



The Steam Boat Association of Great Britain

Milford Haven (Daugleddau) Estuary Rally 2012

1 Introduction

The Daugleddau Rally 2012 event is probably the first SBA event in West Wales. It is aimed at Members with salt-water capability since the estuary is salty at the lower end and brackish inland.

This is a new Event, but the organisers have had a trial run in 2011 that was very successful. To minimize the likelihood of problems, the SBA has invited the West Wales Maritime Heritage Society (<http://www.wwmhs.org.uk/>) to join us. Their members have good local knowledge and will join us as passengers or with their own boats.

The Programme is set up to provide a varied, tide dependent, series of boating activities over five days, with one free day in the middle. It is envisaged that attendees will take accommodation in the area for a full week and possibilities are attached with this information sheet.

It is important to remember that the Estuary is both incredibly beautiful but also a working port for super tankers. Thus all navigators are expected to abide by the Port Regulations. This means that we will have to be rather more prescriptive than if this was an event on a canal. You will need to have navigation lights, buoyancy aids, etc. Full details are provided in the Captain's Handbook that will be issued to attendees.

2 Where is the Daugleddau Estuary?

The locals pronounce the name "*dai-gleth-aië*", and the estuary is in the beautiful county of Pembrokeshire in West Wales. The main town is Pembroke with associated town of Pembroke Dock (ferry to Ireland) and Neyland (I K Brunel's port for his first transatlantic service). For general and detailed location see the two attached maps.

3 Rally Base

The Event will probably be based at **Neyland Yacht Haven**, where launching and recovery is free (a public slip). (Neyland Yacht Haven, Brunel Quay, Neyland, Pembrokeshire, SA73 1PY. Telephone: 01646 601601. e-mail: neyland@yachthavens.com) Boats can be moored for the week here at a cost of around £75 per week (£2.00 per metre/day with a minimum charge of £12.80, but this can be reduced by boats sharing a berth).

Alternatives are East Llanion Marine, where launching and trailer parking for the week was £10 in 2011, and Dale Sailing Company Ltd, Brunel Quay, Neyland, Milford Haven, Pembrokeshire, SA73 1PY. Telephone: 01646 603110/ 01646 603107 (Fee for 2012 is £5 per trailer per week.).

4 **A Typical Programme**

Please look at the draft Fairweather Programme B, which is a separate download. Please note that the final programme will be weather and tide dependent.

5 **Accommodation**

There is a huge range of accommodation to suit all pockets in Pembrokeshire.

Pembroke Tourist Information Centre 01437 776 499

<http://www.visitwales.co.uk/contact-visit-wales/tic%27s-tourist-information-centres/>

For waterside accommodation, examples include:

Lawrenny Arms Hotel (Riverside pub)

Tel: 01646 651367

Tel: 01646 651439

Lawrenny Millennium Hostel

Tel: 01646 651270

E: hostel@lawrennyvillage.co.uk

www.lawrennyvillage.co.uk/hostel/

Neyland Yacht Club has a useful listing of accommodation for boaters.

(<http://www.neylandyachtclub.org.uk/accommodation.html>)

A wide range of holiday cottages are available. Some well known agencies are listed below but there are many other possibilities.

Coastal Cottages of Pembrokeshire

<http://www.coastalcottages.co.uk/>

West Wales Cottages

<http://www.westwales-cottages.com/>

West Wales Holiday Cottages

<http://www.westwalesholidaycottages.co.uk/>

Camping is well catered for as well. Two examples are given below but there are many others. (See: <http://www.ukcampsite.co.uk>)

Windmill Hill Farm

St Daniels

Pembroke

SA71 5BT

01646 682392

Freshwater East Caravan Club Site

Trewent Hill, Freshwater East

Pembroke

SA71 5LJ

01646 672341

6. **Coal**

Coal in 20kg bags should be available if ordered on the Booking form. The price will be £6.60 for Welsh Steam Coal (specify small nuts, 22-45mm or large nuts, 45-64mm). We need an order of 50 bags to get this price.

7. **Booking**

As this is an official SBA Event, skippers will be required to fill in an SBA Declaration. The Event organisers will take bookings for launching and store of trailers at the chosen base but skippers will be paying the providers direct. Accommodation, meals etc. are left to Members' tastes and pockets.

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General Location Map – South West Wales



Dale Sailing Ltd
Brunel Quay
Neyland
Milford Haven
Pembrokeshire
SA73 1PY
Trailer storage

Neyland Yacht Club
The Promenade
Neyland
Milford Haven
Pembrokeshire
SA73 1PX
Slipway

Neyland Yacht Haven
Brunel Quay
Neyland
Pembrokeshire
SA73 1PY
Marina

East Llanion Marine
Warrior Way
Pembroke Dock
Dyfed
SA72 6UB
Slipway and trailer storage

