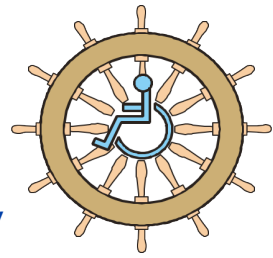


FRIENDS of M.V.FREEDOM

Providing access to the sea for people living with disability



CORONA VIRUS - COVID 19

A CHRISTMAS UPDATE FOR ALL THE PASSENGERS AND SUPPORTERS OF M.V.FREEDOM

The COVID virus has ensured that its been a tough year for everyone, resulting in the necessary cancellations of all our trip bookings. Now it just begins to feel as if the gloom may be lifting with the imminent and exciting arrival of 2021 accompanied by new vaccines and hopefully, in February our new boat. (See the latest photo below).

On reflection, despite the difficulties, the charity has much for which to be thankful. Firstly, the generosity of our donors that enabled the "Friends of M.V.Freedom", after 9 years of fundraising and saving, to finally contract for the new boat last November, just before COVID 19 brought so much to a close. Our boat builders too deserve great credit for the way they have managed to keep working through out the pandemic, enabling us to look forward with some excitement to our new vessel arriving in the Harbour, hopefully early in the New Year. Then we shall busy ourselves familiarising our skippers and crews with the new M.V.Freedom, and all the improvements that have been built in for the safety and benefit of our passengers.

At this stage, it is difficult to know how COVID restrictions will affect our trips, but rest assured that we shall be straining every muscle to ensure that we get as many of our passengers out on the water again, happy, contented and benefitting from the experience, with the best possible arrangements we can make for their safety, especially from COVID.

The Bookings number is open and Meridy our Bookings officer is actively taking provisional bookings on the usual number:- MOB 07974-266867 Everyone will be contacted well before their allotted trip to discuss any COVID precautions and confirm (or otherwise) arrangements for the day.

In the mean time, we all know this Christmas 2020 is going to be different, but all at M.V. Freedom send **SEASONS GREETINGS** to our passengers and supporters and hope you all have a **HAPPY CHRISTMAS** despite COVID 19!

We hope to see you very soon,
Every Good Wish,
Stay Well,
Dirk Aldous
Chairman/Skipper
Friends of M.V.Freedom
December, 2020

