

IWA Waterway Webinars

Reserve your spot and join us for presentations covering topic areas including campaign successes, waterways heritage, canal adoption schemes and more.

It's easy to join using a desktop computer, tablet or smart phone. You can also dial in.

The series of one hour webinars currently planned are as follows:

Hire Boat Holidays – will our holidays of the future be a break from the past?

Monday 21st September, 7:30pm

Speakers: Carl Onens, MD ABC Leisure, Karen Wyatt, Director Canal Cruising Company

Three business owners representing three very different hire boat businesses will be joining IWA's Chairman Paul Rodgers for a chat. 2020 has been a year of two halves and nobody expected the boost to business that hire boat companies experienced as soon as lockdown lifted. What does 2021 have in store for our holidays and how is the industry changing?

Join our webinar and ask the questions you would love to have answered. Whether you're a seasoned hire boater or have always dreamed of a holiday afloat but have never got around to it, the airwaves are open for your questions.

[Register now for "Hire Boat Holidays – will our holidays of the future be a break from the past?"](#)

The UK's Heritage Ports and Harbours initiative – including Maldon & Heybridge Heritage Harbour

Wednesday 23rd September, 7:30pm

The Heritage Harbours and Ports initiative is a new scheme to bring together councils, developers and navigation authorities with local businesses and the boating community to recognise the heritage value of a harbour or port. Maldon & Heybridge on the Chelmer & Blackwater Navigation, a waterway managed by IWA subsidiary Essex Waterways, is heading towards being named as one of the country's first heritage harbours.

[Register now and find out more about this initiative from Brian Corbett \(UK Heritage Harbour Initiative\) and Andrea Raiker \(chair of the Maldon and Heybridge Heritage Harbour Association\)](#)

Current Trends in Inland Boatbuilding and What the Future may have in Store

Thursday 24th September, 12:30pm

Join us for this presentation by Mark Langley. Mark is Waterways World's Technical Editor; with his background in physical sciences and the marine industry he casts a critical eye over boats and

equipment, as well as advising boatbuilders and fitters. Mark runs the Crick Boat Show seminar programme covering a wide range of topics including designing, buying and maintaining boats. Mark's own boat is based on the Aire & Calder. He tries to use it as much as possible in-between spending time on other people's craft!

[Register now for "Current Trends in Inland Boatbuilding and What the Future may have in Store"](#)

IWA at 75: Four regional campaigns with national significance

Tuesday 20th October, 7:30pm

Join us for a presentation by Audrey Smith OBE. Audrey will talk about four ground-breaking campaigns that had widespread benefits for the UK's inland waterways. Featuring the restoration of the Rochdale Canal; saving the Anderton Boat Lift; opening up the Manchester Ship Canal to leisure boats and the creation of the Ribble Link.

[Register now for 'Four regional campaigns with national significance'](#)