

# Storrar Marine Newsletter

July 2007

It doesn't seem like five minutes since I last sat down in front of Jennies' computer, wondering once again what to write, on cue my mind goes blank. Outside after a pleasant day (weather wise) it's raining once again! When is the weather going to break, when are we going to get those westerlies so beloved of us East Coast boaters? Tomorrow I have to finish a rigging project at Royal Quay's, go sailing with a customer in the afternoon who has finally launched his yacht after seven years of toil and tonight try & put 'pen to paper'.

This month has seen some excellent new products arrive at the Marine Store including the Light Wedge, Weems & Plath Road rule/lala & Propshield antifouling grease, yes antifouling grease. At the Marine Store we take pride in sourcing & stocking new quality products, our knowledgeable staff can answer most questions & on the rare occasion we do get stumped we are not afraid to admit it & pick up the phone. Most importantly, we try & more often than not can supply customers with the same product at a lower price than the so called 'discount' mail order companies. All we ask is that if you are looking for a new life raft, an electronic package or any item(s) of high value, please give us the opportunity to quote.

## Insomniacs



Is this what you have been waiting for, the Lightwedge night vision? Lightwedge is the first reading light that puts light on the page & not in your eyes. Perfect for the navigator who wants to study a chart in the cockpit yet still retain their night vision. Lightwedge features; night vision friendly red LED illumination, no glare-no stray light to disturb others & it illuminates your chart with ease. For those of you who cannot sleep thru the night, don't want to switch the bedside light on for fear of disturbing your sleeping (possibly snoring) beauty? This clever device will enable you to stay snug in bed yet allow you to read to your hearts content. Road tested in bed last week by Jenny & given the thumbs up it's priced at only £23.95 but July's price is £20.95

## Fish Finders

Why fit a fishfinder to a yacht, apart from telling you where the fish are? Fish finders don't just tell you what the depth is below the boat at that moment, they give a pictorial history of what you have passed over, particularly useful if you get caught out in fog without a GPS where you can relate your depth to your chart and get a rough idea how far offshore you are. A fish finder will also tell you what type of bottom you are over, which is useful if you're anchoring and, most importantly, fish finders start at a lower price than depth sounders! So how do they work? In the simplest terms, an electrical impulse from a transmitter is converted into a sound wave by the transducer and sent into the water. When this wave strikes an object, it rebounds. If the signal doesn't encounter anything along the way, it reaches the bottom.

Mud, sand and vegetation on the bottom absorb and scatter the sonar signal, reducing the strength of the return echo. Rock, shale and other hard objects reflect the sonar signal easily. These subtle differences in sonar reflections appear on the display screen: a soft bottom, such as mud, shows as a thin line across the screen. A hard bottom, such as rock will be shown as a wider line. Colour screens have the distinct advantage that they are easier to read in sunlight and show more information about the strength of the return signal and hence the bottom composition. Here at the Marine Store we have fish finders starting from £79.95. Colour from £159.95

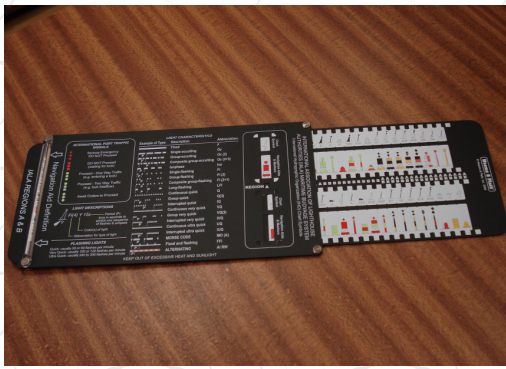


## Grease no not the musical

Does your craft spend a lot of time sitting on moorings making a home for barnacles? Does your prop or stern gear get coated in these creatures? Propshield is the word! Propshield is an environmentally friendly lanolin based product that eradicates barnacles, stops electrolysis and oxidation. It also helps save fuel & makes your boat go **like grease lightning**. Available now from the Marine Store. See Page 2 for special offer.



See page 2 for July's special offers as well as Auntie Foulin's problem corner.



### Buoy O boy

If you sail or motor at night can you (with confidence) remember your lights, buoys or the rules of the road? No problem at the night school. But when you're under pressure, perhaps with an inexperienced crew? Weems & Plath brought to the marine market almost a year ago the excellent 'Lightrule' for the successful recognition of marine lights & shapes. Earlier this month they introduced the eagerly awaited 'Roadrule' lala for the maritime buoyage system & rules of the road. Both devices are easy to use; even I can work & understand them! They are priced at £12.95 each but for the month of July reduced to £10.95

### Meet our staff - This month Andrew Eyre

If only his college knew how much time this 'part timer' spent working on our premises! Andrew started some three years ago as one of our 'Saturday lads', currently studying for his A levels he has graduated from sweeping the floors, both in the shop and the sail loft, washing the fleet of vans to that important post of 'Marine Store dedicated lottery ticket buyer', sadly with little success! Andrew apart from his other duties is now responsible for putting the Marine Store newsletter to bed, see inset photo. In his spare time he is currently launching a boating website, so if you are looking to sell your boat or show off your pictures check out [www.boat-yacht-sea.co.uk](http://www.boat-yacht-sea.co.uk)



Away from the Coast Road premises he enjoys messing about on his father's powerboat also writing and getting published a confess & win article entitled 'A whale of a time at Windermere or how to fish your dad out of the drink when he weighs a tonne'. Poor father. Lucky Andrew as his prize was £250-00 for the article in the April issue of Motor Boats Monthly. Did you read it?

## Jump & jig with joy at July's juicy jumble & job lots.\*

**175g Propshield Stern gear antifouling**  
Was £29.95 July Special £26.95

**Lightwedge Night Vision**  
Was £23.95 July special £20.95

**Lightrule/Roadrule**  
Was £12.95 July Special £10.95

**Eagle Cuda 168 Fishfinder £79.95**

**2Kg - Pear anodes** limited quantity were £29.95 now £14.95

**Rod Holders** from £2.95

1x 2.5L Red Shogun **Antifoul**, dented was £69 now £55

4x 750ml **Shogun Navy** 1tin slightly leaked on other 3 tins, £60 the lot.

**20% Off Vetus** batteries (current stock)

**50% Saving** On rope ends

1 pair **ladies Chatham deck shoes** (washable) size- 6 **ink** 1x size-7 **stone** were £47.95 now £19.95

**Quayside Sydney** (walnut) deck shoes, size 41 & 45 were £55.95 now £24.95

\*July's title winner was lucky John Thomas. Spend your Storrar Marine voucher wisely John! Don't forget to email your August suggestions to: [augustcomp@storrarmarine.co.uk](mailto:augustcomp@storrarmarine.co.uk)

### Aunty Foulin's problem corner

**Dear Aunty F,**

Please help me. My stern gland is leaking & drips constantly. I've tried screwing more grease into it but to no avail. I am at my wits end. Can you help?  
Yours damply,

Soggy Susan.

**Dear Soggy Susan,**

Here at the Marine store we stock four sizes of stern gland packing (complete with installation instructions) & of course two makes of top quality water proof grease. Don't forget to screw down your stern gland greaser. However if you are unhappy with your stuffing box why not consider either a Deep Sea or PPS seal system. Both are available to order from the Marine Store. We can also fit if required. Don't forget to check your shaft for signs of wear!

**Do you have a boating related problem?**

E-mail me, Aunty Foulin and I'll do my best to solve it: [auntyfoulin@storrarmarine.co.uk](mailto:auntyfoulin@storrarmarine.co.uk)

### Remember

Summer opening hours to suit your lifestyle  
Late Night Tuesday till 8.00pm  
**Open from 7.30am Mon-Fri**  
**(Sat from 8.30am)**

**P/S** We service & repair diesel, petrol and outboard engines. Supply and fit new.

Contact us at 181-183 Coast Road, Cochrane Park, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE7 7RR 0191 2661037