

11-12 June 2016

Launching

Largs public slipwayBefore 10am

SIB, F-RIBs, Small RIBs, etc All welcome. Cruising

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Minimum Qualifications

None. But this is the sea – we suggest familiarity with RYA Powerboat Level 2.

Cost

No charge! This is not a formal event – just a group of like minded people coming together.

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Cruise in company on a Scottish small boat 'adventure' just 45 minutes west of Glasgow – but a world away from the hustle and bustle.

In June 2015 a bunch of Scottish SIB owners set off on an adventure from Oban to wild camp on the deserted slate island of Belnahua. You would be welcome to join us on this years' journey exploring the Firth of Clyde.

All small boat adventures are weather dependent but if we are as lucky with the weather as we were last year then the trip might take us from Largs, through the Kyles of Bute to lunch at Tighnabruaich before camping on an isolated beach near the south of Bute or the shores of Loch Fyne. After suitable refreshment and a night under canvas we could find ourselves enjoying a cuppa in Lochranza, below the magnificent Goat Fell before winding our way back to Largs via the Cumbraes.

This part of the Clyde is a classic sailing location with picturesque views, isolated beaches and quiet seaside villages. Dolphins, porpoise, and seals are not unusual sights in this area and those who like to catch their own supper are likely to have the opportunity to try their luck!

Should the weather not oblige then alternative routes in the shelter of the Sea Lochs are possible, with the upper Clyde providing a contingency for all but the worst June weekends.

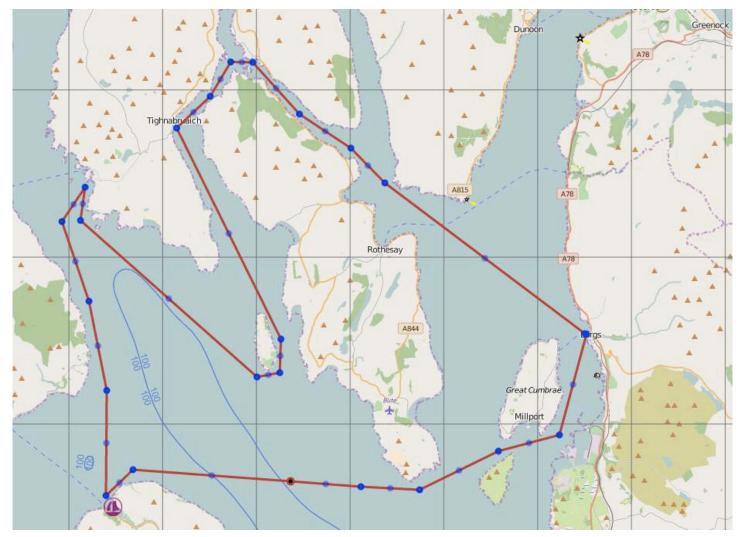
Of course if you are travelling a long way then you might want to add on further cruising before or after the trip, and the Clyde, L. Lomond and the rest of the West Coast provide an ideal base for SIBbing.

NOTE

As with all RIBnet coordinated cruises, RIBnet takes no official role in the organization of this 'event'. You are responsible for your own safety throughout.

PHOTO

West Kyle Heading South. © Donnie Wilcox 2014



Distance

Subject to weather Up to 60NM.

Fuel

Tighnabruaich Garage Portavadie Marina

Accommodation

Wild camping - location to be selected after weather forecast is available. B&B etc. are available in Tighnabruaich, Portavadie, Tarbet etc.

Children & Pets

You'll know best - how well they will fair on the boat for several hours and sleeping in a tent around some snoring old men!

Registration

None required – but please tell us your intentions via RIBnet so we can plan for numbers.

POSSIBLE ROUTE

Subject to weather – Largs – Kyles of Bute – Tighnabruaich – Inchmarnock – Loch Fyne – Lochranza – Cumbrae – Largs. \sim 60NM. Waypoints not to be used for navigation.

Whether you are interested in wild camping, long distance cruises, spectacular views, spotting wildlife or capturing stories on your camera the Scottish SIB gathering has something to offer every small inflatable boat owner no matter whether this is your normal cruising ground or you travel from afar to join in.



"What a tremendous weekend. Great to meet all you guys.....look forward to more Scottish SIB gatherings and adventures." Deano

РНОТО

Landing at Belnahua, SIB Gathering © Donnie Wilcox 2015

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