

# **Broom** Owners Club

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31st July 2015

Dear Member,

## **AGM Weekend 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

The BOC committee is pleased to invite you to attend our AGM weekend event, which this year is being held in the historic surroundings of Bisham Abbey on the river Thames. On the Saturday morning Bisham Abbey Sailing School are offering a selection of mini-courses on topics we hope will be of interest to both inland and sea going boat owners - details are shown on the attached programme.

As an alternative, or for the rest of the day, the attractions of Marlow are a short walk away, or we will be laying on a shuttle bus to the nearby town of Windsor, with the option of joining a Duck tour - it wouldn't be a BOC weekend without a little river trip! There should be plenty of time during the day to catch up with BOC friends, share tales of boating exploits from the season past and perhaps to discuss cruising plans for next year.

Our annual dinner will be followed by live music from a local duo who promise a varied mix of music to suit all tastes, and our raffle this year will be in aid of The Thames Boating Project - a charity that provides boating experiences on the Thames for people of all ages that have a disability. Prize donations are welcome - please let David Harrison know if you are able to offer one - and tickets will be available throughout the weekend.

Club insurance partner Navigators and General will be sponsoring drinks prior to dinner on Friday evening, with Broom Boats hosting a pre-dinner reception on Saturday evening. Sunday morning is devoted to business, with our AGM followed by an opportunity for discussion about the club, and future activities. For those who cannot attend the whole weekend, you are of course welcome to come along to the gala dinner on Saturday or for the AGM and, if you wish, to join us for lunch afterwards.

Accommodation is available in the modern conference facilities on site for both Friday and Saturday nights or there is an option to visit by boat (basic toilet/shower facilities on shore but no power available). Moorings are reserved between 2pm on Friday 16th and 5pm on Sunday 18th. For those who don't wish to stay at the Abbey there is a day delegate rate and I have enclosed an outline programme and booking form for the weekend, along with a request for notification of attendance and nominations for the AGM. I would be grateful if you could return these to John Oldham at your earliest convenience to aid planning for the event and to reserve your place. Demand is likely to be high and places are limited - deadline for bookings is 31<sup>st</sup> August.

If you have any further queries, please feel free to contact me.

With kind regards,

**Louise**

Louise Busby  
BOC National Events Coordinator

*P.S Don't forget that annual membership subscriptions are due on 1<sup>st</sup> November and for those who don't have standing orders, we would ask that you now consider setting one up to ease our administrative burden, or send your cheque for £25 (quoting boat name) in good time to: **Stuart Crowther, 9 Fritillary Drive, Wymondam, Norfolk NR18 0XA**. Members with currencies other than sterling can pay by electronic bank transfer; phone Stuart on 01953 607423.*

*Please check your standing order is paid and contact Stuart with any queries.*

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**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

**Venue: Bisham Abbey, Marlow, SL7 1RR**

## **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October**

Arrival from 2pm onwards - rendezvous in the cafe bar for informal greetings

7.00pm Drinks reception in the Bisham Abbey bar sponsored by Nav&Gen

7.45pm Dinner in the Warwick Room

## **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October**

Breakfast available in the restaurant

9.45am -12.45am Bisham Abbey Sailing School - optional sessions

- A) Suddenly alone - dealing with emergencies on board
- B) Diesel demystified - basic engine care including winterisation
- C) Electronics in navigation - using the latest technology efficiently

From 10.00am Shuttle bus to Windsor available

3.00pm Duck tour - a road and river tour of Windsor taking in the castle and crown estate.

Boats moored at Bisham may wish to invite other members to drop in and visit their vessels during the afternoon. In addition, gym facilities, squash and tennis courts are available to guests throughout their stay.

6.45pm Drinks reception in the Bisham Abbey bar sponsored by Broom Boats

7.45pm Gala dinner in the Great Hall (Dress code: Dress to impress)

To be followed by dancing to live music in the adjoining suite, or opt to chat at tables in the nearby rooms.

## **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October**

10.00am BOC AGM in the Warwick room

12.30pm onwards Lunch in the Great Hall

Sunday roast and hot desserts buffet service (optional, to be ordered in advance)

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## Bisham Abbey Weekend – Booking Form Friday 16<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2015

**Boat Name:** .....

**Email address for confirmation**.....

Attendee Name (please include first names)	Sailing School Courses (£14 per head per course)	Duck tour (£14 per head)
	A / B / C (please indicate choice)	
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**Accommodation Options**

- Basic Weekend includes shuttle bus to Windsor, Saturday evening dinner dance, Saturday night B&B. £190 or £125 single.
- Long Weekend includes the above, plus Friday dinner and Friday night B&B. £330 per couple or £240 single.
- Day Delegates includes shuttle bus to Windsor, Saturday evening dinner dance. £40 per head. **Or, including in addition the Friday night dinner, £70 per head.**
- Those wishing to bring their boat to the event will pay a non-refundable mooring charge (£50) **plus** Day Delegate fees

<b>Accommodation/Activity</b>	<b>Double or twin?</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Number required</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<i>Couple: Basic Weekend</i>		£190		
<i>Couple: Long Weekend</i>		£330		
<i>Single: Basic Weekend</i>		£125		
<i>Single: Long Weekend</i>		£240		
<i>Day Delegate Sat only (per person)</i>		£40		
<i>Day Delegate Fri &amp; Sat (per person)</i>		£70		
<i>Boat mooring Fri &amp; Sat nights</i>		£50		
<i>Sailing School course (per person)</i>		£14		
<i>Duck tour (per person)</i>		£14		
<i>Sunday lunch (per person)</i>		£17.50		
<b>Total cost</b>				

**Special dietary requirements or other comments:**

**Signed:**

**Date:**

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**Please return with your cheque for £....., made payable to “Broom Owners Club” to:**

**John Oldham, 2 Gilchrist Gardens, Warsash, Southampton, Hampshire, SO31 9NA.  
Electronic payments can be made, if preferred – contact Stuart Crowther for details (see letter)**

# Broom Owners Club

## Annual General Meeting Attendance & Nomination Form

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2015, 10.00 am - 12.30 pm at Bisham Abbey, nr Marlow SL7 1RR

**BOAT NAME:** .....

**Attendance**      We will / will not be able to attend the AGM

**Names of attendees** .....

We would / would not like to stay for lunch at a cost of **£17.50 per head** (see attached Booking Form)

### REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS FOR CLUB ROLES

**Elected positions.** The following positions are **open for election** at each AGM. If, having obtained their agreement, you would like to nominate members for some or all of the following posts (self-nominations are permitted) please indicate below:

COMMITTEE ROLES:	NOMINATION (NAME)
<b>Officers:</b>	
Chairman	
Vice-Chairman	
General Secretary	
Treasurer	
Membership Secretary	
<b>Other elected committee roles:</b>	
Magazine editor	
Web master	
Press and Publicity Officer	
Technical Co-ordinator	
National Events Co-Ordinator	
Regional Development Officer	
<b>Regional Co-ordinators:</b>	
Eastern	
Ireland	
South Coast	
South East	
Thames	
<b>NON-COMMITTEE ROLE:</b>	
<b>Independent Accounts Examiner</b>	

**Non-elected positions.** In addition, there are a number of **non-elected** Regional representative roles. You may wish to suggest the name of someone for committee to consider (again, self-nomination is allowed):

Regional Representatives:	
Channel Islands	
Central England and North East	
South West	
Scotland and the Borders	
Rest-of-the-World	
+ any other areas for which there is a volunteer (please specify Region)	

### Motions.

Only motions included in the AGM agenda may be voted upon at the AGM. If there is any matter that you wish your committee to consider for inclusion, **please make your suggestion known to the Secretary** (contact details shown below).

### Ideas for Discussion

I would like the following topic about the Club and its activities to be raised at the discussion session that takes place after the main meeting. (Prior notice is not *essential* but could facilitate better consideration).

.....(use a separate sheet if necessary)

**Replies must reach the BOC Secretary by 27<sup>th</sup> September 2015. Please either post the completed form to:**

**John Oldham, 2 Gilchrist Gardens, Warsash, SOUTHAMPTON, SO31 9NA**

**Or E-mail it to: [oldham@warsash64.freerve.co.uk](mailto:oldham@warsash64.freerve.co.uk)**