

GREEN DIAMOND SPRING NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2022



MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN:

Spring is now upon us and boats are ready to go after having intense professional servicing.

Bookings are strong in the Water Ski, Canal and Special Events sections after a few tough years. The Club is there for members and friends to enjoy so please talk to Section Leaders and they can advise you how to get the most out of the excellent facilities on offer and have great fun!

I hope that you all have a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing lots of you at the end of the season's masked ball.

Amanda James

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SPECIAL EVENTS:

The 65th Anniversary of the Green Diamond Club has only eight spaces left!

£60 GD Members, £72.50 non-members.

We are looking forward to seeing those of you who are attending on Saturday 22nd October at Eton College Dorney Lake. Final payments will be due by 6th June 2022. Please get in touch with Amie for further information.

WATER SKI SECTION:

Summer is definitely looking closer with the days getting longer and the sunshine is making the lake look more appealing. Thank you so much to those who came down to help with the Spring clean of the clubhouse and the loos/showers at Chichester lake; Robin and Steve did comment on how seriously we took cleaning! It definitely looked much better than the start of the day, and we couldn't have done it without your help. The team down at Ivy lake have made great changes to the surrounds of the lake, making more permanent jettys and levelling the ground to the right as you drive in (so you no longer have to catch your drink rolling off the table).

We have already had some bookings come in for the upcoming water ski season, but we still have big weekends available for May and for August. Smaller weekends (restricted to 15 people on site, inclusive of drivers, skiers and non-skiers) are also available. If you are interested in booking, please do email me at Lottie.james.93@gmail.com and we can get you booked in.

We have found that an all-inclusive price works best as our fuel is no longer the largest cost. The costs below are per person per day, which includes unlimited skis but excludes the visitor day membership (which is an extra £5 per day to Chichester Water Ski Club), camping and food.

£50 for non-members
£36 for members
£30 for children
£25 for tow-boat drivers

Please note for larger weekends, we ask for at least £600 to be made for the club per day, and for smaller weekends at least £400 per day.

If you are not a registered driver, do not fret! Our drivers are more than happy to come down and help you run your weekend, and likewise I am very happy to assist you in the organisation of your weekend.

We would love to get some new weekend leaders in, so if you are interested, get in touch!

Thank you so much to everyone for their continued support, and we look forward to launching the boat in April and getting back on the water!

All the best,
Lottie



CALLING NEW DRIVERS!

It would be great to get new drivers into the club, and we will support anyone who would like to get their hours in to practice.

Although dates have not yet been confirmed, Chichester have said they will be putting on a couple of test dates during the summer, costing £270pp

As a driver, the GDC will pay for your British Water Membership as well as your membership to Chichester Water Ski Club. You will also receive cheaper water ski rates. In return, we ask you to run a weekend and we are very happy to support you!

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CANAL SECTION:

Hello All,

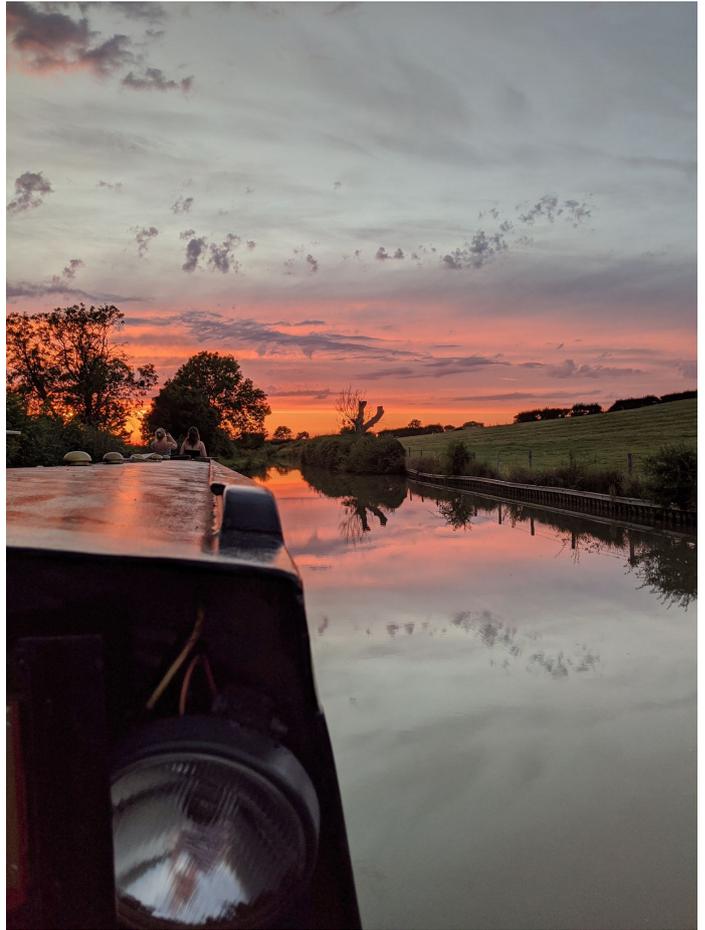
It's been quiet since the last newsletter but Tara's had her first run of the season and she performed beautifully. The work she had done during the winter has paid dividends and she should continue to provide many hours of reliable cruising.

She had her final piece of cosmetic work done at the end of April and she's looking fabulous again. She's moored just west of Devizes on the Kennet & Avon Canal and she's still got availability for the rest of the year so please check the website calendar and get your dates booked in.

I'm going to make the booking form available on-line to avoid the hassle of having to email & scan documents and that'll be available shortly.

Wishing you all a fantastic summer and happy cruising.

Kav



Canal Hire Per Weekend		
Month	GD '22	Commercial
Nov-Feb	£260.00	n/a
March	£385.00	£799.00
April	£460.00	£1,249.00
May	£535.00	£1,249.00
June	£580.00	£1,249.00
July	£580.00	£1,375.00
August	£580.00	£1,375.00
September	£460.00	£1,149.00
October	£360.00	£799.00
November	£120.00	£179.00