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Lyme Regis & Charmouth

LIFEBOAT WEEK

Saturday 23 July – Saturday 30 July 2022

The organisers reserve the right to alter or change this programme according to availability and weather conditions prevailing at the time. Some events may have to be cancelled depending on COVID restrictions.
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WELCOME from Lifeboat Supporters Chairman



ON behalf of the Lyme Regis lifeboat crew and Lyme Regis and Charmouth Lifeboat Supporters I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our 2022 Lifeboat Week.

While the pandemic is by no means over we seem to be returning to normal, albeit a new normal. Despite all the problems of the last three years we managed to run an almost normal lifeboat week last year which, from the feedback we received, was very much welcomed by all, and for us that was very gratifying.

This year Lifeboat Week will be opened by one of our local heroes Tom Littledyke. Tom was one of the first to organise and run rescue missions to Ukraine and this vital work continues with great support from the local community. Tom has agreed to a question and answer session when he opens the week, and his insights to what has been going on will, I am sure, be fascinating.

This year we have our usual packed programme including all the old favourites such as Irene's duck race, fun run, bathtub race, beach games and produce stall .In addition we are introducing new events that will appeal to everyone including Total Wipeout in the Lister Gardens on Tuesday and a new Pirate Day on Friday in Lyme Regis.

We also delighted that the Red Devils parachute display team will be jumping, weather permitting, on the Thursday.

All the events can be found in our daily programme which is available in hard copy at various outlets around the town but can also be accessed via our website and new Lifeboat Week app. RNLILyme Regis.

The lifeboat will be on the slipway and members of the crew will be happy to answer any questions about their life saving work.

Special thanks to the harbourmaster and his staff for their help and support, not just in Lifeboat Week but throughout the year.

My special thanks also to all my committee who put together this programme and in particular to Richard Horobin, Lifeboat Press Officer, his deputy and webmaster Seb Cope, RNLI volunteer Anne Marks who is responsible for the advertising in the programme and Jackie Evans at LymeOnline.

As usual, fingers crossed that the weather will be kind, and that we can all enjoy the return to normal with a fantastic Lyme Regis Lifeboat Week.

Ken Lavery,
Chairman,
Lyme Regis and Charmouth Lifeboat Supporters

Our front cover photo this year is a selfie taken by Justin Paull, a keen fisherman, from Bridport, who is deaf without speech, and who was rescued by the Lyme Regis lifeboat crew in May when his boat suffered engine failure. Justin is pictured with lifeboat crew member Rich Tilley.



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Events throughout Lifeboat Week ...

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It's a prize every time at this incredibly popular stall under the gazebo next to the lifeboat station. Depending on your lucky number you will win a bottle of wine, a refreshing bottle of water or a snack. Just pick a raffle ticket out of the RNLI bucket and keep your fingers crossed. Good luck !



The Irene Roper Duck Race

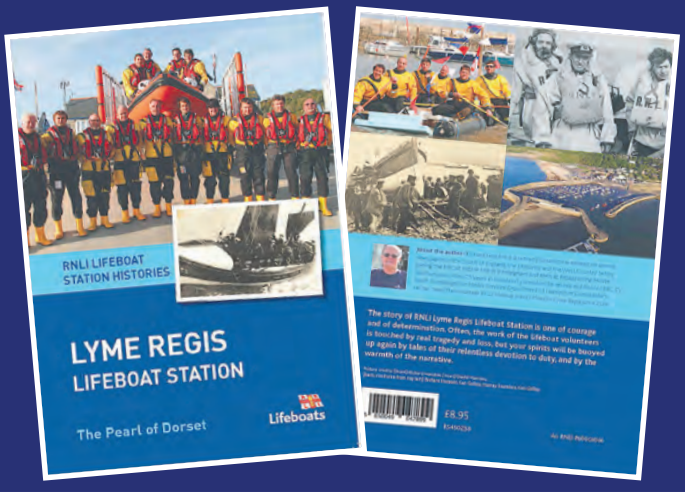
Hundreds of little yellow ducks are on sale at the purple hut on Marine Parade or via the website www.lymeregislifeboatweek.co.uk or the App before the big event on the River Lym on Friday.
£1 per duck.
Cash prizes for the winning ducks, and even for the duck that comes last.



Meet the crew, daily at 10.30am

The volunteer crew lifeboat of *Spirit of Loch Fyne* will be available to chat, with the lifeboat parked on the slipway, so please feel free to pay a visit and a member of the volunteer crew will be happy to show you around and answer any questions.

The history of Lyme Regis Lifeboat Station



The fascinating history of lifeboats and lifeboat people who have served Lyme Regis since 1826 is told in a new RNLI book available at the lifeboat shop on the Cobb. Sometimes amusing, sometimes tragic stories about a group of amazing volunteers. Price £8.95, all proceeds to the RNLI.
Author Richard Horobin, the lifeboat's volunteer press officer, will be signing copies in the lifeboat shop during the week.



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3rd September 2022	Oyster Celebration at The Oyster & Fish House
13th November 2022	Remembrance Sunday parade and service
25th December 2022	Fancy dress swim, Charmouth
1st January 2023	Lyme Lunge
22nd-29th July 2023	Lifeboat Week
5th-12th August 2023	Regatta and Carnival Week

NEXT YEAR Saturday 22nd – Saturday 29th July

Lifeboat Week 2023

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Landlord Tom, leading convoys to Ukraine, opens Lifeboat Week

Tom Littledyke and Georgia Wellman

PUB landlord Tom Littledyke is taking time off from leading convoys of aid to Ukraine to support another charity saving lives, as he opens this year's Lifeboat Week in Lyme Regis.

Tom will be interviewed by former BBC TV reporter Chris Coneybeer as part of the opening ceremony at 1.30pm on July 23rd outside the lifeboat station.

Tom, 31, runs the Shave Cross Cellar bar and Antonio's Italian taverna in Lyme Regis and is also landlord of the Shave Cross Inn, a country pub near Bridport.

Since the war began, he has twice driven the 1,300 miles to Ukraine in an old mini bus loaded with humanitarian aid at the head of a convoy of volunteers. His partner, Georgia Wellman, 21, plays a vital administrative role overseeing donations and organising the convoys. He and Georgia have now helped to organise at least seven convoys, and there are plans to buy a safe house on the borders of Poland and Ukraine for refugees using some of the generous donations to Tom's just-giving site.

Tom, a former Royal Marine Reservist, who went to the Woodroffe School in Lyme Regis, speaks of his terrifying and heart-breaking experiences and says he is proud of the response of people in his home town to his appeals for aid.

"The town really came together, and the generosity of the people of Lyme and district has been fantastic," said Tom.

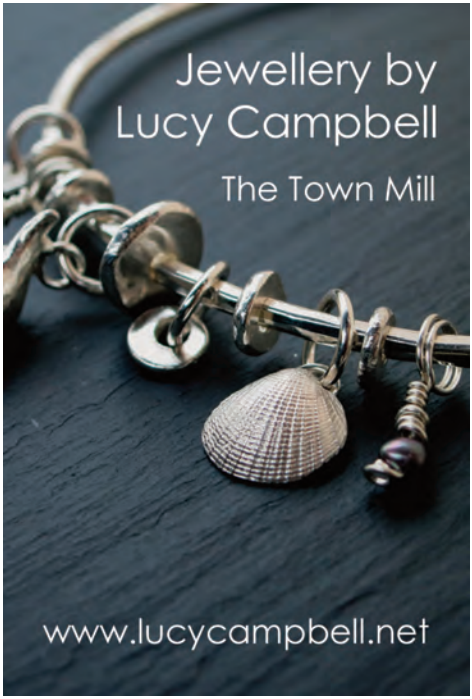
Donations to the convoys included huge supplies of non-lethal military equipment, radios, armour, warm clothing, blankets and medical items.

Apart from the donations of materials, a highly successful online appeal led by Tom and Georgia raised well over £25,000 to provide further supplies and aid. Donations can still be made at www.just-giving.com/crowdfunding/thomas-littledyke.

In recent months Tom and his team have also received donations of vehicles including an ambulance a 7.5 ton lorry and another mini bus.

Tom's mini bus broke down several times during the journeys, and their lucky mascot teddy bear strapped to the front bumper also had a difficult trip.

"He got a very angry reception from some of the Ukrainians," said Tom. "But that may have been because we told people his name was Putin!"



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Lyme Regis Lifeboat Crew



Members of the Lyme Regis RNLI crew, left to right, Sam Ellis, Jon Broome, Andy Butterfield and Seb Cope. Volunteer crew featured in season 5 of the BBC programme *Saving Lives at Sea*, involving Lyme Regis Lifeboat crew rescuing two professional sailors. The crew will also feature later this year in the 7th series on BBC 2 involving the rescue of two fishermen.

THE RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea and relies on its courageous volunteers. Lyme Regis RNLI lifeboat station is one of 238 operational stations throughout the UK & Ireland. There are nearly 6,000 volunteer lifeboat crew and over 20,000 community fundraisers. At the Lyme Regis station some 35 volunteers include sea-going crew, shore crew and a management team. Among the crew are builders, engineers, managers, a designer, a landscape gardener, a postman, a musician, and retired servicemen. Thank you for your support this week helping to raise money for the RNLI charity.

Volunteer crew members will be around the station for lifeboat week so do pop in and meet some of them who will be happy to talk to you about their experiences on the lifeboat.

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Volunteer lifeboat crew members take on the local cricket club for the annual challenge, with the ambition of winning the Paul Messer Trophy. All welcome. Bar and refreshments in the pavilion.



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Saturday 23rd July

High tide: 2.55pm

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10am — **Books, CDs & DVDs** — **Lifeboat Station**
Pop into the lifeboat station and browse through hundreds of new and used books, CDs, puzzles and DVDs at bargain prices.

10am — **Art Exhibition** — **Marine Parade**
Local artists display some fine works of art, paintings, drawings and much more. Many items available to purchase.

12pm — **Swimming Challenge registration** — **Marine Parade**
Time to register for the swimming challenges. Entrants must sign up by 2.30pm to comply with health and safety regulations. *All the rules appear on page 43.*

12.30pm — **Belly Dancing** — **Marine Parade**
A colourful and exotic performance by the Eastern Promise Belly Dancers. If you are brave enough, there may be a chance to join in a variety of entertaining moves.

1.30pm — **Opening Ceremony** — **Lifeboat Station**
Local business couple Tom & Georgia will be officially opening Lyme Regis Lifeboat week at the station.

2pm — **Welcome Display** — **At sea**
Watch the volunteer crew launch the Lyme Regis Atlantic 85 lifeboat Spirit of Loch Fyne and show off their fantastic lifeboat and hope to be joined by the coastguard helicopter and Exmouth All-Weather *Shannon* lifeboat.

2.45pm — **Swimming Challenge, Adults** — **Cobb Gate**
Weather and sea conditions permitting, this event will start at Cobb Gate with the finish line at the inside steps of the Harbour North Wall.

3.15pm — **Swimming Challenge, Children** — **Cobb Gate**
Now it's the turn of the youngsters, and children aged 14 and under will also swim from Cobb Gate to the inside steps of the harbour North Wall. Local swimming trainer Malcolm Greenslade of Lyme Bay Swimming will present medals to all the children who participate.



4pm — **Mariners Away** — **Marine Parade**

Mariners Away home port is the village ofSouth Zeal on the northern flanks of Dartmoor. (OK so they are at least 20 nautical miles from the sea!). Listen to the songs of the sea in the Performance Area on the Marine Parade.



7.30pm — **Old Skool** — **Marine Parade**

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Sunday 24th July

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9am	**A Breakfast Time Treat**	**Lifeboat Station**
	Treat yourself to a delicious bacon bap and a cup of tea or coffee prepared by the volunteer lifeboat crew and helpers.	
10am	**Avid readers alert! Book Stall**	**Lifeboat Station**
	Pop into the Lifeboat Station and browse through hundreds of new and used books, CDs and puzzles at bargain prices.	
10am	**Art Exhibition**	**Marine Parade**
	Another chance to view the work of local artists, paintings, drawings and much more. Many items available to purchase.	
10.30am	**Sailing Club Dinghy Race**	**At sea**
	Lyme Regis Sailing Club stage three back-to-back races competing for the RNLI Tankard.	
2.30pm	**Lyme Regis Town Band**	**Marine Parade**
	Take a seat, sit back and enjoy a variety of music performed by the town's popular and talented band. The Lyme Regis Town Band have been entertaining holidaymakers here for over 30 years.	
3pm	**Songs of Praise**	**Marine Parade**
	The town band continues to play, contributing to a special Sunday service for all, presented by the churches of Lyme Regis	
4pm	**Bathtub Race**	**Cobb Gate beach**
	Always a favourite, the bathtub race starts from Cobb Gate finishing in the harbour. Entrance fee, £10 per tub. Registration closes at 3.45pm. Cobb Gate. *Sponsored by Rob Perry Marine. Rules on page 43.*	
5.30pm	**Fun Run (sign up 3pm-4-30pm)**	**Marine Parade**
	Sign up for the fun run between 3pm and 4-30pm on Marine Parade. The run begins at 5.30pm at the West Gate on Marine Parade. Starters will be the Mayor and Town Crier and route maps will be provided. Elite runners go first. Entry fee, £3 (adults) and £2 (under 15s). *Event sponsored by The Royal Standard.*	
9.30pm	**Illuminated Boats**	**Harbour entrance**
	Beautifully decorated boats will display across Lyme Bay with the best winning the cup presented by the town's Mayor. Some of the illuminated displays were designed by local school children. *This event is sponsored by local fishermen.*	

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10am — **Avid readers alert! Book Stall** — **Lifeboat Station**
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10-12 & 1-3pm — **Paddle Boarding** — **Boylos Shop, Marine Parade**
Come and try stand-up paddle boarding organised by lifeboat crew helmsman Murray Saunders and his team at Boylos Water Sports on Marine Parade. Advance booking essential, sign up at Boylos for a £10 donation.

11.30am — **Beach Treasure Hunt** — **Sandy Beach**
Calling all children! Bring a spade to the beach and get digging to find the buried treasure. *This event is sponsored by Henry Herbert, otherwise known as 'The Trampoline Man.'* £2 entry fee.

2.30pm — **Pavement Art Competition** — **Marine Parade**
Calling all budding artists. Entry fee £2 includes chalks. Five age groups: under 5s; 5-7 years; 8-11 years; 12-16 years; adults. Judging of all works of pavement art on the day. *Sponsored by The Slipway.*

4pm — **Hole-in-One** — **Harbour North Wall**
Another chance to score that elusive hole-in-one. Strike the golf ball off the wall and into the floating 'hole.'

7-8pm — **Firefighting Exercise and Defibrillator Demo** — **Lifeboat Station**
Lyme Regis firefighters stage a very realistic demonstration of their skills when they are called to an 'emergency' at the lifeboat station.
From 7pm local fire chief Virgil Turner will also show how to use a defibrillator, and maybe save a life.

9.30pm — **Illuminated Aircraft** — **The Beach**
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Tuesday 26th July

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11am — **Produce Stall** — **Lifeboat station**
Treat yourselves to wonderful cakes and preserves made by our volunteers and donated by local businesses. And there's fresh fruit kindly provided by Forde Abbey.

12pm — **Knitting Stall** — **Marine Parade**
A delightful addition to lifeboat week, many beautifully made knitted items locally produced by supporters of the RNLI.

12-4pm — **Total Wipeout** — **Lister Gardens (below Hix restaurant)**
Great fun for all ages. This six-player game has two rotating sweeper arms. Each person stands on a foam podium, mounted on to an inflatable bed. Padded arms swing round, duck under one and jump over the second, if you are knocked over by either you are out!

4pm — **Hole-in-One competition** — **Harbour North Wall**
Another chance to score that elusive hole-in-one. Strike the golf ball off the wall and into the floating 'hole.'

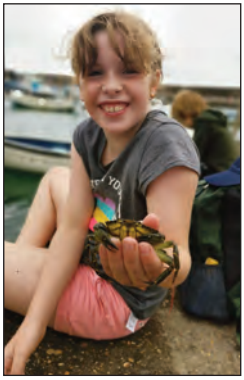
5pm — **Crab fishing** — **Harbour Wall**
Prizes for the biggest and the smallest crabs. Register for the competition at the lifeboat station from 9am. Entry fee £2. Children under 8 years and non-swimmers must be accompanied by an adult. *See rules on page 43.* *Sponsored by The Tackle Box.*

7.30pm — **Pub Quiz** — **Woodmead Halls**
Ex-lifeboat crew and local businessman Neville Causley is very kindly organising a pub quiz with a mixture of entertaining questions for the teams.

8pm — **Town Band Concert** — **Marine Parade**
The day's events come to a musical close with the popular Lyme Regis Town band playing in the performance area on Marine Parade.









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Wednesday 27th July

High tide: 7.02pm

Lifeboats

10am	**Avid readers alert! Book Stall** Pop into the Lifeboat Station and browse through hundreds of new and used books and CDs at bargain prices.	**Lifeboat Station**
10am	**Kite Making Workshop** Always very popular for under 11 year olds, a chance, with some help, to make your own kite and then to fly it on the beach. £3 per kite.	**Marine Parade**
11am	**Auction Viewing** Lyme Bay Auctioneers have a host of promises available from supportive local business available for auction so come along and see what takes your fancy for the auction at 2pm in the station.	**Lifeboat Station**
12pm	**Knitting Stall** A delightful addition to lifeboat week, many beautifully made knitted items locally produced by supporters of the RNLI.	**Marine Parade**
2pm	**Grand Auction** Bid on a fantastic collection of donated lots to include exciting Devon and Dorset experiences, rare RNLI memorabilia and plenty more! Come along at 2pm to bid live and enjoy the action. Go to our RNLI online catalogue at www.lymebayauctions.co.uk to see full details and leave commission bids or bid live online. Alternatively, telephone Lyme Bay Auctions on 01297 22453.	**Lifeboat Station**
4pm	**Teddy Bears' Picnic** Teddys of all shapes and sizes are welcome - with their owners, of course! Admission £2. Children of all ages, but especially under 8s and accompanying adults free. Bring your own picnic. Games, songs and a story.	**Marine Parade**
5.30pm	**Coastguard Demonstration** The team from HM Coastguard Lyme Regis will be showing off their life-saving equipment and you can have the chance to have a go on the throwline that is used on their service rescues.	**Lifeboat Station**
7.30pm	**Wylde Morris** An entertaining – and not too wild! – performance of Morris dancing by the beach near the rear entrance to The Royal Standard.	**Royal Standard**

7.30pm Birds of Prey
Uplyme Village Hall

Get up close and personal to birds of prey presented by Xtreme Birds of Prey. This is a fascinating, very popular event and often sells out. All tickets £4 available from the Lifeboat shop on the Cobb or ring Brian 07831 533580. Book in advance to avoid disappointment.

















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Thursday 28th July

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10am — **Avid readers alert! Book Stall** — **Lifeboat Station**
Pop into the Lifeboat Station and browse through hundreds of new and used books and CDs at bargain prices.

11.30am — **Lifeboat Crew Barbecue** — **Lifeboat station**
Hot dogs produced by the lifeboat crew at the harbour have become something of a legend. Tuck into a jumbo sausage, and all the extras, cooked on the 'Puffing Billy' barbecue on the slipway near the Lifeboat Station.

12pm — **Knitting Stall** — **Marine Parade**
A delightful addition to lifeboat week, many beautifully made knitted items locally produced by supporters of the RNLI.

3pm — **The Red Devils Freefall Parachute Team** — **On the Beach**
They're back again! The Army's brilliant Red Devils freefall parachute team are dropping in on Lifeboat Week again this year.
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4-8pm — **Barbecue** — **Nag's Head**
A popular evening and a chance to meet some of the volunteer crew while enjoying a burger or sausage at a good locals' public house.

7pm — **Moonrakers** — **Marine Parade**
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Friday 29th July

PIRATE DAY!

High tide: 8.18pm

All day — **Treasure Hunt** — **Lifeboat Station**
Come and grab a treasure map from the lifeboat station pirates that will take you on a tour around Lyme Regis, take selfies as you go. £4 includes tea and cake later.

9am — **Pirate Breakfast** — **Lifeboat Station**
Join our volunteer crew shipmates for a hearty pancake breakfast and discover what adventures are planned for Pirate day! – £2.

10am — **Book Stall** — **Lifeboat Station**
Nearly there! Your last chance to pick up a page turner at a bargain price at the Lifeboat Station.

11.45am — **Pirate Sandcastle Competition** — **Sandy Beach**
Competition for best sandcastle or sand pirate boat - followed by marauding – destroying each-others' sculptures with canons. Don't forget to post your photos on Twitter and Instagram #lbw2022. Stocks will be there to soak the naughty pirates with wet sponges – £2.



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Friday 29th July Lifeboats



PIRATE DAY!

12noon **The Irene Roper Duck Race** **River Lym**

The duck race is dedicated to Irene Roper, a leading light in organising Lifeboat Week for many years. Irene sadly died during Lifeboat Week a few years ago, and the duck race was one of her favourite events. The race is held on the River Lym at the bottom of the town, and tickets are available throughout the week and online. Cash prizes for the first three ducks and also for the duck that comes last.



2pm **Bowling Drive** **Lyme Regis Bowling Club**

Bowling drive in aid of the RNLI. All welcome.



2pm **Pirate Make-Up Artist** **Marine Parade**

Make your own eye patches, hooks, shoe buckles and craft pirate-like accessories, get temporary tattoos in preparation for the best dressed competition later.

4pm **Best Dressed Pirate** **Marine Parade**

Competition for adults and children and best dressed pirate's mate (dog, cat, hamster). Prizes for each category
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4.30pm **Pieces of Cake** **Lifeboat Station**

The volunteer crew and their families have prepared cakes and tea for pirate adventurers who have hopefully completed the treasure hunt.

7pm **Lyme Morris** **Royal Standard**

Traditional Morris dancing, outside the Royal Standard, by a very popular group. Great entertainment, and you may get the chance to join in.

7pm **Walk the Plank** **Harbour**

Challenge your pirate shipmates to walk the plank and take a quick dip in the ocean – £1.



7.30pm **Tug of War**
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Saturday 30th July

High tide: 8.42am

10am **Book Stall** **Lifeboat Station**

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7.30pm **Chorale Concert** **St Michael's Church**

Choristers and families staying over the weekend for the singing day. There are 11 Salisbury choristers plus 12 parents and 25 other local singers from Lyme Bay Chorale and other choirs committed to singing!

7.30pm The Chantry Buoys Marine Parade

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Why planning is vital to staying safe near the water

ON the cover of this Lifeboat Week programme is a selfie taken on a recent service call by a lone fisherman whose boat had broken down while he was a sea enjoying his hobby. His boat was well equipped and well maintained, he had a very clear plan of what to do in an emergency, and had let his family know where he was going and when he expected to return. He had done everything right, but on this day his luck ran out and he needed to be rescued. This goes to show that problems at sea can happen to anyone no matter how well prepared you are.

What the photograph does not show, and why this shout is so memorable for the lifeboat crew, is that the fisherman is profoundly deaf and unable to communicate by voice. His excellent planning meant he was able to raise the alarm via a family member ashore using text and sign language transmitted by video message. Good planning by our crew meant they took white boards with them in order that they could communicate by means of the written word. In all a most successful rescue which underlines the importance of good preparation and planning.

This is just one of 40 or so shouts we will launch for this year. Many will be to people ashore who have got into difficulty when walking along the coast or fossilling, others will be to swimmers, paddle boarders, kayakers and leisure boaters.

In almost all cases poor planning will be a contributory factor in the need for a lifeboat launch – not allowing for the tide rising and cutting off parts of the coast, ignoring the weather forecast or not being prepared for equipment failure or physical fatigue. There is a clear message here – plan your activity carefully, make sure you have considered what to do if something goes wrong, tell someone when you will be back and carry a means of calling for help.

During Lifeboat Week you will be able to see all three arms of the RNLI on display here in Lyme Regis – our lifeboat will be at sea and on the slipway, our lifeguards will be operating on the beach and our water safety team will be giving safety advice on the slipway. And of course, our tireless Lifeboat Supporters' Group, who do so much to raise the funds which enable these activities to continue, will be doing their best to make sure this week goes well.

All of the Lyme Regis RNLI team are volunteers and there are many roles involved – seagoing crew, station management, fundraisers or water safety volunteers. If you would like to find out more information about these roles please ask one of the RNLI team and check for vacancies on the RNLI's website.

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Lifeboat Operations Manager
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2. Entry is £3 per adult, £2 per child. Registration is compulsory and swimmers will be given a wristband, which you must hand back at the end of the swim. If you decide not to swim after registration, please return the wrist band.
3. The distance is approx 3/4 of a mile/1 Km.
4. Cups will be awarded to the first male and female swimmer in both the adults and children's challenges.
5. There are safety boats, RNLI crew members and lifeguards in attendance.
6. Please ensure that you are medically fit to participate.
7. There are 2 events: For children 5yrs old to 14yrs old. (Please ensure that your child is capable of swimming the distance and is confident in the water).Youths and adults 15 and above.
8. Registration closes 30 minutes before the start of the first race.
9. Parents/relatives may swim with their children, but you must register.
10. If the weather/tide is inclement the RNLI will cancel or postpone the event and may do so at very short notice.

Crab Fishing

This is a children's Crab Fishing competition.
The largest sized crab – measured across the width of the back will be the judged winner.
We adhere to the advice taken from the Marine Conservation Society:

1. All crabs must be stored in buckets/containers with wet seaweed only (a little or no seawater).
2. Only one crab will be measured.
3. No more than 10 crabs can be held in a bucket. Stewards will return the crabs to the water if there are too many in a bucket.
4. Entry is £2 per line.
5. Children under the age of 8 and all non-swimmers must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
6. Entry forms must be submitted for all entrants. The under 14s must be counter-signed by a parent/guardian.
7. Lines must be cast inside the Harbour wall – between the RNLI Station and Aquarium.
8. The crabs must be caught on a line.
9. **DO NOT** dig for crabs.
10. All crabs caught must be alive.
11. Crabs will be measured across width of the back.
12. The judges decision is final.
13. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 and the smallest crab.



Bath Tub Race

1. Bath tub raft must include a standard bath.
2. Bath has to be at least 4 inches in the water.
3. Bath tub raft cannot be motor powered.
4. Registration closes 30 minutes before start of race at Cobb Gate. Entry is £10 per bath tub.
5. No responsibility will be taken for loss or damage to equipment.
6. Craft rowers must be medically fit to swim and enter at their own risk and will not hold the organisers responsible for any injury, loss or damage.
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Since the 1970s, volunteers – and the generous townspeople and visitors – have raised hundreds of thousands of pounds for the RNLI, the charity that saves lives at sea. And at their annual meeting this year those volunteers heard the news that last year had been an astounding success.

No less than £199,000 was raised for the charity through the gross profits from the tiny RNLI shop next to the lifeboat station and from all forms of donations including Lifeboat Week. In fact, the shop had been the best performing outlet throughout the RNLI for much of the year.

The dedication of volunteers was thrown into sharp focus with a presentation at the supporters meeting to a remarkable couple.

A long service award was made to Denis and Gwyneth Barker who volunteered behind the counter in the RNLI shop from 2005 and on the supporters committee from 2006.

Their roles included walking around the town regularly retrieving 70 collection boxes. Denis, aged 90, and Gwyneth, 82 were also responsible for counting donations during lifeboat week.



Ken Lavery, chairman of Lyme Regis & Charmouth Lifeboat Supporters presents a long-service award to remarkable couple Denis and Gwyneth Barker

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Anyone interested in joining the supporters, or helping out during Lifeboat Week, should contact Membership Secretary Anne Marks at annemarks101@gmail.com or pop into the RNLI shop for details.



THE RNLI in Lyme Regis has operated from a total of five different boathouses since 1825, and the current lifeboat station on the Cobb was opened in 1997.

For some 26 years two converted local boats served as lifeboats in the town, and in 1853 the first purpose-built lifeboat arrived. She was unnamed, built for eight oarsmen and 8.2m long. She was kept in a stone house in Cobb Square.

Today's lifeboat is a B class Atlantic 85, named *Spirit of Loch Fyne* after the restaurant chain that raised much of the total cost of the vessel.

Spirit of Loch Fyne is one of the fastest lifeboats in the fleet with a top speed of 35knots and is capable of handling challenging sea conditions. She is highly manoeuvrable, particularly near cliffs and rocks.

The B class lifeboat has no wheelhouse so the crew of four are exposed to the elements at all times, relying on their expensive protective kit to keep them safe and warm.

Last year the Lyme Regis volunteers answered 34 emergency calls.

If you are interested in finding out much more about the lifeboats of Lyme Regis, and the people who served in them for more than 150 years, the RNLI has published a fascinating history book. Author Richard Horobin will be available throughout lifeboat week to sign copies which are available from the lifeboat shop on the Cobb.

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