New Royal Yachting Association training centre at Buckler’s Hard Yacht Harbour

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New Royal Yachting Association training centre approved for Associated Marine Training at Buckler's Hard Yacht Harbour

The Buckler's Hard Yacht Harbour Team tells us…

The Royal Yachting Association (RYA) has approved a new training centre at Buckler's Hard Yacht Harbour with courses run by Associated Marine Training.

The training experts can now offer RYA Powerboat Level 1 (Start Powerboating) and Powerboat Level 2 (Powerboat Handling) at the Beaulieu River marina in the coming year.

The first programmed course will be RYA Powerboat Level 2 on Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th March. Courses before this date can be arranged by contacting admin@associatedmarinetraining.com.

Harbour Master Wendy Stowe said: “We are delighted that Associated Marine Training has been recognised as an RYA approved Powerboat Level 1 and Level 2 training centre at Buckler’s Hard Yacht Harbour. It’s a great opportunity to learn new skills in small groups of friendly, like-minded people.”

Rob McInally, Principal at Associated Marine Training, said: “I’m pleased that the RYA has confirmed Associated Marine Training (Buckler’s Hard) as a recognised RYA training centre and we look forward to helping boaters feel confident and safe on the water in this unique environment.”

New luxury waterfront meeting rooms in the redeveloped boatshed will be the base for theory training courses, while practical training will be provided on the Beaulieu River.

The yacht harbour is also offering shore-based theory courses to berth and mooring holders in the new year, such as RYA Day Skipper Theory, RYA Coastal Skipper/Yachtmaster Theory, RYA VHF Radio, RYA First Aid and RYA Radar, along with workshops on digital navigation, weather, passage planning and Beaulieu River tidal training. For more details and dates, email harbour.office@beaulieu.co.uk or call 01590 616200.

The team at Buckler’s Hard Yacht Harbour has already trained with Associated Marine Training, completing RYA Powerboat Intermediate, Advanced and Radar courses for maritime safety and expertise – ensuring staff are well prepared to manage a wide range of situations on the water.

The powerboat courses are an added benefit for the 500 berth and mooring holders at Buckler’s Hard Yacht Harbour but are also available for visitors to book.

For more details about courses visit www.associatedmarinetraining.com/bucklers-hard-

yacht-harbour-courses or to book email admin@associatedmarinetraining.com or call 07960 694572.

About Associated Marine Training

Associated Marine Training is an RYA recognised training centre at three locations: Hamble Point Marina, for RYA motor cruising and powerboat courses; Buckler's Hard Yacht Harbour, for RYA Powerboat Level 1 and Level 2; and Hythe, a shore-based centre for RYA theory courses. It also offers bespoke sailing and own-boat tuition. Its Buckler's Hard recognition is listed on the RYA website at rya.org.uk/wheres-my-nearest/associated-marine-training-bucklers-hard.

About the Beaulieu River

Buckler's Hard Yacht Harbour was voted the best place for sailors to call home when it won the prestigious Marina of the Year title in British Yachting's awards.

At the gateway to the New Forest National Park, it provides habitats for more than 200 species of birdlife. The custodianship of the Montagu family for over four centuries has kept it special, yet it is only a short sail from the yachting hub of Cowes.

A packed events calendar offers regular opportunities to bring together new and old friends in the Beaulieu River community, while a restaurant, pub and tea shop are on the doorstep at the 18th century shipbuilding village of Buckler's Hard with its maritime museum.