



# Bath Sailing Club

## Programme 2023-24

### **Monday 11 September 2023**

**AGM followed by Film: 'The voyage of madmen'**

*Film about the 2018 Golden Globe Race by organiser Don McIntyre*

### **Monday 9 October 2023**

**GUEST SPEAKER - Frank Bond. 'Henry Blogg. RNLI Coxswain from Cromer'**

*Film and talk about this longest serving lifeboatman decorated with the RNLI equivalent of the VC.*

### **Monday 13 November 2023**

**GUEST SPEAKER - Commander Sue Moore. 'Britannia waived the rules. The first woman to Command a Royal Navy Warship'.**

*Sue will explain her experiences of joining the RN shortly after women were allowed to go to sea, and her career progression as a Warfare Officer. She will also answer the questions continually asked: - what does the Navy actually do; why always away when there are no sea battles anymore; why little media coverage of the Navy?*

### **Monday 11 December 2023**

**GUEST SPEAKER - Chris Strang, Secretary Westerly Owners Association. 'History of the Westerly marque' and 'Bonnie goes North'.**

*A history of this well-loved British marque, followed by a talk about sailing a Westerly Fulmar to Scotland and cruising around its coastline over a 4 year period.*

### **Monday 8 January 2024**

**GUEST SPEAKER - Cam Cameron. 'The Rockall Attempt'**

*Cam's attempt to stay on the isolated & uninhabitable Rockall for 60 days! In May 2023, army veteran & former Gordon Highlander, Cam, aimed to set a world record for the number of days living on the tiny North Atlantic isle of Rockall to raise money for veteran's charities*

### **Monday 12 February 2024**

**ANNUAL DINNER - Kingswood Golf Club**

### **Monday 11 March 2024**

**GUEST SPEAKER - David Verghese, Naval Researcher and Biographer. 'From Jutland to the jetty at Portsmouth - a Centenary of RN Aircraft Carriers & Naval Air Power'**

*It is now just over a century since an aircraft landed on a moving Royal Navy warship in 1917 thus heralding the dawn of sea carrier air power. This talk will chart the*

*memorable developments over the years of RN carriers and Fleet Air Arm aircraft – from early biplanes to the F35B.*

**Friday 5 April 2024 (NB note change of date)**

**VISIT - National Waterways Museum, Gloucester Docks**

*Housed in the old Llanthony Warehouse in the heart of what once was the bustling Gloucester Docks, the museum charts the 200-year history of the docks and the Gloucester & Sharpness Canal. It should make a fun day out and a different focus on the role of the waterways in our industrial heritage.*

**May/June 2024**

**MEMBER'S RALLY – details tba**