

# CamBoaters News Issue 4 – June 2004

## TO ALL CONCERNED

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to Amanda (nb Bacchus) for sponsoring this month's newsletter ☺ Her message to you: "Carry on boating up the Cam!"

Anyone wanting to sponsor a future newsletter and maybe advertise a product or service in these columns should contact me or your nearest CamBoater Rep.

## Quote

"Let us return to nature."

"The first man who, having fenced off a plot of land, thought of saying, 'This is mine' and found people simple enough to believe him was the real founder of civil society. How many crimes, wars, murders, how many miseries and horrors might the human race had been spared by the one who, upon pulling up the stakes or filling in the ditch, had shouted to his fellow men: 'Beware of listening to this impostor; you are lost if you forget the fruits of the earth belong to all and that the earth belongs to no one.'"

-- Rousseau, Discourse on Inequality, 1755

Thanks Dave (nb Friday), my energy levels are returning to normal!

## FYI

The next Conservators of the River Cam meeting will be held in Committee room 1 (The Heidelberg room) at the Guildhall on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2004.

I urge you all to attend this meeting in order to lend as much support as possible to our cause and assist in forging our future, which looks

uncertain. Unfortunately I am unable to be there due to family commitments.

I strongly feel it is imperative that we all respond to the Mooring Policy Consultative Document before the deadline on the 27<sup>th</sup> of June (if you have not received a copy phone me and I will provide you with a copy). In its embryonic form the document is not only unfairly suggestive but also a biased platform to commence this consultation.

## Midsummer Fair

Midsummer Common

Arrives 20<sup>th</sup> June – Leaves 28<sup>th</sup> June

## The Water point

Well folks the water pressure has returned the embankment is now dry, making it a safer place for everyone to be. Thanks to the Council department responsible for its upkeep.

Oh, by the way, if for some unknown reason the water point or pump-out isn't working please phone the help desk (01223 458205) to let them know and please notify a fellow boater, so we can at least save an unnecessary trip. If all else fails maybe a handwritten note on the door would suffice.

## Census

To date I've only received 4 responses to the census, it would still be helpful if you could fill them in and return them to me ASAP.

## Barbeque

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What a success our June Barbeque Gathering was. Many a fine dish was served and enjoyed.

Our next Barbeque Gathering will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> of August on Stourbridge Common details to follow.

## RULES OF THE RIVER

### Navigation

4.1(b) The master of every vessel shall navigate such vessel at all times at a safe speed and with due care and caution to prevent avoidable damage or unreasonable disturbance to persons, other vessels or moorings or the River Banks or flora and fauna and in such manner as to show reasonable consideration for all persons and property in upon or about the River or the banks or towpath thereof or any land of the Conservators.

- Conservators of the River Cam - Byelaw

## Logo competition

The deadline has been extended, so please choose from the entries below.

The closing date will be on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June. The entry with the most votes will be chosen. Failing that I will choose my favourite. (Please also appreciate the image chosen will be one which is easy to reproduce.)

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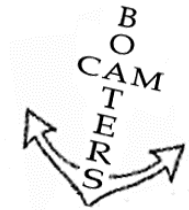
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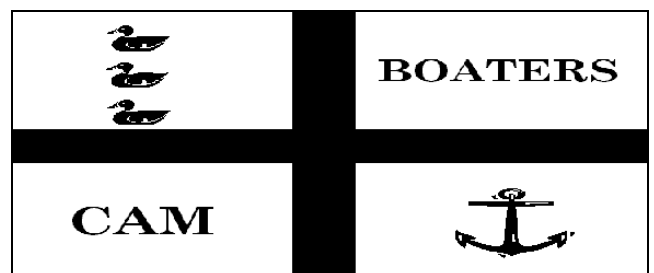
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(Unfortunately all other entries were too sophisticated, complex or expensive to reproduce for our limited budget, for which we apologise!)

Do you have any stories, poems or ditties you would like to share with us? If so please forward them to me, details below.

I still welcome any more ideas of how the CamBoaters committee can be formed and how the needs of live-aboards can be addressed.

Be safe on the water.

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