

RSYS Cruising Division

A Review of 2015

As the Cruising Division celebrates 12 months of the Cruising Experience, we publish below a selection of articles, written by Members, describing a number of activities which have taken place around the Division. We hope you find these informative and inspiring!



Reflections on 12 months of the Cruising Experience

Our Cruising Captain, Richard Lawson, looks back at how the Cruising Division became a reality. He reviews our Cruising Nights, raft ups and various cruises, both local and overseas.

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Cruising to Hamilton Island for Race Week

Malcolm Shaw reviews his first ever long distance adventure when he joined *Ceilidh* for the trip to Hamilton Island, during the early part of August. Malcolm focuses on his experience of sailing from Southport to the Island.

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New Horizons: Cruising in Company in the 1980s

Colin Davidson takes us back in time and tells us how it was, where they went and which boats participated. It appears the cruises were of some length and with much interaction with the local people at various locations.

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A 'facelift' for Phoebe

Paul Thackray writes that 'one thing leads to another...' Boat owners who have undertaken a restoration will relate to his story and decisions faced. Paul take us through the pain, the realisations and the decision making to undertake such a restoration.

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Provisioning your Yacht, our October presentation

Sarah Goddard-Jones and Peter Lowndes (*Wine-Dark Sea*) together with Paul and Clare Ley from Pilgrim Sailing, entertained and educated a fascinated audience, all keen for tips on this subject.

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What is the ICOYC and cruising the Chesapeake

In October, 15 Squadron Members and friends joined the ICOYC Cruise out of the Annapolis Yacht Club on the Chesapeake Bay, Maryland, USA. This was a unique experience, cruising the upper portion of the Bay which contains the most wonderful cruising grounds.

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Richard Lawson
Cruising Captain.