



May 2022

Dear Fellow Elizabethans,

I hope you are enjoying the early summer weather and getting out on the water, or at least looking forward to it. 'Evadne' is in the water, at last, and we're rather rashly waiting for two days in a row when the inshore forecast doesn't include the words "six" and "heavy rain".

We haven't had a pub gathering here in the south for a while, and it looks like we won't be getting together until the south coast Raleigh at the end of July. Hopefully, everyone will be out sailing between now and then. As always, if anyone wants a pub meeting, anywhere in the country, please drop Charles and me a line and we'll help with the emailing list. I'll try and arrange an autumn pub meet, in or around Southampton, as well.

We've had several new people join us, having made the wise decision to buy an Elizabethan. There's more about some of them and their boats below.

I hope you all now know that Elizabethans are sixty years old this year, the first 29 and (I think) 35 being built prior to the 1963 boat show. Most, if not all of the first production boats are from 1963 and later, but 1962 is the Elizabethan marque's year of creation.

2022 Lymington Raleigh

We are having a south coast Raleigh once again, over the final weekend of July this year. It's in Lymington, the first home of the Elizabethans, and berths will be on the Dan Bran pontoon on Friday and Saturday 29th and 30th. There'll be social drinks and fish and chips on the pontoon on Friday evening, and a meal at the Royal Lymington Yacht club on Saturday evening. We are hoping to welcome many ex-Elizabethan owners and friends as well. We've not arranged any further activities for the day, at least not yet.

If you're coming by boat, please let me know. Preferably as



soon as you can, but definitely before the end of June. We can always fit in the odd

late arrival but the harbourmaster needs to have some numbers from me before then. Don't worry about the weather. If it blows a hooley you get extra kudos for attending, but we don't shame you for not making it.



We've never had less than two boats attend, no matter what the weather. We're hoping for good weather and double figures of boats in this special year. But then, we always are.

It'll be a spring tide, which is around midday in the Solent. Hopefully convenient, whether you're coming from the east or west. If you've not been to Lymington before, it's a lovely place, just keep an eye on the ferries on the way in.

Quite a few people are coming overland this year, with it being the Elizabethan diamond jubilee (not to be confused with the Queen Elizabeth's platinum jubilee). This should make for a jovial atmosphere, whatever the weather throws at us. But don't worry, it'll be warm and sunny.

Whether you are with or without a boat, please confirm how many places you'd like for the Saturday meal and any special requirements, either dietary or anything else. Children are welcome but dogs are not allowed in the clubhouse. I'll circulate a sample menu nearer the time.

The Friday meal is less organised, no need to book in advance. If the weather is clement, we'll have fish and chips on the pontoon and boats; if not it'll be inside the boats. Don't forget some drinks and nibbles; I hope to have a small barrel of homebrew once again.

60th anniversary regalia and burgees



Firstly, thanks to everyone who ordered and has paid for their embroidered polo shirts and other regalia, as well as the commemorative burgees. Hopefully, nearly all have been received by now. If you've received them but not paid, you know what to do.

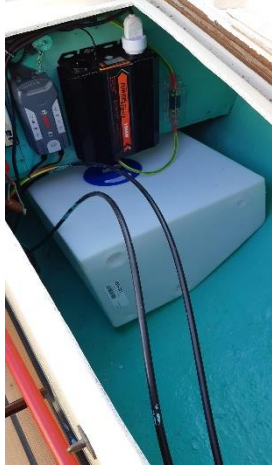
Getting the clothing specified was a bit more involved than I thought it would be, but the end result is that if anyone else wants to order something, drop me a line and they'll make us extra items for the same price as the original order. The logo is embroidered, as shown overleaf. We originally asked for polo shirts but the logo can be put onto almost anything from beanies to hoodies. For an extra £1, you can add your boat name. The price list is at the end.

The burgees (pictured above) are printed and £45. We wanted sewn ones, but to cut a long story short we had to accept screen printed. The printed burgees are well-made and actually rather classy; I'm pleased with mine.

Membership news: people and boats

e29 Bagatelle: Paolo Fossati

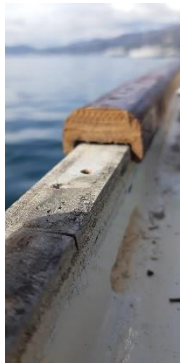
New EOA member Paolo is the proud owner of a 1967 Wauquiez-built e29 ‘Bagatelle’, which he keeps on Lago Maggiore (right). His wife also runs a B&B there, and it sounds like an ideal place to head for on holiday.



Paolo’s first question was about the moulded-in water tank under the cabin sole. The general consensus seems to be that if it’s OK, it’s OK. Otherwise, seal it off and install water tanks in a more conventional position, which is what Paolo has done (left).



He also asked about the toe rail capping. We agree it’s not original, but much of it looks sound and well-maintained (below right). I’ve certainly seen worse. Although it would be nice to have the original mouldings, it is a lot of work. The side pieces (left)



are a (fairly) standard moulding. The aft corners, bow and transom are probably hand-made and can be manufactured using a router, block plane, sander and a lot of elbow grease. Teak is very



difficult to get hold of, you need to seek out second-hand dealers. Or,

use iroko, as I did this year on Evadne. It’s sometimes called ‘African teak’ and I found it looks like teak when oiled, and is a lovely wood to work with.

e29 Serendipity: Phil Abernethy

Phil has been out in the Irish sea this spring from his base in Coleraine. After visiting Bangor, Rathlin and the Isle of Man he was weather-bound by strong southerlies. The southerlies have persisted and he’s now thinking about Scotland. I don’t blame him, the Western Isles are a great destination as well as offering shelter from all wind directions. Hopefully, he’ll get some north-westerlies in the summer and make it to Lymington.

e31 Pavana: Gill German

News not of Gill, but Adrian Simons, whose Dad used to own 'Pavana'. He sold her twelve years ago to someone in Bursledon, and we put him in touch with Gill. It turns out 'Pavana' is still on the same mooring, two owners later, and Adrian was very pleased to hear of her.

e30 Valkyrie: Alvaro and the Sea Clown Circus

An enquiry from the owner of 'Valkyrie' led to an interesting website. Alvaro wanted to know how to service his winches. Charles has the same type on his 9m 'Wakatere' and was pleased to help.

'Valkyrie' is one of the boats in the Sea Clown Circus. They sail the Mediterranean with trapeze artists and acrobats performing in the rigging - when in port, I hasten to add. Or, maybe not? See here if you're curious, and send us pictures if you decide to do something similar. www.seaclown.com

e31 Arctic Skua: Mark Strijbosch

Mark is the proud owner of 'Arctic Skua', based in Malta. He was puzzled when he first used her, about where the water going into the filler cap was going, as there is no obvious water tank. The forward bilge filled with the overflow so it's probably under the cabin floor, in the keel, but Mark has come to the same conclusion as Paolo, and doubtless many others, and fitted a 48-litre tank in the starboard cockpit locker. He's also renamed her "Bomba Sailing", Bomba being his surf magazine at www.bombasurf.com.

e29 Silverheels: Mark Hatton

Mark has just bought "Silverheels". He didn't specify where he's starting but he is doing a full restoration. If anyone has any previous knowledge of this boat, he would be pleased to hear from you.

David White, EOA Commodore
"Evadne", Elizabethan 29 No. 11

60th anniversary stuff:

(I promise this is the last time I'll mention it. 😊)



Polo shirt £16

Softshell RG309-SL £40

T-shirt 108-SL £12 (£14.50)

Fleece 8700-SL £25

Fleece Beanie B243R-SL £8 (cuffed, uncuffed = B244R-SL)

Long-sleeved polo GD48-SL £15

Ladies rugby FR101-SL £24

Mens Rugby FR01-SL £27

Hoodie W72-SL £22

Ladies Polo GD43-SL £16 (same as men's) S 8 M 10 L 12/14 XL 16 2XL 18/20

XL T-shirt SS135SL £12 3XL 50/52" 4XL* 53/55" 5XL* 56/58"