



*The Association  
of  
Nene River Clubs*

**NEWS LETTER**

# *Who are the ANRC??*

The ANRC represents the interests of boaters and their families on the River Nene. The ANRC has been in existence since the early 1960.

The Association of Nene River Clubs is the only organization recognized by the Environment Agency for the River Nene.

We act as a forum for boaters to address varied issues that affect navigation and improvements on the River Nene locally and regionally.

The ANRC regularly meet with Environment Agency through the Nene Task Group, Anglian Waters Group and other organizations Royal Yachting Association, Association of Waterways Cruising Clubs, East Anglian waterways Association and play our part in influence the discussion making that affect the River Nene.

ANRC Boat Club members and Individual Members can tie up overnight at any ANRC member club or Association and will be assured a warm welcome a maximum of 2 weeks or weekending your craft and leaving a vehicle safe and secure.

The host club terms and conditions and facilities apply and vary from club to club.

It is essential that you contact their Harbour Master for details and a donation is always appreciated.

Mechanical breakdowns unfortunately occur and one phone call can get you help from one of our recommended Marine Engineers or from one of our clubs on the River Nene and Middle Levels.

Health Emergency also unfortunately happen again help is only a phone call away using Rendezvous Point (RVP) map

We also have the ANRC Boat Watch all you need do is fill in the Boat Watch form with all you Serial numbers etc from items on your boat these then go on a data base which is available to police forces.

## *Islip Bridge update*

For the last few years we have had meeting with Environment Agency, Northampton County Council, Rights of Way and the Mill Owner to have this low bridge either lifted up or moved as from 28 April a final plan has been forwarded and funding has been promised to build a new bridge a bit upstream from present location for 2016/17 so please keep an eye open for more news from ANRC (No other organization has been involved in these talks)

If you require further information please contact any of our 14 representatives or Officers of the ANRC all this can be found on our website or Facebook page.

*John Brown*

ANRC Captain

# *On Going Projects*

The ANRC Committee have been working closely with the Environment Agency, Northampton County Council, to get Islip Bridge moved and rebuilt downstream. This hopefully should be completed in 2016/2017.

***The ANRC still have Cotterstock Mooring, with another one coming up soon. We have negotiated with the Environment Agency for another 7 moorings. This is a slow process as several departments are involved, but the Environment Agency would be paying for all the legal fees, meaning that there is no charge to us. Please remember all the Clubs have Visitor's Moorings, please contact the Club Harbour Masters to confirm any overnight stay.***



The ANRC Committee has purchased three marquees in October 2014. These are available free of charge for clubs when holding a Rally, and can also be hired at charge of £50 each, should a club wish to use for any other function. If you are looking at hiring a marquee, please send your requests to the ANRC Committee.

# ANRC website

Thanks to one of our members, the web site is well and truly up and running. You are now able to download ANRC Membership application forms and ANRC Boat Watch forms. Please ensure that forms are completed and forwarded on to John Brown, ANRC Captain. Also, the best part is that you will be able to see where you can receive your ten percent discounts from, [www.anrc.org.uk](http://www.anrc.org.uk).

We had one member who had some work done by Nene Marine, received a £20 twenty discount, which is not bad going for a £5 membership a year now is it?

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We extend a Very Warm Welcome to all our Clubs, Members & Visitors to the ANRC

Latest Rally 2015 Photos on the Gallery page

Application Form [Click Here](#)

## Welcome to the ANRC

The Association of Nene River Clubs, is an umbrella organisation for the boat clubs on the River Nene. It provides Liaison between the clubs and other bodies such as the Environment Agency, Royal Yachting Association, Inland Waterways Association and the Association of Waterways Cruising Clubs.

*The River Nene:*

Rising at Badby, the Nene, as it is known in it's upper reaches, is navigable from Northampton to the sea. The narrow Northampton Arm of the Grand Union Canal, joins the river at Cotton End. From there, the river descends through 38 locks to Dog in the Doublat, where the river becomes tidal for the last 25 miles of it's course to the Wash.

The river connects to the Middle Level of the Fens through Stanground Lock at Peterborough and boats with 7 ft or less air draft can gain access through to the Great Ouse.

Northamptonshire has been described as the county of 'Spires and Squires'; almost any stop will furnish a house or church worth a visit.

Most outstanding perhaps, is Fotheringhay a very important Yorkist and Tudor site; the parish church is a remnant of an enormous collegiate complex and the castle mound is all that remains of the birthplace of Richard III and the place of imprisonment and execution of Mary Queen of Scots.

The river passing through Peterborough is diverted from its original meandering course, through the fens and confined within the tidal man made cut, leading through Wisbech.

Wisbech Marina is the last practical landing place before the river passes through Sutton Bridge and out into the Wash.

Click [Here](#) for River Nene & River Great Ouse Closure Restrictions

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# ***Events***

## **Annual dinner dance**

The Annual Dinner and Dance was held on September 2014, at the Oliver Cromwell in March. The event was well attended by members and guests, and all seem to enjoy the three course Carvery that was provided. Even some of the members came by boat and many stopped in hotels.



## **Brain of the Nene**

On 22<sup>nd</sup> January this year the Brain of the River Nene was held at Northampton Boat Club, who were last years' winners. The evening was well supported by the Clubs, and the winners were Elton Boat Club.

# Events

## ANRC Rally 2015

ANRC Rally. The theme was 'Christmas in May at March'. It was well attended by many members from the river. As usual for MLWC, there was plenty of food over the weekend, including cooking a lovely Christmas dinner on Sunday. The bar was well stocked. Three clubs took part in the ANRC's got talent, which was well entertaining. Clubs competed towards the Ruby Plate, with Oundle Cruising Club being the winners this year. I hear that it was a 'ho ho ho' positive and profitable Rally.



# Diary dates 2015

12<sup>th</sup> July - MCC 3<sup>rd</sup> Birthday

14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> August - OCC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August - NBC Fun Weekend

28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August - MLWC Live Music

5<sup>th</sup> September - ANRC Dinner and Dance - please check your Club Notice Boards

13<sup>th</sup> September- EBC Open Day

Please if you have any comments, ideas that you would like to be discussed at the meetings please forward them to your Club Reps or send them to the ANRC Captain/Secretary.

# Happy boating!

**If any ANRC Member would like to advertise or share their stories please contact the ANRC Captain/Secretary**