

### **Boats To Look Out For**

## Man-powered

- Abreast from the West canadian breast cancer survivors, in a dragonboat
- **Bembridge** rare traditional racing boat, fastest time around the Isle of Wight
- **Champion** team of 14 rowing a Chinese racing boat, ancient ritual of 'awakening the dragon' included the Mayor of Pershore dotting the eyes of the dragon and calling 'awaken, awaken, awaken'
- Clare Thames skiff, 1880, used in the Royal Swan Upping which has taken place on the Thames since the 12<sup>th</sup> century
- Cwch John Kerr recognised as the principal boat representing Wales, it is one of three replica 18<sup>th</sup> century warships' longboats taking part in the pageant (the others being Bien Trouve and Integrite)
- Fear Not well-loved boat built by Ralph Bird who is credited with the post war revival of Cornish pilot gig rowing, has also taken part in the Vogalonga in Venice
- Francesco Querini Venetian Gondola crewed by Venetians
- **Gig Leander** Cornish Pilot Gig from Britannia Naval College where The Queen's father, consort, two sons and one grandson trained
- **Gillian** 1908, Thames skiff from the Edwardian era, very beautiful and well cared for, still on the Thames 104 years on
- **Haku** Hawaiian War Canoe from OCUK, London-based club with local and international paddlers who train on the Thames
- Internationally Abreast/Lucy at Low Wood dragonboat from International Breast Cancer Paddlers' Commission
- Invasion Boat 1 was in the 2010 film 'Robin Hood', crew will include polar explorer Will
  Gow (great nephew of Shackleton) and former Cambridge University Boat Club president
  John Carver
- Marisa Cristiano Gondola made in Venice in 1985, was owned by restaurant who's waiters were taught to row by the gondolier in the famous cornetto advert of 25 years ago
- Mermaid Trinity House, Mermaid was built on-board ship by officers and crew and has taken part in two Great River Races
- Molly American whaleboat replica, probably only one in Europe
- Nicolotta flagship of the Venetian boat fleet in UK
- **Old Balliol** replica 1829 boat race gig, rowed by members of oldest established boat clubs in existence
- Orca Celtic longboat, carries "Henry VII" rowed by beautiful maidens in 15<sup>th</sup> century dress

- Shackleton heritage vessel coming from New Zealand
- **Sir Harry** Bursledon gig , representing Netley Sea Scouts group which has existed since 1908
- St. Michaels Mount State Barge oldest boat in the pageant
- Te Hono ki Aotearoa, New Zealand Waka, crew will be wearing traditional Maori dress
- The Guardian first all-female crew of six to row Atlantic unaided
- The Hereford Bull built especially for the pageant to the traditional design of a River Wye trow
- William Riley of Birmingham & Leamington 1909 lifeboat from the Whitby Historic Lifeboat Trust
- Worcester Busters breast cancer survivors paddling in a dragonboat
- WSPC Skiffs racing skiffs from Dittons Skiff and Punting Club, members are keen sportsman, two have rowed in the Volalonga, others have walked to the South Pole, swum the Hellespont, run the Yukon, paraglided and cycled from Lands End to John O'Groats

# Kayaks

- Green Admiral powered by one of the first electric motors for kayaks
- **Just for the Challenge** project to encourage people to push their boundaries and engage in health related fitness activities
- **Milly Molly** want to be the first people to run, cycle and canoe from the source of the Thames to Westminster
- **Selkie II** built to re-enact great wartime crossings

# **Explore and Costal Rowing**

- Ebb & Hon Sec very rare traditional wooden clinker built tubs
- Rheingauner only one of its kind in the UK, similar to a Viking longship, they were traditionally used in Finland to take people to church
- **WEF003** boat was partly funded by Sport England for the pilot scheme 'Explore Rowing' to encourage participation in sport

# **Royal Squadron**

- Britannia Royal Barge & Escort Vessels the Royal Yacht Britannia is the vessel that The
  Queen named as the one place she could truly relaxed and Her Majesty and Prince Phillip
  played a large part in the design, the Royal Yacht Britannia will be represented by her Royal
  Barge and two escort vessels
- Connaught finest example of Edwardian pleasure boat, will have six trumpet heralds
- **RNLI Diamond Jubilee** lifeboat that will enter service later in 2012, named for the occasion and in honour of patron, Her Majesty The Queen
- Havengore was the boat that carried Sir Winston Churchill during his state funeral which
  was televised live and had an estimated worldwide audience of 350 million
- Marine Society & Sea Cadets 55 Trinity 500's crewed by the Sea Cadets flying the flags of the Commonwealth
- Royal Nore owned by the PLA, has been involved with The Queen's state visits since 1971
- Silver Darling very luxurious Sunseeker, has Damien Hurst artwork on board
- Spirit of Chartwell, The Royal Barge carrying The Queen, resembles the richly decorated Royal Barges of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries and has been designed to evoke the grandeur of 1929 Cote D'Azur Pullman railway carriage. Award winning production designer Joseph

- Bennett, who worked the film Charlotte Gray and TV series Rome has teamed up with horticulturist Rachel de Thame to create the Royal Barge decorations
- **Trinity House No 1** 'Master' is currently HRH the Princess Royal, Trinity House is lighthouse authority, charity and deep sea licencing authority. On 3<sup>rd</sup> June the Elder Brethren will (as tradition) proceed The Reigning Monarch in territorial waters

## **Dunkirk Little Ships**

- **Bluebird of Chelsea** built for Sir Malcolm Campbell (British war hero and record breaker) she was then used at Dunkirk and has been beautifully restored
- **Elvin** present at Dunkirk, 'they had no charts but simply followed the traffic' once there they were well over capacity but finally returned to Ramsgate with 25 French and eight British troops
- **Gay Ventures** built in 1938 for racing driver Douglas Briault, she was requisitioned during the war. Moored at Bosham, near Chichester
- **Gentle Ladye** founding member of the Association of Dunkirk Little Ships, she has been to every (but 1)Dunkirk return over the last 45 years
- **Janthea** she came under severe machinegun fire during Operation Dynamo however eventually came home with 23 French soldiers
- Lady Gay motor cruiser built in 1934, originally built for Lord Alfred Dunhill, the chairman of the tobacco company
- Lazy Days a mutiny occurred on Lazy Days when one sailor returned to the boat drunk, a fight happened and the offender was sentenced to 90 days in the glasshouse however escaped during transport
- L'Orage gentleman's motor cruiser which was bought by Raymond Baxter, fighter pilot, author and famous broadcaster
- MTB 102 (Motor Torpedo Boats) carried W. Churchill and General Eisenhower to review ships assembled for D-Day landings
- **Riis 1** Built in 1920 as a 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday present for the daughter of the owner of a Scottish shipping company
- **Sundowner** built for the Royal Navy in 1912 she was later owned by Commander Lightoller, the senior surviving officer of the Titanic
- **Thamesa** was used as a tug but later converted to motor cruiser. She once helped The Beatles to avoid the crowds
- Tom Tit she is not on record as assisting in Dunkirk as two brothers stole the boat, on hearing of Operation Dynamo, against the warnings of their older brother that the engine had been on fire. After hasty repairs midway, they eventually took 16 trips of soldiers from land to bigger boats before returning home
- **Silver Queen** reportedly the "most beautiful boat on the Thames". The owners grandfather was one of those rescued in Operation Dynamo

## **Historical and Service Boats**

- 441 RAF rescue boat, saved the entire crew of a Flying Fortress aircraft and complete with shell and machine gun holes is a valuable part of our maritime history
- **Broad Ambition** built in 1966, traditional all timber Norfolk Broads cabin cruiser, found in 2002 in terrible disrepair, then a 20 strong team of armatures spent 8,500 man hours over five and a half years restoring it to its former glory. The co-owners are ex Royal Navy

- Bibi classic Riva built in 1965, very beautiful and admired everywhere it goes
- Blue Light was used by the Metropolitan police and would have been in service during The Coronation
- **Christobel** teak hull built in 1911 on an oak frame as an Edwardian style gentleman's launch
- **CMB 9 (Knock)** built as a motor torpedo boat for the Royal Navy in 1916, later bought by Sir Malcolm Campbell , who held the world speed record, and then hid it to prevent it being re-commissioned during WWII
- Cob requisitioned by the Royal Navy during WWI also used in WWII was eventually sold for £1
- Collie built in 1890, 'outstanding historical vessel with a unique Naval history'
- **Dawn Huntress** offshore speedboat, built by English craftsmen, restored with lots of deep blue paint, mahogany and chrome, the crew will be wearing 1960's dress
- Flying Christine III 45ft, marine ambulance, has all up-to date gadgets, built entirely with donations from individuals, charitable groups, corporate bodies and institutions, on call 24 hours a day
- Gratitude WY 97 Coble boat, represents coastal heritage of North Yorkshire, from Whitby (where Cook set sail to discover Australia)
- **Griffon 380TD** Hovercraft (British invention)built in 2011 by Griffon Hoverwork, a British industrial success story who export to 35 different countries
- **HSL 102** built in 1936, a high powered rescue launch from WWII (launches saved more than 13,000 lives during the war) in 1996 she was re-launched by HRH The Queen Mother
- **Jolly Brit** one of six open launches used on the Royal Yacht Britannia, was used as a Jolly boat for the family's trip ashore
- Lady Genevieve beaver stern gentleman's day launch built by the most renowned builders of this type of boat in 1925, crew will be wearing traditional 1920's dress
- Lady of Mann one of 10 lifeboats from mother ship 'Lady of Mann' which rescued 7,000 troops from Dunkirk
- Maria Kristina built in 1923, during war captured and scuttled, but it is not known if she was sunk by her crew or the Germans, she was later raised by the Navy
- MSC 1 historic Bantam canal tug, unique example, for many years she was used to tow corn barges from Manchester to Kellogg's factory
- **New Venture** built in 1960, iconic Thames cruiser which has been enjoyed by families for years
- **RASCV Humber** built in 1946, she was used by the Army in Singapore and Hong Kong during the Korean War to transport high ranking Officers and dignitaries
- Roys Boys vessel represents a fishing fleet that has worked from the beach for over a thousand years. Hastings, East Sussex
- RN Steam Cutter No. 438 built in the year of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee (1897), the owner's father, who is 90, recently received his MBE from The Queen for his services to maritime preservation and The Royal Naval Museum. On the day the crew will wear naval uniforms of the period she was built
- **Verity** built for Dame Nellie Melba as a gift for King Edward VIII and subsequently owned by RT Hon Chamberlain and Queens Bargemaster Michael Turk

• White Heather – 1932, built for London Borough of Marylebone for towing barges from Westminster to Hayes

#### **Fireboats**

- Fire Flash latest of London Fire Brigade's fire fighting boats
- Pyronaut historic fireboat that can still provide a spectacular water jet

### **Narrow Boats**

- Beatty used to be owned for transporting coal, since then she was bought for family
  holidays and has been enjoyed by three generations of the Grundy family. 71 foot long
  based in Merseyside
- **Centenary** used to teach skills to the young underprivileged and socially excluded. For 25 years 250 young people each year have benefited from living together in the confines of a narrow boat
- Gort beautifully designed and restored wooden narrow boat built in 1939, painted in traditional colours and has original brass gear wheel
- **Shropshire Lad** run by The Lyneal Trust which provides experiences for the disabled, for the pageant it will be crewed by soldiers some of who were injured in Iraq and Afghanistan
- **Swingbridge 2** smallest of group owned by the charity Surry Care Trust which teaches skills and uses the boat as a work base for conservation work. 32ft long
- Tarporley built in 1937, the 72ft Town Class narrow boat was used during war to move bulk from Birmingham to London, since then it has been used for community projects in Camden

## **Barges**

- Actief built in 1907 was working as a hotel from 1976, recently she retired and became a family home
- Angelus a rare Kipper Kraak built in 1884, one of the oldest vessels in the pageant and is the same age as Tower Bridge
- **Elizabeth** British made Belgian Spit, engine and gear box date back to WWII, is currently in the final stages of her renovation
- Ithake replica Dutch barge, will have on board two brothers celebrating 22 years since one donated a kidney to the other
- **Jabulani** used as offices of consultancy firm Project Leaders Ltd who are working on the rebuild of Blackfriars station
- Libertijn of Alphen won numerous awards e.g. Best Classic Barge

# **Recreational Motor Boats**

- Agnes J one of the smallest in the group, helmed by Steve Davis, VP of the Association of Thames Yacht Clubs and Deputy Chairman of the Royal Yacht Association
- Bolli owned by the Commodore of the Upper Thames Yacht Club, Bolli is a 36ft motor cruiser
- **Hertford** actively involved in sea search and preservation activities, built in Suffolk in 1998
- Shaken Not Stirred 35ft motor cruiser featured in the opening sequence of the Bond film 'The World Is Not Enough'
- **Siku Kuu**, Kenya owner of the boat was living in Kenya when Her Majesty became Queen (also whilst staying in Kenya) the boat will have the Kenya High Commissioner on board

- Wally Goldsmith 22ft sailing boat run by the charity 'Sailability' who provide sailing facilities to the disabled, from Rutland
- White Rose used to train young people who compete in wakeboarding/wakeskating and will have Nick Lodge on board who has represented Team GB
- **Wetwheels** the 30ft motor cruiser is skippered by a wheelchair user and will have children from Naomi House Hospice on board

## **Passenger Boats**

- **City Cruises** is the leading provider of riverboats in the UK and has been actively involved in the planning of the Pageant
- Cockney Sparrow she is a family run boat who has spent her whole life on the Thames, built in1976, she was (and still is) patriotically painted red, white and blue for the launch of the silver Jubilee
- **Clifton Castle** built in 1926, she was used as a hospital ship during WWII. The crew are all Thames Waterman and Freeman of the River Thames
- **London Duck Tours** DUKW's are half boat/half truck and were the answer to unloading cargo and men in WWII when dock facilities were destroyed
- **London RIB Voyages** RIBS (rigid inflatable boat) is a fast boat which does tours of London they also combine their tours with aspiring stand up comedian as the guide
- Princess Freda built in 1926 she is a Dunkirk Little Ship. The crew are all Thames
   Waterman and Freemen of the River Thames
- Princess Pocahontas the owner is a Freeman of the River Thames and he was apprenticed to the Company of Watermen & Lightermen in 1959 as well as having worked on the Thames for 53 years
- Queen Elizabeth built in 1926, on the day she has been charted by the Royal Overseas
   League and will be carrying members travelling from commonwealth countries
- Royalty built in 1913, she is also a registered historical ship
- Silver Sturgeon at an amazing 200ft she is the largest vessel in the group. Run by Wood'
  Silver Fleet who's chairman was Waterman to The Queen and they operate The Queen's
  vessel on behalf of PLA
- Viscount built in 1908 she is also a Dunkirk Little Ship

### **Avenue of Sail**

- Amazon this remarkable ship has been around for 127 years, she was present at Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee Royal Fleet Review
- Angele Aline built in 1920 for fishing, during WWII she was seconded by the British to help in Operation Dynamo (Dunkirk)
- **Belem** stunning 19<sup>th</sup> century French trading ship which has crossed the Atlantic 33 times
- HMS Belfast Royal Navy Light Cruiser now run by the Imperial War Museum
- Boadicea built in 1808 she is a traditional oyster smack and one of the oldest sailing boats in Europe
- **Cambria** built on the Thames in 1906 for use in trade, later she was left to rot until enthusiasts set up a charitable trust to restore her, she is now used by school children
- **Cygnet** built by a farmer to take goods to market, on pageant day the crew will be wearing Victorian costumes

- **Endeavour** was used at Dunkirk in 1940, she then sank in 1987 but was later raised by enthusiasts
- **Huan Tian** built in 1973 she is a Chinese vessel coming especially for pageant, and is a replica of Ming dynasty vessels
- **Jolie Brise** built in 1913, Pilot cruiser which is owned, maintained and sailed by school students
- The Matthew of Bristol —a replica of a Tudor merchant ship typical of Henry VII's reign
- May built in 1891, was owed by Tate & Lyle, and in later life was transported to Canada for the Olympic Games in 1976
- Sceptre British challenger for the America's cup in 1958, 20 metre long classic yacht
- **Stenoa** WWII Lifeboat which participated in Dunkirk rescuing 51 soldiers, later she was bought and now is used by three generations of the same family
- **Stormvogel** a 1929 Luxe Motor, her last recorded cargo of hay bales necessitated the skipper to steer whilst standing on the roof
- **Suhaili** owned by Sir Robin Knox-Johnston, she was the first boat to sail non-stop around the world and is now based in Portsmouth
- **Tenacious** extremely beautiful, run by the Jubilee Sailing Trust to encourage combining able-bodied and physically disabled in crewing the ship