



# C. A. Y. F. Newsletter

*This is an occasional newsletter from the Crouch Area Yachting Federation for affiliated Clubs, issued only when there is something of interest to tell your members. Designed to be pinned on noticeboards*

## **Issue: October 2019**

*The existing CAYF website was funded by the Essex County Council, however, we have been informed this will cease at the end March next year so the site will close. This is not our choice, nor our doing, and we have no control over it.*

*So we have started a new CAYF website <http://www.essexinfo.net/cayf>*

*For those still visiting the old site you will see that it has now been labelled the old CAYF website and carries the reference to the new site.*

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### **Abandoned Dinghy Maplin / Foulness sands**

Nicky Uden, QinetiQ's Communications officer, has informed me that they have recovered a blue fibreglass dinghy on the Maplin / Foulness sands and asked us to circulate it.

If anyone knows about it please contact herEmail: [nuden@QinetiQ.com](mailto:nuden@QinetiQ.com) <mailto:[nuden@QinetiQ.com](mailto:nuden@QinetiQ.com)>



### **RYA Affiliated Clubs Conference 23 November, Royal Hospital School**

The RYA are pleased to announce that booking for the RYA East Affiliated Clubs Conference is open. Clubs are invited to bring up to 4 people in total from each club to attend. This year's theme is 'Putting People First', there are a range of talks and sessions to choose from to help your club gain insight and ideas for development as well as plenty of opportunity to meet clubs from across the region. The conference is on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** and will take place at the Royal Hospital School, Ipswich IP9 2RX .

*It is free to attend and all refreshments and lunch are included.*

We welcome several RYA staff to this year's conference including RYA CEO Sarah Treseder. Sarah will be presenting the key note session. Howard Pridding, Director of External Affairs and representatives from across RYA will be on hand throughout the day.

For full details including the agenda and how to book onto this popular conference please follow the link found [HERE](#) spaces are limited and early booking is recommended.

## **RYA Cruising Conference 24 November, Royal Hospital School**

The RYA East Region have organised a cruising conference also at the Royal Hospital School Holbrook IP9 2RX. The booking system is now live, it's currently located at the following link,: <https://www.rya.org.uk/rya-regions/east/news-events/Pages/courses-events-conferences.aspx>

The conference costs £10 if you are an RYA member and £20 if you are not. There are good speakers and you get lunch provided.

Please do promote this conference through your clubs, attached is a poster :

[file:///C:/Users/User/Downloads/Cruising%20Conference%20poster%20A4%20\(3\).pdf](file:///C:/Users/User/Downloads/Cruising%20Conference%20poster%20A4%20(3).pdf)

### **Havengore Bridge - closed to marine traffic**

Due to an ongoing issue affecting automated operation, Havengore Bridge remains closed to marine traffic. We're pleased to confirm that a series of major upgrades is being planned and should commence before Christmas. The works will rectify the current fault and improve the overall reliability and resilience of the mechanism.

In the interim, QuinetiQ will consider operating the bridge manually on selected weekends subject to favourable tides and significant demand. Any dates identified for manual operation will be published on their website <https://shoeburyness.qinetiq.com/unusual-activity.aspx> .

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### **Oyster Layings in the River Roach**

An application was received by the CHA for oyster bags to be placed in the River Roach marked by withies . After representation by the RSA this has now been withdrawn.

### **Bathymetry Survey, River Crouch NOTICE TO MARINERS No 46 of 2019**

Mariners are advised that survey work is scheduled to be carried out on the River Crouch in the locations as listed below between 28th October and 1st November 2019 by survey vessel EXO SURVEYOR.

The EXO SURVEYOR will display the appropriate signals as designated by the COLREGS and maintain a continuous listening watch on VHF Channels 11 and 16. Mariners are requested not to impede the vessel whilst survey operations are taking place and pass at a safe distance.

Areas to be surveyed:

1. Fambridge Marina
2. From Whitaker No 7 Starboard Hand Light Buoy NE to and in the vicinity of Westerly Cardinal West Swallowtail Light Buoy.
3. Between Buxey No 1 Southerly Cardinal Light Buoy and Buxey No 2 Northerly Cardinal Light Buoy.
4. In the near vicinity and between Burnham Fairway No 2 Port Hand Light Buoy and Burnham Fairway No 9 Starboard Hand Light Buoy.

### **CAYF Officers representing your interests in 2019**

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