



Bath Sailing Club

Club programme 2024-25

Monday 9 September 2024

AGM followed by film: 'Meraki' (μεράκι. Greek: to do something with creativity, love and passion)

In the face of overwhelming odds and financial constraints, Keith Oliver, an ordinary individual with an extraordinary dream, embarks on an epic journey of determination and resilience. Driven by an unwavering passion, he dedicated countless hours to constructing a 19ft boat within the confines of a makeshift tent, defying scepticism and doubters at every turn.

The ClassGlobe 5.80 is a 19ft one design, build-your-own cruiser (for those of us who remember, it feels like Barry Bucknell and the Mirror dinghy though somewhat bigger!) designed to be capable of fast, efficient solo (or even two-handed) transocean voyages.

Monday 14 October 2024

GUEST SPEAKER - Jeff Collins. 'The life of a submarine commander'

Jeff is a fine storyteller with a wealth of incidents and material to draw on covering his time in the submarine service. In a career spanning Artificer to Captain/Commander, his talk will be a series of anecdotes and reminiscences illustrated by actual photos and artifacts collected over the years. He will talk about his career, his 'record breaking' surfacing – along with two other subs – at the nearest point to the North Pole and his time spent on US submarines. Clearly along the way the submarine life brings unexpected ... and unusual ... incidents and we may get insights into some of these as well. Jeff is not short of a story or two!

Monday 11 November 2024

GUEST SPEAKER – Coxwain Dave Nichol RNLI. '200 years of Saving Lives at Sea'.

The story of the RNLI is one of courage and dedication. Across their 200-year history, RNLI lifersavers have answered the call to rescue. Day or night. On calm seas or into ferocious storms. If someone is in peril at sea, the RNLI will do all they can to save them.

Monday 9 December 2024

GUEST SPEAKER – Bernard Purrier. Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society. 'An introduction to the World of Whales and Dolphins'

The Whale and Dolphin Conservation group is the leading charity dedicated to the protection of whales and dolphins. Their vision is a world where every whale and dolphin is safe and free. Backed by robust research, science and philosophy they are the authority on whales and dolphins and the threats they face.

Monday 13 January 2025

GUEST SPEAKER – Colin Rossiter, from The Canal & Rivers Trust. 'The Kennet and Avon Canal'

An overview of the canal system: K&A history; why it was built, how it was built; dilapidation and restoration; current use.

Monday 10 February 2025

ANNUAL DINNER – Kingsdown Golf Club

Monday 10 March 2025

GUEST SPEAKER – Tony Condor, Historian and Guide. ‘Gloucestershire and the Atlantic Slave Trade’

Gloucestershire was a base for people fighting to stop firstly the trade and then slavery itself. What was the slave trade? What income did it generate? What were the results for Gloucestershire including local characters such as Blathwayt of Dyrham House? An illustrated talk that aims to tell the history – and leave the audience to make their own minds up.

Monday 14 April 2025

Members Evening

Cancelled in favour of ‘AwayDay’ visit to HMS Warrior in Portsmouth. This itself was subsequently cancelled; most likely reinstated in 2026

w/c 2 June 2025

MEMBER’S RALLY – SW coast – Falmouth, Plymouth