

CLUB MOORINGS

Menai Straits Moorings

The Club owns a mooring at the Menai Straits. This buoy can be found on the Anglesey side of the Menai Straits, halfway between the Admiralty buoys, and Menai Bridge pier, on the outside trot. It is also immediately opposite the floating fish cages which are on the inshore trot (but don't rely on this last description – the fish cages could disappear at any time!). Its actual position (by GPS) is 53deg 13.760 N, 04deg 09.086 W.

The buoy is suitable for boats up to 38ft LOA only. The buoy is clearly marked "LYC" and fitted with a pick-up buoy and a mooring strop.

Tranmere Moorings

The Club owns two moorings at the Tranmere side of the riverends of LYC. The moorings do have pick-up buoys but very often the pick-up buoys get wound around the "risers" and it is difficult to get to them. The buoys are marked "LYC". The buoys can be found towards the North end of the outermost trot. The Club's moorings at Tranmere were laid in 2002 and we have not been able to find anybody to service these moorings since then. As a result the Management Committee have decided to advise members that the moorings at Tranmere should no longer be used. Liverpool Yacht Club does not accept any liability for any damage that might be incurred when using the Tranmere moorings.

Bookings Procedure

Bookings for the LYC moorings can be made only through the Club Honorary Treasurer, Nick Ledingham. The various ways of contacting him are shown below.

Bookings will only be taken if they are paid for in advance. A booking can only be confirmed following the receipt of the payment by the Club.

Charges – Menai Straits Mooring

Bookings will normally be from 1200 to 1200 the following day.

For the four week period from 1200 on the Saturday one week before Menai Straits Fortnight	
to 1200 on the Saturday following Menai Straits Fortnight	£5 per night
Any other time from 1200 on Good Friday to 1200 on 31 October	£4 per night
All other times	£1 per night

Please Note. If the mooring appears vacant it may still have been pre-booked by a member who does not intend to arrive until very late at night. The mooring should not be used even if it appears vacant unless you have first checked that it has not been pre-booked.

So as to allow use of the mooring by all Club members, bookings will normally only be taken for a maximum period of seven days.

Tying Up To Moorings

No mooring, and particularly the Club moorings, should be made fast to by means of a lasso. Quite apart from the possibility of the lasso coming undone (and this does happen!) the friction of the rope on the buoy can easily cause the buoy to wear through and sink, taking the riser down with it. Pick-up buoys should always be used, and the boat should be attached to the mooring by means of the mooring strop. Prudent skippers will of course also attach the chain on the mooring strop through more than one secure fitting on their boat with additional lines.

Please note that LYC has received written complaints from Tranmere Sailing Club about some members of LYC lassoing their mooring buoys, and this should never be done.

Disclaimer

The Menai Straits mooring was laid for the Club and is maintained by a professional who lays moorings in the Menai Straits. The Club does not and cannot accept any responsibility for any damage or loss to persons or craft using the moorings. Skippers/boat owners using the moorings should take due account of weather and tidal conditions, as well as the size and displacement of their boats.

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