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**First Thames Valley and London Boat Show to take place at**

**MDL’s Penton Hook Marina**

MDL Marinas’ Penton Hook Marina will be hosting the inaugural Thames Valley and London Boat Show from Friday 12th to Sunday 14th April.

This free to attend brilliant event will have over 25 new boat brands on display (afloat and on the hard) as well as marine merchandise, services, clothing brands and chandlery.

Boat brands include Sealine, Jeanneau, Cranchi, Glastron, Bayliner, Alfastreet & Orkney plus many more.

The friendly show will also feature food and drink from the Big Red Bus, Mr Hobbs Henley Gin, and live music on Saturday and Sunday afternoon.

“We decided to set this up as a local boat businesses’ open weekend, but it’s now so much more,” explains Chris Manners from TBS Boats, the organiser of the show. “We’re delighted at the way that is has grown. As well as all the top boat brands we’ve got many ancillaries too, like finance and insurance, and other exhibitors. Plus, April is the ideal time to view new boats as many offer immediate delivery.”

Penton Hook is Britain's largest inland marina, set in 80 acres and with 575 berths. It’s on one of the loveliest reaches of the River Thames, close to the vibrant town of Staines-on-Thames and about a mile downstream from Runnymede where King John signed the Magna Carta. And, as it’s such a large site, it’s the perfect setting for the show.

“We’re excited to be hosting the new boat show here,” says Paul Hallas, MDL Thames Marina Manager. “We pride ourselves on doing anything that we can to support our tenants, members and the local community. Plus Penton Hook’s a lovely location and the weekend will be the perfect opportunity to show off what we have on offer. For example, as well as terrific facilities, we’re within walking distance of Thorpe Park. And, for all those thinking about a berth on The Thames? We’re more than happy to talk you through all the benefits of berthing with MDL and our other Marinas.”

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The show is free to attend and will run from 10am each day. Find out more from https://www.thamesvalleyandlondonboatshow.co.uk.

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* MDL Marinas is Europe’s largest marina group, offering members over 120 destinations to cruise to in the UK, France, Italy and Spain through Freedom Berthing. Currently MDL Marinas manage 18 UK marinas, 1 in Italy and 1 in Spain.
* MDL Marinas is proud to be landlords to over 500 marine business companies, with nearly 260 staff delivering the unique MDL experience to all members, guests and commercial partners.
* The company also advises on worldwide marina developments including Europe, China and Crimea.
* For more information visit www.mdlmarinas.co.uk

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High res images of Penton Hook Marina are available online from MAA’s media centre at: [www.maa.agency](http://www.maa.agency)