

# Cadogan Pier and Chelsea Yacht & Boat Company

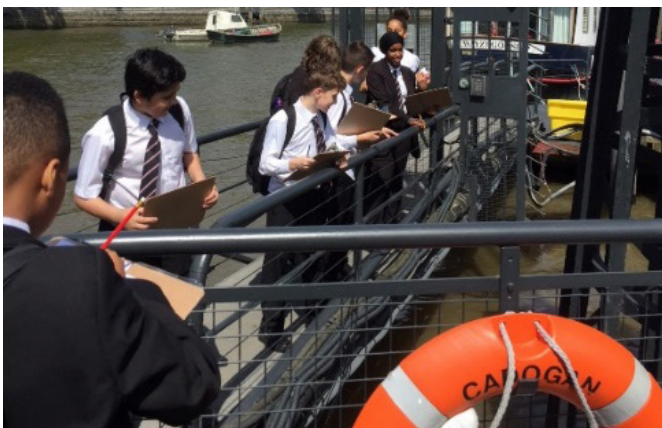
## Welcome to our Summer 2018 Newsletter

This newsletter provides an update on the Company's activities at Cadogan Pier and Chelsea Yacht & Boat Company (CYBC) as well as the wider community around the moorings. We are part of the community and agree and support the view that the moorings must be protected. We want to work closely with local residents and would like to keep you updated with newsletters throughout the year.

### BOATS WITH CHARM AND CHARACTER

At Cadogan Pier we're creating 'design guidelines' so that new boats fit the charm and character of Chelsea both in appearance and size and are sympathetic to the history of Cadogan Pier. We will be creating these guidelines with advice and input from local residents, local societies and the Council.

At CYBC we are committed to the long-term future of the area and want the moorings to be a home to characterful, safe and charming boats. Contrary to some reports, we have no plans whatsoever to replace either of Chelsea's moorings with 'super-yachts' or to create a 'super-yacht marina'. Our top priority has to be the safety of those who live and work at the moorings, and we have a responsibility to ensure each houseboat complies with essential health and safety requirements through regular dry docking. As some of you may know, a small group of houseboat owners at CYBC have sadly failed to do this, putting others at risk, despite being given more than a year to do so. Therefore we have sadly had to ask them to leave. If you have any questions about safety, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us (details at the end).



Art lesson for local students at Cadogan Pier

### OUR WORK IN THE LOCAL AREA – SUPPORTING BUDDING ARTISTS

The Company has a long history of supporting local charities and groups. We are also passionate about opening up the Thames to more people – particularly those who might not normally have the opportunity to enjoy the river.

Given its incredible location, Cadogan Pier, in collaboration with local schools, has launched a series of art appreciation classes for local children. The first students to experience this were from Chelsea Academy.

Once several schools have visited the Pier, the most inspiring exhibits by pupils will be displayed at the Pier for visitors and MBNA Thames Clippers river bus passengers to admire.

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Chelsea Academy is an inspirational community of learning and achievement with high expectations and high aspirations. We hope that this opportunity to observe and paint the river will inspire our younger students.

The opportunity to use Cadogan Pier is a rare one and from a blank canvas, I am excited about what we will see from the groups.

CHRISTIAN DOUBBLE  
ART CURRICULUM LEADER





## LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Here is a brief look at two wonderful local charities we're supporting:



World's End and Lots Road Big Local  
supported by CYBC

We are currently supporting an innovative programme called 'Big Local MO1 Youth Skills' in The World's End Estate. These weekly classes for children and young adults help build confidence and acquire new skills through everything from fitness sessions through to kayaking lessons on the river.

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Although I live looking at the river, I have never actually been on the river. 30 minutes before hand there was no way I was getting in a kayak but I really enjoyed it and can't wait to do it again.

GABRIELLE

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We have supported the Big Local at The World's End Estate previously and are delighted to currently be focussing on helping young local people gain confidence and new experiences with this ongoing course. Having mentored many apprentices myself at the CYBC boatyard, I have seen first-hand the difference new opportunities can make to young people.

PAUL WEBSTER  
THE BOATYARD MANAGER AT CYBC



Kayaking lessons on the river



KIDS' vision is a world in which all disabled children and young people realise their aspirations. Its adventure playground in the grounds of the Royal Hospital is the only playground in Chelsea that caters for disabled children, and allows them the freedom to play outside in a controlled environment supported by qualified staff.

This year, KIDS asked the Cadogan Pier team for some help to put the playground back together following its closure during the Chelsea Flower Show. Our team set about brushing, cleaning, and repositioning furniture, as well as rebuilding the soft play area and trampoline.



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It is always a mad rush trying to get the playground back up and running in two days! We called on the team at Cadogan Pier late in the day and they did a great job making sure we were ready.

**SARAH ORAM**  
THE KIDS CENTRE MANAGER



## INVESTMENT IN THE MOORINGS

Our team has been working very hard to improve the appearance of the moorings at Cadogan Pier for the past four years. Our work will ensure the 150 year-old pier remains a local landmark for the next 150 years.

**We have made significant investment in several areas, including:**

- expanded the team looking after the moorings.
- improved lighting, security, engineering, access and signage – and painting the whole pier.
- helped the Thames Clippers increase the frequency of river bus services from Cadogan Pier and installing a new ticket machine.
- returned the historic flags and sign.
- stopped the practice of double-banking boats which was previously taking place and was a danger to boats.
- removed the white fibre glass boats which were previously moored.

**At CYBC, which we have managed for two years, we have:**

- retained all the operational team looking after the moorings and continued to support the wonderful apprenticeship scheme.
- invested significantly in a new larger dry dock – something which will ensure the future of one of London's oldest working boatyards.
- focused on health and safety by insisting boats meet their essential safety requirements by dry docking regularly.
- made ongoing improvements to the infrastructure and services.
- introduced a programme to overhaul and replace the access pontoons.



## NATURE ON THE RIVER

Spring is always a fantastic time of year on the river for wildlife and 2018 has been no exception. We had several reported seal sightings around Cadogan Pier and one of the furry visitors even posed for this snap taken by an eagle-eyed snapper.

## RIVER BUS

More people than ever took advantage of the river bus to visit The Chelsea Flower Show last month. With plenty of stops and regular services, the MBNA Thames Clippers river bus offers a relaxed, visually stimulating and sustainable way to visit Chelsea, away from the busy roads and crowded tube. Cadogan Pier is a great place for local residents to use the river so visit [www.thamesclippers.com](http://www.thamesclippers.com) for the timetable and bypass the traffic.



The 2018 Chelsea Flower Show in full bloom



The geese have also been very prominent on the Pier this year

## CONTACT US

If you have any questions, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact Simon Rutter:

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