

THE RNVR YACHT CLUB

PROPOSED TRAINING PROGRAMME: WINTER 2009/2010

One of the objects of the Club is to provide training facilities. Please reply to me or Tom Cunningham, as appropriate, to indicate the interest of you and any guests (but, if necessary, members will be given preference) this winter to undertake courses, afloat or ashore, and/or to attend seminars to further or update your boating knowledge and develop your skills.

The following possibilities are proposed for this coming winter (2 January – 30 April 2010):

I LONDON AND SOUTHERN ENGLAND

Weekend Shore-based Training

To justify the time and effort required to organise any shore-based training event, and to make it economically viable, a minimum of six participants is usually required.

Option A: Dependent upon demand and preference as to location, the following courses could be held either at **The Naval Club, London** or at **Hornet Sailing Club, Gosport**:

<i>Radio</i>	<i>First Aid</i>	<i>Radar</i>
<i>Navigation Aids/Plotting</i>	<i>Basic Safety and Navigation</i>	

Option B: It would also be possible to hold repeats of the very successful *Diesel Engine* and *Sea Survival* courses last year, based at **Hornet Sailing Club**.

Option C: Classroom training could be arranged (**venue tbd**) to update on modules such as *Rule of the Road, Tides, Electronic Navigation* (others?) (each module would take 3-4 hours).

The above courses will qualify for RYA certification, where appropriate.

CEVNI Qualification

It is proposed to hold a test one weekday evening at **The Naval Club, London** for qualified candidates to acquire their *CEVNI (European Inland Waterways Regulations)* endorsement. As an alternative, Tom Cunningham is willing to run a course/examination in the **North-West**.

To qualify for the test, candidates must, as a general rule, produce certification for the RYA Day Skipper Practical Course or RYA Coastal Skipper Practical Course (or higher), or RYA Powerboat equivalent, MCA certification of competence, or a Services Watchkeeping Certificate, and have studied in advance the book *European Waterways Regulations*.

II NORTH-WEST ENGLAND

Weekend Shore-based Training

VHF and *First Aid* courses will be held in Spring 2010 at Sandiway Golf Club, Northwich, Cheshire (dates to be confirmed).

Radar and *Diesel Engine* courses will take place at Hoylake Sea School, Wirral (dates also to be confirmed).

III PRACTICAL SEA TRAINING

Dependent on adequate demand, it may be possible to provide informal training at *RYA Competent Crew*, *Day Skipper* and *Cruising Skipper* levels, either in home waters or in the Mediterranean. This opportunity may be invaluable to any member who has become “rusty” over time and who wishes for refresher training and some concentrated practice.

Formal RYA Qualification Courses

The Club will provide financial support to members who wish to undergo a professional training course for any of the *RYA Competent Crew*, *Day Skipper* and *Coastal Skipper* qualifications with a view to taking the appropriate examination immediately afterwards.

I will gladly put any interested member in contact with a professional training school with whom the Club has a connection in any of Essex, Ramsgate, Portsmouth, Hamble and Southampton. Tom Cunningham will gladly advise members of appropriate training establishments in the North-West.

TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST in any of the above training opportunities, **other than those to take place in the North-West**, please email me on **tim.ware @ shell.com** or telephone me on **020 7371 7828**

When replying, if you are interested in any weekend shore-based training, please:

- (1) show your preference for the venue, where the location is optional; and
- (2) also indicate for which of the following weekend dates in 2010 you would **not** be available:

16 – 17 January	23-24 January	30-31 January	
6 – 7 February	13-14 February	20-21 February	27-28 February
6-7 March	13-14 March	20-21 March	27-28 March
10-11 April	17-18 April	24-25 April	

Members interested in the training opportunities **in the North-West** should contact Tom Cunningham on: cunningham9@btinternet.com or 01606 883697.

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