



As always, I would be grateful if you would circulate this to all your members as soon as possible !

### **EA Consultation Outcome and Charges for 2022-24**

Following their Charges Consultation the EA finally published their decisions regarding charges for 2022-24 and various other charges related changes earlier this month. The response from Thames based boaters was disappointingly low with only 428 submissions from all classes of boating users. However, the coordinated response mounted by the main boating organisations succeeded in persuading the EA to revisit some of their proposals. In particular, their proposed increases of +6/%, +4/%, and 0% for 2022/23/24 were revised to +4%/+4%/+2% Also, if you sell your boat during the year you will now be able to claim a refund for each full month of the unused registration period. You can see the full document [HERE](#)

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### **TMBA Boaters Satisfaction Survey Results**

The TMBA Thames Motor Boaters Survey closed on 30th November and attracted over 550 responses.

The Summary Results are now available for download from the TMBA website [HERE](#)

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### **Future Events**

As previously notified, with the continuing uncertainties arising from Covid the committee have decided that we will not be holding a Dinner and Dance in March 2022.

We very much hope to hold the usual triennial rally at West India Dock over the August Bank Holiday weekend and we are in discussion with the Canal and River Trust and Docklands Scout Project. However, we are, at this time, unable to proceed with certainty. We will provide further information as soon as we are able to do so.

In the event that the WID Rally cannot be delivered we are considering various options for a rally on the non tidal.

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### **ATYC Trophies**

We are carrying out an audit of all ATYC assets which includes the various competition trophies. If you, or your members, have one of the ATYC trophies in your possession please confirm by email to [atyclubs@unimail.co.uk](mailto:atyclubs@unimail.co.uk)

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### **Committee Vacancies**

As per our previous Newsmail we currently have three specific vacancies for Deputy Chair-Non Tidal, Communications Officer and Webmaster.

I recently wrote to club contacts informing them of my decision to stand down at the next AGM in April 2022 and it is possible that other committee members may also not wish to seek reelection.

Please consider if you would like to contribute. I am happy to provide any information.

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### **So its Goodbye to 2021 .....**

Yet another disappointing year due to Covid but many of us have managed to enjoy some significant boating on the Thames and elsewhere.

There is some hope that the intense effort to get the nation vaccinated and booster jabbed is having a beneficial effect and that a return to a more normal way of life may be possible during 2022. Whatever your plans for club activities we hope you will all be able to continue to get out on the water and make the most of the coming season.

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My best wishes to you all for a Happy and Fulfilling New Year and "Stay Safe" !  
Best regards,

Tony Riley  
Chair