



RYA

Motor Cruise

Saturday 21st – Friday 27th July 2012

The aim of the 2012 RYA Motor Cruise is to bring together Motor Cruisers of all abilities from the novice who may be a first time Channel crosser to the experienced, or those who just like to cruise in company. The event is an opportunity for Motor Boaters to cruise together with the benefit of a RYA Yachtmaster Instructor on hand to offer support and guidance to those who may never have crossed the channel before. It is also for experienced hands to extend their cruising grounds and for those who like to meet new friends.

For each cruise the RYA Cruising Team plans the route, arranges the berthing in each of the destinations, and organises social activities in a number of ports of call. This takes the hassle away and allows the participants to simply enjoy the cruising.

The RYA main control boat will be skippered by a commercial Yachtmaster Instructor, from TH Marine Services, who advises the participant skippers on their passage planning and assists where possible with boat related difficulties. It is also home to the RYA Event Team who is responsible for the smooth running of the cruise, and liaison with the marinas, harbours and social venues.

A general briefing including an overview of the passage, weather and suggested departure and arrival times will be given to the skippers before each leg. Where possible individual consultation regarding any concerns the skippers may have will be arranged, including reviewing passage planning with them if required.

As well as the RYA main control boat, there will be two other motor boats acting as control boats. These two boats will be responsible for keeping in touch with their allotted groups and helping out on each leg if needed. We will also be accompanied by Sea Start, who will be on hand to assist with any mechanical problems that may occur during the cruise.

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DOCUMENTATION AND ELIGIBILITY

In order to be taken overseas your boat must be registered, insured and you must have proof of the VAT status of the vessel (or for a charter boat, the charter agreement). You must also have a ship radio licence for any VHF or VHF/DSC radio on board and at least one person on board any vessel with a VHF or VHF/DSC radio must hold the relevant VHF only Restricted Certificate of Competence in Radiotelephony or VHF/DSC Short Range Certificate of Competence. To take part in the RYA Motor Cruise, you will need to have all of the above. We advise you to retain receipts for red diesel purchases, which should be marked 'duty paid' as you may be asked to prove that it was purchased legitimately in the UK.

The event is open to motor cruisers with a LOA of 25ft and over and capable of a cruising speed of no less than 15kts. Vessels of less than 25ft will be assessed on an individual basis. There are a limited number of places available on the cruise. Applications are considered on a first come first served basis.

PROVISIONAL ITINERARY

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| Saturday 21st July | Fleet assembles in Poole for Registration Skipper's Briefing Welcome Drinks Reception |
| Sunday 22nd July | Depart for Cherbourg Arrive Chantereyne Marina, Cherbourg Drinks Reception |
| Monday 23rd July | Free day in Cherbourg Skipper's Briefing Evening free |
| Tuesday 24th July | Depart for Carteret Arrive Carteret Skipper's Briefing Afternoon Pontoon Party sponsored by Sea Start Evening free |
| Wednesday 25th July | Depart for St Peter Port Arrive St Peter Port – Vin d'Honneur, Castle Cornet |
| Thursday 26th July | Free day in St Peter Port Skipper's Briefing Black Tie Dinner – Guernsey Yacht Club (optional) |
| Friday 27th July | Disperse or depart for the Solent |

All participants have the option of returning to the UK in company with the RYA Control Boat, which will be heading to the Solent.

Please note: Completion of the itinerary is dependent on suitable weather conditions on the day. The decision of whether the weather conditions and sea state are suitable for a fleet of this nature to leave port will be taken by the RYA, taking into consideration the range of abilities and the range of boats within the fleet.

At all times, the safety of the boat lies with the individual vessel's skipper. There will be skipper's briefings during the cruise, prior to each leg (or as required), where the participating skippers will be briefed on the passage ahead, anticipated weather conditions etc. Attendance at these briefings is compulsory for the skipper of each vessel.