



## **Army and Navy Club Yacht Squadron 2025 Programme**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm – 8.00pm**

### **Fitting Out Drinks**

An informal get together in the Smoking Room over early evening drinks to celebrate the start of our 2025 sailing season. All members of the Rag and their guests are welcome to join squadron members to perhaps find out a bit more about the fun of sailing with us.

Cash bar.

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

### **Solent Cruise – West Country Cruise (4 days sailing)**

Sailing from Gosport on the Army Sailing Association's Grebe VIII (Halberg Rassy 34.5) – intention will be to sail the Solent's western approaches and out towards the West Country.

£190.00 per berth (based on crew of 4) plus any mooring fees, fuel and food. Squadron membership required.

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

### **Solent Cruise (2 days sailing)**

Sailing from Gosport on Army Sailing Association's Grebe VIII (Halberg Rassy 34.5) – intention will be to sail through the Solent and circumnavigate the Isle of White.

£95.00 per berth (based on crew of 4) plus any mooring fees, fuel and food. Squadron membership required.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September**

### **Solent – West Country Cruise or Channel Crossing (4 days sailing)**

Sailing from Shamrock Quay Southampton on the Go Sailing Association's Ocean Flame IV (Bavaria 36) – intention is for a channel crossing or West Country week.

£270.00 per berth (includes GSA annual membership and is based on crew of 4) plus any mooring fees, fuel and food. Squadron membership required.

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 6.30pm for 7.00pm**

### **Lecture – Uncommon Courage**

**Julia Jones**

'Julia is a yachtswoman – sailing Arthur Ransome's Peter Duck - publisher and author. Her book Uncommon Courage tells of the wartime adventures during the Second World War of the 'Gentlemen interested in yachting' of the Royal Naval Voluntary Reserve and the Royal Naval (Supplementary) Volunteer Reserve. In this talk she will cover a remarkable episode in the Royal Navy's history, when amateur sailors filled leadership roles, not just in the more usual naval capacity on big ships, or in Anti-Submarine and Mine Clearance, but in Coastal Forces, Commando Operations and Intelligence.

£10.00 (to include pre-talk glass of wine).

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm for 8.00pm**

### **Squadron Laying Up Dinner**

The traditional end to the squadron's sailing season with a formal dinner and guest speaker. We welcome both squadron and the wider club membership to this event.

Black Tie.

£85.00 per head.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 12.30pm for 1.00pm**

### **The Bovril and Sherry Lunch**

The Commodore's annual invite lunch for those members who've sailed or otherwise made a significant contribution to the squadron's activities to the season just past.

By invitation.

Cruises are for members of the Army and Navy Club Yacht Squadron – squadron membership is open to all members of the Army and Navy Club (annual membership is £40.00). Berths will be allocated on a first come first served basis – for full details of membership and to enquire about booking a berth please contact [sailing@therag.co.uk](mailto:sailing@therag.co.uk).

The squadron does however, welcome all members of the Rag to our Social events. These can be booked through the club's website or reception in the normal way.