

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) 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

or contact us at: enquiries@camsail.org.uk

Oct 14th 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 11th 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 months on board a 49 ft yacht.

Dec 9th 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 since last season.

CAMSAIL PROGRAMME

2020 – 2021

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

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.

Jan 13th 2021: The Big Dig: Suffolk Yacht Harbour

Jonathan Dyke: "The Big Dig" is a history of the planning and development of Suffolk Yacht Harbour and the dream of turning flooded salt marshes into a marina. The talk will cover over fifty years of mud, blood, sweat and tears: starting with the excavation of the earliest yacht basin, through the expansion of facilities afloat and ashore, highlighting the current facilities offered by the largest independent marina in the UK.

Feb 10th 2021: The work of the East Anglian Sailing Trust

Ian Jewry and Simon Daws: Ian is a cruising yachtsman, yachtmaster instructor and former trustee of EAST. Simon worked for the Border Force until his career was cut short by sight loss. Together they will illustrate how the charity provides sailing opportunities to people with disabilities, including the challenges and solutions, and the joy brought to people who thought they never could sail or sail again.

Mar 10th 2021: Round Britain - part 2

Keith Swinburne: Whilst Southern England, Ireland and Scotland's Western Isles have much to commend them, there is much to see, enjoy and indeed to fear in the Northern Isles and on the East Coast. We'll get back aboard Mystic Breeze for the thrills and spills of completing the circle. There'll also be time for questions.