



ATYC NEWSLETTER – MARCH 2020

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. Happy reading and stay safe.
Mike Chambers

ATYC AGM The AGM will be held on 2 Apr at 2000 hrs in the Windsor Yacht Club. An agenda will be issued shortly. A new committee structure is being proposed along with a new Chairman as I will be standing down. All member clubs are invited to send a representative.

Red Diesel. In the recent budget the Chancellor announced the removal of tax relief on red diesel. The measure would take effect in 2 years' time. Red diesel used for non-commercial heating will remain exempt; whether this will still allow rebated diesel to be used for heating and generators on boats will need to be determined and whether the 60/40 split will remain requires clarification. The exception will also apply to farming, fishing and the rail industries

ATYC Trophies. Clubs and individual members holding any of the ATYC trophies are asked to return them at the AGM please. If you are in any doubt as to whether you hold a trophy check the Trophy winners' pages in the Library section of the ATYC website. All of these were last awarded in 2016

EA Mooring Sites Management. Eventually only 2 tenders were received for the management of the EA mooring sites and tender evaluation is under way. We have been informed that signage and any rule changes will be announced to the boating community prior to the start date

Lock Booking Procedure. Although Clubs have already been booking moorings at the locks, the EA have yet to announce an agreed procedure.

Hosepipe Withdrawal. Following the withdrawal of fresh water hoses from marinas and some clubs the EA are minded to withdraw their fresh water hoses. No date has been given and the issue is still under consideration. The CRT and the River Wey have withdrawn all of their hoses.

Black Water Check. The EA recently conducted water sampling just above, adjacent and below the slum (sorry – hotel) boats and found no evidence of sewage. This was just one sampling over a very short period and thus the results are probably not conclusive.

Farewell. As mentioned above I shall be standing down as Chairman at the AGM and thus this is my last newsletter. I trust you have found it informative and generally a good read and I hope that the new committee will be able to continue with the newsletter

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