

# NEWSLETTER

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### TRAINING

**01736 364324**

**Call us now to book your place.**

There is funding available for experienced fishermen (minimum 2 years fishing experience) wishing to refresh any of their basic or advanced level training or take courses towards their Under 16.5m Skippers Ticket.

Candidates must already hold all four basic safety certificates– *Sea Survival / PST, First Aid, Fire Fighting, Health & Safety* and have completed their *Safety Awareness* training to be eligible for funding (subject to SeaFish approval).

Please visit our website for more details about our courses.

[www.seafoodcornwalltraining.co.uk](http://www.seafoodcornwalltraining.co.uk)

| Basic Safety Training         | Dates            | Price |
|-------------------------------|------------------|-------|
| Survival at Sea (STCW)        | 27 July          | £130  |
| First Aid (STCW)              | 28 July          | £100  |
| Safety Awareness (Newlyn)     | 23 August        | £90   |
| Safety Awareness (Ruan Minor) | 24 August        | £90   |
| Fire Fighting                 | 7 September      | £110  |
| Health And Safety             | 8 September      | £90   |
| Skippers Ticket (Under 16.5m) | Dates            |       |
| GMDSS SRC VHF                 | 25-26 October    |       |
| MCA 30 hour AEC Engineering   | 17 to 20 October |       |

### Nine new fishermen join the Cornish workforce

This group of trainees graduated on 21 July after an intense and broad Introduction to Commercial Fishing (ICF) course and are now seeking their first experience of working at sea.

The graduates spent 15 days training on shore, delivered by Seafood Cornwall Training in Newlyn, learning about operation of fishing vessels, many different fishing methods and how to behave on board. They graduate with their Basic Sea Safety Certificates and now comply with all the relevant mandatory certification to work as commercial fishermen. Graduates are looking for On Board Experience on vessels in Cornwall over the next few weeks. Skippers with a spare berth can call us at 01736 364324.

Thanks to funding support received from the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF) and the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA), the course is provided free of charge to participants.



### MCA approved AEC 30hour Diesel Engine course

We have been approved by the MCA to run a four day diesel engine course, which is part of the essential training needed to complete your under 16.5m Skipper's Ticket.

The next course will take place from 17 to 20 October.

# WHAT CAN THE EMFF DO FOR YOU?

Some recent case studies to highlight some successful projects...

**Shore based infrastructures** – Penberth Cove is a remote fishing community in West Cornwall that has recently received a 75% grant towards a new Spencer Carter winch to assist the small day boat fleet for launching and retrieving their vessels. The National Trust have also assisted with the financing of the project by matching the other 25%.

Funding is also available for many other **shore-based infrastructure** items, such as davits, ladders, ice machines, stores, CCTV and lighting.



**Modernise and improve the safety of a fishing vessel** - A small scale coastal fishing vessel has recently received 80% grant funding towards a new and modernised deck that incorporates a curve to allow water to drain off when working in rough conditions, which greatly improves health and safety at sea. Along with the new deck, the project also included new hatches and improvements to the wheelhouse as well as safety rails.



**Improve selectivity of fishing gears** to reduce impact on the marine environment. There have been several successful projects where fishermen have received grant funding support to assist them in replacing their current fishing gear with more selective gear. This has seen many new pots fitted with escape hatches, as well as new nets with an increase mesh size to reduce by catch and allow juveniles species to escape. \*All gear that is being replaced must be destroyed and evidenced, as EMFF will not fund any increase in fishing effort.

**Chris Ranford is employed by the Cornwall Rural Community Charity** and is able to assist you with developing ideas, securing quotes, writing business plans and submitting applications. For more information please call Chris on **01736 364324** or email [chris.ranford@cornwallrcc.org.uk](mailto:chris.ranford@cornwallrcc.org.uk)

The *Cornwall Marine Network*, *Cornwall Council* and the *University of Exeter Business School in Penryn* are conducting a survey as part of our research into the Marine Industry in Cornwall. We are hoping that you can help us with your input to ensure that Marine sector businesses have a say, and we can understand better the state of your industry. The survey below should only take up about fifteen minutes of your time and will remain open until 31st August.

Your participation would be very much appreciated, and all responses will be anonymous. In parallel we are also running an interview programme for those who are able to give more in depth feedback. If you can fit in a telephone or face to face interview between now and the end of August, please get in touch with Jo Pye at [jo.pye@cornwallmarine.net](mailto:jo.pye@cornwallmarine.net) to arrange a convenient slot. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your participation!

Please go to the web page below to start the survey.

[https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/?sm=ZlmOksAGCDZkqrzJzUEzoQ\\_3D\\_3D](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/?sm=ZlmOksAGCDZkqrzJzUEzoQ_3D_3D)

FISHING SURVEY



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