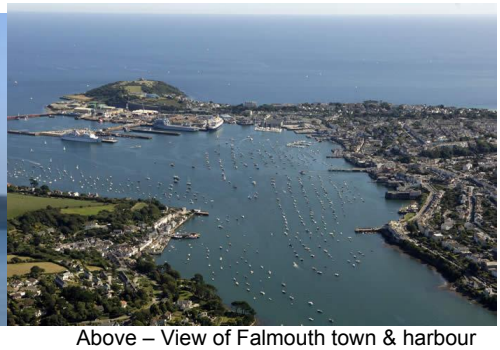
UKMOA – OUTLINE DETAILS FALMOUTH MEETING
MAY 1 – 3, 2010

Suitable for beginners and experienced alike, this years proposed rally in Falmouth will again hopefully offer something for everyone, combining a weekend of local fun with some leisurely extended Cornish cruising for any boats wishing to either arrive early or stay on. Despite the suggested early dates for this meeting Cornwall enjoys an almost sub tropical climate and the chances are always good for fair weather. The protected waters of the Carrick Roads offers great Macgregor sailing with the additional prospects of a short coastal passage (weather and crews permitting) to the Helford River to the West.

Above – View of the Helford River



Above – View of Falmouth town & harbour

This year's proposed itinerary is as follows:
(note some days activities may be swapped around in order to make best use of weather windows)

Launching etc:

Launch either Friday evening or Saturday morning at Falmouth Boat Yard (which is located at Ponsharden on the edge of Falmouth as you arrive by the A39). Launching and trailer storage free of charge thanks to the good offices of Richard Hallowes (formerly of MYI). Full details of boatyard access etc will provided to participants closer to the event.

Friday April 30th:

Friday evening overnight at Mylor Yacht Harbour with excellent facilities to prepare for the weekend ahead.

Saturday May 1st:

Morning: shake down sailing in the Carrick Roads (and Saturday morning launchers can join up).
Lunchtime: anchor off beach at Turnaware Bar for picnic / BBQ / drinks ashore.
Afternoon: Light hearted team relay competitions around the buoys with a fenders instead of relay batons and the batons need to be transferred boat to boat while under sail!
Evening: Moor up at Falmouth Yacht Haven. Dinner in local pub (a private room could be arranged – as in previous years -if there are sufficient attendees).

Sunday May 2nd:

Morning: Light hearted speed trials with sailing on the windward leg and motoring (high speed or otherwise) on the return leg.
Lunchtime: Moor up in St Mawes for either lunch aboard or ashore at one of the local hostelries
Afternoon: Sail across Falmouth Bay to the Helford River
Evening: Dinner in either Helford Sailing Club or local pub

Monday May3rd:
Exploring the delights of the Helford River such as Frenchman's Creek (made famous by Daphne Du Maurier), the Seal Sanctuary at Gweek, or the sub-tropical gardens at Glendurgan and Trebah.
PM return to Falmouth for retrieval at Penrhyn either Monday pm or Tuesday am

Above – Mylor Yacht Harbour

Above – River Fal and Carrick Roads

Costs etc:
Overnight moorings vary from £12 – £23 (max) for a Mac and for those expressing an interest in this event I can forward more details of local facilities, costs etc. Likewise if you want to eat onboard rather that in one of the many suggested pubs etc, or you want to drift off for an afternoon to do your own thing then please feel to do so - this is very much a join in with what you fancy and cruise in company event.

In addition to visiting boats, we will be joined at various stages by members of the local Mac fraternity

For anyone wishing to stay on to cruise local waters afterwards, much further local knowledge and information can be provided.

Finally, as with every Mac event each Skipper is solely responsible for their own boat, crew and safe navigation at all times.

With time moving on, please do contact if you are interested and I can forward further relevant information surrounding this event, or please feel free to give me a call to discuss.

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or see contact details in the email announcement.