

# CAMSAIL PROGRAMME

## 2020 – 2021

### Winter Programme for Sailors Living In or Near Cambridge

Our club, now in its eleventh season, has a membership of over 50. Some of the members have or have had their own yachts, others enjoy sailing by chartering or as crew, others have sailed in the past and or simply interested in things nautical!

Proposed Autumn 2020 trips:

- i) flotilla from the Orwell (September 2-4)
- ii) to Lowestoft (September or October).

Our club welcomes a connection with the Cruising Association ([www.theca.org.uk](http://www.theca.org.uk)) through their Suffolk Section. Camsail and C.A. members can attend each other's meetings, and the Camsail programme will be published in the C.A. quarterly magazine.

Committee (2020):

Chairman: Peter Jones

Secretary: John Aylmer

Treasurer: Malcolm Dee

Member: Jim Hibbert

Member: John Peregrine

Member: Jayne Tracey

If you would like further details, please visit our website:

[www.camsail.org.uk](http://www.camsail.org.uk)

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CAMSAIL is a club which meets monthly from October to March to enjoy a wide range of illustrated talks, given by invited speakers and club members, and provides an opportunity to socialise in a nautical atmosphere (albeit in central Cambridge!).

Our monthly meetings are on Wednesday evenings at 19.30 for 19.45. We meet in the Cambridge and County Bowling Club, Brooklands Avenue, CB2 8FG. The club is situated towards the west end of Brooklands Avenue on the north side, and parking is available there. There is a bar open before each meeting; tea and coffee are served after each meeting.

There is an annual subscription of £15 (to cover the cost of the venue and speakers' expenses), but those new to us are welcome to attend one meeting without charge or any commitment to join.

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since last season.

### Dec 9<sup>th</sup> 2020: Members' Evening

Camsail AGM; election of Committee; a chance to share sailing

experiences and to get to know other members better (with

Christmas refreshments), including reports from Camsail trips

months on board a 49 ft yacht.

### Mar 10<sup>th</sup> 2021: Round Britain - part 2

to people who thought they never could sail or sail again.

including the challenges and solutions, and the joy brought

provides sailing opportunities to people with disabilities,

by sight loss. Together they will illustrate how the charity

worked for the Border Force until his career was cut short

yachtmaster instructor and former trustee of EAST. Simon

**Ian Jewry and Simon Daws:** Ian is a cruising yachtsman,

**Feb 10<sup>th</sup> 2021: The work of the East Anglian Sailing Trust**

independent marina in the UK.

highlighting the current facilities offered by the largest

through the expansion of facilities afloat and ashore,

starting with the excavation of the earliest yacht basin,

cover over fifty years of mud, blood, sweat and tears:

of turning flooded salt marshes into a marina. The talk will

and development of Suffolk Yacht Harbour and the dream

**Jonathan Dyke:** "The Big Dig" is a history of the planning

**Jan 13<sup>th</sup> 2021: The Big Dig: Suffolk Yacht Harbour**

**Oct 14<sup>th</sup> 2020: Nancy Blackett Trust**

**Bryan Davies:** Bryan is a volunteer Skipper for the Nancy

Blackett Trust which has restored and now operates the 1931

Hillyard cutter once owned by Arthur Ransome, author of

Swallows and Amazons and many other sailing titles. The talk

will cover the restoration of 'Nancy' from near derelict to her

current as-new condition and also the work of the Trust in

operating her to provide sailing opportunities to a wide variety

of people. Bryan has been 'messing about with boats' for most

of his adult life. Although a cruising man at heart, he has

participated in several ocean races and an Atlantic crossing. In

2015 he completed a round Britain sail. Bryan currently owns a 36' yacht based at Ipswich.

### Nov 11<sup>th</sup> 2020: Polar Ocean Challenge

**Ben Edwards/Rosalind Smith:** Ben was 14 when in 2016 he

completed Polar Ocean Challenge, a circumnavigation of the

globe around the North Pole, through the North East and North

West Passages in one season, on the sailing yacht Northabout,

highlighting the decreasing sea ice in the Arctic Ocean. He is the

youngest person, and the only British person, to have done this

trip in a single season. He spent 4.5 months as a member of the

7 person crew, and was the only person to be on board for the

entire trip. Ben talks of excitement and boredom: sea ice, polar

bears, a hurricane off the coast of Russia, and the realities of 4.5