an important part of the Gathering. They are welcomed on every cruise and the venue provides ample opportunity for them to have a go at helming, crewing, art and crafts, swimming and playing around the campsite and in front of the yacht club where they can be watched easily by adults from the clubhouse. If they need more stimulation, the surrounding fells and Lake District activities provide a wealth of resources to explore and experience from the Pencil Museum on a rainy day to Hellin Fell for the spectacular views. If you would like to know more contact Mark and Julie Foreman at markaforeman@icloud.com

Sat 3rd - Sun 4th Sept.

Irish Inland championships - Cullaun S.C., Kilkishen Co. Clare.

Sat 1st - Sun 2nd Oct.

Final Fling – Ramor W.C. Virginia, Co. Cavan

Sat 8th - Sun 9th Oct.

Splashaway Trophy - Upper Thames SC

Sat 12th - Sun 13th Nov.

Finale Bough Beech SC

Classic end of season wrap-up event in the wealds of Kent near Sevenoaks. Two races per day with Wayfarer supper on Saturday evening. Contact Guy Marks email: deb3235@btinternet.com