



Royal Solent  
Yacht Club

*Out to Lunch at Warsash*



## Cruising Group's Out To Lunch at The Rising Sun, Warsash, Tuesday 20th June 2023

This was an *interesting* trip for some.....i.e. me and Eileen on *TYRRICK*!

Some nine members made the Rising Sun, in two boats and one car. Robin in *CHAMPASAK* sadly had to pull out, whilst *TYRRICK*.....maintenance? Those who made it reported that they had a very enjoyable lunch and the staff were very helpful and efficient.

This was Nigel and Sue Darken's first trip with the Cruising Group and they took Robert and Corinne Quain with them as crew. *TUVI* is a Swift Trawler 41 and looks very impressive. Obviously a good candidate for a longer cruise in company, perhaps an opener to Poole, an area they know well, later this year? *ETHEL* was crewed by the usual suspects, Tim and Claire, ably supported by Rob Ryan.

*TUVI* was delayed by going to the assistance of *TYRRICK* which had a fuel problem. They very kindly towed *TYRRICK* to one of the Club buoys. Robert took charge of the tow line enabling Nigel to concentrate on navigating through the moorings. Later *TYRRICK* was towed back to her mooring by young Adam the assistant boatman. A good training exercise for him as it was his first alongside towing experience and he had to go astern up Harold Hayles' "muddy creek"! All very frustrating as Martyn sent a text saying, "We're in the bar!!", just as I was sucking petrol through a fuel line.

*TUVI* made the H.M. Warsash's pontoon in good time, having opened up to about 17kt., while *ETHEL* had a splendid downwind run of some two and a half hours.

A different story on the return. *ETHEL* had a hard beat against the rising chop while *TUVI* had to lift her bows in clouds of spray and recorded the wind rising to 27kt. Not the forecast of a force four, more like a six into an adverse tide! Oh the joy of an inside helm, or, in Martyn and Kathy's case, a comfortable car and ferry!

Many thanks to Rob Ryan & Rob Quain for these photos ..... rubs salt in the wound !

David



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