

A 3 Harbour's Rowing Event: A Solent Galley Experience

Meet the local Heritage Racing boats; fixed seat, long and fast!

This is your chance to see what exquisite boats they are; meet the owners,
row and race in them! Random Races for Crews from across the 3 Harbours Rowing Clubs

Bring a crew or just yourself and race these lovely boats over a 1km short race.

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Coastal Rowing Academy & Club; Pat Sherwin Trust; Langstone Cutters Rowing Club

Did you know:

That Solent Galleys were made 32' long to fit on a flatbed railway truck; so that they could be transported around the Solent by rail.

Solent Galleys were sponsored by Southern Electricity; Portsmouth Water; the Police & Avery Itd Workers Clubs; even the Prince of Wales had one.

In 1884 a 5-mile race took place in Southampton Water between Southampton Coalporters and Portsmouth Shovellers for a purse of £60 (£9,500 in 2023). It had more spectators than the Boat Race!

There is an 8th Solent Galley (*Fancy That*) in need of major restoration seeking a sponsor!



