



NEWSLETTER FROM WATERMOUTH HARBOUR MASTER – March 2023

We were certainly lucky at Watermouth Harbour in 2022 with a great season of weather and so much going on. When I look back at the year, it was a very busy one. We welcomed many new boats to the harbour last year and hope they all had a very enjoyable season with us. Our slipway had good use too. The trailer park has been very successful with many people taking the option. It has certainly tidied the place up and gives easier access to those who use it.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS – I would ask you to refresh yourself with our terms and conditions and below are a few reminders:

Registration forms – A registration form **MUST** be completed **each year** by everyone to ensure our information is up to date. The registration form can be completed online via our website at <https://watermouthharbour.co.uk> or downloaded and returned. Once the registration form has been completed and fees paid your vehicle registration number will be uploaded to the car parking portal.

Please note vehicle registration numbers will be removed from the parking system on 1st April for the previous season. Proof of insurance **MUST** be provided for every boat in the harbour as per our terms and conditions.

Crane Services – The first lifts of the season are booked for 3/4/5 April 2023, to which 3rd and 4th May have been added.

Charges for 2023 – Please see attached, prices have increased this year noting under Hardstanding this has now been split between boats on a trailer and boat storage. If you believe your boat has been invoiced incorrectly please let me know straightaway.

Electric Point – For those who don't know, we have had a new electric point fitted with a meter on the Boathouse wall.

Benches – After the boats going back in the water in April and May we had the pleasure of putting our kindly donated benches along the harbour wall for all to enjoy. These will be looked after by myself and put out every year once the boats have left the car park.

Defibrillator – Watermouth Harbour Ltd installed our much valued defibrillator on the Boathouse wall in May, which we hope we will never need but reassuring that it is there. We have also had four people trained in first aid.

Regatta – Probably the highlight of the year raising a total of £5,432 for the RNLI, a big thank you to all the boat owners and many others for their help.

Britain in Bloom – Storm in a Teacup entered Britain in Bloom for the first time last year and also planted up planters, baskets and two little boats for the harbour. It was a team effort from all the girls at Teacup and thank you to the boat owners that helped too on those really hot days. Teacup is very proud to have won GOLD, the results were announced in October and needless to say they will be entering again.

Exmoor Magazine – Watermouth was lucky to be chosen for the front cover in the summer issue which came out in May celebrating our late Queens Jubilee.

And lastly – Author Fi Partridge visited Watermouth a few years ago and decided to set some of her book 'The Colour of Marriage' at Watermouth and has made great reference to our lovely harbour and surrounding areas.

Please visit our website for all general information and watch the notice board for any updates. On Watermouth Harbour Master Facebook, I will keep you updated with weather warnings and other points of interest relating to the harbour.

Looking forward to the new season.

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