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MDL supports rowing team in aid of mental health charity

MDL's Hamble Point Marina is proud to be supporting team <u>Mindcraft</u>, as they prepare and train for the Talisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge. The team will be rowing 3,000 nautical miles across the Atlantic in their boat 'Mindcraft' to raise vital funds and awareness for stem4, a charity supporting positive mental health in teenagers.

The 24 foot long 'Mindcraft' is a Rannoch R25, and was provided with easy access to the water by MDL, at Hamble Point Marina, for the duration of the team's training in The Solent. The crew of two, Tim Harris and Simon Calver are two friends, with careers in business and finance, looking to raise much-needed funds for the teenage mental health charity. "Our mental health will arguably be more important than our physical health over the two months or so of the row. It is likely the process will forever change our lives and, hopefully, positively help many teenagers change theirs as well from the money we raise" Tim explains. "MDL's support is invaluable in providing us with such a fantastic base for training. Hamble Point Marina offers such easy access to the Solent, along with superb shoreside facilities for any boat repairs" he added.

The Talisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge will begin in early December 2021, departing from the Canary Island of La Gomera and will finish at Nelson's Dockyard, Antigua & Barbuda. The Mindcraft team will be competing in the Challenge against around 34 other teams from across the globe.

"We are delighted to support team Mindcraft in their Tallisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge, in aid of such a great cause" says Debbie Burns, Hamble Point Marina Manager. "it was a pleasure to welcome the team to Hamble Point Marina and we wish them every success."

Hamble Point Marina is hard to beat for its location at the mouth of the River Hamble, ideally placed to offer easy access to the world-famous waters of The Solent. The 230-berth marina offers extensive facilities including a dry stack system with an additional 137 berths, including unlimited lifting and launching, on demand, seven days a week. For more information on MDL Marinas please visit https://www.mdlmarinas.co.uk/.

For more information about team Mindcraft's Talisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge, or to make a donation, please visit https://www.themindcraft.co.uk/home.

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