



Trident 50th Anniversary

THE SOUTH COAST BIRTHDAY RALLY 22 May 2010

The Trident 24 will be 50 years old this year, so let's have a birthday party at the yard where most were built. Most Tridents were moulded at the Willments Shipyard on the River Itchen at Woolston, Southampton.

As Marian Quantrell says earlier in this newsletter, in December my wife Rosemary and I joined Marian and Dave together with Chris Tabor for lunch at the Yacht Tavern just around the corner from the original yard.

The plan was to find a venue for a rally which was as close as possible to the birthplace of most Tridents, a fitting tribute for its 50th anniversary. After lunch we braved the cold and visited the actual boat yard which is now Lauren Marine building Hunter Yachts.

We have come up with a date of **22 May 2010** for the rally. Naturally all past and present owners of Tridents, where ever you may be, are welcome. Let's see how many boats we can conjure up.

If you prefer to come by road, (boat laid up, rebuilding, too cold, too windy etc) there is plenty of accommodation available on the Southampton side of the river: the bridge across is only 5 minutes away.

Also, if anybody does get fed up with talking boats, there is always the cinema complex just across the river and Southampton's many other delights.

I have once again spoken with the yard manager and he confirms that

they would be happy to accommodate up to 15 boats on their marina, much of which is accessible at all states of the tide. The berths have electric hook-ups, fresh water supplies and there are also toilet facilities ashore for use by marina boats. <http://www.laurenmarine.co.uk/>

If you are interested please contact me on **01794 390641** Or use my mobile which is **07974 960248**.

I will then send you the finer details of the plan and the festivities we hope to organise.

Best regards to all for the New Year

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