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## Solent Section

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All events in the Winter Programme 2008-9 will take place at the RAF Yacht Club in Hamble unless otherwise stated.

Evening meetings are at 7.30 for an 8 pm kick-off, with the opportunity of a Club Supper beforehand by booking with the Section Secretaries.

Supper will be served at 7 pm, with the bar available from 6 pm.

### The programme is as follows

#### **Thursday 13 November      Members' Summer Cruising**

A chance to enjoy short reports on Members' Cruising with photos and photographic competition(s). **Please let us know in advance** if you would be willing to put on a short presentation (max 10 minutes) or to show some photos (say 10-20) that need to be projected on a digital or slide projector. The Beken Trophy (a beautiful framed photo) will be presented to the member whose photo best illustrates the Spirit of Cruising. Conventional prints of photographs will also be very welcome, as will a short talk about your cruising without digital back-up! We'd also like your ideas for next year's summer programme.

#### **Friday 5 December      Christmas Party**

Sure to be a pleasant informal occasion. Also a good opportunity for anyone able to organise a summer event to offer their services, and for us to get a feeler for dates and preferences.

#### **Saturday 17 January**

##### **Afternoon Seminar on Cruising Grounds in Northern Europe**

If you could offer your expertise at one of the sessions, probably covering the Normandy Coast, North Brittany, Holland, and/or the French Canals and Rivers, do please contact the Joint Section Secretaries. We hope all those attending will be able to stay on for supper.

#### **Saturday 7 February**

##### **Circumnavigating the UK, the Hill family and Blue Argolis**

An illustrated talk by the Hill Family on their 2006 cruise round Britain, raising money for Practical Action. Their log won the CA's Yachting World Family Cruise Trophy, 1750 miles covered in 43 days.

#### **Thursday 12 March**

**Professor Noel Dilly on Heavy Weather Cruising** – a chance to hear how it should be done from an acknowledged expert. Last year Professor Dilly was unfortunately unable to give his planned talk due to other commitments, and we look forward to welcoming him on this occasion

#### **Saturday 25 April**

##### **Fitting Out Supper**