

## ATYC NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2017

This is the ATYC Newsletter which will be sent out to Clubs on a regular basis. It can be used as an ATYC Club Noticeboard and can carry such items as a Club's major event or a short news story. Contributions should be sent to me.

Happy reading and stay safe.

Mike Chambers

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The date for the Open Meeting to be held at the Penton Hook Yacht Club has been changed from 12 Jun to **14 Jun** 1930 hrs for 2000 hrs.

**EA Prosecutions.** A Thames boat owner has been fined a total of £1219 by Banbury Magistrates for not paying his registration fees. The vessel was discovered on private land above Days Lock. Similarly, Northampton Magistrates fined 6 River Nene boaters a total of £3950 for not paying registration fees.

**Fuel Theft.** A boater moored at Kingston has had 150 litres of diesel stolen from his boat just recently. There appears to have been a general increase in thieving in the area and boaters should be vigilant and ensure valuable items are secure and out of sight.

**Regal Agents Appointed.** Thames Boat Sales at Penton Hook have been appointed as agents for the Florida based boat builders Regal. Although Regal construct number different models TBS will be concentrating on the 26 – 28 ft cruisers.

**ATYC Rally. A reminder that this year's Rally will be held at Beale Park over the August Bank holiday. A new style competition is being planned and there will be 2 functions held in the Park complex**

**Boat Fire Safety Week.** The Fire Brigades have declared this week to be Boat Fire Safety Week. They have identified the following as the major causes if boat fires.

- Escape of gas from an LPG installation coming into contact with an ignition source resulting in fire/explosion
- Flammable vapours entering the accommodation space coming into contact with an ignition source resulting in fire/explosion
- Incorrectly installed heating appliances some of which are do-it-yourself installations
- Candles/cigarettes etc positioned in proximity to combustible materials

Note that historically the vast majority of boat fires are caused by human error rather than equipment failure.

**PLEASE DISTRIBUTE WIDELY TO YOUR MEMBERS AS WELL ON YOUR NOTICE BOARDS**

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