

Skilling up for basic boat repairs/maintenance (i.e. to get you out of a jam)

This module will be led by Jonathan Grey who will be assisted by Ian Heffernan.

Minor dinghy dents/cracks;

Key running repairs to include:-

- Repair preparation
- Minor fiberglass repairs
- Filler repairs
- Timber repairs
- Duct tape

Minor sail repairs;

Key running repairs to include:-

- Repair preparation
- Minor tears
- A stitch to a batten pocket to stop the batten falling out
- How to add telltales
- Sail care / maintenance

Ropework/splicing;

Module to include:-

- Different types of rope & core usage
- Care for ropes / maintenance
- Key knots
- How to coil a rope correctly
- How to splice an eye into a rope

Servicing a small basic winch;

Module to include:-

- How to strip a winch and examine it
- How to service a winch
- How to put it back together without having extra parts

Basic engine tips;

Module to include:-

- How to start an engine correctly
- How to look after an engine (i.e. make sure water is pumping out; no warning lights; no unnecessary smoke, etc)
- Engine trim & tilt
- Flush it out with fresh water after use
- Out of water yacht checks & maintenance
- Basic battery maintenance

Rig & running rigging checks;

Module to include:-

- How to examine a rig & spot signs of wear and tear
- Warning signs of fatigue
- Worn or bent pins, shackles, bottlescrews
- Broken strands in wire rigging
- Rigging joints & fittings
- Jammers
- Blocks and sheaves