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At last we have some concrete news on the arrival of our new M.V. Freedom. She is finally complete and will be launched for the builders sea trials on the 30th March. Weather permitting, we shall be going up to Essex to undertake the "acceptance trials" on the 7th April, and if all goes well be returning later the same week to collect her and bring her back to Weymouth.

The exact time and date of her return will not be known until we actually get underway. I know that a number of our members have expressed an interest in coming down to the North Quay Marina berth to welcome her. That would be a lovely gesture if anyone felt so inclined and hopefully some good photos will result?

I have arranged for our Treasurer, Michael Garrett, to monitor our progress via AIS, and others of you may choose to do the same. As soon as the weather allows us a start date and I can estimate the time of arrival in Weymouth, I will notify Michael, who will inform the Membership Secretary Andy Brown, who has all your email addresses and request him to circulate the information to you.

Hope to see a few of you on the bridge or at North Quay!

You will have noticed that the trustees have approved a new LOGO and additional strap line for our stationary, and as you can see, they have also been used on M.V.F, so she will easily be recognised!

Regards to All,
Dirk Aldous
Chairman

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